

WESTFORD

Center.
 Mrs. Fred A. Hubbard, of Maiden, has been a guest at her son's home, H. V. Hubbard, this week.

The Westford academy baseball team went to Harvard on Wednesday afternoon and played the Framfield school team. Westford won by the score of 9 to 4.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. O. L. Brownsey will speak in the morning on "The Faith that Builds," the communion following. At the evening service the subject will be "Edified for Life."

Mrs. George A. Walker, who is sick with pneumonia, is reported as improving.

Brush Bros have kept the fire-lighters busy this week. Five calls were reported on Wednesday.

Frank C. Wright and Harry L. NeSmith are driving Buick cars this spring. Both Mr. Wright and Mr. NeSmith drive these new cars expertly. Mr. Simpson, on the Brighton place, has purchased a Ford truck.

The extreme cold last week Friday and Saturday must have hurt the buds in the lowlands but after help we learn on Westford hill there was no damage of any amount.

The Edward M. Abbott house company held their annual meeting on Wednesday evening at the fire house.

Corp. Stanley Sargent, recently discharged, has been about thirty weeks at Mrs. Joseph E. Knight, Corp. Sargent has seen much overseas service and was badly wounded in neck and shoulder in one of the battles.

The monthly social at the Congregational church on Thursday evening of last week was one of the most successful of the winter. This was under the capable direction of Mrs. S. B. Watson. Mr. Watson was first assistant and Mrs. Arthur E. Day and Mrs. Arthur E. Burdett were the other assistants. A beautiful meat-pie supper with other substantial, followed with an abundance of fancy music was served seven o'clock. Plates were laid for 101 and every place was taken and a second table for about thirty was necessary. Misses Edna Day, Ethel Woodbury and Miss Parker assisted in waiting on table. Following the supper an entertainment was given in the church auditorium by the Mendelssohn quartet of Lowell, assisted by Mrs. Nettie E. Roberts, soloist, and Mrs. Percy E. Wright, reader. Miss Julia H. Fletcher accompanied. Every one of these entertainers gave of their best to a most appreciative audience. Their selections were happily chosen and an evening of enjoyable entertainment was the result. A pleasant social supper, a satisfying entertainment and a good result for the church treasury were the returns for this capable committee's work.

Miss Elsie M. Farwell, who has had charge of the dancing class, gave a very pleasant costume dancing party at the town hall on last week Friday evening. There were about sixty couples in attendance and the Ladies' orchestra of Lowell furnished music for the dancing. The prizes for the best costumes were as follows: Lady's first prize, Miss Ruth Loveless; gentlemen's first prize, Forrest White; eccentric prize, Walter Secorellis; honorable mention, Betty Prescott and Elizabeth Carver. Little Miss Lovell's costume was an old-fashioned one and was quaint and attractive. Forrest White's was a chef's costume of spotted white with cap and apron. Walter Secorellis wore a native Greek costume, and Betty Prescott a queen of heart's dress, and Elizabeth Carver was an attractive little lady in a spanged frock representing "Night."

Tadmeek Club.
 The closing meeting, which is the annual meeting, with luncheon, took place on Tuesday afternoon at the Unitarian church. Luncheon was served at 1:30 by the D. L. Fiske Club. Harry M. Inghalls was the hostess of the day and Misses Ruth Loveless, Gladys

Inghalls, Ruth Sargent, Marion and Mildred Fletcher and Ethel Collins were the waitresses. The decorations were marigolds, daffodils and ferns, also evergreen foliage.

At the conclusion of the luncheon the president, Mrs. Roudembush, called to order. Mrs. Brownsey, Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Whitley were welcomed into the club as new members. Mrs. Roudembush gave notice of the sewing school for the four successive Tuesdays in May, the first meeting at Labadie hall on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30; also notice of the annual meeting of the State Federation in South Hadley on June 1, 2 and 3. Reports of officers and committees were next in order. The recording secretary reported 112 members at the opening of the season; new members have been added and 17 withdrawn. There have been thirteen meetings with an average attendance of about 25. Four meetings were given to relief work. The corresponding secretary reported a total of 22 articles written. Reports from the various departments were called for and the report of the nominating committee given. The officers for the coming year were a re-election from this season. There were various changes in the partnership reserves.

Mrs. Olive E. Loveless, toastmistress, was next introduced and filling this role with pleasure acceptance. She introduced in place of Mrs. Gurney, who was unable to be present, Mrs. W. Shaw of Groton, who gave an interesting and charming sketch of her distinguished ancestor that Mrs. Shaw has just received from her father, chairman of the sixth district, of which the Westford club is a part, was highly appreciated.

Mrs. Loveless, by request, gave a check Morgan's beautiful "grove hymn." Music was furnished by a group of ladies—Mrs. Bartlett and Mrs. Taylor, first alto; Mrs. C. H. Wright and Miss Julia Fletcher, second altos; Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Blaney and Miss Eva Fletcher, sopranos; Miss Edna Wright, accompanist. Rubenstein's "Spring Song," "Voices of the wood," was much enjoyed. Mrs. Taylor preceded the singing by a sketch of this great Russian composer, with portrait.

It was pleasant to have as out-of-town guests Mrs. John P. Wright, of Cambridge; Mrs. Edna L. Wood, of Somerville, and Mrs. Edwin E. Amesbury, of Wakefield.

About Town.
 G. E. Laboutly, formerly superintendent of the Read-Drew farm, and A. R. Jenks of the Farm Bureau, are operating their recently purchased farm in West Acton, under the name of Middlesex Fruit farm.

Between 70 degrees in the shade and 20 degrees in the sun we are taking stock to know what got pinched. Wind and spring grass and ground hoppers generally got by. Potatoes we haven't heard from; neither dare we say hello to them when the ground was frozen hard enough to pinch tears from their eyes. Plums and pears are reported to have done quietly Saturday morning when ice formed one-half an inch thick. Peaches are reported to be a lie. The evidence that they have not been killed balances. Considering the steady wind that prevailed all of Saturday evening to mitigate the bite of the freeze, what should we have got if it had been slight? Well we should have been able to get a few of zero getting into the saddle.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Day and eight-month-old son, Robert Leslie Day, have been visiting at the old Day homestead at the junction of the Cold Spring and Grantville roads. Mrs. Emma Day is great-grandmother of Robert Leslie Day.

West Chelmsford Grange had a large attendance at their regular meeting on Wednesday evening with visitors present from Lowell, Chelmsford, Tewksbury and Westford. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on eight candidates. David Olson was unanimously elected and installed as

master to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Lulu Johnson. Past Master Fred L. Fletcher of Chelmsford Grange, was the installing officer. Mrs. Elizabeth Vinal, in behalf of the Grange, presented Mrs. Johnson with a cut glass vase filled with flowers as an appreciation of her four-year service for the Grange. Mrs. Johnson having sold her old home, commonly known as the Longley house, and moved to Lowell. Supper was served by Mrs. Mrs. Angelina Ryan, Mrs. Alice Holt, Mrs. May Edwards and Mrs. Alice Robak.

John A. Taylor writes home from France of meeting Harold Hildreth as student soldier at a university. Harold is the first Westford boy he has met overseas.

The selectmen have appointed W. Ott as director of the Middlesex County Bureau of agriculture and home economics. The appointment is an ideal one—youthful, progressive, and well seasoned with science.

Mrs. Herbert E. Fletcher had charge of the May breakfast on Thursday morning at Lowell. Supper was served at the Westford Benevolent society, in the vicinity of the village church, starting from the residence of Mrs. Fletcher.

Amos Polley, on the Prairie farm, is planting a large acreage of potatoes in the aspen planter. He also has an acreage of winter wheat of real thrift which will be fed to the cows, color and all.

W. R. Taylor protected his peach trees against the recent attempts of the weather to come the zero act by cloth coverings.

Forge Village.
 Mrs. Ellen Flynn, an old and esteemed resident of this village for many years, died at her home on Wednesday. She had suffered for several months and her death comes as a happy release from her long illness and suffering. She was tenderly cared for by her devoted daughter, Mrs. Mary E. Flynn. She is survived by her son, William L. Flynn, Mrs. Flynn was the widow of the late Patrick Flynn. She was born in Ayr seventy-one years ago, but the larger part of her life has been spent in this village. The deceased was devoted to her home and her son and daughter; she was a good neighbor, and her presence will be sadly missed. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. Frank Furbush of Grantville. Her two sisters died within the past year, also, a niece, Mrs. Alice (Quinn) Palmer, of Ayr.

Services will be held at St. Andrew's mission on Sunday afternoon at 4:30. Rev. Lester Wallace, of Taunton, the newly-appointed vicar, will preach.

Miss Annie Campine, of Lawrence, is visiting her cousins, Misses Maude and Edith Hunt.

William Hunt has recently purchased a new Buick auto. which has been ill for several months at her home, is now in a very critical condition.

Minstrel Show.
 The Forge Village A. C. presented its minstrel show in Abbott hall on Monday evening to a crowded house. Large numbers were obliged to stand during the entire program. The singing in the choruses was very good; the jokes were clever and the end-men in their parts in an able manner. One of the features was a novelty dance by William and John Kelly. The program was given by: Overture, orchestra; opening chorus, entire company; end song, "Flocking 'em down"; Thomas Kelly, solo; "Rainbow love"; John Kelly, end song; "I shall sleep well tonight"; William Kelly, solo; "I'll do it my dreams"; William Kelly, solo and chorus; "Don't let us sing of war"; Alexander Scott, chorus, entire company; end song, "Johnny's in town".

James Kelly's "Little by little You're breaking my heart." Charles Douglas, chorus; "The land of cotton," entire company; novelty dance, John and William Baker; end song, "The Blue Bird"; "The Star Spangled Banner"; novelty dance, William Kelly; end song, "Hale Brit-tania"; "March"; and "The Star Spangled Banner"; novelty dance, William Kelly; end song, "Hale Brit-tania"; "March"; and "The Star Spangled Banner".

The floor was then cleared for dancing which was on until midnight. Music for the show and dance was furnished by the Over the Top orchestra. The affair was under the direction of James Maule, who took charge of the program, and he is to be congratulated upon the success of the affair from a musical standpoint.

Grantville.
 The Grantville A. C. played the Middlesex A. C. on the local grounds last Saturday afternoon and night with defeat by the score of 13 to 7. It was a poor day for baseball on account of the cold weather. The local club was also trying out several new players and this also proved a handicap. It is expected that the local team will make a better showing when these two clubs meet again.

Miss Alta Lincoln, of Deane, formerly with the office of the Sargent Sons Corporation here, and her brother, Roy Lincoln, recently returned from overseas duty. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Wright and other friends in the village.

New Advertisements
 COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
 To all persons interested in the property of CHARLES E. PERRIN formerly of Ayer in said County, an absentee.
 Whereas MAUD A. PERRIN, the recollector of the property of said absentee, has presented for allowance, the first account of her receivership.
 You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-sixth day of May A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.
 And said receiver is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days, at least, before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.
 Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.
 F. M. ESTY, Register.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
 To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of JOHN HENRY COLBURN late of Littleton in said County, deceased, intestate.
 Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to DAVID G. COLBURN of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.
 You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-first day of May A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
 And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.
 Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.
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These changes may be summarized as follows:

An increase of 50 cents a month to all flat rate or measured service business subscribers, the latter, however, being an additional allowance of ten calls per month.

An increase of 25 cents a month to all flat rate or measured service residence subscribers, the latter, however, being given an additional allowance of five calls per month.

An increase of one cent per call on excess business measured service calls, as follows:

Messages in excess of minimum guarantee when the total, including the minimum, does not exceed 6,000, 4 cents each.

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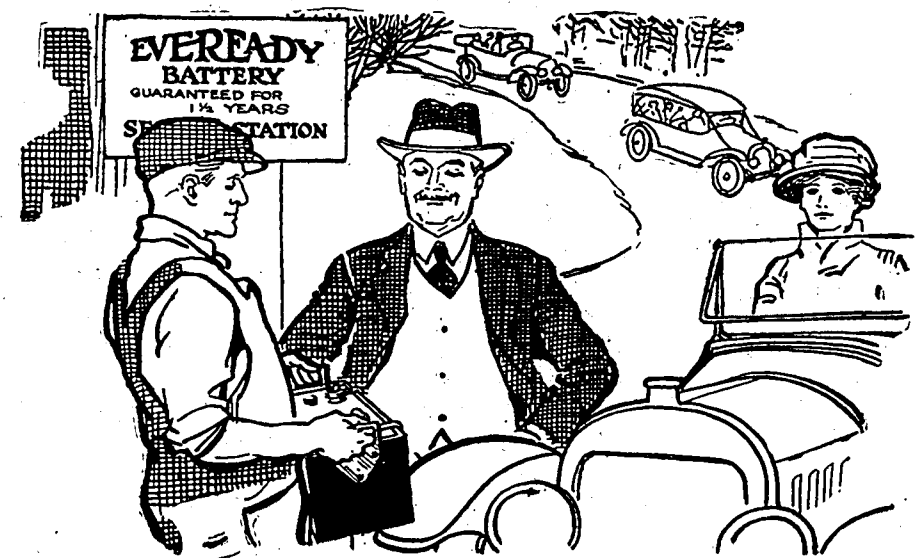
Further information or complete schedules of new rates will be furnished on application to the Manager.

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Saturday, May 3, 1919

AYER

News Items. It has been suggested by many of our citizens that when Main street is rebuilt with a new surface, that the electric car tracks be placed in the center of the street and it seems to be the proper thing to do at this time as our merchants who have stores on the track side of the street should be taken care of as is now done for them to have the tracks so close to their stores.

At the Christian Science services at 10.30 Sunday morning, in Turner's block, the subject will be "Everlasting punishment." Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30. All are welcome. Howard B. White and William A. Lawrence, of Groton went to Bristol, N. H., last Thursday by auto returning on Monday. They had a very enjoyable trip.

The body of Curtis McDonald Quimby of Laconia, N. H., a member of Company A, Main Street, was found last Saturday near the tracks of the Worcester & Nashua railroad. The body was covered by his wounds. It was discovered by a young man, who was in the 26th Division, passed last week Friday, was killed by falling from a train while returning to the cantonment. A later discovery of his coat hanging on a fence post nearby led to further investigation. A special military board of inquiry was appointed.

Plans for Camp Site. The limits of the permanent military reservation, steps for the purchase of which are well under way, have been finally set to include all of the land covered by the camp and the training fields and ranges, excepting the artillery range. The area of the land which is being purchased is about a third of the whole area now under lease.

Proctor's Strand. Mac Marsh in "Spot Light Sadie" will be shown in this popular movie house this Saturday. This is Miss Marsh's latest Golden Era production. A story of the chorus and men with money. The wonderful romance of a girl who is loved by two men, precisely the sort of role the star is best equipped to play and is by all odds the best picture of the week.

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SHIRLEY

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BRADFORD

Bradford are having a week's vacation from their work at Fitchburg High school...

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The many friends of Mrs. Chauncey H. Robbins regret to hear of her illness with influenza...

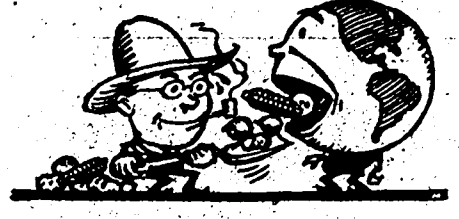
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
 Superior Court.
 To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY E. SWASEY late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to AGNES KENNEDY of Pepperell in said County, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex on the fifth day of May A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing and depositing a copy of said citation to all the heirs-at-law of said deceased seven days at least before said Court.

Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixteenth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.
 F. M. ESTY, Register.

SHIRLEY

News Items.
 The Girls' club will hold a dancing party on Saturday evening of this week in Odd Fellows' hall at 7:30. Any lady desiring to dance will be expected to wear a costume representing some flower of their own selection. Refreshment will be on sale at the hall. Base Hospital orchestra of five pieces will furnish music. The hall is hand-draped and decorated under the direction of Miss Minnette Zuver.

The Ladies' circle met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. George Greenleaf. Besides the members of the circle, were present. The president, Mrs. Alice L. Wright, presided. At the close of the business the members invited all to remain for a social hour, during which refreshments of ice cream, cakes and water were served. A very pleasant feature of the affair was the presence of Mrs. E. Louise Butler, Medford, a former president of the circle.

Mrs. Annie Tewksbury and daughter, Mrs. Percy Gale, with infant son, Charles, were visiting relatives in Colebrook, N. H.

Mrs. Cutting is assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Weems, Jr. The fragments of a Hudson Super Six automobile was found Wednesday morning near the residence of Edward L. Pratt, Lancaster road. It appears that the machine was left by unknown parties who ran the auto into a telegraph pole about 1:30 in the morning, smashing it almost beyond repair. The auto, when found, had been stripped of its tires and other accessories, including the number plates. They were found in a northerly direction. When the crash came one of the neighbors clearly heard the parties talking. The fact that the number plates were missing looked suspicious. However, a jitney driver from Springfield came to town on Wednesday afternoon and claimed the car. He said his lights went out, which was the reason he ran into the pole.

Edward L. Pratt has leased a house in Harvard, where he will reside with his family. He is planning to sell his residence on Lancaster road.

The home of Mrs. Dezonaut, who resides on the northerly side of the railroad opposite Tinker hill, was broken into some time during Tuesday night and a couple of quilts, some of her dresses and a quantity of goods were taken. Mrs. Dezonaut, who is eighty years of age, lives alone. Tuesday evening she went to the mission at St. Anthony's church, and after coming from church called at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lynch, and stayed there all night. There is as yet no clue as to who did the job.

On Friday evening of last week the evening school, which has been in session three nights a week since January, was brought to a close. Robert H. Holden spoke a few words to the school on behalf of the school committee and then introduced Mr. Small, of the naturalization bureau. Mr. Small spoke on the advantages and benefits of citizenship and explained to the school how they should proceed in order to become citizens. Frank C. Johnson, superintendent of schools, then addressed the school and at the close of his talk presented prizes to the eight men who had been perfect attenders. These prizes were books, all on well-chosen subjects and were the gift of Edward L. Pratt. The men who had been perfect in attendance and received the books were all Polish or Lithuanian. The school was, during the short time it has been in session, made remarkable progress under the able teaching of Mr. Martha E. Ellison. All of the members of the class are very anxious to continue their education next winter and it is planned to reopen the school again in the fall, if possible. It is hoped that a much larger number next fall will avail themselves of this opportunity to acquire an education and thus become eligible to citizenship.

The Brotherhood of the Congregational church will meet next Tuesday evening with E. H. Allen, Harvard road.

John J. Chaisson attended a meeting of the executive committee of the Society of Assumption in Chelsea.

Mrs. Ruth Wentworth, of Veazie, Me., is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Chaisson. Her husband, Harold Wentworth, arrived from overseas last Saturday and is now at Camp Devens.



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Deaths.
 Phoebe Bodah Sidleou, wife of Oscar C. Sidleou, passed away unexpectedly Saturday night, shortly after eleven o'clock. Death was caused by cerebral hemorrhage of the brain. On April 12 Mrs. Sidleou gave birth to a son and had apparently recovered from its effects, gaining in strength each day until the middle of last week, when severe pains in her head developed, which gave the family no special concern, as Mrs. Sidleou had been troubled with neuralgia of the head for a number of years. Her sudden death was a severe shock to her family and friends, and expressions of regret were heard on every hand when the sad news announcing her death spread through the town, as Mrs. Sidleou was highly respected.

The deceased was born in Granitaville and was 36 years, 10 months and 22 days of age. The near survivors are a husband, two sons, Frank, aged 17 and Harold, three weeks; two daughters, Laura, 18, and Matilda, 14; two brothers, Mrs. Eliza Bodah, three daughters, Nelson, Barney and Samuel Bodah; also, two sisters, Mrs. Adolphus Bodah and Miss Eliza Bodah.

The funeral was held on Tuesday with service at St. Anthony's church at nine o'clock. Rev. Charles Cordier officiating. The bearers were her brothers, Nelson, Barney and Samuel Bodah; Mrs. George Sidleou of Shirley, Fred Racine of Leominster, and Henry Gosman of Lancaster. Burial was in St. Anthony's cemetery. The grave was a beautiful array of floral tributes, including set pieces from the A. O. U. W., Boy Scouts and Franco-Americans.

Moses F. Cram, formerly of this town, died at his home in West Boylston on Tuesday, April 22, after an illness of several months, at the age of 79 years, 10 months, 18 days.

Moses F. Cram, son of Hiram and Harriet (Tenny) Cram, was born in West Boylston, N. H., June 1838, and was one of eleven children, eight sons and three daughters. Of this family only three brothers survive—William H. Cram and Augustus B. Cram, both of Shirley; and Hiram K. Cram, of Peterborough, N. H.

Mr. Cram was married Sunday, April 1, 1859, and was engaged in farming until the outbreak of the civil war when he responded to his country's call and enlisted as a volunteer from West Boylston. He was in company H, 23rd Infantry, under Capt. Sawyer, of Harvard (who lost a leg in the battle of Gettysburg, N. C.) After three years' service Mr. Cram was honorably discharged and returned to Shirley. Soon afterward he entered the employ of the Whitinville Mfg. Co. at Whitinville, where he held a responsible position for nearly fifty years, until failing health caused him to retire a few years ago.

Mr. Cram was twice married, his first wife having died many years ago. He later married Lina Benton, of Whitinville, who survives him.

Shakers Mourn for Elder.
 A company of 150 men and women, including representatives from all Shaker communities of New England and Watervliet, N. Y., attended the funeral, Monday, of Elder Joseph Holden, head of the sect in this country, at West Pittsfield. The service was public.

Born at Shelburne Falls, Elder Joseph had been eighty years a Shaker, longer than any member of the sect now living.

On one side of the assembly hall sat the women, eight of whom were over eighty years of age. They wore white caps and white kerchiefs over their shoulders, and the opposite side of the hall with those remaining members of the Mount Lebanon ministry, the Shaker governing board, Elder Joseph, Mrs. Walter Shepherd, who presided, and Miss Sarah Berger and Catherine Allen. Elder Joseph's chair was occupied by Arthur Bruce, of East Canterbury, N. H.

The Canterbury Women's quartet, who have sung in Boston and other cities, composed of Misses Lillian Phelps, Josephine Wilson, Jessie Evans and Helen Series, sang three selections. The community at Alfred, Me., was represented by William Dumont, occupied by Arthur Bruce, of East Canterbury, N. H.

Miss Emma Neal, Mt. Lebanon, trustee, gave an eloquent eulogy, in which she said that from 1801 until 1905, when he went to West Pittsfield, Elder Joseph Holden was head of the colony in Shirley. Miss Allen said that Elder Joseph was a composer of songs, some of which are in the Shaker hymnal, and Miss Case recited one of them.

The bearers were Irving Greenwood of Canterbury; Alexander Pettit of West Pittsfield and two business friends of Elder Joseph, Thomas N. Knight and Frederick D. Retallick.

Wedding.
 Private Howard A. Gooley, of the Quartermaster's department, Camp Devens, and Miss Rosa A. Buchheim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Buchheim of Clinton, were married Sunday afternoon at the chapel of the base hospital. The ceremony was performed by Chaplain Dodge, the double ring service being used. The bride was attended by Miss Abdella Gooley, sister of the groom, and the best man, Edward Buchheim, brother of the bride. The bride was crowned in white and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. The wedding gown was made by her uncle in Germany.

Following the ceremony the bridal couple were speeded to Clinton, where a reception was held and a dinner served to the guests, numbering about seventy-five. The wedding presents consisted of gold, silverware, cut glass, linen and bric-a-brac.

Early in the evening the couple went to Fitchburg, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Small, the bride wearing a traveling suit of blue with hat to match. Monday they left on a trip of ten days to Hudson Falls and Whitehall, N. Y., the latter place being the home of the groom. Upon their return they will reside in Shirley until Mr. Gooley receives his discharge. He will then take up his civilian duties as an engineer on the Boston and Maine railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Gooley were a resident of this town for twenty years, and for some years past had been employed by the President Superior Company.

Those present at the reception from out of town were Miss Abdella Gooley, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gooley, of White-

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Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to S. W. HERRINGTON, who prays that letters of administration may be issued to her, and is therein named, without bond or a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of May A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Townsend Telegram, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex, on one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

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