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Mary Pickford 'Daddy Long Legs' Special Matinee Sunday Afternoon at 3.30 o'clock

Regular Prices for Admission MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 EARLE WILLIAMS in 'A Rogue's Romance' where Greek meets Greek. Latest Comedy. Ford Weekly.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 17, 18 and 19

Mary Pickford 'Daddy Long Legs' Special Matinee Sunday Afternoon at 3.30 o'clock Owing to a mistake the prices of admission given in last week's papers are wrong. The prices are set by the Mary Pickford Co., and in order to obtain the picture we have to agree with them. We trust our patrons will not blame us in this matter. It is entirely beyond our control.

Mrs. John Macklin and son Francis of Boston are visiting friends here. Frank Briggs of Boston was a week-end guest at the home of Earl Farrah... Mrs. Lizzie Welch has gone to Leominster to make her home with her brother, Fred Graves.

Mrs. Bertha Farnsworth has returned from a visit to Mrs. Arthur W. Laidlaw in Lowell. Leroy Lawton and family spent Sunday with Mr. Lawton's brother, Clifford Lawton, in Worcester.

Mrs. and Mrs. Irving W. Kidder of Fitchburg have been visiting their son, Elbridge Kidder. Whitbur A. Hart of Norwood was home for the week-end and holiday.

Mrs. Charles Trefathern of Lowell has been visiting friends here. Mrs. John T. Pillman of Winthrop, Mrs. Edith Smith of Somerville and Miss Eunice Vass of Boston have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Pillman.

Mrs. Ernest M. Gleason and daughter Marjorie also made the trip by auto to Newfound lake and returned Monday night. The man who falls to take his wife, sweetheart, kiddies or to go himself see George Walsh in 'Putting one over' at Page's hall this Saturday is cheating himself and others.

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There will be a community service of song at the soldiers' club on Sunday evening, under the direction of W. B. Robinson, who will also, by special request, sing several patriotic solos. As there will be but a few more of these interesting community song services, where everyone united in singing the old familiar tunes, a large attendance is expected.

Ayer Grange will give a whist party Wednesday evening at which prizes will be awarded. Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Smith are in charge of the affair.

District Court. Joe Drozd, of West Groton, charged with assault and battery on Adam Buga, of West Groton, whose case was continued from last week Thursday, was discharged last Saturday morning.

On Friday morning John Robinson of Boston was given six months in the house of correction for the larceny of a bride in Westford. The bride was stolen from the barn of William P. Williams and Robinson admitted taking it.

Seven persons were injured when an automobile driven by Daniel J. Morrison of Westchester crashed into the Nash automobile owned by Joseph Anno of this town, on Sunday afternoon at the corner of Commonwealth avenue and Berkeley street in Boston.

Witnesses claimed that the Morrison car came out of Berkeley Street at a good rate of speed and struck the Anno car on the side near the rear, causing it to turn over twice before it finally came to rest. The seven occupants of the car were scattered in all directions, some of them becoming entangled in the wreck of the car.

Joseph Anno is one of the most seriously injured of the party, having five broken ribs, a badly lacerated arm, a bruise over his eye and being severely bruised with possible internal injuries. On Wednesday he had developed a slight touch of pneumonia and his condition is felt to be quite serious.

His son Matthew, who was driving the car, received a broken arm, and general bruises. John Anno received two cracked ribs and a badly bruised face and body. He returned home the

Real estate transfers in this vicinity which were recorded last week are as follows: Ayer, Herbert J. Webb to E. J. Fallon; Fefferell, Lewis Foster to M. T. Williams; Hollis, Mary W. Bagley to J. A. Gowan; Marcellus R. Hodgman to J. A. Gowan; Perry W. Sawelle to G. H. Tenney; Lucy E. Thompson to G. H. Tenney; Westford, Evelyn C. H. Reid et al. to Robert Prescott; land on Hillside street; Harvard, Arna W. Robinson to Hiram E. Drury.

Special communications of Caleb Butler lodge of Masses will be held on Monday evening, October 20, and Friday evening, October 24, at seven o'clock sharp. On the first date the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees will be worked; on the latter date the Master Mason degree, with lunch.

A. F. Duffy, manager of the safety section, division of operation, United States railroad administration, has decided to hold the national railroad accident prevention drive for a period of two weeks, beginning October 18, at 12:01 a. m., and ending October 31, at midnight, along the general lines of the recent successful sectional campaigns of like character.

The army is definitely launched in the field of vocational training for the motor transport corps. It has no option in the matter, for men skilled in automotive vehicle operation and repair do not exist in anything like adequate numbers for the rapidly increasing number of cars and trucks with Germany, has demonstrated that no matter how good our army may be in other respects, its efficiency will be conditioned by that of the motor transport branch.

George H. Brown has purchased a new big six Studebaker seven-passenger touring car of Yates Garage. The first meeting of the trustees under the will of the late Benjamin H. Hartwell, who died in 1905, was held last Monday in Ayer for the establishment of a home for aged women.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Huntington and daughter Ruth and son Fred went to their summer cottage at Plum Island, Newburyport, last week Friday, returning home on Monday night.

An alarm was sounded Tuesday afternoon from box 16 at 1.20 by someone who had become excited at the sight of smoke coming from Yates' garage, accompanied by a small flame. No damage was done and everything was as normal when the fire department arrived on the scene, no assistance being needed from the firemen.

All the hydrants in town were flushed out and cleaned last week by the water department and found in good condition. They will be painted right away.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker attended the reception of the president of the Concord Woman's club on Monday. Sunday will be rally day in the Unitarian church school.

The Ayer Branch Alliance was represented at the neighborhood meeting in Westford last Saturday by these members: Mrs. Alice Butterfield, Miss Emma Butterfield, Mrs. S. M. Barker, Mrs. Marie Clark, Mrs. Nellie Kirtredge, Mrs. E. LaPointe, Mrs. Whitney, Miss Madolin Whitney, Mrs. O. P. Robinson, Mrs. Carrie Bigelow and Mrs. S. H. Proctor. The party went by electric to Grantville where autos from Westford met them.

Sunday morning service at the Unitarian church at 10.45 with regular offices and sermon; preacher, Rev. Frank B. Randall, the minister; subject, 'The cause of safety.' Church school at twelve. In response to the request of the United States railroad administration recognition will be given on Sunday of their educational campaign for safety.

The postoffice inspector was in town last Saturday and no doubt before long, as soon as arrangements can be made, we will get free delivery daily, but only those who have good sidewalks will be benefited when it takes effect, or they must have a good gravel walk or no delivery; and they had better get busy and have the selectmen attend to the walks for those who do not have any. The inspector is expected in town again before long to make final arrangements.

The regular meeting of Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will be held on Wednesday evening, October 22. Mrs. Viola F. Felton, associate grand conclave, deputy grand matron, assisted by Mrs. Belle J. Richardson, deputy grand marshal, and suite will make an official visitation and inspection. Lunch will be served after the meeting.

Next Sunday at the Federated church is Harvest day. At 10.45 a. m. harvest sermon. Boys' choir. At 12, Sunday school. At seven p. m., Sunday school harvest concert. Young Ladies' choir. Thursday at 7.30 p. m., mid-week service.

Fred Leon Smith and Elva Evelyn Owens of Shirley were married by Rev. John P. Chaffee October 11. The following delegates attended the Middlesex union association at Fitchburg Wednesday: The pastor, Deacon Herbert A. Pollard, Deacon and Mrs. Francis Lovejoy and Miss Mary Johnson; also, Mrs. Emma J. Osgood and Mrs. Charles J. Burrill.

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Center. Past chaplains' night was observed at the meeting of the Grange on Monday evening, but on account of its being a holiday with other attractions but few were present.

G. Paul Smith, impersonator, from New York, is enjoying his annual visit at the home of Albert G. Seaver. Mr. and Mrs. George Jenkinson, of Seattle, Wash., are making an extended visit at the home of his father, Henry Jenkinson, Old City.

In various papers in this section mention is made of work done on the farm by men of age—in the late eighties or eighties years of age. Daniel C. Taylor, who has a farm between this village and Ashby, can certainly hold his own with most of them.

The public schools were given a holiday on Friday to allow the teachers to attend the teachers' institute which was held in Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snow of Brookline were guests at the home of Mr. Snow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snow, over the holiday. A social dance was held in the town hall last week Friday evening, under the management of some of the young men of this neighborhood.



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Advertisement for Geo. E. Homer, Dealer in Optical Goods of All Kinds. Text: "H. J. WEBB, Refracting Optometrist. Main Street Telephone 8020 AYER, MASS."

Advertisement for John F. Ryan, Electrical Contractor. Text: "Fixtures Appliances Lamps. Vacuum Cleaners with Attachments For Hire. Main Street New Carley Block AYER, MASS."

Advertisement for Chas. Sherwin Groceries. Text: "Good Groceries. At Reasonable Prices Make a Trip to the Store of CHAS. SHERWIN. Corner of Main and Columbia Streets AYER, MASS."

Prizes Awarded.

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher association was held on Tuesday evening in the high school room. A talk on "The model school lunch" was given by Miss Ida Harrington, and she also exhibited interesting charts and emphasized the importance of keeping a record from time to time of the weight and height of the school children.

West.

Everett Potts and family are moving from their home here to Greenfield, N. H., where Mr. Potts and his son Harold have found employment.

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