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News Items.
Mrs. C. A. McGraw was called to McGraw, N. Y., quite suddenly last week, by news of the illness of Mr. McGraw's sister, the parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. McGraw, being still in Florida.
A meeting was held at the Peppereil House on Friday evening of last week, and a committee appointed, of which M. Joseph Sullivan was chosen chairman, to draw up plans and make arrangements for a mass meeting to convene soon here in town, in the interests of the newly formed Irish Republic. It is probable that speakers will be furnished from Boston, and

the music will be the Irish songs and ballads peculiar to that country. A committee of seventeen were present, Joseph Sullivan, chairman, Miss Annie Allen, secretary, and Henry Warren, of the Homestead, treasurer. The committee are to meet later and report.
A new case of measles is reported in the family of M. Drumm, Cross street, the oldest girl, Anna, being the victim.
Mrs. A. C. Daniels, of Nashua, moved here this week, into half of the A. A. Tarbell house, Main street, and it is stated, is to open dressmaking rooms, the location being very desirable.
A meeting of the Girl Scouts was held on Friday afternoon of last week, in the vestry of the Community church

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The Community Service girls will hold a meeting with Miss Helen Pond, on Saturday evening, March 19.
Mr. and Mrs. James Attridge went into Boston on Wednesday for a stay over two days.
The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church will hold an Easter sale in the vestry on Thursday afternoon and evening, March 17, commencing at three o'clock. The sale will consist of articles suitable for gifts, aprons, candles, Easter buns in bloom. A supper will be served at 6:30, under the chairmanship of Mrs. E. E. Handley, and an entertainment will be given consisting of music, and sketches, by Mrs. Irene Attridge and pupils, at eight o'clock.
On Monday morning the grocery business of the late E. E. Tarbell will pass into the hands of the purchasers, Messrs. Boynton and Handley. Mrs. Bertha Boynton having sold out her interest in the same.

George G. Tarbell returned here from Chelsea on Tuesday giving his family a pleasant surprise. He is to remain here a few days, although he thinks the air at Chelsea is dryer and agrees with him better.
A second call for fire extinguishers was made Monday afternoon, for a chimney fire in the house of L. H. Rowe, near the Champion-International shop, occupied by Arthur Lavalley and family. The house was formerly owned by W. N. Mault and a similar fire occurred there but a short time ago. The present scare has had the effect of causing the occupants to look for another tenement, although no great damage was done, it was discovered so quickly, and response from the engine house was so prompt.
E. E. Ren is housed by a bad knee, which at present is in a cast. The injury seemed slight at first, but an examination by X-ray revealed a serious condition of the cartilage at the knee joint, and by advice of the specialist, Dr. McAusland of Boston, it is to remain in a cast, and the patient must keep quiet for awhile.
A dancing party will be held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, under the auspices of Frank West Post A. L., in Prescott hall. Clavin's orchestra of Fitchburg will furnish music, and refreshments will be served.

Mrs. E. A. Blood, who has been visiting here from Oakland, Cal., at the homes of her relatives, L. C. Blood and A. A. Pelton, went to Reed's Ferry, N. H., last week for a short stay with her niece.
The Peppereil Braiding Company are again running nearly to full capacity, and without any cut in wages.
S. Thompson Blood has been engaged as the entertainer for the evening of April 7 by the Woman's club, when the ex-soldiers from the Homestead will be the guests of the club at a public entertainment at the Community church vestry.

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The Women's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. R. W. Drawbridge on Wednesday afternoon, March 18, at three o'clock. There will be a continuation of the subject, "The Near East, or cross roads of the world." Mrs. Tower, reader, Miss M. L. P. Shattuck will give current events.
A meeting of the East Village Social club, specially called by president Raymond, was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Martin, Cottage street with ten members present. The business of the afternoon was the consideration of the movement to form a Community Council in town, with representatives from all organizations, for concerted benevolent work. The outline of the council was given by Mrs. Raymond, and after discussion the club voted to endorse the movement toward such organization. The club also voted to resume their meetings, which have been discontinued during the winter, and the next meeting will be with Mrs. Cora Nutting, Townsend street. There was a little program of music by Esther Martin, and the hostess served refreshments.
James Robinson, who worked under the foreman, Mr. Hilk, on the rigging at the construction of the new dam, had a place offered by his former foreman, at Whitefield, N. H., where the Shattuck Construction Company have the contract for a new bridge, and left Wednesday for that place.

American Legion Entertainment.
The second entertainment in the series being presented by the Percival-Vivian Company, under the auspices of Frank West Post A. L., was given at Prescott hall on Monday evening, drawing a better house than on the previous appearance, notwithstanding the conditions of streets would not be inviting to anyone from a distance. The play, "The Three Bears," was entirely different, giving less scope in certain situations, but the fanciful quaint story of "Goldilocks" interwoven in the play, was cleverly portrayed, and won approval. Miss Vivian as the heroine, was very naive and charming, gradually melting the hearts of the three misogynists, who had fled for seclusion to the Maine woods. In the finale, when the "little bear" wins the favor of the heroine, the play is brought to a happy climax, so that everyone is satisfied at last.
Dancing followed the play, for about an hour, the music being furnished by members of the Post, with Miss Butler, as pianist. The next play is "Pine Feathers," and will probably be staged about April 1.

Whist Party.
The gathering of the Homestead boys and girls who met to enjoy whist at Saunter's hall, on Wednesday evening, may have been lessened by the showers of the early evening, but it surely had no effect on the gaiety.
James Barry, of the Homestead, was active as evening master of ceremonies, and the hostesses were Mesdames Hutchinson, Fitchburg, Thell, Mrs. Boynton, and Miss Allen, while Miss Dorn acted as doorkeeper, and keeper of the flags and Japanese lanterns decorated the hall and the arrival of the entertainers from Lowell was hourly expected until about ten o'clock, when a message again came, quite late in the evening, that the American Legion had reached there, but found the travelling party improved from the preceding week, and were not encouraged that they could get through. Their absence was regretted, and it is probable that local entertainers will be secured for any further parties.

A sale of old pal of mine," was rendered by Harry Warren, who did justice to the feeling of the song.
A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation of a bronze boudoir lamp and hand painted shade, from the Homestead boys to one of the young ladies, as expressed by Mr. Barry, who presented herself during the World War in activities, for the benefit of the soldier boys, had sustained the interest, and manifested it in many ways toward the Convalescent men, who was held by them in great esteem. The name of the young lady was purposely withheld until the last, when Mr. Barry named Miss Lilian Dunham, the intended recipient. The gift, making her completely by surprise, she responded very graciously for the kind thought and gift.
There were sixteen tables for whist, the first prize for ladies, hand painted china, was won by Miss Eva Capistran, and for gentlemen a box of cigarettes, won by H. W. Ward. The consolations were awarded to Miss Mary A. Sullivan and Alice Greenberg.
The hostesses served the usual fine refreshments of hot coffee and cake.

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WESTFORD

Center. Dr. Harry C. Colburn has gone to Rochester, Minn., where he is attending clinics at the hospital of the famous Drs. Mayo, going this week Friday. Dr. Colburn expects to be absent for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian A. Cameron returned from their southern trip the first of the week. George H. Cadman has returned to Westford after spending the winter in California.

James W. Carter is ill and under the doctor's care. Robins, bluebirds and song sparrows have all been reported being seen.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Hartford are spending a few days in Boston with their daughter, Miss Hazel B. Hartford.

Little Harold Anderson is recovering from quite a serious shoulder injury. The accident happened while playing with other boys of his own age. In addition to care from the local doctor the little patient had treatment at a Lowell hospital.

Mrs. Herbert V. Hildreth is a patient at the Deaconess hospital, Boston, where she underwent an operation Monday of this week. Her many friends are glad to hear she is resting as comfortably as can be expected.

L. W. Wheeler visited Arthur E. of the Massachusetts General hospital Monday of this week, finding him in good spirits and making good progress toward recovery from his very critical operation.

Edgar Mann has a telephone installed, 8-3, also John S. Greig, 16-12. The new police department number ring is 38.

Mrs. John Burbeck is reported among the sick ones.

Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth entertained the Ladies' Alliance at her home Wednesday of last week.

The Ladies' Aid society meets next week Thursday at the home of Mrs. Perley E. Wright.

At the Congregational church last Sunday a beautiful bunch of 24 white carnations were in front of the pulpit, placed there in memory of Olive Josephine Pyne, who died March 7, 1909. The flowers were afterward distributed to sick and shut-in ones.

The Republican league are busy with their rehearsal held in Chertsey for the big minstrel show, to be given in the six towns, including Westford, in April. Ralph Hawkes of the league headquarters and song leader, is in charge of the rehearsals. There will be a chorus of 35 voices.

Schools close March 18 until March 29 for the spring vacation.

The monthly social at the Congregational church in the care of the Young Peoples' league for March, and they are busy with preparations for the evening, which comes later in the month.

Tadmuck Club.

In spite of bad weather and traveling there was a much better than average attendance at the Tadmuck club Tuesday afternoon at Library hall and this in spite of the fact that there was no added attraction of a social tea. All the teachers and many parents and friends were present to hear Supt. of Schools Hermon C. Knight talk on "Trails, roads and national highways in education." Mr. Knight proved a good speaker and a student of education and schools. He sketched the development of the schools of this country from its beginning to the present well-developed schools from kindergarten to college.

In speaking of our center schools Mr. Knight commended some things, good transportation, the service of the public health nurse, the recent dental clinic, etc., and also noted some improvements that might be made. At the close of his lecture Mr. Knight met and talked with many of his hearers.

At the business session Mrs. Sutherland, secretary, read reports of two previous meetings and gave a report of the midwinter meeting of the State Federation at Melrose. The president, Mrs. White, reported that the three bills, the maternity bill, the bill for better censorship of moving pictures and the one concerning penal institutions had all been favorably acted upon.

The next meeting, March 22, at the Congregational church, is of special interest. Mrs. J. B. Draper, who formerly lived here and who has always retained her interest in the Westford friends will feature an "Ethics of dress," a lecture that she has given before other audiences this season with much success. There will be club singing and a social tea.

Inaugural Ball.

The committees in charge of the inaugural ball worked faithfully and harmoniously to make it the successful event for this and the surrounding towns that it was last Friday evening at the town hall. There was a fine concert program from eight until nine and dancing from nine until two, the dancing being extended one hour by urgent request. Prominent in the decorative scheme were portraits of Harding and Coolidge at the front of the hall. Palms and a profusion of other greenery banked the stage. Many handsome gowns were worn by the ladies and it was decidedly a "dress full" party. Peole & Brigham's orchestra furnished music for the occasion.

The following committees were in charge: executive committee, Rep. A. W. Hartford, William R. Taylor, A. G. Walker and W. G. Hanson; decorations, A. H. Sutherland, J. S. Greig, Chester Burnham, L. F. Hildreth, G. D. Wilson and F. H. Meyer; supper, Charles Tobey, Walter Fletcher, A. R. Nelson, Frank Cushman, Ira Goodwin and Edward Clement; reception committee, Mrs. Gretchen Sargent, Miss

Allice M. Wells, Misses Gertrude D. and Julia H. Fletcher, Robert Prescott, William E. Wright, Mrs. M. A. Sutherland, Frank L. Furbush, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Sweet, Edward M. Abbot, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fletcher, Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher, Charles L. Hildreth and John Edwards.

Mud Time. It is readily conceded that the mud situation in this vicinity is about the worst it ever has been at this time of year, taxing the endurance of all drivers of autos or horse-drawn vehicles to the limit. Reports have been plentifully coming of trucks and other autos getting stuck and having to be assisted for getting out. The road to Westford depot is badly churned up and the one to Forge Village was reported this week as just about impassable. There are also some particularly bad strips on the state road to Lowell. The improved place at Adinot's corner has been much appreciated when compared with former mud times, although it is to be regretted that this strip of work could not have been extended about 100 feet. At Simpson's corner and near John Wayne's getting through to the state road to Boston takes the capability of drivers. The only feature that makes these hard conditions bearable is that with time and patience they will soon be improved.

About Town. First Parish church (Unitarian) Sunday service at four p. m. Preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall; subject, "The church and the stream of civilization."

At a meeting of the school committee to organize, William H. Taylor was chosen chairman and Arthur G. Hildreth secretary.

In the account given last week under West Acton news of the death of Mrs. Susan S. Morrison, we have been asked to add a brief tribute, as she was for several years a resident of Westford. She was the widow of John Wayne and lived on the Groton road near the residence of Everett Woods. She was a regular attendant at the Methodist church in Graniteville and active in its welfare, to the poor she was generous in aid, to the unfortunate, charitable, as neighbor her aim was Love thy neighbor as thyself and this she exemplified to the degree that they could say "An ideal neighbor." Before her marriage she was Miss Susan Swallow of Dunstable, where she was born. She was closely related to the old historic families of Swallows of Dunstable and has honored that honorable name.

John J. Kelly, who on Monday was elected one of the selectmen of Dunstable, is a member of Westford Grange.

At the last meeting of the grange 22 names were proposed for membership. After the business meeting the lecturer's hour was an open meeting and in charge of the executive committee, who introduced Prof. Phipps of Lowell, who entertained to full enjoyment in the role of magician and all-around sleight-of-hand illusions. The next meeting will be held next Thursday evening. The lecturer's hour will be in charge of Mrs. Joseph E. Knight, which is a guarantee that it will be a live night.

A large auto truck heavily loaded with bobbins from Hudson and bound for the Abbot Worsted Co. mill at Brookside, got badly in the mud on the Lowell road Tuesday and by the way, railroad ties were used to separate the truck from the mud. It looks as though it was an unanswerable argument for improvements that have been petitioned for.

The road drag has been over the Lowell road, but the mud is still there and the ties used for autos submerged in mud.

Grantville.

Many people from here attended the inaugural ball held in Westford town hall Friday evening, March 11, and reported an enjoyable time.

The following item taken from the Lawrence Tribune will prove of interest to the Abbot Worsted Co. soccer fans in this vicinity: The Henlee Indian soccer football team of Springfield was defeated from further competition in the Northern Massachusetts and New Hampshire State Football association at a meeting of the cup committee in Boston last Wednesday night. The game the Henlees won from the Abbot Worsted at Quincy January 1 was awarded to the latter team. Manager Sheppard of the Henlees was suspended for one year and Hobson, formerly a player of the Rolls-Royce team was suspended for one year for playing under the name of "Smart" of the Henlees. The state cup now goes to Worcester to be played between Fore River and the Abbot Worsted on or before April 9.

The rehearsals for the old-fashioned dance held under the auspices of the Westford Grange were resumed on last Wednesday evening with a large number in attendance. Joseph Hubbard of Lowell again had charge of the music and Joe Wall had charge of the floor.

Mrs. Clara Gray of Lowell has been a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Furbush here.

For the movie attraction here Friday night Charles Ray will be seen in "The White South" followed by "Fatty Arbuckle in 'Fatty at Coney Island.'" The Paramount magazine will also be shown. The same show will be given in Forge Village on Saturday night.

The Abbot Worsted Co. soccer club is planning to play a league game with the General Electric team in Lynn this Saturday. The local team is anxious to finish up the league games as soon as possible in order to get in condition to meet the Fore River club of Quincy for the state title in Worcester in early April. The Abbot put up a great battle with the shipbuilders at Forge Village last fall and their chances look more favorable for victory in the coming game in Worcester.

Word has been recently received here from Arthur E. Day of Westford hill, who has been ill for several months, that his condition has been greatly improved. This will prove to be welcome news to his many Graniteville friends.

The Abbot Worsted Co. band are planning to hold a concert and dance in Forge Village on March 17.

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How many \$1 bills does it take to weigh as much as a \$20 gold piece? The answer will show a remarkable range of opinions. Some will guess as high as from 1000 to 1200 others down to 30. The actual number is from 30 to 32, according to the condition of the bill.

LITTLETON

News Items. Mrs. Harry D. Allen of Exbridge spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith and Mr. Allen was a week-end guest. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith of Lynn and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and daughter Louise of Arlington were here with the home people.

Mrs. Arthur K. Cook is suffering from an acute attack of bronchitis, but is now past the danger and on the gain.

Miss Emma E. Tenney is taking a vacation for the present from her duties as organist of the Baptist church on account of the illness of her sister and other reasons. Her assistant, Miss Edith Whitcomb, is playing in the meantime.

In the latest reported tests of H. H. Steen-Friesian cows, published by the weekly by Marion H. Gardner, DeCavan, Wis., superintendent of advanced registry of the Holstein-Friesian association of America, H. L. McNitt has one of his pure-bred registered Holsteins listed. This cow, Mona Princess chief, is reported as having made at the age of nine years and five months a record of 245.5 lbs. of milk and 21.21 lbs. of butter fat in seven days, equivalent to 27.25 lbs. of butter.

Richard Gardner, recently dismissed from the hospital, arrived home Monday night, after an absence of six months. He will continue treatment at a naval clinic for a few weeks until he is well enough to return to work. He performs his functions with normal ease again.

Richard G. Conant of Passaic, N. J., has recently been in the state of Washington, presumably on business.

The Harvard advisory track committee has voted to recognize the pole vault of 12 feet 6 inches made by R. W. Harwood in the Olympic try-outs. This gives Harwood the honor of holding the Harvard record in this event, and it will be so credited in the annals of the college. The athletic committee referred the question to the advisory board or recommendation, as Harwood was wearing the B. A. A.'s colors at the time he made the mark. Harwood, however, made his record during the triangular meet with Dartmouth and Cornell, which was a Harvard record in competition for the pole vault. Mr. Harwood is a native of Littleton.

Burglars forced an entrance through the glass in the door of J. P. Thacher's store last week Friday night after an unsuccessful attempt to break the lock. They were but poorly paid for their trouble as V. T. Esten, who occupies one of the tenements over the store, heard the culprits and turned on the lights, thus scaring them away before they had seized anything but three Ingersoll watches. The departure was made by automobile. On the same night a vain attempt to enter the station was made. A glass in the door was broken, but entrance was not effected.

Several couples, chiefly among the younger set, attended the inauguration ball held in Westford last week Friday night.

The school board, Mrs. Ellen M. Hartwell, Miss Marion W. Flagg and G. Edward Prouty, met and organized last week Thursday night with Mrs. Hartwell, chairman, and Miss Flagg, secretary. It is officially announced that bills may be given to the secretary of the school board or to the superintendent of schools.

Edward P. Sheehan has returned from his trip to Florida.

William Goddard concluded his services with J. P. Thacher last Saturday, as he is again in the employment of Conant, Houghton & Co. Inc.

The Woman's club will welcome Miss Margaret Harwood of Cambridge who will address the club Monday afternoon, March 14, on "The A. B. C. of astronomy." A special invitation is extended to the high school and the seventh and eighth grades. The program is in charge of the nature committee.

R. M. Graham of Ayer announces her Millinery Opening Monday and Wednesday, March 14 and 15.

Unitarian Notes.

Judge Frederick W. Fosdick of the superior court will be the speaker at the monthly meeting of the laymen's league Sunday evening, March 13, at seven o'clock. All the men in the community are invited to hear Judge Fosdick.

The young people in the church have raised money to buy a silk state flag for the church auditorium.

The outside of the church will receive a coat of paint as soon as the weather permits.

The Woman's Alliance will hold a sewing meeting with Mrs. A. O. Lawrence Friday, March 18.

There was a good attendance at the church school last Sunday. Four classes had a hundred percent attendance.

The exquisite daffodils and jonquils, which decorated the communion table last Sunday, were much enjoyed by the congregation.

Frank R. Priest, who has just returned from California, called upon Rev. and Mrs. Oliver Jay Fairfield, who are pleasantly located at Long Beach, Cal.

Remember the men's supper Thursday, March 24.

Baptist Notes. Mrs. Dunbar will be in town for a few days next week. Rev. Mr. Dunbar will remain through the week and will endeavor to call on all his parishioners.

The sermon subject for Sunday morning will be "A loss which became a gain." In Sunday school the men's class will discuss the lord's supper. C. E. topic will be "What is real religion?" Leader, Mrs. E. A. Flagg.

The C. E. meeting at 6.30 o'clock in the evening will be led by Sally Kimball subject, "The power of resolute minority." The power of the story of the advance of Canada. Monday evening at 7.30 the Sunday school board will meet at the parsonage. Tuesday evening, March 15, under auspices of the Congregational club, two plays will be given in the vestry. The first play will be given by a high school group of amateurs who are entering upon a very promising career. The second play will be given by the "Fair, fat and forty" type, who will give a production that is sure to keep the audience in a roar of laughter. There will be an intermission between the plays with songs and the sale of home-made goods. Prices very reasonable. Thursday evening of next week at 7.45 o'clock the group of Eastern week will be the theme of the meeting.

WEST ACTON Mr. and Mrs. Nash. The community of West Acton must have been deeply impressed by the bringing of the forms of this greatly esteemed husband and wife more than fifty years married, so nearly together for burial in the home cemetery. The Middlesex Northwest Temperance union is also pleased within a few days' time, of two of its most interested and loyal and honored members. Mr. and Mrs. Nash have long been a part of the old guard of temperance workers in this region. Within a few days of each other as we may think they would have desired it, they have finished their earthly work. We of the union cannot but feel seriously weakened by the going from us of two, who have been so necessary to us, so useful and so highly honored among us as the venerable Gushing Nash and his beloved wife, Clara Hapgood Nash. In all the circle of towns of the Ayer region this sentiment will be found.

Mr. Nash years ago faithfully served his turn as our president. Mrs. Nash was for many years our devoted secretary. The success of our district at a previous meeting at Ayer in 1912 was largely due to them both. The very interesting and full and comprehensive history of the union, published at the time, was the personal work of Mrs. Nash.

Upon the death of Reuben Law Reed, also a prominent worker in the union, which occurred only within a few weeks, Mrs. Nash wrote for her husband and herself their respectful tribute to his memory, and within so few days they have both followed him.

It is so sad to find during their four score years that they were always most careful to honor their associates from time to time falling by the way. They themselves have at length abundantly earned our respectful and affectionate remembrances. W. J. B.

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WESTFORD NOTICE. The following days will be the regular pay days for paying town bills in each month.

1st Monday after the 2nd Thursday, 1st Monday after the 4th Thursday. Bills must be in the hands of the Town Accountant at least three days previous to the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month to insure prompt payment.

By order. BOARD OF SELECTMEN. WESTFORD, Mass., March 4, 1921.

WESTFORD NOTICE. In accordance with the vote of the town, the Board of Selectmen have appointed Harry E. Whiting police officer to have charge of and supervision over the police work in this town, and he will be obeyed and respected accordingly. All bills for police work must be approved by him before they are paid. Telephone 58.

By order. BOARD OF SELECTMEN. WESTFORD, Mass., March 4, 1921.

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 MARY A. HINDS, late of Townsend in said County, deceased: Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court, to grant a letter of administration of the estate of said deceased to CARL B. WILLIAMS of Townsend in the County of Middlesex, without giving security 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-eighth day of March A. D. 1921, 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 the Townsend edition of a newspaper published in Cambridge, on or before the day of March A. D. 1921, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, first judge of said Court, this fourth day of March A. D. 1921, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex.

ETTA A. ARMSTRONG, Executrix of the will of Mary W. Shattuck. 5126. Lyman K. Clark, Attorney for Executrix.

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 H. KELLEHER, late of Ayer in said County, deceased: Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration of the estate of said deceased to JULIA E. OMBARA of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, without giving security on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fourteenth day of March A. D. 1921, 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, George F. Lawton, Esquire, first judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

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WESTFORD NOTICE. In accordance with a vote of the town, all bills against the town should be rendered monthly. Under the new system installed by the Director of Accounts and Taxation, bills not rendered monthly are liable to be delayed in payment and so before a special town meeting being held. HAROLD W. HILDBRETH, Town Accountant. Westford, Mass., March 4, 1921. Smart Fitting Clothes Made to Your Measure. We are justly proud of our Exclusive Tailoring and the great showing of our new fabrics in rich and unusual texture—Also Staple Blues and Black, Grays and Browns if you prefer. But every style guaranteed all pure wool. Let us be of service to you in making your Suit or Spring Overcoat. Your Own Cloth Cut, Trimmed and made, both for Men's and Women's Garments. J. W. MURRY, Merchant Tailor Ayer, Mass.

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HARVARD News Items. There will be a social dance for all and young at the town hall, March 18, at eight o'clock. Music by orchestra, arranged by Nell T. Harshorn and the Mesdames Mildred Savage, Elizabeth Maynard, Alice Bigelow, Harriet M. Stone and Gertrude Turner.

all on the sick list. Stanley Tucker came home last week for a surgical operation and his mother, Mrs. A. H. Turner, is now confined to the house with the same trouble.

and wait until justice and liberty shall be established on firmer foundations than ever before. Admissions to the order is not merely a change of creed we have none. It means a change of life and soul.

The Mount Lebanon Shakers, comprising more than 3000 people of land, is still the largest of the Shaker communities of the country.

"Personally I should like to see our property taken over and conducted as a religious or educational institution after we are gone," said Elder Shepard.

In his devotion to Shaker principles, Elder Shepard represents all that is noblest and best in the sect of today, say the admirers.

H. W. C. The meeting of the Woman's club on Monday, March 7, which was in charge of the literature committee, was a very successful one.

On Wednesday evening, March 23, the play, "Bubbles," will be given at the town hall, under the auspices of the Woman's club.

At the meeting of the Shirley post, A. L. Monday evening, the resignation of Mr. Hunter as finance officer and house committee was accepted.

At the meeting of the board of selectmen on last Friday evening the following minor appointments were made: special police for Boston and Maine railroad, John E. Kelly; fire engineers, Joseph Murphy, Charles J. Stebbins and Guy R. Cook; burial agent, Asa A. Adams; weigher of cotton for Samson Cordage Works, Henry Albert; special police, Thomas C. Berrill.

At the meeting of the school committee held last Saturday evening at the Municipal building the committee organized with Thomas E. Lilly, chairman, and Robert H. Holden, clerk, this being the same as last year's organization.

R. M. Graham of Ayer announces her Millinery Opening Monday and Wednesday, March 14 and 15.

Birthday Anniversary. Old friends passed the word about town that Mrs. Louise Livermore would be eighty years old March 7.

The Ladies' Benevolent society had a very enthusiastic and pleasant meeting on Tuesday last. There were 14 members, which became a birthday lunch for Mrs. Ethel Wright.

The annual supper and parish gathering of the Congregational church will be held on Tuesday evening, March 15, at seven o'clock, followed by the business meeting at eight.

Master Alexander MacLennan, Jr., who is very sick with bronchial pneumonia, is reported as holding his own. Mrs. Hopkins, Goodwin and Chase have met in consultation and everything possible is being done.

Frank R. Preston had the misfortune to get a piece of emery dust in his eye last week and will not be able to see his eyes for several weeks.

There seems to be an unusual amount of sickness about town just at present. Mrs. Dyer is confined to her room with the prevailing malady.

Shakers to Die in 50 Years. Elder Walter Shepard, chairman of the Mount Lebanon ministry and by virtue of that office head of all Shaker communities in the country from Maine to Florida, believes the sect will last at least fifty years.

"Certain it is," said Elder Walter, "whatever happens the Shakers never will abandon the foundation principles of their faith—celibacy and community of interests."

Center. Miss Mildred Evans has returned to her school in Arlington after a week's vacation spent with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Evans.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hazen, who has been undergoing treatment at a hospital in Boston, returned home this week.

She was accompanied by a nurse, who will remain with her for a short time. Miss Ethel M. Holden, who has been visiting Miss Emma Whitaker in Pawtucket, R. I., returned home on Monday also. Miss Whitaker accompanied her, remaining here until Wednesday.

On account of the vacation at Groton School T. J. E. Pulling will not preach at Trinity chapel for the next two Sundays. The regular service will be held, however, at 3:15 p. m., and the pulpit will be supplied from Groton School.

Alice Williams observed her ninth birthday on Tuesday with a party for a few friends. Games were played and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

The high school scholars returned Monday to Pitchburg high school after a vacation of one week.

The Catawunemaug Campfire girls met last Saturday with Miss Margaret Dodge and helped her to celebrate her birthday. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and cookies were served.

The mud in this section is the worst that has been experienced for several years. Those sections of Center road and Parker road which have been considered to be passable under any conditions have given away, and the roads are dangerous for automobile traffic throughout.

Superintendent of Moth Work A. A. Adams has started the work of painting the gypsy moth nests on the shade trees about town.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Adams, who sold their place recently to four Greeks, are planning to go to Nashua for an indefinite stay.

Miss Ruth Goodwin, who teaches in New Britain, Conn., spent last week with her mother at George F. Hills' residence, returning to her school duties Saturday.

Miss Eleanor Denault spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Denault.

Mrs. George Noyes goes to Rosindale, Mass., this week to visit friends and relatives.

Miss Lena Ladd was at home from Manchester over the week-end.

Alwyn Carleton and Miss Bertha Clinton were Mont Vernon visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Goodwin has sold her farm to her son, Daniel Goodwin of Waterbury, Mass., who has begun to make repairs and improvements on the house. Mr. Goodwin does not expect to be here at present, but his wife is coming soon to have an oversight of the work.

Winthrop L. Carter, who recently purchased the Herriek farm, has gone to Europe on a business trip. He expects to return about the first of April.

William W. Worcester and Willis Spaulding attended the triangular indoor meet between Dartmouth, Cornell and Harvard and the basketball game between the Celtics of New York and the American Legion of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Galloway and little daughter of Lawrence, Mass., visited at George V. Bigelow's recently.

Mrs. Lida Hill, a former Hollis resident, died in Lowell at the home of her son, George W. Hill, on February 21. The funeral was held the following Wednesday. She fell and broke her hip some weeks ago and never recovered from it.

The Girl's club held their regular meeting last week Thursday, going through their work out of doors. After the drill Mrs. Hardy was kept of doors by the club members.

Article 7. If the district will build an addition on the high school building, a lengthy discussion, several plans were shown and explained. Mr. Record and a representative of the Oswood Construction Co. of Nashua, after the discussion a motion was made and carried that the board appoint a nominating committee to bring in the names of four persons with the school board and bring a report at an adjourned meeting April 9.

Article 8. To what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of schools for the ensuing year was passed by to be brought up at an adjourned meeting April 9.

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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 LEUIS V. THORPE, late of Townsend, 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 MILVARD E. BIRCH, of Medford 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 nineteenth day of March A.D. 1921, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

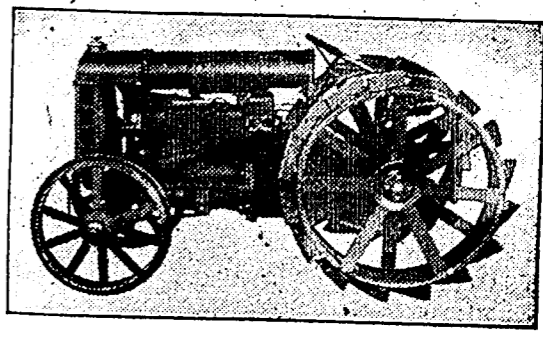
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Townsend Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said day of said Court, and by mailing a copy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

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, first judge of said Court, this seventh day of March A.D. 1921, 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 the Townsend Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said day of said Court, and by mailing a copy of said citation to all the heirs at law of said deceased seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, first judge of said Court, this second day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one. F. M. ESTY, Register.

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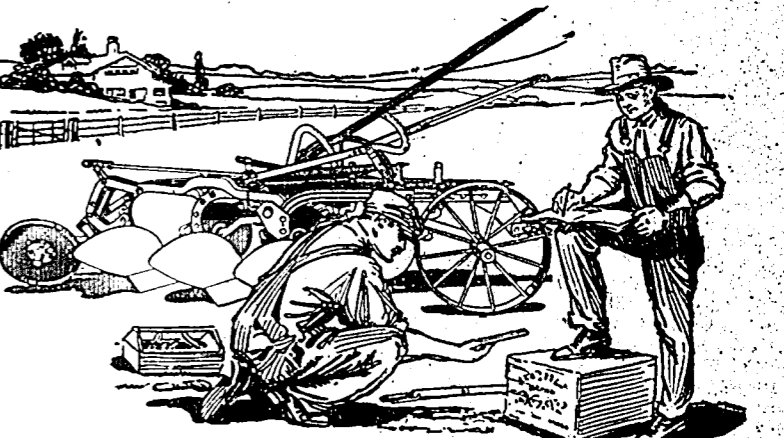
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Saturday, March 12, 1921

GROTON

News Items.

The household goods of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest MacKenzie were moved to Groton on Saturday last and placed in the house recently vacated by Mrs. Elvira Ames on Pleasant street. Mr. and Mrs. MacKenzie arrived the same day.

Mrs. Vincent Chiaramonte and her daughter Serena went on Saturday to Montreal, where they will visit Mrs. Chiaramonte's parents.

The fire department was called out on Friday last week for a chimney fire in the house occupied by the Charpentier family on the road to Ayer. No damage was done.

Frank Dilbert was operated upon at Dr. Kilbourn's hospital for appendicitis on last week Thursday.

Bitter protest, condemning officials of the public health service and war risk bureau because of their recent order transferring 54 wounded veterans of the world war, patients at the Groton hospital, to the old soldiers' home at Togus, Me., was filed with state headquarters of the American Legion on Friday evening, March 4. The protest was signed by the 54 patients affected by the order. The latest protest from the patients at Groton opens up an old feud between local government officials and state legion officers. The latter contend that four months ago officials of the public health service consented to permit Massachusetts men to remain in institutions near their homes.

George Henry Kemp passed away at his home in Groton on Thursday morning, March 10, at the age of seventy-six years. Mr. Kemp was born in Groton, where he had always lived. He leaves two sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Julia Lawrence of Peppercell and Mrs. Cross of Keene, N. H. Andrew Kemp, of Peppercell and Charles Kemp of Groton, and a granddaughter, Miss Alice Kemp, the daughter of his son, William, who died some years ago. The funeral will be at his late home on Saturday at two p. m., Rev. Arthur V. Dimock officiating. The interment will be in the Groton cemetery.

Gerald Breckenridge returned this week to his home in Middlehope, N. Y.

A bazaar and rummage sale will be held under the direction of the general committee for devastated France at 468 Boylston street, Boston, on March 22 and 23. The French shop has been loaned for the occasion by Capt. Melior, and many interesting features are promised. Among the articles for sale will be pieces of British china brought to this country by the late Mrs. James Lawrence. There will be antiques from Russia and Boston dressmakers have sent in Paris gowns. Among those on the committee for the sale of china are Mrs. Richard Lawrence, Mrs. Nathaniel P. Emmons and Mrs. James Lawrence, and among those in charge of the sale of jewelry is Mrs. William F. Wharton.

The parish meeting of the Unitarian church will be held on Monday evening, March 14. Supper will be served at 6.30 o'clock. Business will begin at 7.30. All members of the parish are cordially invited.

R. M. Graham of Ayer announces her Millinery Opening Monday and Wednesday, March 14 and 15.

Miss Cullen attended the Warhurst Public Health Nurses' club meeting at Lancaster on Thursday, Mar. 2.

Mr. Pratt, one of the ex-service men at the U. S. contract hospital, and his wife, who has been staying with Mrs. F. C. Bishop, left town this week, as Mr. Pratt is to attend a vocational school elsewhere.

Rehearsals for the original play by Lucius C. Fairchild of Ayer which has been presented in several surrounding towns earlier in the season, will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild and a cast of characters by Ayer local talent in the town hall on Wednesday evening, March 20, at eight o'clock. The proceeds are to go toward the fund for the education of the ex-service men at the U. S. contract hospital.

Miss McGowan is having a ten day vacation from her work at Dr. Kilbourn's hospital.

Mrs. Fred Tuttle entertained the Neighborhood club at her home on Wednesday afternoon, March 9. There were sixteen club members present and two guests. The entertainment given the first of the afternoon and during the evening were given by Mrs. Rook. There were readings by Mrs. May and by Mrs. Rook, after which Mrs. Lillian Freeman entertained the club with musical selections. Refreshments were served and a social time together was enjoyed at the close of the afternoon.

Dr. David R. Steers of Providence, R. I., was in town the first of the week.

The Community club held a pleasant social gathering at the home of Mrs. Herbert W. Taylor on Wednesday afternoon, March 9. Nearly all the club members were present. As it was the ninth anniversary of Mrs. Taylor's daughter Mary, a birthday cake with candies was one of the features of the afternoon, as refreshments were served. There were tastefully arranged decorations of green. Quotations were given by the club. It was not then decided when the next meeting will be held.

William N. Souther was summoned to Boston last week on account of his wife's critical condition after her operation at the Massachusetts General hospital. Mrs. Souther is no much improved that her husband returned home the first of this week and it is hoped that she may return home next week.

The pastor of the Congregational church, Mrs. Dimock, Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck and M. P. Swallow were the four delegates from this church who attended the Congregational retreat at the Pilgrim church, Lancaster, on Tuesday. Rev. A. V. Dimock will speak on "World empire" at the Con-

gregational church next Sunday morning.

There was a debate on capital vs. labor on Sunday evening between the men of the American Legion and the ex-service men at the U. S. contract hospital. On Tuesday evening there was a military whist party at the hospital, when twenty young ladies came there from Harvard bringing refreshments with them for the evening's entertainment.

Don't forget the A. O. H. concert and ball at Ayer town hall, Thursday evening, March 17.

Congregational Church.

On Sunday morning the pastor of the Congregational church preached a message to the effect that "Christ, through enduring the cross and despising the shame, was able to reach the joy of completion in his work for the salvation of mankind. The communion service followed the sermon. In addition to the anthem by the choir the responses after the prayer was a solo "My Father knows it all" sung by Mr. Smith. The decorations for the day were in white and yellow, tulips, narcissus and a geranium in full bloom. In the evening the quartet, composed of Mrs. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gleason and G. S. Knapp, sang "Twilight and evening star" and there was a selection of instrumental music by Miss Alice Knapp on the violin, Ronald Dimock on the saxophone and Miss Alice Dodge on the organ. The sermon was upon the sin of envy which killed the Christ and has been the source of much evil in all ages. The subject of the men's topic class next Sunday will be, "How may we enlist in Jesus' cause?"

Clipping.

In the hearing given at the state house in Boston on February 23 in regard to the proposed repeal of daylight saving, among others who spoke was R. M. Shaw of Groton, as cited in the following paragraph from the Boston Herald.

Richard M. Shaw, farmer and agricultural writer of Groton, told of canvassing 50 towns and interviewing 375 farmers. He found 221 entirely indifferent, although 73 of them belonged to the Grange; 62 actually in favor, and 212 strongly opposed. Of these 92, only two could cite any figures of damage, one estimating that his crop costs were increased 15 percent, and the other 25, but the latter admitted that apples composed 90 percent of his total crop, and they were not affected. Of the 62 in favor of daylight saving, many admitted having signed petitions for repeal, but explained that they disliked to be disloyal to the grange. Mr. Shaw presented arguments to show that farm work can be adjusted to daylight saving.

School Notes.

Clarence L. Bartof, inspector of the State Board of Labor and Industry, visited the Butler high school on Friday of last week, and by invitation of the principal spoke to the pupils of the high school and of the seventh and eighth grades on the subject of precautions for avoiding accidents and of simple remedies for such accidents as might be met with in school, at home or in industries. Mr. Bartof also visited the manual training and cooking classes, which were in session at the time.

The baseball schedule for the high school nine is being made up. Clarence Cleary is manager for this season, and Clifford Folkins is captain.

The senior class of the Butler high school are to present their play in the town hall on the evening of Thursday, March 17, at eight o'clock. All seats are to be reserved, and they will be on sale at Bruce's drug store at 10 a. m. on Saturday, March 12, at fifty cents each. The play this year is to be "Katy Did," a comedy in two acts, by Gladys Ruth Bridgman. The cast of characters is as follows: Jonathan Edwards Bradford, Nesbit L. Woods, Jr.; Richard Pendleton, Clifford A. Folkins; Loyal E. Woodmont, Ronald V. Dimock; Virginia Corcoran, La. Gene, Elizabeth Lewis; Anne Ridout, her niece; Hazel E. Cronin; Penelope Taylor, Ella A. Gandy; Elspeth Winslow, Emma A. Gale; Hope Winthrop, Marjorie Meison; Betsy Hopkinson, Catherine L. Fossell; Priscilla Trumbull, Stella A. Sargent; Stephen A. Cronin, Arthur H. Hartman; Catherine Calhoun, Gertrude A. Mounsey; Catherine Pendleton, Gertrude E. Parker. The time of the action is back in the interesting days of 1774. Before the play and between the acts there will be music by an orchestra arranged for by Ronald V. Dimock. Home made candy will be for sale during the evening. Friends of the class are anticipating a delightful evening's entertainment. The proceeds of the play are to be added to the Washington fund.

George Kilbourn visited the Boutwell school on Wednesday.

Miss Dorothy Keyes was ill on Wednesday of last week and unable to attend her school duties.

Miss Woodie, the superintendent, returned from her visit to Atlantic City, Saturday, where she attended the convention of the National Educational Association, Department of Superintendents.

The teacher and fellow-pupils of Susan Chiaramonte regret her loss from the school caused by her departure last Saturday for Montreal.

Social and Entertainment.

The Congregational church pastor was the scene of a pleasant gathering on Monday evening, March 5, when a seven-cent social was held for the benefit of the Sunday school. The program for the entertainment by the young people was as follows: Song, "Anne Laurie"; Mary Lewis (in costume) recitation, "My shadow"; Rachel Wood recitation, "Pat off town"; Fred Taylor, "Some stars of the summer night"; Edythe and Sarah Cunningham, Ruth Sumner, recitation, "The elf and the dromouse"; Eleanor Moulson; song, "Bluebells"; Mary Taylor and Amy Wright; recitation, "The old-fashioned child"; Ruth Sumner, recitation, "Mr. Nobody"; Arthur Sargent, recitation, "Gardens"; Leonard Eldredge and Elsie Cunningham; song, "Fussy and the cream"; primary classes; recitation, "Little elf"; David Mansur; recitation, Helen Moulson; song, "Blowing bubbles"; primary classes; saxophone solo, Ralph Sargent.

After this program the advertisement, cake walk and character followed. Then came the sale of food, candy and cornballs, which brought in a very acceptable addition to the funds of the Sunday school.

The food sale given by the committee on entertainments for the ex-service men at the U. S. contract hospital on Friday afternoon, March 4, was a great success. The food was all sold early in the afternoon, and

the sum of about \$100 was realized. The Groton School boys left town on Tuesday morning in their usual good spirits for their Easter vacation.

To the Editor:

The following are the conditions upon which Willard Dalrymple gave the fund known as the Dalrymple fund: "To my native town of Groton, Mass., I give the sum of \$4000, to be known as the Dalrymple fund, of which the income only of \$2000 shall be applied to the purchase of books for its public library and the income of \$2000 shall be applied under the direction of the overseers of the town to the treatment of worthy American citizens of said town, suffering from disease, or injury to the eye." A colored increase of the sum, making no other change, to \$5000. The commissioners of trust funds have consulted counsel and find that the fund must be administered according to the terms of the will. The commissioners will administer the income for treatment of eyes under the direction of the overseers of the town in accordance with the terms of the bequest.

Commissioners of Trust Funds.

West Groton.

At Squamscott, last Saturday evening the feature will be "Marriage pit" with Frank Mayo. Next Wednesday evening "Wanted at Headquarters" with Eva Novak.

A meeting of the Home Economics club was held on Wednesday afternoon, March 2, at the home of Dorothy Bixby. Miss Bixby visited the club and was much interested in the garments, and the bread which the girls brought for inspection. Games were played and refreshments served, after which the meeting was adjourned.

Miss Dorothy Thompson met with a very serious accident at the Burbank hospital last week. While collecting clothes for the laundry, a needle, which was caught in a garment, entered her arm and broke. An X-ray examination was made. A specialist from Boston performed an operation, taking two pieces of the needle from the bone. Another X-ray is to be taken to determine if still more is in the arm.

Miss Helen O'Sullivan is spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Kellher, in Lowell.

The last meeting of the Ladies Aid society was held at the home of Mrs. G. H. Bixby. The afternoon was devoted to sewing. After the business meeting delicious refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Joseph Woodson's on Thursday, March 17.

Mrs. William Ganley and Mrs. Ralph Simonton spent Tuesday in Lowell.

About \$40 was taken at the food sale on Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the moving pictures.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawrence of Worcester spent the week-end with relatives in town.

TOWNSEND

Harbor.

The change in the ownership of the Harbor farm has been effected and is now under the management of the new regime.

Mrs. Frank Wood and Mrs. George French were guests of Mrs. Minnie Knight on Thursday.

Clarence LaFontaine on last Friday went to the state sanatorium at Reading to receive treatment for tuberculosis.

On account of the bad traveling the A. Y. L. L. club postponed its meeting until next week Tuesday.

Charlie Richards has received word that his brother, Luther, who underwent a successful operation for appendicitis has sufficiently recovered to leave the hospital.

Galen A. Procter left today (Friday) for Amherst to be present at the reunion of the short course men at the M. A. C.

The gasoline sawmill that has been in operation on one of the woodlots recently sold by G. A. Procter, has been moved to Leominster. At the end of a month it will be again set up on its former site at the Cape.

Mrs. Jennie Kendall, former member of the Nashua Hamamie society spent last Friday with Mrs. Lucy Nichols.

Wreck-Fish Well Named.

The wreck-fish is one of the "habitants" of the seas with peculiar habits, getting its name because it may usually be found floating about a wreck or loose timbers in the South seas. It is closely related to the stone bass of English waters.

Knowledge Equalizes.

It is knowledge that equalizes the social condition of man—that gives to all, however different their political position, passions which are in common, and enjoyments which are universal.—Lord Beaconsfield.

Airing the Babies.

At an infants' home in Bedford, Eng., the babies are loaded into cart-like perambulators for their afternoon airing, each little vehicle holding six and being in charge of one nurse.

Independent.

New Salesman (hotly)—"I will take orders from no man." Salesmanager (coldly)—"Yes, I noted that while you were on your trial trip."—Minneapolis Journal.

Very Human.

Jud Tinkens says his automobile unexpectedly quits work and demands more money, the same as if it had human intelligence.—Washington Star.

The Financier.

A man gets on his knees to a hater that she may put him on his feet.—Dearborn Independent.

Stock Market Full of Such.

Many a man who is afraid to take a chance loses his money on a "sure thing."

An English minister advocates the fethal chamber for uneducated people whose ignorance makes them of no value to the community. Theory is running mad in these days of fads.

Sweden thinks the United States is too drastic in her treatment of the reds. Well, it's the sad but necessary result of being too much the other way before.

BELGIUM REDIVIVUS.

A recent report from a reliable London source is to the effect that the repair of the Belgian railway system is now complete and that these roads are now operating as efficiently as in 1914. At the conclusion of hostilities the Belgian transport situation was a deplorable one, the railroad lines not destroyed entirely being in very poor condition. Other items from Belgium are also encouraging. Coal is now being produced in prewar quantities and the output of sugar for the current year is expected to exceed the prewar average by some 50 per cent. The output of the factories generally now runs about 60 per cent of the 1914 production, which, when everything is considered, must be adjudged a fairly good showing. Industrial recovery of this sort, along with the adoption of sound banking and fiscal policies, is what is most needed for the improvement of the exchanges.

Germany has an enormous war debt, and the indemnity will be a very heavy addition to this. But if it cannot pay both debt and indemnity it can settle down the debt, says Philadelphia Record. The people will not be worse off than the people of France, and possibly those of England and Italy. The Germans have been paying almost nothing in the way of war taxes, and they will have to begin now what Englishmen have been doing for four years and Americans for two, and Frenchmen and Italians have been doing on smaller scale for four years. The German army will cost little, and the navy and colonies will cost nothing, and these will go far toward paying the indemnity. But Germany has got to stop issuing paper money and raise money by taxation, or it will become bankrupt in the near future.

Perhaps there is nothing so very strange in the enthusiasm that is now apparent in Argentina for everything associated with aviation. The Andes on Argentina's western boundary, are rather high mountains, the crossing of which has always constituted a problem for the inhabitants upon either side. Aviation simply offers a new method, which the South Americans have been quick to exploit. It is also to be remembered that Argentina is a country of both magnificent distances and magnificent fortunes. What more natural than that the latter should be used, on occasion, to overcome the former, now that airplanes can be had at a price?

Ten thousand people, says a statistician, were killed in the United States by motor vehicles in 1918. Unless something is done to counteract this growing danger of the times, fatalities will become appalling. The speed-driven motor vehicle is a peril in the public streets which it is increasingly hard to avoid, since the tendency of drivers is to put all the responsibility for accident on the pedestrian, and leave no margin for safety of the latter.

The attitude of the ex-kings toward their former jobs is very much the same in all. They waste no time in high-sounding statements of the vast reforms they will undertake, nor set forth such programs of Utopian establishments as is customary with American candidates for office. They simply show a "Barkis" state of mind toward any chance of coming back to their people and their salaries.

Marshal Foch is optimistic about the future. His outlook ought to be promising, for his optimism has enough of expert knowledge and actual experience of the worst in world affairs to afford a groundwork for prophecy. That he is not gloomy, should suffice to discredit the pessimists.

There is said to be a movement to extend the blue law Sunday all over the country. That might be the best plan to bring the blue law sporadic movement to a head, on the ground that the best way to get rid of a bad law is to enforce it.

A learned Englishman has written a book in which he explains man's superstitions. Wonder if he tells what fell on the chap who was responsible for the widespread reluctance to walk under a ladder?

Between serving at the table and jutting down the hill, little Switzerland manages to come into the conference of the league assembly and make some very sensible suggestions.

The reports of casualties from the hunting grounds seem to indicate that in so far as carelessness is concerned this section of the country has returned to normal.

Fifteen window glass plants have merged. Have you a suspicion that something is being framed, or that something is going to be raised?

miners' strike in Mexico is ended is interesting as indicating that they do work sometimes, down there.

Northwestern university introduces the "serified dance." A sort of "swath your step" movement, we suppose.

Man Cannot Sense Coming Rain. It is somewhat extraordinary, but man is the only animal that cannot naturally perceive approaching rain. All other animals show uneasiness when rain is coming. At such times dogs get restless, cats sneeze and wash their ears, frogs croak with a loud, harsh noise, owls screech, peacocks scream and ducks and geese are unusually noisy. This is said to be due to the relaxation of their nerves by the damp air, which makes them uneasy.

COSTUME OF BLACK VELVET



Passed as correct by the board of national fashion censors, this charming restaurant costume of black velvet and mole, from the shoes to the becoming black hat, has been given the final stamp of approval.

FOR NEXT SEASON'S DRESSES

Gorgeous Materials for Spring and Summer Wear Are Arriving From Europe.

From Europe there come samples of gorgeous materials destined for the spring and summer dresses. They have embroidered fabrics that quite take one's breath away because of the intricacy of the work they display. The eyelet work is very popular with the French, and they have produced more than one material which shows this sort of embroidery used in an all-over pattern of borders that are designed to be used as trimming for the prospective gown. They embroider on silk, on chiffon, on taffeta and on a variety of other allied fabrics.

They have a voile that has an all-over pattern done in thread work running over its entire surface. This allows so great a variety of color combinations that it cannot help but meet with favor. There is another imported voile in white with a pattern in black made up of squares and dots embroidered on its surface.

The French are also showing materials with embroidered designs. They have what they call a sponge cloth which is embroidered in this manner and which is used both for skirts and for the trimming of bodices that go with them.

Though georgette has been said to have passed from favor, there are still to be seen, both here and abroad, many weaves of georgettes done with stripes and patterns and certain brocaded designs. These have the charm of novelty and for that reason they will probably win a place for themselves among the favorite materials of the season.

SOFT SILK GOWNS ARE WORN

Heavy Clinging Fabric That Falls into Long, Graceful Lines, Much in Evidence.

Gowns made of soft, heavy clinging silks that fall into long, graceful lines are much in evidence. These gowns are embroidered with jet, chrysanthemum or trimmed with lace, but the appeal of the gown lies in the drapery and the fabric.

Satin, too, is high in favor with the designers, because it combines so beautifully with serge, tricootines and the other woolsens and the sheer stuffs so well. Satin is equally at its best in evening gowns and wraps, though when the lights are brightest the lame materials will prove a serious rival. This season it is the glitter of gold rather than silver we prefer.

Brocade is considered an mode. It is not out of place upon the ball-room floor and occasionally it develops madam's evening gown, although as the usual thing it is requisitioned for the afternoon frock.

Good Ironing Surface.

To make an ironing board on which it is a joy to iron, take one roll of cotton batting such as is used for comforts and puffs. Spread the cotton batting evenly over the board and fasten over this a cover made from unbleached muslin, tacking it down around the sides of the board. An extra length of muslin or unbleached cotton which can easily be washed should be used as an outer cover.

A Dye.

To dye a bit of ribbon, raffia or thread quickly, mix some oil paint with enough gasoline to wet the article. When the desired shade is acquired, dip the goods and it will have a "never fade" oil color.

Truth and Love Forever Young.

Truth and love are in their essence forever young, and it is the hard condition of nature that they cannot always appear so.—George William Curtis.

Truth Breaks in at Last. Marriage teaches us that it is a darn sight easier to follow a woman than it is to lead her.—Arkansas Thomas Cat.

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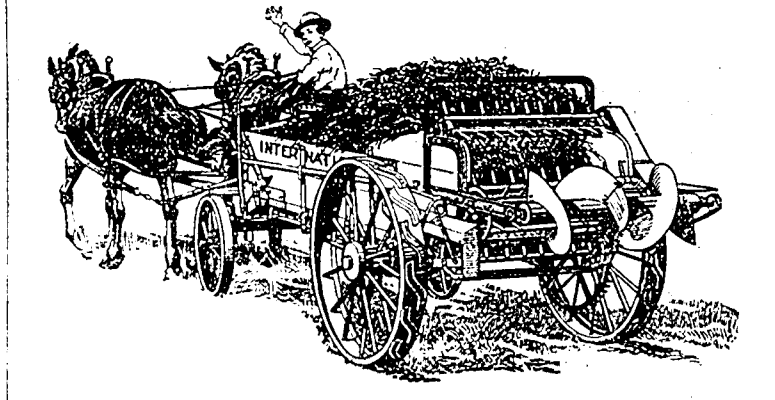
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The Groton Bus Line started running on Tuesday. The Bus connects with all express trains between Boston and Ayer from 8:00 a. m. to 8:45 p. m. It can be hired for special trips after the last regular trip.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Probate Court. In the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of H. A. KENNEDY, late of Peppercell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by ELIZABETH G. HAYES, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-eighth day of March A.D. 1921, 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 Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, fourteen days at least before said Court.

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, first Judge of said Court, this tenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

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Saturday, March 12, 1921

AYER

Two Q. M. C. motor trucks with covered bodies, one of a type used in recruiting service, were stuck in the mud on Pleasant street Thursday forenoon. The motor trucks had come down from camp to pull out the other which had brought down a load of children to school. When it was seen that a motor didn't power enough to dislodge the other trucks a caterpillar tractor was sent down from camp. The motor had both trucks out of the mud in a few minutes after it arrived on the scene.

Rev. Frank B. Crandall was the speaker at a meeting of the Alliance of the First church of Christ (Unitarian), Grotton, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Crandall and Mrs. Daniel W. Fletcher accompanied him.

The army headquarters basketball team of Boston defeated Camp Devens at the camp Wednesday night 35 to 22, in the first game of the series for the championship of the first corps area.

The Strand this Saturday presents "The Heritage." Willard Mack's most vivid picture. Do you know why you sympathize with a fellow when he's down? It is something stronger than yourself—it is the development of ages in your blood. It is your "Heritage." See Willard Mack's great picture with Fatty Arbuckle and a notable cast.

Matinee at 3.30 P. M. Evening at 7 o'clock.

Monday, March 14. William S. Hart in "JOHN PETTICOAT." Century Comedy.

Tuesday and Wednesday, March 15 and 16. "THE PENALTY" One of "Gouverneur Morris" greatest novels. Lon Chaney, who had the part of the crippled thief in "The Miracle Man" plays the "Blizzard," the legless criminal of "The Penalty," with his legs strapped back to his knees, and so great is the strain that he could only act seven minutes at a time. It is the most remarkable performance in screen history. And this big story told in an unusual way is easily one of the finest pictures of the new season. A Goldwyn production.

Prices: Matinee Adults 25¢ Children 10¢. Evenings Adults 35¢ Children 15¢.

Thursday, March 17. Buck Jones in "JUST PAIS." A Fox Picture. Sennett Comedy.

Friday, March 18. Marie Doro in "MIDNIGHT GAMBOLS." Third episode of "The Purple Riders."

Saturday, March 19. Mary Miles Minter in "ALL SOULS' EVE."

Matinee, 2 o'clock. Evenings at 6.15 and 8.15.

vard, clerk and treasurer; Charles H. Hardy, Herbert L. Hardy and Clifford L. Russell, directors.

The Unitarian Girls' club held an afternoon whist Saturday at the home of Mrs. Charles A. Normand of Nphua street. The affair was very successful and enjoyable. Mrs. George H. Leavitt and Mrs. William U. Sherwin were tied for the highest score, 46 points. Both ladies received winners' souvenirs, the former a decorated bridge, the latter a handkerchief. Mrs. Joseph J. Kyle received the consolation souvenir, a bottle of ketchup. Refreshments of punch, fancy crackers, candy and blanched nuts were served. The committee included Mrs. Normand, Mrs. Herbert L. Farnsworth and Mrs. Robert F. Murphy.

Among the Scottish Rite Masons from Ayer and Camp Devens who attended a meeting of Lowell council and witnessed the carrying of the 16th grade Friday evening at the were: Capt. Charles O. Ashton, Sgt. Harry Bratherton, Maj. Dandias H. Campbell, Hon. J. C. Chase, Rev. Frank E. Crandall, Lt. J. C. Fairbank, Sgt. Leon M. Hurlbut, Sgt. Hector Lamotte, George H. Leavitt, Lieut. Graeme B. Parker, Walter L. Perry, William H. Randall, Capt. Charles B. Spruit, Benjamin Taff, George H. B. Turner and Huntley S. Turner.

The following Shriners in Ayer and Camp Devens attended a ceremonial of Aleppo temple Friday evening in Boston: Howard M. Beverly, Lieut. E. L. Bronson, Dr. E. B. Buttery, Lieut. Louis H. Cushing, Capt. Harry L. Duffenbaugh, Frank C. Fletcher, Maj. Jacob Frank, George H. Hart, Bandmaster Max Kessel, Sgt. Alexander Littlejohns, Frank S. Pierce, Henry G. Turner and Lieut. Thomas H. Veale.

Charles W. E. Force and Thomas McGuane, drawn as jurors, are to report today at East Cambridge to serve the criminal sitting of the superior court.

Lieut. and Mrs. Harry Curry have returned from a vacation spent in West Virginia.

Miss Eva Crockett has returned from a vacation in Florida.

Michael Scully, who has been a patient for about four months at the Grotton hospital recovering from a fracture of the leg, has returned home and is able to move about his house on crutches.

Mrs. E. H. W. Carley is in Providence, R. I., visiting her daughter, Mrs. Carl Mose.

Mrs. Ruby Felch Smith, who has been ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Felch, is able to be out again.

The sidewalk over the East Main street overhead bridge was opened to pedestrians Tuesday afternoon.

Thomas J. Marshall has purchased a new seven-passenger Buick touring car.

The residence of Samuel H. Proctor has been wired for electric lights by Dean E. Hewes.

Louis Mason has purchased a Cadillac seven-passenger touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Allen spent the week-end with Mrs. Allen's cousin, Harry W. Packard, in Watertown.

Frank Maxant has purchased the residence of Herbert J. Webb on Washington street. Mr. Maxant will move his family from Chicago a little later. Mr. Webb has no decided plans at present.

The members of the men's brotherhood of the Federated church cordially invite the men of the Unitarian, Episcopal and Baptist churches to be their guests on Wednesday, March 16, at 7.45 p. m., at the Federated church.

The speaker will be Elmer E. Shattuck, warden of the state prison at Charlestown. A buffet lunch will be served. The committee in charge are: F. C. Johnson, P. R. Mason and C. P. Bales.

These following bird lectures given by George Aris at Grotton town hall Tuesday evening from here were: Mrs. Charles A. Normand, Mrs. Geo. L. Osgood, Mrs. Eugene S. Barry, Mrs. F. V. Verrill, Mrs. E. C. Pace, Mrs. Wetherbee, Mrs. George H. B. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Curry. They made the trip by auto.

A regular convention of Baneroff Royal Arch chapter will be held next Tuesday evening. Work—Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees. A lunch will be served after the meeting.

Loyal Middlesex lodge, I. O. E. P. M. E. held their meeting at Hardy's hall, E. H. H. A large number of members present and it was planned to have a military whist party, Friday, March 18.

Ralph Richardson, who is a freshman at Dartmouth, spent the week-end at his home on Washington street, returning Tuesday.

A regular communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday evening, March 14.

Mrs. George M. Moore of Ludlow, Vt., who has been visiting her relatives in Ayer, returned home on Wednesday.

John R. Murphy, who has been critically ill with pneumonia, is now able to sit up.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently from this vicinity: Peppercorn Myron M. Murphy ex to K. A. Murphy, Luke B. Nickerson to E. H. Wadley, George P. Pook et al. to W. A. Kemp et al. Shirley Thomas J. Gately to Thomas J. Gately, West and Bond to George A. Sorensen Dubuque, land on Maple street, John A. Healy to Resmond Deaganro, land on Graniteville road; Thomas J. Nadeau to Louis A. Cloutier ex, land on County road; Lunenburg—Frank E. Hatch to Charlotte T. Hatch, land on Main street; Alfred L. Elliott, Jr. to Milton L. Miller, land on Lawton avenue.

Frank H. Wilder of Ayer has sent word that he has arrived at Detroit, Mich., where he is taking special training to enter the automobile business. Mr. Wilder is attending the Michigan State Auto school in that city.

Miss A. Madeline Carlson of Brich-ton has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oeaker E. Carlson.

Vote of appropriation for Easter music and also contributed to missions. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Miss Hugh K. McDougall and Miss and Master Stator.

The Middlesex-Worcester Division Grange will meet in Memorial hall, Townsend, next Thursday. The program follows: Address of welcome, Master Townsend Grange; response, piano duo; Miss Hazel E. O'Connell; Mrs. Isabel H. Hill; current events from Grange monthly; No. Martha H. Burroughs; vocal solo; Martha Arline Bishop; reading, Mrs. Besse A. Buxton; address, deacon Philip Whitmore; Montague; vocal solo, Maybelle Brackett; vocal solo, Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyer; reading, Mrs. Ella Wood; prayer, H. W. Carley; motor truck transportation after the meeting, England Markets? What shall be done with bridges built by horse transportation? Ayer Grange will hold a whist party March 30 in Hardy hall.

Ida McKinley Chapin, of E. S. will hold a military whist party in their lodgerooms, March 17, Thursday evening. Arrangements there must notify Mrs. McKinley at her home.

Charles E. Stone is employed at the garage of George Hewes.

On Thursday night Chief of Police Deputy Officers Pirone and Young and Deputy Sheriff Fitchewen made a raid at the home of William O'Neil and seized a quantity of "moonshine." On the same evening they searched a restaurant on W. Main street, the result of which was the seizure of a new beverage known as "mancer flip."

Deaths. John Warren Hyde died Sunday, March 6, in St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua, where he had been taken for an operation. He was taken sick and summoned a physician on Tuesday, March 1. Being an uncomplicated young man his case was not considered serious until Friday, when he was taken to the hospital and an operation for a stomach trouble was had on Saturday. It proved a very serious case. He died on Sunday, a St. Mary's church Tuesday morning, March 8, at nine o'clock. Rev. Thomas J. Brennan officiated.

Mr. Hyde was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hyde, was born in Ayer and was forty-two years of age. He is survived by both parents who are in feeble health and with whom he lives. He leaves also two brothers, Patrick J. Hyde of Waltham, Edward L. Hyde of Ayer and three sisters, Mrs. Frank Reed and Mrs. Katherine O'Brien of Ayer and Mrs. Annie Mett of Detroit, Mich.

Mr. Hyde was a railroad employe, a member of the brotherhood of railroad trainmen, which society was represented at the funeral. Many beautiful floral tributes showed the regard of friends. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery. A requiem high mass was celebrated. Mr. Hyde was a faithful employe and a devoted son who will be greatly missed. The bearers were six of the companion B. O. employes.

The funeral of Joseph Tinker, who died in Tewksbury last week Friday afternoon, was held from the undertaking rooms of T. W. Rhodes in Lynn, Sunday afternoon, at 1.45 o'clock, followed by service at the home of Rev. W. Appleton Lawrence, in St. Stephen's church at two o'clock.

Mr. Tinker formerly resided here, being employed at the Chandler Planer Co. machine shop as a patternmaker. His wife died six years ago and for some time Mr. Tinker made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Dykes. He was born in England seventy-two years ago.

He had been a long sufferer from arterio sclerosis and had required hospital treatment for a number of years.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Dykes, of this town, and several grandchildren. The services were attended by a large number of relatives and former associates. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The interment was in the family lot in Pine Grove cemetery, Lynn, Mass.

Attending the funeral from Ayer were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Dykes, George Rose, Mrs. Ella Wilker, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vates.

Address by Game Warden. Edward E. Backus, deputy game warden, gave a highly interesting and instructive address before the Ayer chapter of the Unitarian Laymen's society Tuesday evening at the church vestry.

Mr. Backus spoke first of his satisfaction at having an opportunity to address the chapter. He set about correcting a common misconception of the duties of the game warden.

His duty as a warden, he said, one of conservation of the fish and game resources of the state. His duties as "woods warden" were only a very small part of his work. He described the manifold responsibilities of a warden. He has to be a woodsman, naturalist, mechanic, lawyer, hunter and skilled in various other trades.

Mr. Backus traced the history of the fish and game resources from the earliest days when the streams were full of fish and the woods plentifully supplied with all kinds of game, down to a time two hundred years ago. The problem was not so far removed until less than a hundred years ago. Backus then went on to speak of the time after the civil war. At that time, however, a number of valuable species of birds had become extinct.

The speaker described the organization of the department of fisheries and game. To illustrate the varied duties of a warden, Backus outlined his own work during the past year. He emphasized the chance in public sentiment toward the game warden during the past few years. Now the warden, thanks to a campaign of education, enjoys an increasing cooperation on the part of all kinds of sportsmen. He also described the work of the warden which was new species of fish and game and to save and increase species threatened with extinction.

Following the address the speaker answered a great many questions put to him by an interested group of listeners. Refreshments concluded the evening's program.

Ayer A. A. On Thursday evening the most exciting game of the season was played between the Ayer A. A. and the Estabrook Five from Fitchburg. Both teams played fast, and kept the game full of thrills all the time. Frank Donahue, who was injured in the game on Washington's birthday, was back in full form. The local team had the lead all during the first period. The score at the end of the first half, Ayer A. 21; Estabrook Five 12. The second period started with a rush, and the visiting team brought the score up almost even, then the Ayer boys opened up, and run the score up out of the ceiling. The visiting team, in every corner, the floor. The final score, Ayer A. 50, Estabrook Five, 25.

Between periods the Ayer K. of C. played the rubber game with the field clerks from Camp Devens, and easily defeated the camp boys. The K. of C. had a good lead at the end of the first period, but the field clerks, in the next period, the K. of C. saved them off their feet, and only allowed the field clerks a few points, the K. of C. easily winning the game. The score, Ayer K. of C. 41; Field Clerks 18.

Next Tuesday evening there will be three games played on the local floor. The Ayer A. A. will play Lincoln A. A., Ayer K. of C. will play the ball with Battery C. of Concord Junction and the Ayer Grange will shoot baskets with, probably the Fitchburg A. A. from Leominster.

Arrangements were made for a ball for the benefit of the basketball team of the Fitchburg A. A. The game will be held on Tuesday evening, a good time is promised for all, so everybody turn out to help start the basketball team off right.

Women's Club Notes. Children's day will be observed by the Ayer Women's club in Hardy's hall Wednesday, March 16.

Business meeting at three p. m. sharp. Mrs. Florence S. Pittman will have charge of the children's entertainment, which will begin at 3.30. All children under fifteen years of age holding tickets will be admitted to the hall.

Tickets may be procured of the custodian, Mrs. Ida L. Preble, Washington street, any afternoon until Wednesday. Each club member is entitled to one ticket. Members having children under fifteen years of age are entitled to one ticket for each child.

The literature class met at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Mary B. Johnson, Wednesday afternoon.

District Court. At the district court on Monday morning there were five cases of vagrancy. Two were young boys who had run away from the state farm at Tewksbury. They were ordered returned to the state authorities. The other three were found guilty and their cases placed on file. One of them was John J. Peppercorn, who had been working for the Draper Corporation, but had thirteen of his teeth knocked out by a compressed air machine, and had not been working since.

On Tuesday morning Hugh McPartland of Peppercorn was in court charged with assault and battery on Harold Hadley of that town, as the result of a scrap which took place at the farm of Andrew P. Kemp at South Peppercorn. The complainant has lived at the Kemp farm for the past eight years, being there at the age of four when he came from an orphan asylum. The complainant testified that he was working in a shop on the farm when the defendant came in and started to shove down a whiffletree. While at work he knocked a bottle of kerosene off the work bench onto Hadley's face. A dispute followed which finally resulted in blows, the defendant striking Hadley over the head several times with a large augur with sufficient force to break the augur handle. Hadley was knocked down by the force of the blows which made several severe cuts in his head, but he managed to get to his feet and, in the presence of his father, Chief of Police Peppercorn, he testified that the cuts in Hadley's head were bleeding when he arrived at the farm in answer to a telephone call. The complainant said he was twenty-two years old and weighed about 150 pounds.

On cross-examination he admitted having thrown a stone at Mr. Kemp on another occasion, breaking the handle of a darning fork which was in Mr. Kemp's hand. He denied that he struck the defendant with a whiffletree stating that he used only his fist, although he did pick up a broken whiffletree during the fracas. The defendant admitted hitting Hadley with the augur, but said that Hadley had hit him in the mouth with a whiffletree during the inside of his lip. He also testified that the complainant had threatened him with a rifle and had threatened to kill him. During the trial the judge had to deal with a number of interruptions by the defendant, who said he would get a rifle and finish him. He said that he was afraid of Hadley and did not dare to go out nights because of him. He testified that he was twenty-four years of age and weighed 150 pounds. Mr. Kemp also testified for the defense. He testified that Hadley had a home in the town of Peppercorn and had been working for him for some time in exchange for work. He said that Hadley had hit him with a stone and that on account of Hadley's bad temper he was afraid of him and wanted to get rid of him. The judge found the defendant guilty and sentenced him to thirty days in jail, and a fine of twenty dollars. Attorney Frank G. Hays represented the defendant.

Mid-week service on Thursday evening. The pastor will continue the series of Bible lessons.

Meeting of the Boy Scouts at the Methodist church Saturday at 1.30. This Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stetson will give a reception to the young ladies of Mrs. Kelly's Bible class at their home on Washington street, this being the class that is in the lead in the contest of a Bible school and church attendance.

The illustrated lecture "Rural New England," to be given Sunday evening, will describe in pictures and story the social and economic changes taking place in many New England communities. The pictures will show what is already being accomplished in some communities to meet the new conditions.

Unitarian Church. Sunday services at 10.30. Rev. Frank E. Crandall, minister. Subject, "The church and the stream of civilization." Church school at twelve.

The following have been appointed as the music committee of the church: Theodore W. Barry, representing the parish committee, Mrs. Horatio C. Chase and Mrs. Charles E. Sherwin, representing the Alliance, Mrs. William S. Beckford and Mrs. George O. Phipps, representing the Girls' club, and Rev. Frank E. Crandall and W. Edward Murphy representing the Laymen's League.

On Sunday the preacher will present the proposition that it is the place of the church, not to float with the stream, but to proceed under its own power as rapidly as due regard for the safety of its passengers will permit. He will pay his respects to the dead-head passengers who profit by what the church in the centuries has added to civilization but who make no return to it in money or service.

Children's Relief Fund. The total contributions to date for the town of Ayer for European Children's Relief Fund are as follows: Friend, \$1.50; Bartlett H. Allen, \$2.00; St. Andrew's church, \$16.65; Rev. E. B. Peppercorn, \$2.00; Mrs. F. S. Bennett, \$1.00; Mrs. Nina Beverly, \$1.00; Rev. E. B. Peppercorn, \$10.00; Ayer Council, K. of C., \$5.43; George H. Brown, \$10.00; Theodore W. Barry, \$2.00; Union service at Unitarian church, \$31.18; Pres. J. W. Peppercorn, \$1.00; Ellen F. Kittredge, \$1.00; Federated church, \$4.00; Rev. E. B. Peppercorn, \$10.00; Dr. R. H. Wylie, \$5.00; Caleb Butler lodge, A. F. and A. M., \$100.00; Evangeline M. Cole, \$1.25; Sons of Veterans, Ayer, \$10.00; Sunday school, Unitarian church, \$1.00; Guy B. Remick, \$1.00; Frank P. Briggs, \$1.00; Baneroff Royal Arch chapter, \$5.00.

Further receipts will be gladly accepted and forwarded to state headquarters. Charles A. Normand, Chairman.

HARVARD News Items. At the temperance meeting to be held on Sunday evening Rev. George Kent will take for his subject "If not the saloon, what? a problem for prohibitionists."

Mrs. Thayer, at home from her stay in Worcester, reports Mrs. Puffer as much better and able to sit up a while each day.

Miss Phoebe Peppercorn, N. N. from Worcester is caring for Alexander MacLennan, Jr.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Jones died suddenly at her home in West Hart hill on Thursday morning from heart trouble, from which she has been a sufferer for several years. Funeral services will be from St. Mary's church at Ayer on Saturday morning. Mrs. Jones came to Harvard 23 years ago as the bride of Frank Jones to the house where she has since lived. Aged only 49 years, in the prime of her life, it seems a hard blow to her bereaved husband and family. She leaves two boys, Harold and Paul, the latter a veteran of the world war, and one daughter, Sarah, the wife of M. McMahon.

Mr. O'Brien, mother of Fulton O'Brien, is quite ill incident to her advanced years.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Samorian spent Thursday in town, calling on Old Sprucefield. Mr. Samorian is located in Springfield at present.

Next Sunday Rev. A. W. Dyer, pastor of the Harvard Congregational church, will occupy the Baptist pulpit in the morning.

Mrs. Chester P. Willard was taken to the Clinton hospital Wednesday for an operation. During her absence the children, Hope, Alma and Hazel, are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Hayes and Rowland with Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

Miss Hutchinson is on the sick list, but expects to return during this illness. Charles H. Thorne is taking his place as second trick, crossing tender at the railroad station.

Mrs. Herbert Atherton of Holyoke was here Monday and Tuesday. There were about 150 plates spread at the men's supper in the vestry last Thursday evening. A truck load of 41 came over from Clinton and a large number from Harvard were down. After a bountiful supper had been served S. Thompson Blood of Concord Junction entertained in his inimitable way for about one hour and forty-five minutes. The net proceeds for the evening were about \$48.

Mrs. John Bigelow is of the latest sick with the prevailing cold.

LITTLETON News Items. The ladies of the Baptist church will hold their next meeting with Mrs. William L. Goddard Wednesday afternoon, March 16.

A. W. Turner of Milford, N. H., is a new and happy addition to the J. P. Thatcher clerking force.

Mrs. Elizabeth Farrar Wilder of Concord, N. H., has recently visited her mother, Mrs. Wilder, in Littleton by whom she was cordially welcomed.

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TOWNSEND

At a meeting of the selectmen and town treasurer held Wednesday forenoon a new method was adopted, that all bills must be in the hands of the treasurer not later than Monday of each week.

The Dorcas class of the Methodist church held a quilt sale at the home of Mrs. Walter Farrar Tuesday forenoon.

The Epworth league will hold their regular monthly business meeting and social after the regular prayer service this week Friday evening and their monthly Sunday social meeting will be held Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

The next regular meeting of the Dorcas class will be held at the home of Mrs. Alice Lillbridge.

Mrs. George A. French of Nashua was the guest this week of Mrs. Agnes Woods.

Miss Edith Robertson of Woburn is spending her school vacation at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morse, on Townsend hill with her aunt, Mrs. Leon Marshall, at the Center.

Mr. Hall, who is employed at Edgar Campbell's farm on Townsend hill, is ill with a fever.

The T. A. L. basketball team will play the Fairview club of Fitchburg this week Friday evening in Memorial hall and the T. H. S. first team will play the T. H. S. 2nd the same evening. Dancing will follow the games.

Fred N. Davis has resigned his position as accountant in Childs & Co. Broker's office at Boston and entered the employ this week of the B. & A. D. Fossenden Co. on the office force.

Master Ralph Colby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Colby of School street, celebrated his eighth birthday Saturday by entertaining his young relatives. Games and a general good time was enjoyed with the serving of refreshments, including a prettily decorated birthday cake.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers and Mr. and Mrs. George L. Whitcomb attended the Middlesex Ministers' association retreat held at Leominster Tuesday.

At the town meeting held Monday regrets were expressed of the retirement of George A. Wilder from the office of town clerk and town treasurer, where he has served faithfully 23 years as clerk and 17 years as treasurer.

A play is set to be presented in Memorial hall for the benefit of the Parent-Teacher association entitled "An Arizona cowboy," a comedy drama of the great southwest in four acts.

At the annual meeting of the local Red Cross held at the home of the treasurer, T. E. Flarity, the following officers were elected for the new year: Mrs. Helen P. Fossenden, chairman; Mrs. Flora I. Atwood, vice; Mrs. Robert Copeland, secretary and T. E. Flarity in place of Mrs. Livingston resigned, treasurer.

Milo Spaulding celebrated his 69th birthday anniversary Friday, March 4, at his home on Brookline street. He received pleasing birthday gifts and message cards and relatives gathered from Fitchburg during the day in honor of the occasion.

Birthday Club Meeting. The Birthday club held an all-day meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Lila Estes when 29 members and two guests were present.

The afternoon program was in charge of Mrs. Flora I. Atwood and consisted of current events by Mrs. Mary Davis, "Childhood days" of an American and an English woman, portrayed by a personal sketch by Mrs. Annie N. Greenleaf, who was a native of Boston and by Mrs. Emma Spencer who was a native of England.

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Baseball. Townsend teams were victorious in two of the three basketball contests at Memorial hall on Friday evening.

Both Ashby high and the Townsend high team put up a vigorous struggle in their game and close covering kept the score low.

The high school easily defeated Maynard high school by a score of 22 to 12. Townsend took the lead at the start and though Maynard started several rallies, the latter could at no time gain the lead.

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grammar school pupil. They were so large for their ages that the Boy Scouts decided to let the Junior Athletic club play them.

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Hardware Co., was in town and addressed the meeting at Mrs. Ebel Fossenden and John Piper also spoke on the subject with the result that the matter was left with the highway surveyors to arrange for a public demonstration of the tractor at some future date.

The board of engineers were authorized to put in and transfer the Ford fire truck from Townsend Harbor to the Center station, and John J. Piper, Mr. Bert G. Fossenden and Charles A. Patrick were appointed a committee to investigate the cost and advisability of installing a fire alarm system in Townsend.

The matter of the appropriation of a sum of money for the employment of a public health nurse brought forth a vigorous discussion which resulted in the appointment of a committee composed of Supt. of Schools John Bacon, Mrs. Robert Copeland and Frank J. Taylor to investigate and report at a future town meeting.

The town voted to accept requests of certain sums of money to be used in the perpetual care of lots in the cemetery from the Frederick Whitney estate of Ayer for the Whitney lot at West Townsend, from Georgianna Moore for the Harrison Moore lot at the Center, from the Bruce Bruce estate for the Bruce lot at the Center and from Eunice A. Evans for the Evans lot at the Center.

George C. Winchester then reported for a committee elected at a previous town meeting relative to the 1909, 1910 and 1911 taxes that these are cleaned up and the amount returned to the town treasurer.

It was voted that all officers not nominated upon the ballot should be appointed by the board of selectmen and 414 ballots were cast electing the following officers:

Frederick J. Piper received 332 votes for town clerk and 341 for town treasurer in place of George Wilder, resigned. Henry J. Miller, who ran against George L. Whitcomb for selectman for Townsend Center for one year, received 148 votes and Whitcomb 212 votes.

The overseers of the poor for three years were Mrs. Eliza M. Bennett, Timothy Coffey and George H. Tenney; school committee for three years, Robert of health for one year, Mrs. Robert Fossenden, Mrs. Irving A. Sawyer and Dr. R. S. Ely; highway surveyor, south and east district for one year, John E. Donovan, Clarence King; Center district and the West district, George H. Tenney, 148 votes, was elected by Thomas Smith, 249 votes.

William Copeland was elected rector; Henry B. Hathaway was elected constable for West Townsend; Carleton Lyman Farrar, who ran against Harry Felch for constable at Townsend Center, received 108 votes and Harry Felch 278.

The vote on the liquor question was 129 to 222, with 53 blanks. The polls were open from six a. m. till four p. m.

The ladies of the Methodist church served a beautiful dinner and supper in the Memorial hall which was served financially, and about 200 were served at both meals.

The following appropriations were voted: General government, \$2,625.68; protection of life and property, \$2,829.54; health and sanitation, \$500; highways and bridges, \$2,715.75; public library, \$251.00; recreation, \$800; soldiers' benefits, \$400; education, \$25,750; \$21,132 to be raised by taxation, the remainder, \$1,567, is an estimated income from the state and other sources; interest, \$104.15; town debt, \$960; unclassified, \$1200; charities, \$5,191.

The budget was \$800 for running the Memorial hall, and \$200 for cutting the brush on the highways.

One hundred and fifty dollars was appropriated for the demonstration work in agriculture and home economics. The money was expended under the direction of Mrs. A. L. Struthers in cooperation with the county treasurer and to agriculture of the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics, and \$50 of the amount to be paid for local supervision of the boys' and girls' club work.

\$150 was appropriated for the repairs or reconstruction of sanitary conditions at the center school building; \$50 was voted for the care of the soldiers' graves; \$225 for the purchase of new fire hose for Townsend Harbor; \$150 for the improvement of the draining Maple street at the Center, and sufficient money for the installation of two electric street lights on the Turnpike road and one near the residence of Emily Cutting on Main street at West Townsend.

The entire amount of the appropriations for the day was \$51,588.10.

The town treasurer was authorized to borrow funds in anticipation of revenue as found necessary for 1921 and 1922; the annual funds from dog licenses was voted for use of the public library; the appointment of committee for the suppression of vice and the illegal sale of liquor and the appointment of a town council was left to the selectmen.

George C. Winchester, Frank H. Ormsby and George H. Tenney were chosen a committee to act in conjunction with the selectmen to investigate the condition of the bridge over Willard brook on the Ashby road.

father, Rev. Joseph McKean at the Baptist parsonage for the past week, returned to their home, Miss Georgianna McKean to Tewbury, where she is employed as a teacher, and Mrs. Swift to her home in Springfield.

Miss Elsa DeJara, who enjoyed a week's vacation at the home of her parents on Elm street, has returned to her teaching in Andover.

Pvt. James Smith from Camp Devens has been spending a few days with his grandfather, Rodney Richards.

Nelson Hart has returned from Nova Scotia, where he last week accompanied the body of his mother, Mrs. Hart of Waltham, for burial.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Study club, which was postponed on account of town meeting, will be held March 21 at the home of Mrs. J. P. McKean, who will be in charge of the program.

The sad news reached here Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Dunn, sister of Mrs. Perry W. Sawdell, both former residents here, who passed away at the Roxbury Home for aged couples.

Rev. Joseph McKean will occupy his pulpit at the Baptist church next Sunday, his topic being "The right use of our possessions" and in the evening the topic will be "What is real religion?" Warren Elliott conducting the service.

Mrs. Charles Donley of Elm street is enjoying a visit from her niece, Miss Bertha Whitney of Greenville, N. H.

Arthur Homer from New York was at his summer home here for a brief visit on Sunday.

Mrs. Maria Piper is entertaining her niece from Boston at her home on the Fitchburg road.

Mrs. Hattie Blood has returned from Nantasket, where she has been spending the winter with her daughter.

The Ladies' Mission circle will meet next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence of Elm street for their regular monthly meeting.

The Misses Phyllis and Martha Ormsby have been confined to their homes this week with an attack of whooping cough.

Stewart Trow, who is employed at Damon & Richardson's mill, spent the week-end at his home in Milford.

The subject at the meeting of the Ladies' Study club to be held at the Baptist parsonage next Monday afternoon in charge of Mrs. Joseph McKean, will be "The life of Frances Willard."

Mrs. McKenzie is caring for Virginia Brown, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown, who is quite ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Nancy Sargent has returned to her home after several weeks' stay at the home of Addison Gilson.

Ralph Emerson and a party of friends from North Chelmsford spent the week-end at Mr. Emerson's father's summer home.

Mrs. Warren Hinds of Townsend hill has been a recent guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Steven Barnaby.

Miss Clara Whitney has assumed her studies at the Peppercell high school after spending a week's vacation with her parents.

Mrs. Elsie Shattuck has been a recent guest with friends in Peppercell.

William Bailey visited with friends in Peppercell during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ware were visiting in Nashua last week with Mrs. Ware's father and family.

Miss E. M. Newhall, who has been a recent guest of Mrs. W. Lathrop, has returned to her home in Stoneham, Mass.

Miss E. M. Hutchinson, who has been on an extended visit in Boston, returned to her home the past week.

Mrs. Emma Smith and Frank Jacobson of Brant Rock, Mass., and Mrs. Frank Reynolds of Lowell have returned to their respective homes after spending a three weeks' vacation at the farm of Mrs. Lucy Reynolds, who opened her home for their entertainment.

Miss Priscilla Drew, a student at Framingham Normal school, is spending a vacation at her home here.

Miss Harriet Kaiser, who is training to become a nurse at the Barnstable hospital, was a recent visitor in town.

William Orion of Sunny Valley, this town, is still in poor health.

C. E. Emerson, who recently purchased the Boynton farm of Mrs. George Davis of Townsend, Mass., is making extensive improvements there.

Miss Jennie Davis of the Maples, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, Frank, in Marblehead, Mass., is at present at the home of a cousin in Randolph, Mass.

The schools have closed for their annual spring vacation.

Postmaster J. W. Wharf, also proprietor of the general store in this village, is recovering from his recent illness and able to be about once more.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Warren have returned to their home in the Center, after spending the winter in Philadelphia, Penn.

Cattle have wintered exceptionally well this year and will be in fine shape when they go to pasture. Cows generally speaking, are selling at a low price here.

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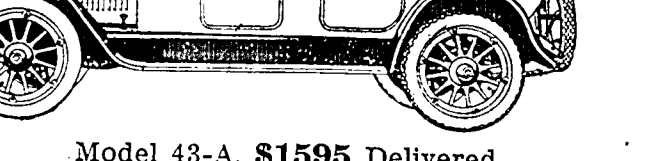
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MASON, N. H.

Mrs. Warren Hinds of Townsend hill has been a recent guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Steven Barnaby.

Miss Clara Whitney has assumed her studies at the Peppercell high school after spending a week's vacation with her parents.

Mrs. Elsie Shattuck has been a recent guest with friends in Peppercell.

William Bailey visited with friends in Peppercell during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ware were visiting in Nashua last week with Mrs. Ware's father and family.

Miss E. M. Newhall, who has been a recent guest of Mrs. W. Lathrop, has returned to her home in Stoneham, Mass.

Miss E. M. Hutchinson, who has been on an extended visit in Boston, returned to her home the past week.

Mrs. Emma Smith and Frank Jacobson of Brant Rock, Mass., and Mrs. Frank Reynolds of Lowell have returned to their respective homes after spending a three weeks' vacation at the farm of Mrs. Lucy Reynolds, who opened her home for their entertainment.

Miss Priscilla Drew, a student at Framingham Normal school, is spending a vacation at her home here.

Miss Harriet Kaiser, who is training to become a nurse at the Barnstable hospital, was a recent visitor in town.

William Orion of Sunny Valley, this town, is still in poor health.

C. E. Emerson, who recently purchased the Boynton farm of Mrs. George Davis of Townsend, Mass., is making extensive improvements there.

Miss Jennie Davis of the Maples, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, Frank, in Marblehead, Mass., is at present at the home of a cousin in Randolph, Mass.

The schools have closed for their annual spring vacation.

Postmaster J. W. Wharf, also proprietor of the general store in this village, is recovering from his recent illness and able to be about once more.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Warren have returned to their home in the Center, after spending the winter in Philadelphia, Penn.

Cattle have wintered exceptionally well this year and will be in fine shape when they go to pasture. Cows generally speaking, are selling at a low price here.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

Mrs. Nancy Sargent has returned to her home after several weeks' stay at the home of Addison Gilson.

Ralph Emerson and a party of friends from North Chelmsford spent the week-end at Mr. Emerson's father's summer home.

Mrs. Arabelle Gould has gone to Townsend, Mass., for a few weeks.

William Hamolisky spent the week-end with friends in Boston.

George New spent the week-end at Haverhill, Mass., visiting his wife, who is at the hospital there.

A. A. Goss has an almanac that dates 1812. It is quite an old book and well preserved.

All the schools kept Saturday to make up for not keeping Monday.

Mrs. Eva Elliott, Mrs. Julia Barnaby, Mrs. Charlotte Wright and Mrs. Marie Beckwith have all been on the sick list for the past week with bad colds and sore throats.

The Parent-Teacher association held a public reception for the teachers Tuesday evening, March 11. About 40 were present and passed a pleasant evening.

SOUTH BROOKLINE, N. H.

The Social club met at the home of Mrs. Louise Parkey on Thursday afternoon, March 3. Sixteen members were present, including the "club babies" which was much enjoyed.

The good cheer committee of the Social club presented Mrs. Charlotte Shattuck, 95 years old, with a surprise box containing a package for each day until the whole number is taken.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Morse and Master Roger Morse have been recent guests of Mr. Morse's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Morse, on Townsend hill, Mass.

Gorham Storer, an old resident, but now residing in Derry, passed several days with his sister, Mrs. Clara Fossenden, also calling on old friends, returning home Friday last week.

Edward Sheridan motored from Newton, Mass., Monday, to spend a few days with his sister, Mrs. Ella Fossenden.

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- \$8.50 Trousers\$4.25
- \$9.50 Trousers\$4.75
- \$12.00 Trousers\$6.00

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- \$65.00 Suits now\$32.50

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Saturday, March 12, 1921

PEPPERELL

News Items.
 Edgar W. Frost of this town and Ruth P. Morrill of Lawrence have surprised their friends by the announcement that they were married a year ago in March. Miss Morrill, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morrill of Lawrence, is well known in town through her connection with the N. E. Telephone Co., having worked both here and in the Ayer exchange as an operator. The groom was one of the first Pepperell boys to enlist after war was declared and served overseas twenty-two months on the Destroyer Tucker. At present he is employed by the United Fruit Co. as chief radio.

Ten members of the M. Lelandon Community association, including Miss Elizabeth Piper, a guest in town at present, attended a meeting held at the home of Mrs. William Gaffney on Wednesday afternoon of last week. A pleasant social afternoon, with a variety of work, was passed together.

A petition for a recount for the office of highway surveyor was circulated last week, as the vote was so close, and received the proper number of signatures. At the meeting held on Monday evening the recount made a difference of three votes for both Mr. Nokes and Mr. O'Brien, leaving the same relative positions. Mr. O'Brien being five votes in the lead at the time of election.

Dr. Arthur A. Toker left town on Tuesday for Meriden, Conn., where he is to practice. He recently severed his connection with the United Fruit Company as physician on the "Turralba," which reached New York from New Orleans on February 23, leaving him a few days for a visit at his home in town.

Miss Harriet Boyd has accepted a position as a substitute teacher at Prescott for the next five weeks and left for that place on Tuesday.

The group of ladies who gathered at Mrs. Tower's parlors on Monday afternoon enjoyed the talk on current events by Principal Whitmarsh, which was of the usual excellence. Many topics of educational interest were taken up and the new president and his cabinet were given due mention with regard to the strenuous work before them. The talks will be continued for the present, the meeting at the Lawrence library being set for March 14, and the next meeting at Mrs. Tower's on High street on Monday, March 21.

The Woman's club will observe Bird day on Tuesday, March 15, at Saunders' hall. The speaker will be Mrs. Harriet Upham Goode, who is the special lecturer for the state Audubon society, a position she has held for five years. Mrs. Goode, who lives at Burnt Acre in Sharon, comes excellently recommended. Her talk will be on her personal experiences in

Birdland and will be illustrated by stereopticon, which is kindly furnished and operated for the club for the occasion by Rev. B. W. Rust. The meeting will be held at the usual hour at 2.45.

Miss Geraldine Parker, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Parker, spent a very gay vacation in Boston last week with friends.

Rehearsals are in progress for the minstrel show to be given under the direction of Edward Gagnon on Monday evening, March 28.

Some of the workmen who are engaged by the F. W. Fleming Company in the building of the bridges here in town, are expecting to go to work for the company at Milford, N. H., soon, where a new dam is to be built by them across the Sotheban river.

Mrs. C. L. Bemis is sufficiently recovered from her recent illness to be out once more on pleasant days. Her daughter, Mrs. Bartlett, returned to her home at Everett last week.

Among the indications of spring-time are the reports from our Oak Hill poultrymen. O. B. Olsen recently shipped about 700 chicks and has 800 or more expected from the next hatching of his incubator. Gustaf Anderson, who is hatching for himself only, has about 600 already and another incubator from which he hopes to make the number up to a thousand or more.

R. M. Graham of Ayer announces her Millinery Opening Monday and Wednesday, March 14 and 15.

Other Pepperell matter on pages 1 and 7.

Death.
 William W. Dole, who has been in failing health for some months, passed away at midnight on Wednesday, March 10, from what is heart disease. He was born in Perry, N. H., and his age was 79 years, nine months and twenty-three days.

Mr. Dole has been a resident of Pepperell for about thirteen years, living with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Broad for the first half of that period, and during the past six years, he has been with Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Wilson, where his death occurred. He was for years a resident in Ellensburg with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Dole, his father being in business in that city. But few relatives are left there, his business affairs over his large property being left to Arthur Brown of that city for management.

Mr. Dole leaves no immediate relatives other than cousins in Boston, Newton and Groton. In years gone past he has been quite an extensive traveler, joining in excursions to different parts of the United States, including California and the Pacific coast cities, Yellowstone park and the middle-west, and to Europe, where he traveled largely through Switzerland and France. He was also a great reader. He was a person given at times to generous bestowal of considerable sums of money, and interested himself in various benevolences. At the time of his death he was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of this place, one of the official board and connected with the church school and gave generously to all departments of the church.

At the services which will be held from his late home on Townsend street on Saturday afternoon at 1.30 Rev. B. W. Rust of the Methodist church will officiate, and the remains will be taken to Pittsburg.

Social Evening.
 The March committee of the Community Church Workers, Mrs. Green chairman, successfully accomplished their announced idea of something "different" at the vestry of that church on Tuesday evening. Their food sale comprised all their advertised articles, in abundance, and were prettily set off by the decorative scheme of the spring-time reminders, like pussy willows and Jonquills. Everything in the line of food, candy and even the decorations found ready purchasers. An informal entertainment followed, so intermingled with the social as to make it decidedly an improvement on the usual order. People gathered in groups, as the chairs and tables were placed, and listened to an excellent program, arranged by Miss Wood, while enjoying coffee or cocoa with wafers.

A rare treat to music lovers was afforded in the piano duet given by Mrs. Harlan Flagg and Mrs. Fair. They rendered a Mazurka by Nevens, and responded to the encore with a waltz by Holm and "The country dance," also by Nevens, was another selection, and the encore "Morning" by Greik.

Mrs. Maude Parker gave a monologue, "At the photographer's" in her jocular way, and responded most gracefully to an encore.

A vocal solo by Elizabeth Sherwood, showed good talent for one so young, and a piano solo by Hazel Chapman, was finely executed.

Three members of the class in elocution taught here by Mrs. Irene Attridge, brought credit on themselves and their teachers by reciting. Alice Gibbons was admirable in her selection, "Lullaby for the dance," and most natural in her two short sketches given as encores, "The Water-skin Bird" and "Good Philosophy." Little Ellen Parker, a nine-year-old pupil, showed great dramatic aptitude and good training in her reading "Johnny and the teacher" and the encore, while in her character sketch "The Rag Baby," in which she appears in costume, she showed remarkable impersonation powers for one so young. Her sister, Katherine Parker, the youngest one of the entertainers, was very amusing, and perfect in recitation in her two selections.

As a whole the evening was one of the pleasantest recently enjoyed at this place.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.
 Mrs. Arthur Martin and son visited Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stebbins at Gleasondale the past week.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Joyce of this town at Clinton hospital the first of the week.

Mrs. Clarence Braman of Stow spent several days with her parents here this week.

Bert Elwell of Waldo, Me., is visiting his cousins, the Philip Cunningham family. About thirty-five years ago he worked in this town for some time and will be remembered by those who were young then as one who joined in all the social gatherings of that period.

Next week promises to be quite a busy one. On Tuesday there is to be an all-day meeting at the hall in charge of the Middlesex Bureau of Home Economics. This is solely for women and the business will be the making of hats. Those attending are

requested to carry cotton thread, hat frame, satin or straw, needles, tape measure, scissors, pins, a pencil and notebook. The class in dressmaking will soon begin, as the required number of names has been secured.

On Thursday, March 17, the Borough Grange meets here. Harry E. Spurr of Southboro will tell how he grew 254 bushels of potatoes on one acre. This is only one of several interesting articles on the program.

Church Notes.
 Considering the condition of the roads, the attendance last Sunday was good. Church school 28, preaching service 52. Mrs. Mabel Livermore and Mrs. Charles N. Burrows were received into church membership.

The sermon subject for March 13 will be "Why we believe in God."

The church school will give an Easter pageant, "The immortality of love and service," on Easter Sunday evening.

The Woman's Missionary Auxiliary met at the church vestry on Thursday, March 10.

Plans are being made to feed 150 at the town hall, March 18. The menu: roast veal, mashed potatoes and gravy, creamed carrots, creamed peas, pie, cake and coffee. Luther Pillsbury will serve the supper at 7.30 sharp. Prof. Hawkes of Boston University will give a great lecture on "The twentieth century farmer." He will show slides by the International Harvester Co.

SHIRLEY

News Items.
 Dr. and Mrs. Schley are in Boston and their son, William, is living with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanderson.

Mrs. Frank Brockelman and children spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Willoughby in Leominster.

Mrs. L. J. Edgerton, Mrs. Charles Tewksbury, Mrs. Herbert Lawrence and Mrs. G. S. Wells were guests of Capt. John Joslin, Jr., Chapter D. A. R. in Leominster Thursday afternoon at the home of the regent, Mrs. Smith. Several from Pittsburg chapter were also present. Reports of the convalescence and banquet were very interesting. Music was furnished by Pittsburg chapter.

William Hunter leaves March 21 for Australia. He sails from San Francisco on the 29th. He goes to investigate export trade in the interest of the Shirley Suspenders Co.

Word has been received that Harry Bangs and Russell Jones are to leave DeLand with Mr. and Mrs. Pierce April 4 for Galen hall, Wernersville, Pa., where they will spend the summer. This is an ideal spot nine miles from Reading, Pa. Mr. Bangs will have the same work he is doing now, but Mr. Jones is to be assistant porter.

Edwin Winterbottom, who went to Boston a few weeks ago and entered a hospital for observation, died Thursday morning following an operation. The funeral will be held Friday at the Congregational church. Mr. Winterbottom was 70 years old and leaves no near relatives.

The Alliance will meet Thursday, March 17, at the home of Mrs. Lester Holden. It will be a birthday meeting. Mrs. Martha Conant will have a paper.

Mrs. Elmer Allen was in town Thursday arranging for the funeral of Mr. Winterbottom.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edgerton of Concord have called on the young people from Shirley in DeLand, Fla. The Edgartons have been stopping at the College Arms hotel.

Russell Jones is planning to spend the month of April with a former buddy in Tennessee.

John Will went to Clinton hospital Monday and was operated on Wednesday for hernia. It was found there were other troubles which will make another operation necessary as soon as possible.

A daughter was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crady and a son to Mr. and Mrs. Maxim Gionet the same day.

Birthday Party.
 Stanley Stebbins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stebbins, was three years old Tuesday and on Wednesday afternoon the children gathered to help him celebrate. A cap was provided for Stanley and all the children received favors of celluloid birds or animals and St. Patrick day flags. The birthday cake, with three candles, was very attractive. Ice cream, cake, fancy crackers and home-made candy was served.

Those present were Blanche, Beatrice and August Stebbins, Muriel Coburn, Geraldine and Junior Cassaway, John Westover, Prudence Landry, Ruth and Robert Brockelman, Margaret, Henry, Herbert and Clifford Wells. Mrs. Frank Brockelman and Mrs. Frank Landry assisted Mrs. Stebbins. Anna Fisetto, Mabel Bailey and Alice McDevitt were waitresses.

CONVALESCENT HOME

Mrs. Ethel M. Small, formerly of Malden, has bought the place known as the Brick tavern, and has remodelled it and put in three new bath rooms and electric lights. A new, large kitchen has been built and installed. The water from an artesian well has had an electric pump and compressed tank attached to give a constant supply of water. There are 22 rooms and can accommodate from 25 to 30 patients. They will take convalescents from hospitals in this part of the country, and people who want to regain their health will find this an ideal spot.

Mrs. Small is a sister-in-law of Dr. Schley, who has lived in the cottage home nearby and it was through him she saw its possibilities, but Dr. Schley is in no way connected with it. The head nurse and superintendent is Marie Eastwood, formerly superintendent of the Olynx Memorial hospital of Elyria, O. There is a farm of 40 acres attached and it is planned to raise many things needed for the patients.

The home was opened on Tuesday with one patient.

WEST ACTON

News Items.
 Mrs. Carlos B. Clark of Detroit, Mich., was a recent guest at the home of Miss Henrietta Clark.

Hall Bros. Co. have an order from a New York firm for 12,000 horse pails.

There was a large attendance at the Easter sale and supper of the Universalist sewing circle last week.

Frank McDonald has been enjoying

a week's vacation, which he spent in New York.

After three days of foggy unpleasant weather a thunder shower visited this village Wednesday evening and cleared the air which had been very oppressive during the day and early evening.

At the town meeting Monday at the center there was a large attendance of both men and women, as there were two contests to attract the voters. A. W. Davis won over C. J. Holton by a large majority and Mrs. Alice Carlisle over Miss Irma Durkee.

Death.
 Mrs. Clara Hopgood Nash died at her home in Newton March 5, aged 82 years after a short illness, although she had been rather feeble for some time. The end came peacefully while she slept. The death of her husband, Frederic C. Nash, two weeks before, had been a great bereavement and she had moaned his loss daily. They had shared each others companionship very many years, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary two years ago.

Mrs. Nash was a native of Acton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hopgood. Soon after her marriage the couple went to Portland, Me., to reside and later had a short residence in the west, but returned to the home here to be with her aged mother and made their home here until about five years ago, when Mr. Nash was obliged to retire from his usual oversight and they have since made their home in Newton near relatives.

They leave one son, Frederic Hopgood Nash, of Boston and Newton. Mrs. Nash is survived by one brother, Rev. Ephraim Hopgood of Newton. The bodies of both Mr. and Mrs. Nash were brought here Monday and interment made in the family lot at Mt. Hope cemetery.

There are about 170,000 acres of wine grape vineyards in California, according to the state viticultural commission. It cost \$25,000,000 to establish industry. The product of the vineyards in 1918 was \$10,000,000, and in 1919 it is estimated it was \$12,000,000.

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- FRESH RIB ROAST 25c lb.
- FRESH SHOULDERS 18c lb.
- BOTTOM ROUND 25c, 30c lb.
- GOOD ROAST PORK 25c lb.
- TOMATOES, large can 15c
- FRESH MADE BUTTER 53c lb.
- GOOD BACON 25c lb.
- BEST CREAM CHEESE 35c lb.
- CORNED BEEF, all solid meat, 15c lb.
- GOOD ROAST BEEF 20c lb.
- CONDENSED MILK 18c can
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