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And Mrs. Charles Heald.

Rev. John B. Lewis will preach in the Congregational church or Sunday morning at 10.45. Sunday school at noon. The last devotional meeting of the Forward club will be held at 6.30 with Miss Mac Meriam as leader. The community sing, weather permitting, on the church lawn at 7.30. Miss Ruth Walker will sing and the pastor will make a brief address. This is Mr. Lewis' last Sunday before his vacation, which he takes during the

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75c. to \$1.00 value at

50c, value at

Mrs. Maybelle Parker left her ion and went last Monday for a yeeks vacation at the beaches.

News has reached town that Mrs. Frank Kaulbeck has received word from her husband, who was on the torpedoed steamer Covington, that he had escaped without; a scratch and not to worry. He did not know where he was or where he was going, but that he would write her a real letter soon. His friends don't know whether he is on'a submarine chaser or not. Allan McElsinney died at four Allan McElhinney died at four o'clock Thursday afternoon after a lingering illness.

Miss Emma Keith was very ill on Thursday afternoon. The latest word from Mrs. James Glison, who was taken ill with typhold fever a few days ago, is that she is not progressing towards health vards health.

wards health.

Leland Gray, who was graduated from the high school here, and who has a family in New Hampshire, was in the last draft and he has been sent to the New Hampshire State college at Durham for preparatory, work. Edward Duffle, also a Pepperell boy, has now reached France.

Quite a number of Pepperellites are on vacations. Mrs. Bessie Wright left last Saturday for Brant Rock, and on Monday Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heald.

month of August. Arrangements are being made to continue the morning Mr. McGraw's team by the score of services the first two Sundays in 15 to 6.

In the field sports, Arthur Bartlett won first in the pole yault Poliph

Mountain Mills Paper C6, Lee, Mass.

To some people who have been using the trains in and out of Pepperell they found that it cost more to go to some places than it cost to return home. For instance, 'It costs three cents more to go on the Fitchburg division than on the Boston and Maine station to Ayer, and Station Agent Harris explained that the road to the Fitchburg station was a little over a half mile longer, and the milroad took pay for the mile; and the other way it was less, and that makes the difference in the charge.

Harry Hutchinson returned from a stay at Brant Rock, Tuesday, where he left his wife and younger child.

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There are evenings when persons meeting in secret orders, that from the time one enters the doors until one foes out, all through the evening, good cheer and happiness prevall. Such a night was on July 23 at Acoma lodge. The entertainment was under the committee for that purpose, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. Lottie Gilmai and Gardiner Willey. After an instructive and pleasing program there were refreshments of sandwiches cookies, cake and delicious fruit punch. It was "good luck night and the good luck punch was made unique in having four-leaved clovers and pansies uniting good luck and good thoughts, floating in the punch bowl.

Last week Leroy Harris and family.

Last week Leroy Harris and family, of Hampstead, N. H., visited the A. H. Harris family on Pieasant street, and this week Charles Harris, of Lowell, an uncle, spent, some time with the same family.

Mrs. Helen Pike has been under he weather with a second cold.

The Misses Ruth and Sybil Stone have been visitors for the week with James Starr, leaving on Thursday for their home in Belmont. Miss Marion Dow, of North Pep-perell, is assisting in the family at Dr.

leveland's. Dudley L. Whitmarsh returned to his home here on Thursday evening after a visit of about ten days in Blue Hills, Stafford, N. H.

Mrs. J. B. Lewis returned the last of the week from several days stay in Northfield.

The East Village Social club met th Mrs. Charles Chapman on Wed-seday afternoon and the meeting was ell attended. The program consisted eadings on topics of conservation ard picnics was discussed most fully. Another feature of the meeting was a trip to the garden and worthy of comment was the ever-bearing strawberry bed now loaded with fruit green and ripe. Mrs. Chapman served strawberries at night for supper.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R. met on Tuesday at the chapter house for an all-day session. Luncheon was served at noon and the regular business session was held in the afternoon.

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A Letter.

The following extracts were taken from a letter received this week by Mrs. John O'Neil, of East Pepperell, from her son Bob, dated Block Island, R. I., July 21:

I have been out on a boat since last Sunday. The machinist's mate was taken sick and I took his place. We were supposed to come in Thursday, but on account of the San Diego going down we had to stay out until yesterday. That boat was sunk seventeen miles off the end of our patrol. We had to go to the wreck and stay around there one day. They can't say yet whether she was sunk by a submarine or had ar internal explosion. They are keeping strict watch now because of the report of subs off New York harbor.

The machinist's mate is back on the boat so I can go sshore again. That is just a beginning and mayie I'll he on a bix boat hef free long. I asked for a transfer free this station to the mainland where I mate a transport but I don't the k I can make it. Things have chirded own here a loft in the week was my company's dealers. This week was my company's dealers. I rated sevents. down here a lot zoing to give us idest drilling in then we expect. This week was week, and they trated seventharting Saturday of in until night with my compare week of good y get one more.

army or navy life then we expect to have it soft as my company's dragged week, and they did so well they with ours hours home string Saturday morning. I did it with my company. I got out on the company's week of hard drill, and I'll week was dragged week of hard drill with my company's week or it was deep made a rule, no liberty for it was deep made a rule, no liberty for it was deep made a rule. Hooray news it list come the Americans have that a sub off Chatham. They are ust bombing it with airplanes are list. See if it comes out in the pagers of July 21.

The boat I was has started to the capture, I wish could be on it. Fred Tarbell' is started at Chatham now.

An Enjoyable Day.

An Enjoyable Day.

Thursday mornin: July 26, looked as though it might prove to be a rainy day to spoil the functithe second picnic of the Pepperch Ven's club to be held at Dr. Clevelan's farm, near the town and state line near Hollis. But its slowly cleared and when dinner time came there was a goodly array of people—and such a dinner under the great trees. West everyone satesomewhere on something—hay racks the great trees. Most everyone sat somewhere on something—hay racks, seats, tables or greend: Some of the men ate so much watermelon they could not sit down—others took pink, lemonade. Any way there was nothing lacking in the dinner part.

The battle of the affornoon was the famous baseball game and it was well

two-piece sul's Agent for

Most Agroelle Parker left her postition and went last Monday for a two-weeks, vacation at the beaches. Some more guests have been added to the number at Valuation among them being Mr. And Mrs. Bust of the number at Valuation of the war. During the rest of phillips, of Boston, and Mrs. and Mrs. Juerineau and Miss Falkinstein, or At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sherwood, Mt. Lebanon street, Wednesday afternoon, a very pretty home wedding occurred, when Margie Ruth Sherwood was united in marriage to Charles Richardson Hardding. The best mar, was licut. Gerald Shat the bride's, size the Bride's, size the Bride's size the Bride's

The military drill on Monday evening was one of the best that has been held, the men going through the work with considerable snap. The drill was shortened somewhat on account of the heat and a general swim in the pond followed. The naval three squads turned out and these men are doing well. New men will be welcome at any time.

Miss Maria Stoole of Rephasia

Miss Maria Steele of Boxboro is assisting with the household duties at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Snow. Her sister, Vera Steele, is working with Mrs. A. S. Branson.

The Ladies' Picnic club held their annual outing on Prospect hill at the farm of Henry Knights on Thursday. Mr. McCleery furnished transportation. Easket lunch was served and a very pleasant day was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Egerton announce the engagement of their daughter Beatrice to Lieut. Lester Touchstone of Dallas, Texas, who is now on duty with the Medical Reserve corps.

Miss Lucia Fuller is entertaining her cousin, Miss Eleanor Fuller, at her home on Oak hill.

Owen McNiff, serving with the Siznal Corps, now on duty in Pittsburg, is home on a seven-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNiff.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Hindus venerates the common mari ringus venerates the common mani-gold, and frequently adorn idols with wreaths of its golden flowers.

In Mexico there grows a wild shrub named "candelillo," the stems of which yield from three to five percent of a fine hard wax suitable for coating phonograph cylinders. It grows in semi-desert regions. According to eminent scientists, not a single microbe exists in mountain air above the height of 2,000 feet. Maples Tea Room

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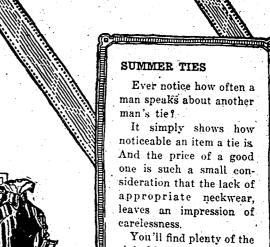
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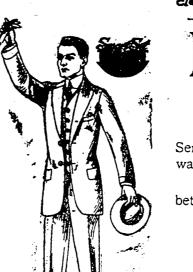
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Saturday, July 27, 1918.

### WESTFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Elliott spent a number of days, including over the week-end this last week, at Oak

From their gardens.

Westford friends recently driving through Barre called on Miss Carrie E. Read at the library, finding her well, and as always, interested in all the Westford friends and former associations. The same also applies to her sister Florence and to her brother's family.

er's family.

Mrs. James W. Pyne, at Pine Ridge station, is making a visit in Warren, N. H., at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Fraiey. Mrs. Pyne has been among the stay-at-homes so long that her home friends are interested in her outing and wish her a very pleasant visit in the pleasant White Mountains region of New Hampshire.

Mrs. John P. Wilch's and her group.

Mrs. John P. Wright and her group of Camp Fire Girls go next week for a ten-days' camping trip in Littleton. Albert W. Heywood, of the Gunboat ubuque, was at home last week on brief furlough to visit the home

Theodore Pollock, in the naval service, was at home last week on a brief

Mrs. John P. Wright, guardian of the Camp Fire Girls circle, wishes anyone having any tinfoll would do-nate the same to her or any of the members of her circle. This in any quantity has a commercial value. Miss Natalie Gallant is visiting her ousin, Miss Eva F. Pyne, at Pine

George F. White was in attendance on Wednesday at a convention of Reo automobile dealers in Boston.

automobile dealers in Boston.

The dancing party at the town hall on last week Friday evening was well attended and a pleasant affair. The Colonial orchestra of Maynard, provided most satisfactory music. A good group were present from Littleton. Those in charge were Misses Lillian Sutherland, Marjorie Seavey, Hazel Hartford and Maude Robinson. The net financial result was twenty-five dollars, to be given to the French relief.

with its efficient leadership the Red Cross meetings are well sustained given in the hot weather, with good results accomplished. The full quota of work for last month was completed. At a business session on Wednesday Mrs. Helena M. Bartlett was chosen to succeed Mrs. Bessie D. Watson as treasurer. Mrs. Watson resigns owing to pressure of other duties, having served faithfully in this office since the branch was first formed.

The home guard members held their

The home guard members held their The home guard members held their regular drill on Tuesday evening. While not receiving their official announcement for going to camp in August the company expects to be called to go, and information concerning equipment, etc., was read. Capt. Robinson has employment on an important Boston and Maine constructing job in the western part of the state and in his absence 1st Lieut. Herbert V. Hildreth will be in charge of the company.

congregational church.

The combined knitting party of the ked Cress, held last week Thursday fiermon, was a very pleasant and pressful affair. This gathering was larned for at the Whitney play-trough, but owing to the recent tendency to afternoon showers Mrs. Oscir control to the control of the control o dency to afternoon showers Mrs. Oscar R. Spaiding at very short notice gave the use of her house for the gathering. The wide porch and pleasant recens of this hospitable home made a pleasant meeting place for the gathering of about sixty. Some good music and light refreshments added to the afternoon's pleasure. The eight hospitable ordering of their groups of and light refreshments added to a diternoon's pleasure. The eight hoseses who entertained their groups six or more were Mrs. Spalding. M Buckshorn, Mrs. Hartford, Mrs. Jap. Wright, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Care Mrs. Hildreth and Miss Juia Fer. Now the next groups of fourshaving their gatherings.

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Children's Sunday, in charge of Mis-Lincoln, Misses May Pay and May My wood, at the Congregational of the last Sunday morning, was very single sunday morning, was beautiful decerated with ferms flowers in flags. There were recitations the secretary was flags. There were recitations the following children's day, was lighten the exercise by four children's flowers for children's day, was lightened to the exercise by four children's flower, was given by Viola Pay, Kerneth Wright and Tomaid Wine "America's welcome to the children of the world" was admirably given and was most apprepriate. Those who took the parts were Ethel Ingalls, Charles Colburn, Marion Prescott, Norman Day, Gwendolyn Firk to, Elizanbeth Pollock, Eric Anderson, Alice Swanson, Hawthorne Roby, John A Kimball, Forrest White. Kimball, Forrest White.

Obituary.

More extended account of the death of Francis L. Fletcher, whose passing was brifly noted in this column last week, should be given, for Mr. Fletcher was practically a life-long resident of Westford, and at one time post-master of the town.

Mr. Fletcher, who was used \$5 years, 9 months and 26 days, died at the summer camp of Oscar R. Spaiding at Forge poid, where he was spending a few weeks with Mr. and

spending a few weeks with Mr. and spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. George H. Clark. The deceased was born in Westford on September was born in Westford on September 22, 1832, and was the son of John B. 22, 1832, and was the son of John B. Fletcher. He was born in what is Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Elliott spent a number of days, including over the week-end this last week, at Oak Bluffs.

Miss Sarah W. Loker returned to her Westford home this week, and Miss Mary P. Bunce has sone to the Massachusetts General hospital in Massachusetts General hospital in Massachusetts General hospital in Mrs. Robinson, who has been ill at thee o'clock. Rev. George F. Boure, is improving and is able to be out on the plazza.

Wayland F. Balch is recovering from an attack of shingles.

The Charles L. Hildreths have recently had their first ripe tomatoes from their gardens.

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on July 5.

He leaves his father I'w Ardrew P. of Trenton, N. itor W., of Philadelphia, at Mrs. Alfrey, C. Hendrick, S.

Interesting Letter There has been truch of the life of a soldier of from one who is soon of M. C. A. work in France

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base." They want us to play these dat the funeral. Mr. Day was a lieutenant in the Spalding Light Cavalry association was represented at the funeral by Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher, A. H. Sutherland and Frank W. Banister. Burial was in Carlisle.

Charles H. Whitney has finished haying on W. R. Taylor's farm and is now visiting his mother and sister in Athol.

Considerable complaint is heard about green lice on vegetation. Spraying is recommended. Another and better remedy—plant so early in the spring that the green lice wont be able to keep up with such early, spry speed. The writer hasn't seen any of the aforesaid green inhabitants this year. He would like an introduction.

A camp of Y. M. C. A. boys of Low—

They want us to play thee solder boys. They are stunts that have been towled for war conditions. They are the best forms of amusement and recreation and exercise that I have seen devised. The thing is so well organized that the whole 350 of us are all doing of a few stars and the rest on-lookers. There are about fifteen on a team with a captain and the various teams and stunts each afternoon. There are simple games, requiring very, little appartus and furnish abundance of amusement and exercise.

The first two days everyone had a sexcruciatingly funny to see 350 men

ing job is the western part of the state and in he absence 1st Lieut. Herbert V. Hildreth will be in charge of the company.

The ringing of the church bells last Saturday morning over the heartening news of the allied victory overseas was an impressive incident of the times. The first strokes of the bell was mistaken for fire aiarm by some of the fire company, as well as others. One busy housewife said she got cut her largest flag, stirred victory bread," played some of the Sirring was nearly one and the same time as possible.

On Sunday will be the last Sunday morning service before vacation at the Congregational church.

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The company is all as Sunday afternoon, was a very pleasent of the state and on which the cellar ver remains."

The company is all on last Friday of the difference in the flast Sunday of the first strokes of the bell was one of eighty years. The historian of Westford says of him: "He was one of the original members of the first church, was active in all public affairs and was evidently a man of character and influence. He was family one and the same time as possible.

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The company as a very pleasent and all did so finely that it would be hardly fair to make the for its of Camp Devens scored heavily with his ventriloquist act. All received liberal applause and were objected the respond to encores that were cherrially given. After the concert and inhibition of the Spalding brothers the fair strong of the Spalding brothers are possible.

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The seems to be a scar by of some the very successful concert and inhibition of the print and dance in Healy's hall on last friday evening that was very successful concert and in Health of th

Miss Blanche Carpentier has re-turned from a brief vacation spent with relatives in Lowell. P LeDuc has recently purchased

Graniteville defeated the Palmers Lowell in an interesting game of liast Saturday by the score of 6 to Batteries, Dailey and Spinner for miterille; McPartland and Fonde

rainteville; McPartains and Palmers.

Service flag was recently presention the M. E. church here by Mrs. A. Moore, wife of the pastor. The has fourteen stars.

The Forge Village, Westford and inteville clubs are to play a series tall games, the best two out of the forth of the championship of the forth of the championship of the forth of the championship of the same to be won two straightins in order to be owned permetly. The winning players and user will also be given presents of or silver to be worn as watch or stick pins. The first same of strick will be played here next hay when the Westford Cakewill cross bats with the Grandle club. Game called at this e club. Game called at this

theat wave has certainly struck this week and the local garde-ted not fear for frost for a fex-

Cold Cote of this village was the Westford man to report at Camp as on this last call.

erge Village. Margaret Walsh, a resident

Margaret Walsh, a resident many-years, died at her home treet early Monday mornifer a long illness, She came here Keighley, England, and maditione with her sisters. During liness she was always patient and first and her presence in her will be greatly missed. She will be greatly missed. She is five sisters, Mrs. William Verriche Misses Annie, Mary, Alice Ellen, and three nephews, Many-Walsh, John and James Venn. Walsh, John and James

Margaret Lamie, infant daughter of and Mrs. Henry Lamie, died or and Mrs. Henry Lamie, died or and the home of her parents at the home of her parents.

S. Catherine's cemetery. Besides parents she leaves ten brothers parents she leaves ten brothers.

Parents she leaves ten brothers for the officers' training school.

Word has been received this week

The bathhouses at Forge pond hav

been in great demand the past few days, especially at the boxs shore, where large numbers are in the water daily. A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Connell of West Gran-iteville, formerly of this village.

and congratulations are now in order. Raiph Waldo Emerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emerson, and Raiph E. Emerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Emerson, received their notice ast week to report at Camp Devension Monday, July 22, at two o'clock p. m., and did so. Both boys were both in this town and Raiph W. has always lived here and Raiph E. until a few years and, when he went to Shirley of late he has been in Harvard and received there, consequently he was a draftee from that town. The best wishes of n. by friends go with these two hows, as well as the many others who have proceed them and all who have them wish them a safe return

Your correspondent was misinform during regard to the furlough grants better Wings of Fort Slocum. No linstead of a ten days' furlous as was reported, it was barely forts not boots, not giving him hard the ten and the required to New York of lorder beath of last week, according wish them a safe return

last week, accor strars of voters will nice tion at the town hall ourge, July 26, and Augus

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Mrs. Abbie Billings and daughter, its Mamie Lancey, with her little of Carletor, went on Tuesday, July 6 to Flymouth, where they were to be did week or more in rest and received in Mrs. Mamie (Billings) Currently Mrs. Mamie (Billings) Currently Mrs. Mamie (Billings) by yea them there in her auto.

Mes Elizabeth Alexander expects to
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other and C.E. society, where she
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The committee on the evening pro-



Over 100 babies and children ranging in age from three weeks to five years, were weighed and measured in to be abnormal. Indeed, one physician in attendance declared them to be "a mighty fine lot of babies."

A new baby made her advent into town on Sunday, just too late to be weighed and measured last week. This little lady was given a welcome at the lamps on the lamps on the lamps on the machine were ladded with the floor of the auto, but diverged to keep her seat.

Strange to say, none of them were injured, but it was a very narrow gescape, when six people can go through a collision like that and four of them be thrown from their cars to the ground and all escape injury.

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The machines did not fare so well. The machines did hent, but after slight repairs it was able to proceed homeward under its own power. The lamps on the other machine were broken and one front axle bent, and it was towed back to Fitchburg. It was a Vermont machine and bore the number 8770, and the innen were on their way to Boston. They claimed to have sounded their horn before reaching the corner, but other Mrs. Proctor nor a boy on a solve just behind them heard it, and the hoy says it was not sounded. The en said no one was to blame, but

Mrs. Proctor does not agree with them

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AYER, MASS.

Littleton Guidon Advertisements are inserted in all the ten papers and you get results.

The Music Study class are preparing a musicale to be given on Tuesday evening. July 30, at the home of Mrs. H. B. Royal at eight o'clock. There will be a small admission fee charged and the amount thus secured will be used to buy records for the grammar school Victrola and the Soldjers' club in Ayer. Local musicians will assist in making this affair a success.

Miss Mabel Wetherbee, of New York city, is spending her summer vacation with her father and mother here, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wetherbee.

Fiske Warren is to sell about forty head of his milch cows by public auc-tion on this week Saturday at Tahanto Francis Hirsch returned on Tuesday

from his two-weeks visit with friends in Boston. Arthur Johnson, a friend of his, returned with him for a short

Prof. and Mrs. Dunlap, with the children, Eleanor, and Allson, are spending the summer months at the home of Mr. Dunlap's father in Maine. home of Mr. Dunlap's father in Maine.
On last week Friday George Hardy
and George Ryan took an auto trip
to Perkinsville. Vt., returning on Sunday evening. Miss Hazel Hardy, who
has been for two weeks visiting with
relatives in East Poultney. Vt., met
them at Perkinsville and returned
home with them. While there Mr.
Hardy was the guest of his friend,
Miss Pearl Shattuck. They all report
a very enjoyable trip. a very enjoyable trip.

O. A. Fairbanks begins work on Monday with a paint firm in Ayer.

Miss Gertrude Fitzgerald is a re-cent arrival at the "Mongoose" for a two-weeks visit and vacation. Harvard celebrated the victory drive

on last week Friday. on last week Friday.

The Comforts Forwarding committee meet with Mrs. Catherine Hirsch every Thursday afternoon from two until five o'clock. She will be glad to invite anyone who is interested in supplying knitted goods or clothing for army or navy to be sent to the other side for relief of those in need. By recommendation of the board of directors of the Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston.

The feature picture at the motion

The feature picture at the motion picture show this Saturday evening will be Emmy Whehlen in "The shell game," from the Saturday Evening Post, "Good will and almond shells," by Kenneth L. Roberts, an appealing, romantic comedy of many laughs and surprises.

Fiske Warren's purchase of the one-time famous old Shaker village makes him, with its several hundred acres, the largest land owner in this town. Mr. Warren is to continue cultivating the well-tilled fields and plans to es-tablish there in the future, it is un-derstood, a large and flourishing set-tlement of single tax believers, his

## **BOXBOROUGH**

News Items.

Mrs. Arabella Keves is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Stodder, in Brookline.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, of Charlestown, former summer residents at Bide-a-Wee cottage, were in town Sunday, calling on their old neighbors. Their two oldest sons, Charles and John, are with the army in France.

friend, Miss Ray of Allston, 1 with her to spend the week-end.

Robert Cunningham does not com-plete his school work until next month. He has received a very flattering offer to become the head of a commercial school for next year.

Miss Rosa Schram, of Atlantic City, has come to P. W. Cunningham's to spend the rest of the summer.

Lieut. Kimbali and wife, of Washington, were guests at the Kimball farm over Sunday.

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The Adelphian club and the Camp Fire Glris held a very pleasant social sathering at Liberty hall last Saturday evening.

On Thursday of last week, while Henry Walker was autoing through Lexington, a passing auto ran into his, throwing Mr. Walker and the other occupants into a ditch. They landed in several feet of mud, which, while uncomfortable, probably saved them from worse injury. Mr. Walker was quite badly cut on one arm, which was the only wound received by the party. The auto was somewhat battered up. The party causing the trouble went merrily on without stopping to see the result of their carelessness.

The allotment of wast feet.

The allotment of work from Con-ord chapter has been received by the cord chapter has been received by the Red Cross workers. Anyone anxious or willing to lend a hand at knitting or applying to the chairman, Mrs. P. W. Cunningham.

Grange Notes.

Mows items.

The said word from the front line in France came to town on Wednesday when the news of the death of Edward to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Thomas. "Ted" as he is most/smillarly known, enlisted in Hudson, one of the first to answer the call for volunteers. He also has a brother, Herman, likewise a volunteer, now in a southern camp. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have the since sympathy of the townspeople in their bereavement.

Swimming in Hell pond has been forbilden by the military authorities for the present. Another drowning accident caused this step to be taken. Hell pond is very deep—about 150 feet—and the bottom falls off sharply, making it very careless for those who cannot swim to attempt bathing. The Music Study class are preparing a musicale to be given on Tuesday.

Grange Noses.

The annual lawn party was held on the veeding of July 18, in spite of the evening of July 18, in spite of the went to flag such and the such the self-in the able management of J. Rogene of the ablay under the abla management of J. Rogene of the ablay under the abla management of J. Rogene of the similar was a stank was a stank

Don't forget the State Grange field day on Wednesday, August 7, at Lake Chauncey, Westboro, or the next reg-ular meeting, Friday, August 9. Both are to be made specially attractive to

Mrs. George W. Whitcomb spent last week with relatives in Arlington, A niece, Charlotte Holbrook, and the latter's father, from Arlington, were recent guests of the Whitcomb fam-

Charles E. McDonald has been visiting his father, Hugh McDonald, and family.

Mrs. Mary J. Reed, of Danvers; her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Reed Chisholm; and little boy, have been visiting their relatives, Mrs. George Bonnell and Mrs. Alexander Gregory,

Mrs, H. L. Caulkins and daughter Louise arrived home last Saturday from Preque Isle, Me., where they have spent a month with relatives.

Rev. H. L. Caulkins officiated at the funeral of the late B. F. Jeffrey, held from the home Sunday afternoon. A good number of the church friends, neighbors and the older citizens, besides the relatives, paid a tribute of respect to the deceased by their page. respect to the deceased by their pres-ence. Mr. Jeffrey has two grand-daughters, instead of one, as previous-ly reported, a grandson and six great-grandchildren. We understand that grandchildren. We understand that George Durkee, now the oldest resident in town, receives the Post cane. Mrs. P. C. Edwards and daughter, Miss Helen Gilman, of New York, ar-rived at the Ledges, their summer home, last week, for their annual va-cation.

Mrs. Frank Smith and her children have gone to New Ipswich to visit her home people a few weeks.

Mrs. John L. Sewall and the Misses Mary and Helen Hartwell, from Northampton, visited their aunt, Mrs. J. A. Harwood, and other friends in town last week.

C. A. Dodge, of Gloucester City, N. J., has been with his family at the D. G. Houghtons.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitcomb Robbins are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a son.

Mrs. Brunson, who very kindly consented to sing in the Congregational church two Sundays in succession, rendered two solos, "There is a green hill far away" and "Hold my hand," in excellent voice and with very pleasing effect. Mrs. V. T. Esten was placed under trav observation by which process Mrs. V. T. Esten was placed under X-ray observation by which process the doctor discovered that the bone above her sprained ankle was chipped. Her limb has since been placed in a cast, where it will remain probably for two weeks.

The Littleton orchardists are marketing their early apples, for which there is much demand.

Sunday, calling on their old neighbors. Their two oldest sons, Charles and John, are with the army in France.

Mrs. Emily Porter, of Boston. is spending the week with her cousin, Mrs. S. P. Dodge.

The B. O. Hager family, of Clinton, have come to the Hager homestead for the rest of the summer. Their arrival was delayed on account of the two children coming down with measles early in the season. Miss Mary Hager family, where the children are sick with measles.

Miss Barnice County of the two week and it leads to be a popular to the could have only during the working the working the month of July doing laboratory work that she could have only during the vacation period.

Miss Barnice County of the two week and it leads to their parents who allow them to operate has been suspended by the commission, and persons whose right to operate has been suspended by the commission, and persons less than sky that street in the crucial affairs of life blend, let us all street this act or of any regulation made in accordance herewith committed by such unlicensed operator. Let this be sufficient warning to children under sixteen years of age and to their parents who allow them to operate motor vehicles, and avoid legal action.

Miss Bernice Cunningham brought a lend, Miss Ray of Allston, home wested by Saturday night.

Mrs. Wilson and Julia Downing have been to Silver Lake, Wilmington.

Anderson, Henry T. Barber, Joseph L. Barker, George N.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown have entertained this week their son, Dr. Ernest Brown, Mrs. Brown and their daughter and Miss Virginia Drew, all of Springfield.

Miss Susan Schwartz has visited McEnnis, Edward J Wesk, M. B. Wilder a few days this Murphy, Daniel

or willing to lend a hand at knitting or sewing can be supplied with work by applying to the chairman, Mrs. P. W. Cunningham.

Wedding.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Myers was the scene of a pretty wedding last Saturday, July 20, when their niece, Margaret H. Downes, was married to Ralph R. Furbush of this town. The ceremony was performed by her passive the single ring servity. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Richard Downes, Her gown was white with her aunt when a small girl and easily found a place in their hearts and home. She has been popular with our young people and was a member of the church, where she has often given help and pleasure in the choir.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Downes and daughter of Lynn and Mrs. Thomas Downes of Attleboro, whose- husband is in the service "over seas," were present at the ceremony and remained over the weekend. A few other relation and ease the bride and grooted present at the coremony and remained over the weekend. A few other relation and ease the bride and grooted present at the coremony and remained over the weekend. A few other relations was also as member of their own. After visits with them they will come back to this state to a closy home of their own in Ashland, just over the Frammagham border.

Mr. and Grooted the control of the contro

now at Camp Devens.

Miss Alice Libby, who is spending the summer at Orleans, witnessed the battle Sunday and saw the three boats sink. Her sister Vera, who is at Kennebounkport for the season, was near the scene of the sinking of the Roebrt and Richard schooner Tursday.

Mrs. Henry S. Brown returned the last of the week from a visit at her daughters' in Newton.

and the amount thus secured will be used to buy records for the grammar school Viotrela and the Soldiers' club in Ayer. Local musicians will assist in making this affair a success.

Word has been received of the safe arrival overseas of Edwin O'Brion and Webster Sawyer, both boys from this town.

Miss Mabel Wetherbee, of New Miss Mabel Wetherbee, of New Hers Wacation with her father and mother yacation with her father and mother wacation with her father and mother there. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wetherbee.

Fiske Warren is to sell about forty pleasing vocal solos at the Sunday in July for the people of the various Protestant churches to meet in one church for worship and so to emphasize the deep things of religious faith that bind us sister. Mrs. Morgan, and young daughter, from Vermont. The mother wacation with her father and mother there is to sell about forty pleasing vocal solos at the Sunday morning at 10.45. The chilped to come. This will be the only Protestant church open for the morning services of the Congregation on the last Sunday in July for the people of the various Protestant churches to meet in one church for worship and so to emphasize the deep things of religious faith that bind us sister, from Vermont. The mother a sister, from Vermont. The mother will remain through the summer to all to attend its service of worship Sunday morning at 10.45. The chilped to come. This will be the only Protestant church open for the people are urged to come. This will be the only Protestant church open for the people are urged to come. This will be the only Protestant church open for the people are urged to come. This will be the only Protestant church open for the people are urged to come. This will be the only people of the various Protestant church on the last Sunday in July for the people of the various Protestant church on the last Sunday in July for the people of the various Protestant church on the last Sunday in July for the people of the various Protestant church on the last Sunday in July for the people of th

Protestant church open for the morning service.

There will be no Sunday school at the Unitarian church Sunday, the members of the school being pledged to make a special effort to attend the union church service at 10.45. Anhouncement of the plans for the summer will be made at that time mer will be made at that time.

Another Call for Volunteers.

Representatives from the ten towns surrounding Ayer met at the Soldiers' clubhouse, Ayer, Monday, to hear presented the plans for a pageant of great magnitude to be given in Liberty theatre (an open amphitheatre) at Camp Devens at sundown, September 5, the anniversary of the soldiers' first coming to the camp. The pageant, consisting of eight episodes, each giving important historic periods, including that of our own nation, was written by Miss Clark and is given under her supervision at every cantonment in this country. Miss Johnson, and expert in dramatic art, trains each cast. At Houston, Texas, this pageant was given with overwhelming success. It was considered the finest thing of the sort ever produced. Representatives from the ten towns

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The soldiers take all the men's parts and women from the surrounding towns are asked to volunteer their services in the play. It is expected that each nearby town will give an episode. Esthetic dancing by young ladies, demonstrations of all the kinds of training received by soldiers at camp and many other features will be brought out by the 5000 persons in the pageant. The proceeds are to be devoted to patriotic purposes.

It's the biggest thing yet planned for entertainment at Camp Devens. Want to be in it? Just tell Mrs. J. M. Hartwell, who represented this town at the

to be in it? Just tell Mrs. J. M. Hart-well, who represented this town at the meeting Monday.

Remember. At the head of each committee who shoulders the respon-sibilities is a person who has achieved a distinct success in his line of art. That spells success.

Auto Law.

As there is evidence of lack of com-prehension or ignorance of the law, we insert the following clause: Sec-tion of Chapter 534, Acts of 1899, re-lating to Motor Vehicle laws. No perlating to Motor Vehicle laws. No person shall operate a motor vehicle upon any way in this commonwealth unless licensed under the provisions of this act, except as is otherwise herein provided; but the provisions of this section shall not prevent the operation of motor vehicles by unlicensed persons if riding with or accompanied by a licensed chauffeur or operator, excepting only persons who have been licensed and whose licenses are not in force because of revocation or suspension, persons whose right to

the English hay in town would be harvested by Saturday night.

The Catholic mission of Littleton will hold a garden party at town hall Saturady afternon and evening, August 3. Band concert and entertainment in afternoon by soldiers and dancing in evening. Music furnished by military band.

Roll of Honor.

Littleton's roll of honor has been prepared by the soldiers' information committee for a public builetin board and a copy is posted in either post-fife. The first list of thirty-eight names is of those enrolled and credited to Littleton. The second list of Littleton boys enrolled elsewhere has names. Any corrections or additions band.

Miss Katherine Kimball was the guest of Mrs. Howard R. Stewart in Worcester Wednesday.

Mrs. Wilson Cart.

Medical Corps Forestry Unit Depot Brigade

Harwood, Jonathan H. Heaty F
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Hubbard, Roger S. M
Iverson, Axel
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PEACH SCAB IS DESTRUCTIVE

Disease May Be Successfully Com ed by Applications of Self-Boiled Lime Sulphur.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Peach scab, next in importance economically to the destructive brown rot among peach diseases in the Unit-ed States, may be successfully controlled at small cost by the use of sprays of self-boiled lime sulphur or sulphur paste. Before such control measures were made use of by commercial peach growers it appeared that the disease would inflict heavy losses by making impossible the cultivation of certain varieties of peaches in many of the important peach-growing regions east of the Rocky moun

Peach scab attacks fruit leaves and twigs, manifesting itself on the fruit in serious spotting and cracking. It brings about only superficial injuries to the twigs and leaves. When the spots are fully developed on the fruit, they are fairly well defined, circular, greenish to black areas. The spots may be more or less uniformly scattered over the upper surface of the fruit or may become so abundant as to

form large patches.

Though the spraying schedule might be somewhat different if scab only was to be guarded against, the follow-ing spraying plan should be followed for combating this disease and also brown rot and the plum curculio.

Early Varieties.-The early varie ties, such as the Greensboro, Carman, Hiley, and those with similar ripening periods should be sprayed as follows:
(1) With arsenate of lead and lime

about ten days after the petals fall This application may be omitted i sections where the curculio is not a serious factor.

(2) With arsenate of lead and selfboiled lime-sulphur or finely divide wettable sulphur about a month after the petals fall. If the latter type of fungicide is used, the addition of lime as in the first treatment, may be desirable precaution against arsenica injury.
(3) With finely divided wettable sul

phur or self-boiled lime-sulphur three to four weeks before the fruit ripens, but net less than four weeks before harvest if self-boiled Hme-sulphur is

used. Midseason Varieties.—The treatment recommended for early peaches is applicable, likewise, to midseason varieties, such as the Reeves, Belle, Early Crawford, Elberta, Late Craw ford, and Fox. For such varieties, however, the third application is very



Peach Tree With Strong, Well-Supported Limbs

essential and should not be omitted where brown-rot or scab injury is se-

Late Varieties.-The Salway, Heath, Bilyeu, and varieties with similar rip-ening periods should be treated as midseason varieties, with the addition of an application of the fungicide alone about a month after the second treatment.

The following concentrations of spray preparations are recommended: Arsenate of lead pasts, 11/2 pounds (powder, three-fourths pound) in 50 gallons; stone lime, 2 to 3 pounds in 50 gallons; self-boiled lime-sulphur, 8 pounds of lime and 8 pounds of flour of sulphur in 50 gallons; and finely divided wettable sulphur, 5 pounds in 50 gallons in the case of the paste (approximately 50 per cent sulphur), used in the foregoing experiments.

Where curculio infestation is not severe, finely ground sulphur and powdered arsenate of lead applied as a dust mixture may be substituted for the liquid spray in the second appli-cation. The finely ground sulphur without the arsenical may be substituted in the third application. Sulphur of such fineness that it will pass through a 200-mesh screen, when ap-Train plied as a dust, is an efficient remedy for scab. It is a promising remedy for the control of brown rot but its efficlency is the control of severe cases is as yet uncertain. The arsenate of lead-sulphur dust is composed of 10 pounds of the former to 90 pounds of the latter.

> Brown Dyes for Leather. A brown dye for leathers may be made as follows: Boil half an ounce of Spanish saffron and a quarter of an ounce of annatta in water until the dre is extracted, to which must be added some alcohol to set the color.

That's Right. Men seldom, or rather never for a length of time and deliberately, rebel against anything that does not deserve rebelling against.

**ONLY** BUSINESS THAT OF WAR

Parisians in Every Walk of Life Have But One Thought, to Defeat the Hated Enemy.

In Paris, one realized at last the neaning of the "business of war." It had entered into every phase of life. As our men commute to business, so the Pollus commute to the trenches each trip of uncertain length; and in place of competition, financial or oth erwise, they go to a business of life and death, writes William Beebe in the Atlantic Monthly.

Few men could show the same vigor and enthusiasm as do these Pollus. For years they had faced high adventure that most men know, if at all, only in an annual vacation. To myself and to others whose life work carries then into dangers from the elements and from savage men, war held no absolute (The writer is a famous novelty. naturalist.) But think of the gunner formerly a traveling salesman for wom en's hosiery, of the stretcher bearer who was a floorwalker in a depart ment store! Did the florist whom I met ever conceive that he would be removed from sausage-balloon duty because of unconquerable air sickness

Think of the children in Paris old enough to talk and walk, who have never known a world free from univer sal war, and it will be easier to realize the daily, monthly, yearly labor and worry which have worn for themselves ruts deep into the life routing and emotions of this Latin people. As the medical student loses all sensitiveness concerning the handling of human fingers and feet and hands, so the participants in the war, without being really callous or insensitive, come to take danger, wounds, disabil

ity, as incidents, not finalities. One's geography of Paris would ead: The city is bounded on the read: north by supply depots, on the south by hospitals and on the west by air dromes. Its principal imports and exports are bandages, crape, wooden legs and Colonials; its products are war bread, war literature, faith and hope

IS YOUR DESK MAHOGANY?

More Than Fifty Different Woods Are Put on the Market and Sold Under That Name.

The name "mahogany" is applied ommercially to more than fifty differ ent woods. Perhaps half the lumber now sold under that name is not true mahogany, for the demand greatly exceeds the supply.

The tree is only native to the limited area between southern Florida and northern South America. Nowhere else does it really flourish. But the public will have mahogany. Women want it for furniture, business men prefer it for office fixtures, and teak and mahogany are rivals in the affections of shipbuilders. Therefore substitutes flourish.

It is not surprising that the real good is so expensive when it is learned that it takes from 100 to 150 years for a mahogany tree to reach merchant-

able size.

Most of the substitutes bear little more than a general resemblance to the genuine wood, but skillful finishing makes them very much alike. Experts can usually distinguish between them by the aid of an ordinary pocket lens. The efforts of the superficial, however, to judge the wood by its appearance weight, grain and color often lead them astray.—Popular Science Monthly.

Royal Academy Dean Is Eighty-Six The doyen of the Royal academy is B. W. Leader, the landscape painter who, although eighty-six, is still going strong and painting his lovely Surrey downs as well as ever.

But there are others not far behind him in age who write "R. A." after their names, London Answers says. G. A. Storey is eighty-four, G. D. Leslle, eighty-three; W. F. Yeames the same age, the president himself (Sid Edward Poynter), eighty-two, while Briton Riviere, Marcus Stone and Sir William Richmond are far past three score and ten, and there are a dozen

sound of the Gay Head's whistle and allowed.

And said truste the conversions when the Sankaty is at the dock. He thereof to all joint of the conversions of the conversion of figures the time so carefully that he always is through when the call comes to go ashore.-Boston Globe.

Young Women Shine Shoes. A bootblacking estation and personally managed by a young seem woman, and conducted exclusively by young women, is the latest war novel with the project with the seem of the project with the seem of the project with the project

Saunders, until recently came ted with a restaurant, has bought a shoe shining parior and all the young measurable A GOOD ASSORTMENT there have been repeated by young women. Young men, if draft age were thus released for all they service and for farm and hel erral work.

What's the Use?

Phil Brown, toat act of a local pic-ture house, got were the other day that his film, "Missing," schooland for the week of June 22, was message. Then a day later he was glad to get word that "Missing" had shexed up and was no longer missing. Logically, "Missing" has always been "Missing." It never was found "again"

because it had never been "missing" before. But what's the use?--Indianapolis News. When Americans Were Heathen. The first foreign missionary society

was established at London July 27

1649, being a corporation under the

title of "The Society for the Propaga-

tion of the Gospel in New England and the Parts Adjacent in North America."

Something New in Divorce Cases. Mrs. Johnson-"Sistah Martha has lest got a divo'ce fum her husband." Mrs. Jackson-"You don't say. How much ammonia did de cou't grant her?"-Boston Transcript.



A Thrice-Welcome Dessert

Here's the dessert that, for warm-weather meal-time, is rapidly crowding out pastry and pies!

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To all persons interested in the estate of LEVI WALLACE late of Ayer n said County deceased.
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### Saturday, July 27, 1918.

### GROTON

News Items. News Items.

A family by the name of Flynn, of Lowell, who were camping at Knopp's pond, met with a sad experience on Monday, when their daughter, twenty years of age, who, with her young brother had been out rowing, was about to draw the boat to the mooring, made a missien loosing hold of the mis-step loosing hold of the made a mis-step loosing noted of the boat. She waded out for it and was soon up to her neck in water. Not being able to swim she soon became frightened and before assistance could be summoned was drowned a few feet

Mrs. Ernest Whitcomb, with her two daughters, Ruth and Edith, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Ander-

Fourteen members of the class of Fourteen members of the class of 1916, Butter high school, enjoyed a delightful outing at Lakeview on Thursday, July 11. As a number of the graduates have automobiles, the party enjoyed the ride to and from their destination. All but two of the members of the class were present.

Mrs. Juliette Stone, who was ninety years old on July 19, suffered a slight shock last week but is reported as being very comfortable, considering her age and the hot weather.

Mr. Tupper, of Worcester, has been visiting this week at the home of Mrs. S. P. McKean.

... Miss Lillian Knapp left home a week ago last Monday for New Haven, Conn. where she has been visiting with friends: She returned home on

Mrs. Norman E. Beers is assisting the choir of the Congregational church every Sunday morning during the month of July by accompaniments and solos on the cornet.

Miss Ada Jones is enjoying a vaca-tion in Chatham previous to her going to her home at Round Hill, N. B., where she makes an annual visit to her mother and sister Alma.

Miss Georgiana Boutwell has been enjoying a few weeks visit from her friend, Miss Yssabella Waters, of New

A daughter was born on Thursday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Dykes, of Ayer, at the Groton hospital. Miss Geneiveve Harrington has been entertaining her friend and classmate at Fitchburg Normal school, Miss Irene Lynch, of Jaffrey, N. H.

Mrs. Elizabeth Prescott Leonard opens her house every Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock for bridge whist for the benefit of the Red Cross. On Thursday afternoon of this week there were six tables. Tea was served.

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A simple wedding was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Moison, on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, when their eldest daughter, Muriel Raddin, was united in marriage to Mark Hollingsworth Blood. The ccremony was performed by Rev. George M. Howe. The bride was attended by her two small sisters, Elinor and Helen, ring-bearer and flower girl. The only ones present were members of the immediate families. After a short trip they will return to their new home on Champney street.

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Mrs. Bradford Harrington was taken to the Groton hospital on Wednesday evening, where she will be cared for while Mrs. Jennie Hemenway is taking a vacation of two weeks. She was greatly in need of a rest. Mrs. for while Mrs. Jennie Lieutensking a vacation of two weeks. She was greatly in need of a rest. Mrs. Harrington's condition remains about

An evening fête for the benefit of the community service of Camp Devens will be held at the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Leonard on Thursday evening, August 15, beginning at 7,30 o'clock. The stable will be converted into a dance hall and a military band will furnish the music. Cigars, digarettes, lemonade and refreshments will be on sale. Fortune-telling will also be an attraction of the evening. Many of the surrounding towns are interested in this movement and it is earnestly hoped that everyone will make an effort to attend. A small admission will be charged. Tickets will be obtainable in the adjoining towns and at Bruce's drug store.

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Roscoe Follett, having recently enjoyed a trip to Laconia, N. H., accompanied by his sister and niece, Mrs. Alice Hammond and Miss Ruth Ham-

Mr. and Mrs. John Gay, of New Rochelle, N. Y., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gay over the week-end. John Gay, the eldest son of Mr and Mrs. Gay, went to Camp Devers on Monday James Woods was awakened last

James Woods was awakened hat wer Saturday night by a noise and got top had to investigate its cause. Loosing his loost bearings he fell down a whole fight the of stairs, cutting a gash in his head. A doctor was called who pronounced the cut serious.

Mrs. Fred Bishop went to Yerk Mrs. Beach Thursday morning on a telestric days with their brother. George hip. W. Futnam, who resides there.

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The demonstration made on last week Thursday evening by the young and old over the American-French victory in France was indeed thrilling. We trust we shall have reason to repeat it in the near future.

Richard Woolbert of Boston, was a

Richard Woolbert, of Boston, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur M. Tyr-rell from last week Thursday over the week-end.

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The regular weekly drill of Company K, 19th Inf., M.S.G., was held on Wednesday evening at 7.30. The company fell in in front of the town hall and after twenty minutes of close order work in the street under the inspection of Major Tuttle, of the 2d Battalion, the men under command of 1st Lieut. Torrey marched to the new rifle range, where reliefs took turns in digging the target pit. The company returned to the town hall at 9.20 and were dismissed. A battalion drill will be held in Westford on Sunday, August 4. The company will assemble at the Groton town hall at eight o'clock on the morning of that day, in uniform, and under arms.

Mrs. Jennie Hemenway, who has

During her absence Mrs. Harrington will be cared for by Mrs. May Boyn-ton at her home on Whiting avenue. Dexter Howe, who has been visiting friends in Vermont, has returned to Groton.

Mrs. James B. Harrington has been entertaining her sister, Mrs. Walter Tuttle, of South Acton.

Tuesday was the anniversary of the death of General Grant, who died thirty-three years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Eaton-are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter.

born on July 11, at the Groten hospital.

Goldenrod is beginning to bloom the forerunner of the hay fever sea son. Outside of the brilliant color lends to the autumn scenery it is useless weed. It spails the taste of useless weed. It spoils the taste of the milk of the cows that eat it, it stains whatever it comes in contact with and destroys the value of pas-tures where it grows.

Miss Ethel Moors spent last week-end with friends in Winchendon.

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Claude Farwell, having received his rating as marksman, has been transferred from the Wakefield rife range to Bumpkin Island; going there on Monday. He spent the week-end with the process. Mr and Mrs. A. B. Farhis parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Farwell, who took him to Wakefield or Sunday evening.

Mrs. Myron P. Swallow has beer visiting her sister in Amherst, N. H The bell on King's chapel, one of the oldest in the city of Boston, joined in the ringing to celebrate the victory of the American and French forces overseas. So can Groton boast of one of her oldest residents, William Parkhurst, eighty-five years of age, joining in the celebration with five shots from his double-barrel shot-gun. Mrs. Almon Gauthler has recently enjoyed a visit with friends in Con-cord, N. H.

where she makes an annual visit to her mother and sister Alma.

Brennis Tyrrell and family have been enjoying an automobile trip to Connecticut, visiting relatives in West Hartford, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hall. They were also entertained in New Britain and other places.

William Bradley, who was granted a short furlough following the death of his brother, Lieut. John Bradley, has returned to his duties at the aviation school at Kelly Field, Texas.

Miss Georgiana Boutwell has been beath, but to the country. The week week his second and following the death of the public schools of this ttown where he has always lived. He was a quiet, domestic, industricus, young man, greatly interested in nature, and enjoyed taking long walks or bicycle rides out into the country. The week previous to his death he spent in Buxman, greatly interested in nature, and enjoyed taking long walks or bloycle rides out into the country. The week previous to his death he spent in Buxton, Mer, with his brother Lewis and femily

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Upon learning of Mr. Woods disappearance the military company was called out to search for him, but it was not until Wednesday, as Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Beers were riding in their automobile, near Fitch's bridge, that they noticed what appeared to be a hat floating in the Nashua river. They hastened to notify Chief. Dowling, who soon found the body floating down the stream.

soon found the body hoating down the stream.

The funeral was held at the home of his parents on last week Friday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. G. M. Howe officiating.

Besides his father and mother he leaves two brothers and a sister—Lewis, of Buxton, Me.; Harvey, who is overseas with the American Expeditionary forces, and Miss Allce, Woods, of Boston. The interment was in the family lot in the Groton cemejery, Much sympathy is felt for this sorrowing family in their bereavement.

Public Safety Notice.

It has come to the notice of the Council of National Defense that liberty loan bonds are being offered in exchange for securities and merchandise. This practice not only impedes the government's financial program by depressing the market price of the bonds, but, in the words of Secretary McAdoo, I'll discourages thrift and increases expenditures, thus depriving McAdoo, 71 discourages that and an occases expenditures, thus depriving the government of labor and material needed for war purposes." Government bonds should be held by their original purchasers, except when sale is required by real necessity or misfortune. fortune.
Groton citizens are expected to give

patriotic support to the government by complying with this request of the Council of National Defense and of the secretary of the treasury

W. S. Hinchman, Chairman Committee on Public Safe-

Important for Canners.

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The State Food Administration has for the present stopped the purchase of sugar for canning. The immediate question is what shall we do with our raspberries and blueberries?

The following suggestions from the Massachusetts Agricultural College Massachusetts Agricultural College how how with the state of the state of

panied by his sister and niece. Mrs. Alice Hammond and Miss Ruth Hammond, has returned home.

Mrs. Fannie Boynton Woods and Mrs. Leila Nutting are at Salem Willows for a two-weeks' outing.

Mrs. William Putnam returned on Wednesday night from Milford, N. H., where she has been visiting some old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Whittier.

Mrs. Jerome Shattuck, who has been suffering with rheumatism for some time, was unfortunate in breaking her arra, a week ago. The hone was set by Er. Kilbourn. Mrs. Shattuck's son and family, Mr. sand Mrs. George Crocker and hittle-saughter, of Leominster, are visiting how.

Mr. and Mrs. Follett have been entertaining Mrs. Cross. For Boston. Will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church on Sunday.

George E. Meyet took Mrs. Edwin C. Leonard and two daughters, Marguerite and Edna, and Selina Bradley

and the perfect seal of the jar which keeps the fruit. The sugar is not an important factor in the keeping of the fruit, and can be added at the time of the same sugar, use a light carting syrup in the sugar was a light carting syrup in the sugar was a light carting syrup in the sugar syrup in the su

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Mr. and Mrs. John Gay, of New Rochelle, N. Y., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gay over the work.

About Town. Mrs. Gautheir and Miss. 1951 who were planning to go to New Y were detained at home. Miss that are attack of tots. 1971 to the advised her to 1970.

Mrs. Higley had a 15 for Wednesday and has two tendance. Miss Nannie Fietcher is bed, having some tie-

Miss Derethy Tyriell -Mrs. John Guest and Lawrence

Lawrence, are visiting be Mr. and Mrs Nathable, Co. Dr. Ayres is making his in in a new automobile

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Mrs. Jennie Hemenway, who has been caring for Mrs. Bradford Harrington, is taking a much needed rest.

Last Sunday there was at dent on the road to Tax which a boy received a fractington, is taking a much needed rest.

Mrs. George H. Cook, of Nashua, came over Saturday to take supper with her mother, Mrs. E. P. Woolley. A cake social was enjoyed at the Grange meeting on Tuesday evening, following the business session which

greatly enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Woods have re turned to their home in Buxton, Me. Miss Alice Woods will stay another

West Groton, Mrs. George Lee Bixby, who remained in Maine when her husband's leave from Camp Devens expired, returned to town on Saturday and connues to board at the parsonage.

Mrs. Alfred Hill is entertaining a relative, Mrs. James Whitney. Mrs. Hill and her guest spent Thursday in Townsend Harbor, calling on several friends residing there.

Miss Alice Hancock was an over Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Webber. Miss Hancock is enjoying the summer as a "farmerette."

Miss Alice Humiston, of Washington, Dr. C., spent several days this week at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Martha Tarbell.

Mrs. James Caldwell, with her baby Mrs. Almon Gauthier has recently enjoyed a visit with friends in Concret, N. H.

Mrs. Timothy Crowley has been entertaining her granddaughter and daughter, Mrs. Wesley Gilmore, of Boston.

Mrs. James Caldwell, with the deal was dealy adding the construction with the week from her visit in Providence to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Parker. Mr. Caldwell reached the other side safely and is engaged in construction work.

The members of the Red Cross auxiliary are much pleased at the result of their ice cream sale on Saturday evening, the net proceeds being over twenty-seven dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hallett are en-tertaining Mr. Hallett's sister and her husband and children, of Worcester. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Crowley and two children are spending their vacation at the home of John Long, Mrs. Crow ev's brother.

Miss Evadne Harrington, who is spending the summer in Worcester, and Webster Harrington, of Ayer, were at home for over Sunday.

Mrs. Harrington's sister, Mrs. Sam-uel Richards, of Boston, accompanied by friends, is staying for a time at the Harrington home. .

Miss Fannie Blood, of Shirley, and Miss Nellie Blood were guests of Mrs. J. T. Shepley over Sunday night. Robert Bliss and Leon Kane, on the deferred list for special service in Class 1, were called before the exemp-tion board this week.

On last Tuesday Aristides and Leonidas Liacos, Russell Smith and Mary Deroche and her younger sis-ter underwent operations for enlarged tonsils and adenoids at the Kilbourn topsits. A number of other children have had similar operations, among them Roger and Everett Reid and Armand and Edna Dubrecque.

Several little girls sold forget-me-not sprays tied with the Belgian color on Thursday and gained a good sum for the Belgian bables.

The new fountain in Squannacook The new fountain in Squannacook square—as its location has been christened by its donor, J. T. Shepley—is very near completion. It is of concrete, of just the right size, its lines expressing simplicity and dignity. With the grading completed and the bronze memorial tablet in place, it will certainly be a beautiful and most appropriate gift to the village. It began its life of public service, on Tuesday, when the water was turned on day, when the water was turned at six o'clock in the evening, and Shepley expresses the hope that it wi Shepley expresses the nope that it win remain in service for many years to come. He desires to thank the designer, J. T. Bennett, and the skilled workmen, Fred Tuttle, A. H. Thompson and George E. Lawrence, all Groton men, whose efforts have enabled him to contribute this gift to the town.

## TOWNSEND

Harbor.

Sunday guests at Mrs. Helen War-er's were Miss Helen Teal, Herbert and Mrs. Teal, of Arlington.

Wallace Connors is another of Townsend's boys serving in the navy. Mrs. Ella Spaulding and Mrs. Ida

Keenan are spending a few days har-vesting blueberries in Sterling. waldo Leahy, who is at Dr. Kil-bourn's hospital in Groton is to be taken to Nashua this week for an N-ray examination of the fractured bone in his leg. He is reported do-ing well and may be able to return home this week. ing well and ma home this week.

Sergt. Major Herhert Jones, retired. of Worcester, was a guest Helen Warner on Thursday.

William Colcord and family left last week Friday for an auto trip brough New Hampshire.

Frank Gilchrest, accompanied by rank Ginerics.

Is wife, formerly Miss Edna Temple, re visiting relatives at the Center and si village. Mr. Glichrest expects to called to camp soon.

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Last week Friday night some extended to camp soon.

Last week Friday night some extended for a few moments. Frank Conant's barn, where the inhers of the stable parted from the moorings, letting the floor side to the cellar. At the time there is five horses, several cows and me calves in the stable. Mr. Cott and his son Gilman were just ting the rest of the cows that were many from pasture into the stable, of the horses was not ited, and he floor went down, slid into the floor went down slid into the floor fl

The As You Like It club will meet Tuesding with Mrs. Helen Wannet Burdett, lecturer.

Hester Burdett, lecturer.

C. Petterson, assistant surgeon, to U.S. Navy, who has been spender a five-day furlough at Charles ets, was on the torpedoed boat Diego. He left here last week rolay evening and Friday found on the ill fated vessel. He was he water over four hours, finally sed up by the Malden. Accompany of the Malden is to be supposed by Mrs. Petterson, he returned to be supposed for over Sunday.

Postcards were first used in Austria Postcards were first used in Austria flavy became part of that country's estal service in 1869. They cost less than haif a cent to send and the first tere limited to twenty-five words flav, were taken up by England a rater. The first pleture postcard a said to have been sent in England 1891. Some two or three years the first yiew cards made their appearance. Postcards came into use the control of 1877.

MARRIAGE BY COMPULSION. Germany is determined to repair its loss in man power due to the war in every way possible, and a commission erected for the purpose proposes compulsory marriage for all persons at twenty with state aid where needed. Also childless married persons are to Nearly all the soldiers families who have been in town since last fall have left town, but it is said that the houses will soon be occupied again by a new set, as there will me a large number arrive at Camp bevens this week. be punished, these and other plans beto reverse any of the laws of nature. There seems little necessity for anything of the sort outside the proposal to aid persons to marry. It is universal experience that after every war there is a great jump in the birth rate of male children. This occurred in France after the Napoleonic wars, but one unfortunate result was to reduce the average stature of men by one inch. In this country some good women are much perturbed over what Germany is going to do, fearing that similar ideas Coming on Monday, Miss Isabelle
Bixby, of Boston, remained until Friday with her mother, Mrs. Charles
Bixby. She expects to return for over
Sunday with her sister, Miss Grace
Bixby, of Wellesley.
Royden McCurdy, of Dorchester,
was a recent guest at the Bixby home.

Miss Alice Humiston of Washingthe professional sort, and nearly all

> Explosions, in ammunition factories are frightful when they occur, but so are tornadoes. This is a world in which everybody who lives is exposed to the chance of death by accident and the certainty of death by disease or old age. The logical course is for everybody to go ahead unflinchingly with the business of life, whatever it may be, and while taking reasonable precautions, to waste no time in futile worries, for "men die a thousand deaths in fearing one."

sensible persons, are of the opinion

that we should do well to copy animal

breeding in some respects. We should

pay more attention to the health and

comfort of those about to marry and

to this we shall come in time, even if

more legal regulation may be neces-

In London they like daylight saving so well that there is talk of putting the crock ahead another hour. All right. There is no reason for anyone in the United States to worry. This country is considerably nearer the equator than "the tight little island." Consequently there, is less scope here than is the British Isles for saving daylight by shoving forward the hands of the clock to coax workers out of bed early on summer mornings.

Admiral Jellicoe said that U-boats would cease to be a menace by August 1, and the blocking of the ports of Zeebrugge and Ostend may bring the date even a little nearer. At least the British are making better time on their program than the kaiser and Von Hindenburg on the date for that dinner

It is a waste of time to berate Ger many for her brutality. There is only one way: Discard sentimentality and gush, put in more man power, hold on until you get him, then cut the cables and give Germany such a touch of high life that forty generations hence men will vomit at the very mention of war.

Examination of enemy dead following battles in which American marksmen have been engaged show, a dispatch says, that most of the victims were shot through the head. This indicates that our boys are using highpower rifles; otherwise the bullets would have glanced.

Whatever criticism the editorial writrs of the United States may have fairtrip to Lake Nagog.

Mrs. John Doherty, Elizabeth Doherty and Raymond Conners, of Boston, are spending their vacation at their Harbor cottage.

The of the United States may have taken by subjected themselves to, they are at least entitled to credit for the magnificent and impenetrable opacity of their cent and impened opacity opacit voluminous contribution to military strategy and science.

> A limit has been put on the importation of animals for menageries. Peanuts have become too valuable to be fed promiscuously to elephants and the amount of meat consumed by carnivorous quadrupeds is an even more se rious item.

Among the other things that seem to have joined the dodo bird are those iron rings we used to see that were war, but are still enjoying their leispurchased with dollars that went to ure moments and following their motthe German war fund.

The stomach has asserted its rights to consideration as well as the brain. In general discussion simplified food kind, and yet nobody shouts the advent has taken the place of simplified spell- of the millennium.

entitled to hang one star in the kitchen window.

Greater is he that setteth a new riveting record than he who doeth 100 yards in nine seconds flat.

The trouble with constructive criticism is that every critic admits that he is constructive.

Nothing strengthens the enemy quite so much as petty faultfinding at home.

Budding Diplomat. "Willie," said his mother, seeing him cating a piece of candy, "did I say you could have a piece of candy?" "Well,"

said Willie, "you didn't say that I

the day I mind my store."

couldn't."

Reason for It. A millionaire merchant says: success is probably due to the fact that

NO STATE UNITS IN ARMY. The response from the general staff to the request by Governor Neville that the former Nebraska National Guard regiments be brigaded as a unit for Overseas service gives cogent reasons for not following that course. State pride is fully recognized at the war department, but more important considerations have determined the disposition of troops. To begin with, Nebrasks troops, along with those of other states, lost any distinguishing state designations when they entered the service of the government and became an integral part of the military forces of the United States. Since then more young men have gone out under the selective draft than were in the Guard regiments, and no effort has been made to separate them. Al are inextricably mixed and the read ing of the casualty lists now coming back will show how completely merlocal distinctions have been lost sight of. This is not a war of states, but of the nation, says Omaha Bee. The forces under the president are not composed of 48 little armies, but of one big, general organization, which the officers are striving to weld into one homogeneous whole, in which there will be no rivalry between states, other than the wholesome and generous competition of the men themselves to uphold home traditions.

Advice is something that somebody who has been through a thing that you are just starting into gives you along with a pain. It (the advice), is free and worth it. As a rule, old people give young people advice, and young people don't take it. Most of the advice in the world is about choosing a career and getting married, and both of these are usually dismai fullures. Once in a while you meet a person who never gives advice and never takes any. Stick to him. He is a rare in dividual

There is lively argument pro and con on the subject of armor for airplanes. True the German machine which proved to be the death of Lufbery was steel plated. Equally true, however that it was brought down soon after it had vanquished him. The opinion of Orville Wright is that the armoring of airplanes is of doubtful utility, because it makes them too slow as a rule for easy handling, but he adds that, if desired, armored planes can be turned out at short notice.

While one American marine over there was taking a prisoner he ran into two German officers and ten men. He tackled them single handed with his rife and bayonet, killed both officers and wounded seven men. The chap who could whip his weight in wildcars had nothing whatever on this birthday. Thursday, she also entirely a large party at luncheon.

J. B. Blodgett and family expects. wildcats had nothing whatever on this nniformed dynamo.

A Cologne, member of the German parliament wants air raids on open towns ended by agreement, so that the senseless murder of women and children may be stopped. That the murder of women and children is senseless was discovered only when German towns found themselves subject to that

However, the walking is good. That's about the only consolation to be extracted from the lifting of passenger fares everywhere by steam and trolley. We may yet derive physical as well as spiritual benefits from all our alleged tribulations. Look pleasant.

Durig May 44 ships were completed, a tonnage of 263,571, or in five months 1,112,897 tons. As this equals about six years' output before the war. American shipbuilders are at least be ginning to prepare to get busy.

learned that the affable German agent who comes around to solicit is altogether a different person from the German agent who comes around to collect. The French officer's invention of a

Various European countries have

way to make bread without flour sounds a good deal like making bricks without straw; but, then, nobody makes bricks with straw nowadays. The lounge lizards have not gone to

to: "Eat, slink and be merry." Nowadays grocers are fined for selling storage eggs as the strictly fresh

Running the government is like run-The young wife who refuses to feed ning a newspaper. Every man thinks hubby out of the delicatessen store is that he could do better than the man on the job.

> Next to our boys who are doing the fighting the war mothers are the greatest gift this nation has made to civilization.

for looking happy on the arm of a handsome ,soldier?

Can anybody blame a young woman

The cat in the thrift garden is very much of an enemy alien.

to be so enthusiastic in starting a new

undertaking that you have no energy

Conserve Enthusiasm. Are you a boy or girl who becomes very enthusiastic about some nice thing you want to do? Be careful not

some of the geysers which send a spout of water skyward, and then are at night I store my mind and during quiet for 24 hours.—Exchange.



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LITTLETON

News Items. The Camp Fire Girls are planning a camping season at Bare hill pond, Harvard, the first of August.

Inrvard, the first of August.

The Girl Scouts are making arangements for a benefit garden party on Mrs. Paul L. Brown's lawn, Foster on Mrs. Paul L. Brown's lawn, Foster street, Wednesday, August 7, from ten in the morning until five in the afternoon. Tables will be set and lunch served at mid-day. There will be an entertainment, a sale of refreshments, etc. It is intended to make the day a pleasant, informal social affair to which many out of town people, as well as Littleton residents, will come and bring their knitting. More particulars next week. tculars next week.

tertained a large party at luncheon.

J. B. Blodgett and family expect soon to move to Groton, where he is said to have accepted a position with Dr. Kilbourn. The family will be missed from church, Grange and neighborhood, where they have made many friends and rendered a willing and valued service. Raiph Hill came from Portland,
Me., to have his questionnaire verified
before the examining board at Ayer
the first of this week. A. H. Knowlton, who came nome Sunday, instead
of Tuesday, as previously reported,
was accepted by the examining board.
At present he is helping J. P. Thacher
at the store.

t the store.

Richard Gardner, U. S. N., has been visiting his parents, the George Gard-ners, and his Grandmother Whitcomb at the ancestral homestead.

Mrs. George M. Lovejoy and son Jo-seph are at Mrs. P. S. Whitcomb's for the summer.

We learn of a fine memorial tablet, the gift of some public-spirited residents, which is to contain the names of the Littleton boys in service during the present war, and soon to be placed before the public. Mrs. E. N. Robinson has been spending the week with relatives in

Bolton. We hear encouraging news concern under treatment at the Massachusetts General hospital, Boston. Mrs. Pack-ard is with him throughout each day. Miss Florence Whitcomb recently ntertained her friend, Miss Chase,

Mrs. Paul L. Brown and Mrs. Henry S. Brown, with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon, of Newton, motored to Thetford, Vt., last week Friday and visited the Gordon sisters, Helen and Betty. the Gordon sisters, Helen and Bet-returning home this week Tuesday. Several parties of Littleton people have motored to the blueberry pastures up country this week and prought home good quantities of thoice fruit.

choice fruit.

One of the helpers on Dell-Dale farm, Millikin by name, caught his nand in the hay pitch fork Tuesday and tore two fingers badly. An accident of the same nature, but less severe, happened to the four-year-old son of Capt. Merriam, of Goldsmith street, who was in the Prouty barn observing the work of the pitchfork. Both are doing well.

It is estimated that Littleton has

Both are doing weil.

It is estimated that Littleton has 120 children five years of age or under. Of that number 86 were weighted and measured, and in nearly all cases were found normal. Two families were barred from examination owing to contageous diseases therein. The examining board feel that the response to the call for the babies was very good and at least one child has henefited, having since had adenoids and tonsils removed that were previously in bad condition.

Mrs, Frank Gregory is resting com-

Mrs. Frank Gregory is resting com-ortably and making very satisfactory ecovery from a delicate throat oper-tion which she underwent at a Lowition which she under ill hospital last week. Charles S. Robbins, of Melrose, call d on Littleton relatives while on sousiness trip through town, Tuesday

N. H. Whitcomb made his first trip o Boston market in his new truck this Mrs. John H. Hardy is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Sawyer, of Boston and

Vermont.

Mrs. George A. Kimball, who was Mrs. George A. Kimbali, who was thrown from her carriage last week when her horse started suddenly, sus-tained minor injuries. A recent ex-anination revealed a fractured rib. Misses Elizabeth Belcher, Margery Belcher and Gladys Stowe, of Win-throp, were guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hartwell.

undertaking that you have no energy and Mrs. F. C. Hartweil.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Plummer, of Mrs. and here with her grandpare she will visit for ten days.

In 16 cantonments 650,000,000 feet of lumber were used.

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LOST-Setter Dog, black, white and tan, somewhere in Ayer or Camp. Re-ward for return. P. H. BABCOCK, Haryard, Mass. Telephone 94. . CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly helped by their words and deeds and for the beautiful flowers given at the time of our recent bereavement. We wish also to express our sincere thanks to those who so kindly volunteered in the search for the lost one. ost one.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen E. Woods,
Miss M. Alice Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis G. Woods.

Groton, Mass., July 23, 1918. I HAVE A DISINFECTANT that destroys files, roaches and insects of all kinds and purifies vaults. Just the thing for all sanitary purposes. T. W. TITUS, Sandy Pond Road, Ayer.

WANTED—To buy a lot of laying Hens: R. I. Reds especially, T. W. TITUS, Sandy Pond Road, Ayer. 2147 FOR SALE—Three Male Boston Ter-rier Pupples from registered and prize-winning stock. They are beauties, Come and see thom. MAUD E. TRAYNE, 6 Elm St., Groton, Mass.

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our glasses and period to the form your daily tasks with glasses than you are now doing these things without glasses. Consult us today. F. H. GATHERCOLE OPTOMETRIST

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Main Street

"The daily labors of the Ecc. Awake my soul to industry; Who can observe the careful Ant, And not provide for future want?"

Word has been-received in town of the safe arrival of Lieut, Arthur W. Carley overseas.

W. Edward Murphy attended a meeting of the National Automobile Dealers association at Hotel Brunswick, Boston, this week Friday.

wick, Boston, this week Friday,
The following feature pictures will
be shown next week at the movies:
Monday, Marguerite Clark in "Seven
swans"; Tuesday, Warren Kerrigan
in "One dollar bid"; Wednesday, "The
trail of yesterday," a Metro production;
Thursday, Alma Rubens in "The answer"; Friday, Alice Brady in "The
knife"; Saturday, Jewel Carman in
"The bride of fear."
Two monkeys escaned from one of

Sergt. Frank W. Palmer of the 317th Field Signal Battalion, Company A, has arrived safely in France, according to word received by his wife, Mrs. Ethel Andrew Palmer. A soldier was knocked down and slightly injured on Park street, just west of the railroad crossing, last Sun-

day night. The driver of the car drove before his name could be learn Alterations are being made at the

railroad station in order that more room may be obtained for the handroom may be obtained for the hand-ling and storing of bagsage. A por-tion of the waiting-room of the Fitch-burg division will be added to the bagsage-room by removing the parti-tion between the two rooms, which it is expected will give ample room for the great volume of bagsage that is constantly being handled at the sta-tion.

benind him were twenty big bunches of flowers for the sick ones.

The local board for division 15 wishes to correct a statement made in a recent issue of this paper. All local boards are required to call in for examination registrants who state in their questionnaire that their primary occupation is one listed in the regulations as non-productive, of which bookkeepers or clerks are examples. Therefore, Levi P. Moore, who in his questionnaire gave his occupation as bookkeeper, was one of those called before local board No. 15 for hearing. Mr. Moore submitted sworn statements that his present occupation is taking, charge of the lumber yard at Phelps's mill. The statement in this paper that Mr. Moore is a clerk is incorrect, according to his own sworn statements. If a clerk he would have been held to be in a non-productive occupation. Local board No. 15 was in no way in error.

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sormon by the pastor: 12.00, Sunday school: 8.30, Young People's service. Thursday, 7.45, mid-week service. Mrs. E. E. Fisher of Chestnut Hill and her daughter, Mrs. Groen, of Watertown, visited Mrs. Charles L. Farngworth of Washington street a Farnaworth OI .... few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene S. Barry's lit-tle daughter, Jane Elizabeth, has an attack of the whooping cough this

The records for high temperature for many years were broken, Monday, when the mercury rose to 102 degrees in the shade. At Camp Devens the highest temperature of the day was in the afternoon, when 105 degrees in the shade was registered.

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Thursday, Alma Rubens in "The answer"; Friday, Alice Brady in "The knife"; Saturday, Jewel Carman in "The bride of fear."

Two monkeys escaped from one of the Bistany Bros. showl last Saturday morning. Attaches of the show started in hot pursuit after the animals and succeeded within a short time in finding them in a yard on West Main street, a short distance from the show grounds.

An unsuccessful attempt to break into the variety store of A. Davidson, West Main street, was frustrated a few nights ago by Mr. Davidson, who sleeps in the place, and scared the lintruders away.

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The local exemption board has procured quarters in Carley's new block and will move in the first part of September. The present quarters of the board on the top floor of the town hall building are very unsatisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Johnson and two children, Roger and Evelyn, are at Boscawen, N. H., for several weeks. Mrs. J. M. Lynds, formerly of Ayer, who moved with her husband to Lunenburg several months ago, is laid up with a broken arm, caused by a recent fall.

The wholesafe florists and the Boston Flower Market did a very nice thing for the boys in the sick wards at Camp Devens last week Thursday. Late in the forenoon Henry Penn left in his car for Ayer, and stowed away behind him were twenty big bunches of flowers for the sick ones.

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The Vesper Bakery has passed in-pection by Capt. Foote and has again opened for business. The establish-ment is now pronounced sanitary in every respect.

The remains of Martin Cleary, for many years a resident of Groton, who died in Holyoke on Wednesday, were brought here for interment in St. Mary's cemetery this week Friday afternoon. Mr. Cleary was widely known in Ayer, particularly by the Colder residents.

from St. Mary's church, Lawrence, on Wednesday morning, with a requiem high meas at time o'clock. The interment took place in St. Mary's cemetery in that city. The deceased was a significant of the second was a significant or the second was a significant ter of the late Rey, P. J. Sheedy tor of St. Mary's church, Ayer died on April 2, 1916. With 1, ter she was in charge of the phouse until her brother's deat both moved to Lawrence, the

W. C. C. S. Notes.

Saturday, July 27, 1918.

AYER

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Murphy visited relatives in Hingham this week.

A son, weighing 11½ pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William O Bailey in Béthel, Vt., Wednesday in the division, went with his men, and in Béthel, Vt., Wednesday in the division, went with his men, and in Béthel, Vt., Wednesday in the division, went with his men, and in Béthel, Vt., Wednesday in the division with the worganization at the camp will be known as the 12th Division, but it is not known whether or not the new morning. For some time past Mr. Bailey has been a popular clerk in the West Street Lunch; recently tarking the position as one of the regular direman on the chemical stationed here. "Some boy," Bill.

The Sunday night service at the Federation House is for both sodiers and civilians and the speaker, Rev. John R. Chaffee, D. D. Mrs. Beckford and Miss Clark will sing. The social hour for the soldiers will follow the evening service. Work is progressing on the new motion picture apparatus and it is expected to be ready for use in the near future.

Happy Jack Thrift club reports sevently thrift stamps and four war in the stamps

the program for the afternoon. In the peanut races, prizes were won by Miss. Esther Barrows, head of the peanut races, prizes were won by Miss. Esther Barrows, head of the electric car, carrying the glass with Marion Noddin, Gladys Pillman, Ken. House, Boston, came to Ayer last week Raymond and Percy Farnsworth, House, Boston, came to Ayer last week Friday, accompanying a group of Elmer Wilkins and A. A. Adams, all owners who are studying war camp of Shirley, took a trip to Revere Beach community service, with the intention of entering the work hext fall. Supper car, Rex M. Boutwell acting as chautfeur.

The records for high temperature the party leaving for Boston soon afthe party leaving for Boston soon af-ter. Miss Mabel Houghton, head of the vocational work at the South End House, was one of the party.

The Wednesday evening invitation dance at the Soldiers club was well attended, the girls coming from Littleton and Lunenburg. An orchestra of seven from the camp furnished the music. Friday evening there will be another invitation dance, the girls to come from Fitchburg.

Carl Proctor, of the Ayer Machine Company, has generously offered to give, as his contribution to the church, his services as engineer of the new building. Mr. Proctor's offer solves a board on the top floor of the town hall building are very unsatisfactory. Nicholas Murray was appointed a special police officer, by the selectmen at their meeting on Monday evening.

Mr and Mr English Characteristics will be installed this fall.

Lawn Party.

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Ideal weather greeted the Unitarian Girls' club for their lawn party on Wednesday evening on the grounds of Rev. and Mrs. Frank B. Crandall, Nashua street. With the crowd the scene presented a picture of beauty, Japanese lanterns and colored streamers being strung between the trees. Three tables dispensed good things for the inner man. The candy table in charge of Mrs. R. W. Murphy, Mrs. John H. Sanderson, Miss Lillian Wright and Miss Maud Whitcomb did a big business, selling out the entire a big business, selling out the entire stock. The ice cream table was in charge of Miss Elinor Clark and Mrs.

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Mr. Cleary was widely as the control of Rev. and Leona M. Woodworth, both of Brooklyn, N. Y. James R. Gating, a soldier, and Anna M. Smith, of Hartford, Conn.

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The Massachusetts draft calls for August will be for \$281 white men and 513 colored men according to information received Wednesday from

State of the design of the formation received. Wednesday from Provost Marshal General Crowder.

Until the 1918 registrants have been finally classified or physically examinated, however, the calls will be temporarily held up. No releases to either the 1917 or 1918 class men, who are or may be put in class one to the navy, marine corps, or emerkency fleet are to be granted by local boards until further or notice. Local boards until further urged to exert every effort to have a sufficient number of men available to fill the August calls and medical advisory boards have been urged to speed up the examinations. Most boards are drawing on class one of the 1918 registrants to meet the deficiency in recent arawing on class one of the 1918 registrants to meet the deficiency in recent calls, and efforts are being made to speed up classification and examinations.

Retail Coal Prices for Ayer.

The following prices for anthrucite coal have been established by the Massachusetts Fuel Administration, to be effective on July 18, 1918, and to continue until withdrawn. These prices represent an advance of fifty cents a ton over previous prices, due to an increase in freight rates.

ment.

A strange feature of the accident was that no one knows its exact cause. The motorman stated that as he approached the

proached the spot where the crash occurred he saw an automobile approaching in the opposite direction from that in which the electric car was moving. As is, usual under such circumstances he'dimmed his headen from the camp furnished the music.

Invitation dance, the girls to come from Fitchburg.

Unitarian Church.

Sunday service—Morning service in the vestry at 10.45; preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the minister; subject, "A service shrine."

The Unitarian church in Charleston, S. C., which has recently ordered a larger and more elaborate organ, has offered its present organ to this parish, provided that the space in the organ gallery of this church is large enough to accommodate the instrument.

Carl Proctor, of the Ayer Machine

Was moving. As is, usual under such circumstances he dimmed his head-light so as not to confuse the driver of the glirby the glare of the light. Just as the lights were dimmed the crash came. The team was not seen by the driver of the electric car until he was within seven or eight feet of the vehicle. It was then too tate to avoid a collision. It is supposed that the driver of the team tried to cross the car tracks to go into the camp ground when the wagon was struck a heavy broadside blow, resulting in the accident. Chief Beatty was called to the scene of the accident and made an investigation. The front of the trolley car was badly damaged by the collision.

District Court

Last Saturday morning Provost Thompson, of West Groton, was found not guilty of a complaint for causing the death of a cow by poisoning. John D. Carney was counsel for the govern-ment and John M. Maloney for the

defendant
L. G. Strand, the first witness, said
that the defendant spoke to him about
hiring a part of the Sedley farm,
which Mr. Strand works in addition
to his own. Later, Mr. Strand went
into the woods near his farm and
found his cow dead. The leaves about
where the animal was found were
covered with paris green and salt.
Human footprints were also discovcred near where the dead animal lay.
Chief Dowling testified that he saw
some salt and a piece of pasteboard defendant.

Chlef Dowling testified that he saw some salt and a piece of pasteboard box, covered with leaves, on the farm. He went to see the father of the boy and found more salt in Mr. Thompson's barn. The rubbers that the defendant wore fitted exactly the footprints found near where the pasteboard box was found. Mr. Dowling said that he refused to talk with the defendant about the case. Paris green was found which belonged to L. G. Strand, a part of which was lent to the defendant to form a mixture for spraying.

Another bunch of alleged violators of the recently made town by-laws governing the conduct the public automobile drivers were in court on Wednesday, the session lasting all the forenoon. The complaints were chiefly made under the by-law which forblids those to properly licensed. forbids those not properly licensed from soliciting the transportation of passengers for hire within the limits ce commisze nineteen
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Wedding. Sinney and Miss Lenna Charles. W

Crandall, minister of the Unitarian church, performed the ocremony, using the double ring service.

With the exception of Miss Margaret Huphey, a close friend of the bride, only relatives were present. Miss Emma Kinney, sister of the groom, was the maid of honor, and Fred W. Hosmer was the groomsman. Elegant presents testified to the friendships that the bride and groom have made. Expecially noteworthy have made. Especially noteworthy among these were a full set of solid tern from the groom's associates i

a set of china and exquisitely em broidered table linen from the groun! Mr. and Mrs. Kinney are on a shor Mr. and Mrs. Kinney are on a short wedding journey. As soon as they can find a house they will make their permanent home in Ayer. Mrs. Kinney, who is a singer of unusual training and ability, will find a warm welcome in musical and social circles in the community.

the community. Draftees Classified.

The following is a list of registrants of the June, 1918, draft, finally classified. As all have not been examined and classified, only those who have thus far been classified are given, the number prefacing their names being the order in which they will be called:

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order in which they will be called Jeremiah F. Kegan, Ayer 3. Frank McQuarrie, Ayer 2. James A. Ailard, Graniteville 4. Wm. H. Lincoin, W. Groton 1. Chester J. Smith, Shirley R. E. Hooper, Maynard William Buiger, Shirley 1-A Carl A. Campbell, Bolton Wm. J. Newhouse, Maynard 1. Frank D. Lyons, Ayer 1. Leo C. White, Maynard W. B. Ward, E. Fitchburg 1-A J. M. Blanchard, Townsend J. Micheleangelo Russo, E. Pep. 1. Micheleangelo Russo, E. Pep. 1
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John Cataroso, Maynard
Wm. F. Smith, Stow
Martin L. Daigle, Ayer
Angus E. Hanson, Maynard
J. V. Poikonen, Maynard
Edward L. Flynn, Ayer
Wm. E. McGinnis, Shirley
Henry J. Healy, Westford
Charilie Granke, Pepperell
Geo. H. Towne, Ayer
C. H. Matthewman, Maynard
Elliott A. Barrett, Shirley
Elliott M. Preble, Ayer
Chester Irwin, Maynard
Calvin J. Dandley, Westford
Alfred F. Gill, Bolton
William Friéderich, Ayer
Anthony Pivirotte, Gran'ville
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John E. King, Maynard
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# UTILITY OF VARIOUS BREEDS

Wyandotte is Early Maturing, and Be ing Well Meated is Not Difficult to Fatten.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) The common classification of breeds according to their places in the general scheme of poultry production divides them into three principal classes, laying breeds, meat breeds and gener al-purpose breeds—that is, breeds that are not as ready and persistent egg



Splendid White Wyandotte.

producers as the laying breeds, and not as meaty and as easy to fatten as the meat breeds, yet combine in one individual fowl very good laying capacity with very good table quality

The Leghorn, Minorca, Andalusian, Ancona and Campine are well-known eds of the laying class; the Brahma Dorking and Cornish of the mea class; the Plymouth Rock, Wyandotte Rhode Island Red and Orpington of the general-purpose class.

The breeds mentioned as of the lay ing class, with the exception of the are relatively small. very energetic and lively, mature early, and are easily kept in good laying condition. The Minorca is of larger size and modified somewhat in the other particulars mentioned, yet has more the character of the laying class than

In the meat breeds, there is not the same uniformity of type that is found in the laying breeds. The three mentioned differ decidedly. The Brahms is most popular because it is at the same time the largest and the most rugged in constitution. The Dorking excels in quality of meat, but is generally considered somewhat lacking in hardiness. The Cornish is rather nard-meated, but, being very shortfeathered, has its special place as a large meat-producing fowl in Southersections where the more heavily feathered Brahma does not stand the

Among the popular breeds of the general-purpose class there are also differences in type, adapting breeds to different uses. The Plymouth Rock is generally regarded as the type meeting the widest range of requirements in the general-purpose class.

The Wyandotte is a little smaller and earlier maturing, but still very well meated and easy to fatten.

The Rhode Island Red has nearly the same standards of weight as the Wyandotte, but is a more active bird. not putting on fat so readily. Conseand is popular with those who want eggs and meat but want eggs most.

The Ornington is at the other extreme in the general-purpose class ng a heavier, meatier fowl than the Plymouth Rock.

Such a list of breeds affords so wide a range of choice that boultry keepers can always select a standard breed better adapted to their locality and their purpose than any nonstandard stock they can procure and having the further advantage of producing true to type.

## DRY LITTER FOR SCRATCHING

Damp Material is Practically Useless-Clean It Out and Renew It at Frequent Intervals.

Prepared by the United States Depart-Straw and similar material gathers noisture and when the litter becomes Jamp enough to he limp it is pracnseless for fowls to scratch in or their grain feed. Scratching litter in the poultry house is essential, but it should be cleaned out and renewed requently.

Best Pullets to Keep. Keep the pullets which mature quickly and start laying first. Those which start laying when less than 200 days old, or nearest that age, are the best layers if they have had the best

Necessary for Large Flocks. It is pretty generally admitted that he incubator and brooder are neces dties where large flocks of poultry are

Correct Spelling.

One of the most polished and pains taking of English authors regarded correct spelling as a totally unnecessary accomplishment. In his introduction to R. L. Stevenson's letters, Sidney Colvin writes: "I have not held myself bound to reproduce all the author's minor eccentricities of spelling and the like. As all his friends are aware, to spell in a quite accurate and grown-up manner was a thing which this master of English letters was never able to learn."

### WASTE ELIMINATED BY MEANS OF SILO

Bushel Crop of Corn.

Husk Crop in Field and Leave

Stover-Contains One-Third

of Food Nutrients.

(Prepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.)

By making as much silage as can be

used stockmen will do much to con-

corn plant is left in the stover when

The importance of this saving will be

more apparent when given a money

value. With a yield of 50 bushels an

acre, the value of grain is \$75, at \$1.50

bushel. Since the stover contains

Concrete Silo in Course of Construc-

tion.

more than one-third of the food nutri

ents it is worth at least one-half as

much as the grain, or \$37.50. How many farmers will willingly leave in

the field \$37.50 an acre? Yet this is

done in many sections of the country

where the corn is husked and the

But suppose the dry stover is fed as

roughage. Even then it is not well saved as completely as in slage.

When, under ordinary farm conditions

corn is cured in the shock the loss of

dry matter is approximately 25 per

cent and may be as high as 45 per

breaking off of leaves by the wind and

in handling, and to destructive fermen-

tations. The loss of dry matter in the

silo is very slight when the silo is

tight and the silage well packed at the

time of filling. As silage the corn-

stalk is all consumed, but as stover

only the leaves are eaten unless it is

shredded, and even then a great part of the stalk is discarded. Some feed-

ing experiments show that even in

shredded stover the portion discard-

ed is as high as 31 per cent. This is

in addition to the loss of dry matter

Too frequently an unfavorable sea-

on like last year results in the loss

of the whole corn plant or in immature

soft corn that is of little value. By

Any the best method to utilize corn

which is immature at harvesting time

is to put it into the silo. Even frost-

ed corn will make satisfactory silage

if harvested at once. If it becomes

dry, it may be saved by adding wa-

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**GOVERNMENT AND LABOR** 

(Prepared by the United States)
Department of Agriculture.)

No department of government

has any authority under the law

to selze labor nor can the gov-ernment create labor. The best

we can do is to study each situa-

and every possible assistance in

tion and to furnish information

and cities dependent upon agri-

culture to mobilize all town men

of farm experience for aid to

farmers, if need be, by substitut-

ing women in stores and shops

in order to relieve the temporary

emergency.-Clarence Ousley,

Assistant Secretary of Agricul-

GARDEN TOOLS NOT COSTLY

Large and Expensive Assortment Not

Necessary in Home Garden-

Three Indispensable.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
In order to have a home vegetable

garden it is not necessary to acquire

tools. A spade, hoe and rake are the

only tools that are indispensable. A

garden line can be improvised from

pieces of twine, and two sharpened

sticks will serve as stakes. A trowel

can be fashioned from a piece of thin

board or from a shingle, while a serv-

lceable scratcher or weeder can be

made by driving three slender nalls

through the end of a plece of lath. An-

other kind of good weeder can be

made from a piece of hoop iron bent

A wheel hoe, or combination wheel

noe and seed drill, is a splendid tool,

and there are a number of small hand

but these are not essential.

that are useful in the garden,

Develop Milk Capacity.

The capacity to give milk is devel-

Detecting Malingerers.

The discovery of a Dutch physician that sudden sounds may cause the pu-

pil of the eye to dilate momentarily is

suggested as a novel method of de-

tecting malingerers claiming to be to-

tally deaf. Placed in a strong light.

the subject is told to look at some dis-

tant object and, as the examiner's as-

sistant calls off in a loud voice a num-

ber of well separated words—such as

"Attention!" and "Forward march!"-

the effect on the pupils can be clearly

oped in cows by breeding early.

into a loop and one edge sharpened.

large or expensive assortment of

ter during the filling process.

during the curing process.

These losses are due to the

stover left in the field.

BY MARY BRODERICK Saving of \$37.50 Per Acre on 50-

Copyright, 1918, by the McClure Newspa per Syndicate.) Farmers In Many Sections of Country

"The flag has come, girls, and such -beauty," Alice Dayls ann her sisters as they gathered around the table for the evening meal

ROMANCE IN KHAKI

"That makes me think, Jule," the other sister joined in. "I saw Rod Taylor in town this afternoon, and serve the feed supply. At least 37 per he certainly looked well. He came in on the afternoon train, and if I'm not cent of the digestible material of the mistaken, was in a soldier's uniform too. Better not show his face 'round the ears only are used. When corn is ensiled this 37 per cent goes into the these quarters, though, eh, Jule?" she with the 63 per cent in the ear. continued.

Julia said nothing, but if it were not for the gathering twilight the others might have noted the tears in her For "Rod Taylor" was a name she was trying to put out of her mind and finding it so hard to do. The meal finished and her sisters on their way to keep the evening's engagement, Julia went out to the shed for the ladder, preparatory to the unfurling of "Old Glory." Carrying it around to the front of the house, she braced it against the balcony over the large plazza, and with the flag, a beautiful silk one, and a new staff on her arm, ascended to her lofty position and was soon busily engaged.

She was, in fact, so hard at work that the buzz of little voices below falled to attract her attention. "Cheese it, Jimmle," a tow-headed

chap was muttering into the ear of his companion. "She'll hear us," all the time tugging vigorously at the ladder. Finally, their evil purpose accomplished, the two disappeared around the orner of the house, a boy at each end f the ladder snickering at the loke they were playing on Aunt Jule

Brother Bob's twins, for such they tere, hore the reputation in the neigh borhood of young terrors, and it is safe to say they did not have to work overtime to 'live' up to that repu

If our little natriot failed to witness the villainy of her young nephews, a soldier of Uncle Sam coming rapidly down the street, did not, for he came o an abrupt halt at the corner.

As Julia: prepared to descend to terra firma, and realized the predicament she was in, a little cry escaped "Well, I suppose there's nothing her. to do now but to wait for the girls to come home," she bravely exclaim ed, sinking down on the floor of the halcony.

It was practically dark, and the lone iness of the silent street appalled her so that she was soon in tears. Try hard as she might, she could not keep her thoughts from reverting back to the evening meal and to what her sister had said of Rod Taylor. He who had betrayed his trust. She found herself saying his name over and over, when suddenly from the darkness be came a voice:

"Can I be of any assistance?" Julia jumped to her feet, and peered over the balcony to see the form of man in the shadows below. She made no reply until it came again.

"Might I be of some assistance?" Her voice a trifle unsteady return ed: "Why, yes, if you will get a lad-der from the back shed, and let me down, I will be greatly obliged."

The sound of retreating footsteps told her he was at her bidding, and soon he was back again. She heard him putting the ladder in place, and to her surprise heard his footsteps on the rungs. Evidently he was testing its steadiness. No, he was coming up, and Julia peered again over the balcony. As he neared the top she found herself looking into a pair of brown eyes, eyes she knew, and which held her speechless for the moment.

"Rod Taylor." she exclaimed after a shifting labor from one neighborhood or region to another, and if that is not possible in a said that is not possible in a come for you, of course. And why not, come for you, of course. And why not, and if the course is a course of the forms of the for long minute. "Why are you here, and

Didn't you receive my mes sage?

"But-but I don't understand," she returned. "You have never even an swered my letters, and I have received no message from you, no, not even a word since you left me." Backing away from the railing as she spoke.

"Can it be possible, Julia?" he re turned. "True, I have been ill in camp, and quarantined for the last three months, in fact so ill I could receive no letters and, of course, could not write, but I did try to send you messages through the boys, but I guess it was no avail after all. I just recently obtained my furlough, and came as ickly as possible."

"Bu -your marriage," she inter-"One of the girls read about in the paper and told me "Oh, you little goose," he shouted in

me more than that, little girl? ly marriage I was in was a ttle fun the fellows were havpass the time away, while I operating. I will show you

ere was no need for further for Julia held out her hands, h a bound the young soldier the balcony rail, where in wlow of the Stars and Stripes is for the young lovers were d away.

moon and the stars came out henvens one by one, but one sar, brighter than all the rest in la's eyes, Rod took from his pected and placed on the third finger of her left hand, whose light, the and of love, was to guide them to their new-found happiness.

Wire From Office of Platinum Platinum is so ductile that a wire 1,800 miles long could be drawn from single Troy ounce of the metal.

Fat Not Used. Burma is one of the few lands in which fat is not used for lighting or industrial purposes.

Silkworm's Fast Growth In 28 days from hatching a silkworm increases 4,000 times its ofiginal size.

# MILLIONS OF BUSHELS OF HUMAN FOOD CONSERVED BY OPERATION OF MACHINES



THRASH WITH CARE AND ELIMINATE WASTE OF GRAIN.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) mant or Williamirn.)

The waste of grain through the inefficient operation of thrashing machines, though not a serious matter to the individual farmer, is a matter of perhaps millions of bushels to the nation as a whole and to the nations that just now are looking to us for food to ward off famine. When we consider that there are 6,000,000 farms in the United States, it is evident that a waste of only a bushel a set would be an enormous loss in the aggregate. .......

If the thrashing machines of the country wasted only three or four bushels of grain out of every thousand they thrash, the loss of wheat alone in the United States every year would equal a quantity sufficient to furnish a normal supply of bread to a million people for nearly half a year. The present importance of keeping thrashing machines at their highest point of efficiency thus is easily seen.

It is probably not possible to save all the grain, even with the most effi-cient operation under the best field conditions. However, the careless op erator who does not know just what he different parts of his machine are for, or who does not watch them close ly while the separator is running, may waste a great amount of grain unnec essarily. He will surely have to make frequent stops for repairs and adjust ments. Every time a machine stops the whole crew, usually several men and teams, must be idle until it starts again, a loss of time to everybody con cerned.

Failure to Separate. If a machine fails to separate al

the grain from the straw, it is usually due to one or more of the following causes: (1) The machine is not being run at its proper speed, (2) it is being crowded beyond its capacity, (8) the cylinder fails to thrash all the kernels out of the heads, (4) the separating mechanism is not level, or (5) the blast is not adjusted properly.

Cracked grain is another source of waste which may become serious Cracked grain may be due to excessive speed of the cylinder, to the cylinder being too close to the concave teeth or to grain being returned in the tailings elevator and run through the cylinder repeatedly. Loss both from poor separation and cracked grain can be prevented in a large measure by proper adjustment of the machine and attention to it while in operation. Reduce Loss of Time.

The loss of time due to stops on ac count of breakage and wearing parts getting out of adjustment, so frequen with thrashing machines, can be greatly reduced and the life of the separa tor lengthened appreciably if the machine is overhauled preparatory to starting the season's work and all the ment, and afterward watched intelligently while in operation. If the grain is to be thrashed rapidly and waste reduced to a minimum, it is essential that the engine should have sufficient power and the belt pulley be of the right size to run the separator at the proper speed at all times. The speed in revolutions per minute at which the cylinder should run is invariably stated by the manufacturer in the instructions accompanying the machine and is often stamped on the machine itself. A variation of more than a few per cent either above or below this stated speed is sufficient to impair seriously the efficiency of the entire ma-

Since this is so important, the thrasherman should be sure that his engine will not only develop sufficient power to drive the machine at the proper speed with the ordinary load, but that it also has enough reserve power to maintain normal speed for a few seconds under a heavy load. Even with the most careful feeding, occasional choking will occur, and, if the engine cannot maintain its regular speed with a slight overload, more or less loss of grain will be unavoldable Don't Guess at Speed.

The operator should not guess at the speed of the machine, for a variation of 5 per cent may reduce its efficiency. The only way to determine the speed satisfactorily as closely as this is to use a speed indicator. If a speed indicator was not furnished with the machine, a good one can be purchased for \$2 or less. One of these will last for years, and will enable the thrasherman to determine at any time the speeds at which his machine is running.

A thrushing machine cannot be ex ected to do good work unless the belting and pulleys are kept in good condi-

Dietetic Habita Some people seem to think that

vegetarian is a curiculty. A rough calculation shows that, the population of the world, now estimated approximately at 1,600,000,000, is said to be divided as to dietetic habits about as follows: Strict vegetarians, 250,000, 000; practically vegetarians, but eating a little fish or flesh, 450,000,000; eating meat about once a week (on high days and holidays), 500,000,000; enting meat daily and sometimes more than once a day, 400,000,000.

tion. The speed at which the differen narts should run and the power re quired to drive them are carefully cal-

culated. The pulleys must be kept in line se transmitted. Also the strain on a belt collar bone. is much greater if it is allowed to prothus be pulled across the rim. A belt will not stay on the pulleys unless the be too tight.

Whenever the lagging comes off a pulley, it should be replaced imme-Covered Iron pulleys have diately. considerably more adhesion than uncovered ones of the same size with the same belt tension. The important thing in covering a pulley is to get the leather or other lagging as tight as possible. Otherwise is will soon pull off again. Obviously, the nails or rivthe surface to injure the belt. Running Leather Belts.

All leather belts should be run with the grain or hair side next to the pulley. The outside of a belt must stretch a little every time it goes over a pulley, and, as the flesh side is more clastic than the hair side, the belt will last longer if run in this manner. Also the grain side is smoother and will transmit more power because it brings more surface into actual contact with the face of the pulley. A leather belt which has become dry and hard can be made soft and pliable again by cleaning it, thoroughly and applying neat's foot oil, castor oil, or some other reliable belt dressing.

Rosin or mixtures containing enough rosin to leave the surface of the belt in a sticky condition should not be used to keep belt from slipping. They will make the belt more adhesive for short time, but it will soon become glazed and slip more than before the rosin was applied. Lubricating oil is injurious to all kinds of belting, which should be kept as nearly free as possible from this substance. A leather belt that has become saturated with oil can be restored in large measure by scraping it as clean as possible and packing it in dry sawdust for three or four days. Sponging the belt with gasoline, or even dipping it, will remove the oil quickly. Too much gasoline, however, may take all the dressing out of the belt, and if it seems too dty after the gasoline has evaporated, more dressing should be applied. Oil can be washed off a rubber belt with soap and water without injury to the belt.

The lacing of a belt should be such that it will pass over the pulleys with little or no shock or jar. A lacing should be fastened otherwise than by parts put in good repair and adjust- tying a knot, especially if the belt runs over an idler or tightener.

Service of Separator.

The total amount of service which a separator will give depends more than anything else upon the care and oiling of the bearings. This is especially true of steel separators. Before the ma chine is started on the season's work, it is imperative that it be gone over carefully to see that all journals and boxes are in proper shape and plentifully supplied with oil. Since the separator has so many parts which move at a high rate of speed, and the whole machine is subject to constant strain and vibration while in motion, any parts that are not perfectly solld and tight are almost sure to give trouble before the season is over. The failure of any one part will stop not only the machine, but the entire thrashing crew as well.

A good grade of oil should always be used. Oil of inferior grade will cause more wear on the bearings and may necessitate more frequent stopping Lengthening the working life of a machine as expensive as a separator by even a few days, or the saving of only a few hours' time by the crew, will more than pay the difference between the cost of inferior and high-grade lubricating oil. A good grade of light oil will cover the bearings which it is intended to lubricate more thoroughly and quickly than will thick, heavy oil. In hot weather thicker and heavier oil can be used more satisfactorily than is possible in cold weather. A bearing s more likely to be continually lubricated when a small amount of oil is applied frequently than when a large quantity is applied at rare intervals If oil is applied to a bearing while the machine is in motion it will be quickly and evenly distributed over the bear ing surface.

Lay of the Last Hen. "The Lay of the Leat Minstrel" may have caused some apprehension in its day, but were the lay of the last hen to be announced in ours, there would certainly be a panic.—Seattle Post-In-

What It Shows

telligencer.

The woman who worries overmuch about the kind of hat she is going to wear shows that the hat will be worth a good deal more than the head it is to cover.-New York Mail.

# WELL PAID WOMEN TAXSALE **BUY NEW CLOTHES**

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DAINTIER FROCKS IN DEMAND

Dinner Gowns and Evening Wraps Are Added to Many Wardrobes ditions Have Lifted the Art of Dress.

New York.-A wounded Anzac had come to America to lecture. He bore honorable scars on his body, which were symbolized by stripes on his arm. A woman touched the stripes and asked what were his worst wounds He described one, which was a clean hole made by a bullet. In his informal Anzac manner, he asked if she would like to see it. She would. So ซกทใต้ that the entire surface of the belt will everyone else at the luncheon. So he run on them if all the power is to be showed her the bullet hole below the

"How very disappointing!" she exover one side of a pulley, and claimed. "I expected a great gash." buttoned his collar The Anzac thoughtfully, and turning to the table shafts are parallel. If a belt is too said: "Now, I ask you, what are we loose, there will be a constant ten going to do, with women if they begin dency for it to slip on the pulleys and to expect so much of men in this war?"
the parts which it drives will not have And what will they do with them? And what will they do with them? their proper speed. Such a belt also Men have begun to expect so much of tends to run off the pulleys and wear themselves, that the situation is the out the best and the pulley facings most vitally interesting thing on this On the other hand, a belt should not planet, next to the war, observes a displanet, next to the war, observes a distinguished fashion writer.

Women are gaining so much more by this war than they ever demanded, that many are puzzled and some are near-

Once we were a contented race: ther we became an unquiet sex; then we became a restless force; and then we became a militant power.

Those with the keenest visions saw shead of them a long struggle, They ets should not be left projecting above outlined the propaganda of self-education for women; they lectured to men and of men concerning what we should have in the way of industry and commercial opportunity. Whenever men sold that we were not sufficiently educated to take over the commercial burdens of the world, we retorted that we would never be educated if we did not begin to study. Women Spend More Money.

Of one thing the prophets are sure; that women, making money, will spend more. Not having to ask for it, they will cease to be petulant about it When a woman knows there are three thousand jobs open to her and that she can command as good a salary as the man she sent to war, she is not going to be niggardly about getting new clothes, enjoying herself and refurnishing her house.

Human nature never changes, no natter what else changes on this planet, and spending will be a woman's antidote to hard work. If she has been



This gown is of mauve and yellow-figured taffeta cut as a paneled tunio over a skirt of mauve-colored plait The bodice is cut in the new indefinite fashion, with elbow siceves showing ruffles of chiffon.

epressed in the matter of buying at tractive things for the house or for her body, she will go out and gorge herself on those things when the first free dom from debt gives her a buoyan feeling of happiness.

The business of feminine appare should always have been attended to by women, not men. This channel of activity is being directed to its right course. A million or more men on this continent, who are mixed up in women's apparel, will have to give up their places to women, who have an instinc-

She Earned It My little daughter came in with penny. I asked her where she found it, and she said: "I earned it. You see, Carter called me a bad girl and I was going to fight him, but he had some pennies, so I told him if he would give me a penny I wouldn't fight him-and he did."

Daily Thought They never fall who die in a great cause.—Byron.



# Collector's Notice

# Sale of Real Estate

Townsend, Mass., July 15, 1918.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate situated in the Town of Townsend, in the County of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally for the years hereafter mentioned renain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of sald land sufficient to satisfiv said taxes with all legal costs ind charges or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an ed part thereof will be offered for sale by public auction at Memorial Hall, Townsend, on Saturday, August 17, 1918, at two o'clock P. M., for the payment of said taxes with interest, cost and charges thereon unless the same shall be previously discharged.

The sums set against the following described real estate show the amounts due thereon respectively for aves for the non-payment of which said estates will be sold as aforesaid, but not including the costs and interst thereon and costs and charges incident to this sale.

Assessed to-Chester F. Walker Beginning at junction of this lot and

road known hs Public Highway run-ning south, 73 degrees 30 minutes east, 1200 feet; thence north 16 degrees 30 minutes east 515.35 feet; thence north 69 degrees 13 minutes west 364.4 feet; thence north 61 dewest 301.9 reet; thence norm of degrees 47 minutes west 742 feet; thence southerly along said highway 747 feet to point of beginning, containing 15 6/10 acres with the buildings thereon. \$16.92 Tax for 1916

And 2nd lot-Beginning at northeast corner of lot and angle of said road, thence westerly, southwesterly, easterly and northerly by roads to corner first mentioned, 6/10 acres more or less, with buildings thereon Tax for 1916 \$9.02

Assessed to Nellie E. Flint

· Situate on southerly side of road leading from West Townsend to Stickney's mill. Beginning at northeaster-ly corner thereof on southerly side of road 42.95 feet from stone underpinning of northeast corner of house on premises, upon line running north 47 degrees 20 minutes east therefrom, thence south 15 degrees 10 minutes east, 309 7/10 feet, thence westerly by northerly bank of a canal 229 6/10 eet, thence northerly along land now or formerly of Luther Blood, and now or formerly of Mary E. Streeter to road, thence easterly by road to point of beginning, with buildings thereon. Tax for 1916 \$30.74

Assessed to John H. Stecle

Beginning at westerly corner of land of Charles Hagar on easterly of Wallace Hill road, about 1 mile from Townsend Harbor; thence by said Hagar land as wall stands, north 59 degrees 34 minutes east 456 2/10 feet, thence by land now or formerly of one Haynes as wall now stands, north 31 degrees 34 minutes west, 246 feet; thence by last named land, as wall now stands north 48 de-grees 5 minutes east 405 feet, and north 42 degrees 11 minutes east 84 feet; thence as wall now stands north feet, and north 46 degrees 53 minutes west 86 7/10 feet, and north 57 degrees 1 minute west 268 feet; thence north 24 degrees 50 minutes east 41 degrees 9 202 5/10 feet; thence by wall as it now stands north 71 degrees 30 minutes west 25 feet; thence by wall as it now stands north 7 degrees 36 min-utes east 177 5/10 feet; thence by wall as it now stands 63 degrees 20 minutes west 285 7/10 feet; thence as wall now stands 34 degrees 49 minwest 229 5/10 feet; thence as wall now stands south 44 degrees 30 minutes west 75 feet, and south 46 degrees 41 minutes west 167 feet; thence north 74 degrees 15 minutes west 204 3/10 feet; thence south degrees 45 minutes west 388 6/10 feet, the last 12 courses by land now or late one Blanchard; thence by said road south 29 degrees 23 minutes east rong south 27 degrees 28 minutes east 500 feet; thence by walls as they stand and by land of one Spofford by the following four corners, south 46 degrees 12 minutes east 126 6/10 feet; degrees 12 minutes east 120 of 16 text thence north 75 degrees 30 minutes east 43 feet; thence south 33 degrees 33 minutes east 492 feet, and south 54 degrees 30 minutes west 187 2/10 feet; thence by road south 29 degrees minutes east 182 feet to point of beginning, with buildings thereon.

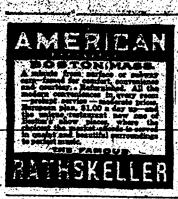
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# BEEF NEEDED FOR FIGHTING FORCES

New Regulations Concerning Meat Consumption Are Announced by the Consumption Are Announced by the Food Administration—Public Urged Substitute Pork and Save for Army and Alles.

Boston.-- Householders are not under any discumstances to buy more than one and one-quarter pounds of blear beef-weekly (or one and onehalf pounds including the bone) per person in the household," says Herbert Hoover, federal food administrator in a telegram to Henry B. Endloott, food administrator for Massachusetts, announcing new regulations concerning the consumption of meats.

The demands for beet for our army and the silled armies and their civil population for this summer are beyond our present surplus," Mr. Hoover's telegram continues. "On the other hand, we have enough increased supply of pork this summer to permit economical expansion in its use. It will, therefore, be a direct service to our armies and the allies if our people would, in some degree, substitute fresh pork, bacon, ham and sausage for beef products."

The Food Administration, in view of the demands for beef for the army and the allies has now reached the point where it must request all hotels and restaurants not to place on their bills of fare on serve boiled beef for more than two meels per week, and beefsteak for not more than two meels per week. Rosst beef is also limited to one meal a week.

## SUGAR WILL GO ROUND F NONE IS WASTED

Because the supply of sugar is not large enough to meet the country's formal demand and, at the same time build up a reserve to take care of any emergency, the Food Administration has set two pounds as the largest purchase a city householder can make at one time except for canning or preserving, when a written certificate will permit the buying of 25 pounds. In the country, where shopping is not so easy, the allowance is five pounds for general use and 50 pounds for preserving. It is further stipulated that all sugar not used in the latter way must be returned.

There is plenty of sugar awaiting shipment from Cuba, but for two rea sons the amount reaching the United States is variable and small... Some dealers there have been holding out for more than a fair price. And, secondly, the demand upon ship tonnage for wheat-carriage overseas does not leave many vessels available to ply between West Indian and American ports. Thus our supply is far beow normal and it is up to us so to adjust our demand that that reduced supply will still go round and meet all actual needs.

Fortunately, there are plenty of substitute sweeteners such as honey, corn syrup and maple syrup, which will amply take the place of sugar. Perhaps they will cost a little more but

fered too great a temptation for some lady patrons. So much went home in their handbags that he now serves granulated sugar in fluted paper such

as candies sometimes come in. There are many ways of saving sugar. Try them all. Avoid waste and use substitutes.

What does the enemy care whether food is sunk in the sea or thrown into the condensed moisture. This retained the garbage can? It is all the same

Wheat shipments from the Argentine to Great Britain for the first week in June were 2,411,000 bushels as against 150,000 for the corresponding week last year. The total shipment since January 1st is over twice as much as during the first five months of 1917.

Sugar was practically unknown beforesthe birth of Christ. It is supposed to have originated in India, where it was known as the "Sweet sticks of the East."

ice cream can be suitably awestened with two pounds honey, one pound corn syrup, and one pound maple syrup to each two gallons of liquid.

Two Extremes. When the world is inclined to favor it overrates as much as it will under rate when it disfavors.

Varying Depth of Clouds. The clouds in thunder storms may be very deep-from two to five miles

Daily Thought. These are the times that try men's Western-Mail. souls.—Thomas Paine.



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HOW TO SHIP CANTALOUPES

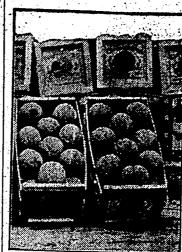
Investigations Show That When They Are Unwrapped They Can Best Be Transported.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agricultum) Cantaloupes not wrapped, loaded into refrigerator cars within three hours after picking, are more easily refrigerated in transit and, after unloading from cars, are much less subject to molding and rotting than cantaloupes which are wrapped when packed. These conclusions are based

nia. On as many different days during the season thirteen lots of melons were shipped from Brawley, Cal., to New York, in commercial carloads.

on investigations carried on by the United States department of agricul-

1917 in the Imperial valley of Califor-



Standard Crates, Packed With Jumbe Sized Contaloupes, 23 to 27 to the

The first lot was shipped on June 23 and the last lot on July 13. In each lot, half of the crates contained melons in paper wraps and half con tained melons not wrapped. All the melons were picked by commercial The time between picking and packing varied from half an hour to four hours, averaging about, two All the crates in each lot were packet by the same commercial packer. The time between packing and car loading averaged about one hour. All the crates in each lot were stowed together in the same car so that each crate would receive as nearly as possible the average cooling of the load. The

When, on summer days, cold melons are taken from refrigerator cars mois ture from the atmosphere condenses on the surfaces of the melons. From melons not wrapped this moisture soon evaporates, but from wrapped melons the evaporation is hindered by the paper which, through its powers of absorntion and obstruction of air circula tion about the melons, tends to retain moisture acts as a medium favorable for the growth of organisms which secutive ye cause rotting and molding.

## SET STRAWBERRIES IN FALL

Only Practicable Plan is to Get as Good Growth as is Possible Before Cold Weather.

The plan of setting strawberry plants early in the fall rather than to wait until spring appeals to sonie, but in practice it seldom works out well, passed awa as the plants do not get well enough rooted to pass the winter safely. The only fall planting plan for starting a try when he is try when he strawberry bed that is practicable is to set the plants early and get as good years ago M: a growth as possible before cold weather comes.

Queer Epitaphs. Queer epitaphs are frequently fakes; but the following really appears in a Salop churchyard: "Elizabeth, the wife of Richard Barklamb, passed to eternity on Saturday, 21st of May, 1797, in the seventy-first year of her age. Richard Barklamb, the Ante-spouse Uxorious, was interred here, 26th Jan., 1806, in his eighty-fourth What an antespouse uxorious year." may be is not explained.—Cardiff

James Hill and daughter Gladys of Pepperell were the mid-week guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hill. Golden Wedding. Townsend friends are pleased to learn that Ralph Kilbourn of Camp Devens has been promoted to the rank

Jesper Eastman and family of Troy, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Perley Eastman of Albany, N. Y., are the homeguests of their father, George Eastman

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Campbell of Townsend Hill are receiving congrat-ulations upon the birth of a daugh-ter, named Anne Maria, weight 9 lbs. Mrs. Martha Wells and Miss Evelyn L. Newton were the over Sunday guests at W. B. Graham's, Greenville,

Rev. Henry L. Wriston, who has Rev. Henry L. Wriston, who has been supplying the Methodist pulpit for several weeks, is to take a three weeks vacation and Rev. Walter W. Van. Kirk of Dorcester is to occupy the pulpit during his absence and he with his wife are to reside at the Methodist parsonage. Mr. Van Kirk preached here last winter and his many friends will be glad to welcome his return.

Prof. Eimer Hinds of the Alchamo. ture during the shipping season of

Mr. and Mrs. R. Dickerson of Mel-rose are spending a week at Mrs. Dickerson's father's, A. J. Hind, on Townsend Hill.

Miss Florence Misser and Miss Lil-lian Swicker are ill with the measles. Band concert on the common this week Friday evening, weather pernitting.

Mrs. T. Downey is visiting Miss amy Rixford in Allston. Mrs. N. J. McGuire and daughter rene are visiting relatives in Oster-

Mrs. R. J. Binford, of Chicago, is spending several weeks with her moth-er, Mrs. W. S. Dudley.

Charles S. Howard, of Hartford, Conn., who has enlisted in the gov-ernment service, is visiting his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Howard, while watting far his call. waiting for his call.

Mrs. Robert G. Fessenden has re-ceived from Washington the appoint-ment of local chairman of the Women's National Committee of the American Defense society.

Band Concert.

The victories of the Allies were proclaimed in Townsend last week Friday evening by the ringing of the church bells and the blowing of the whistles. It being band concert night the band began playing "The Star Spangled Banner" and with music, cheers from the people and "honk, honk" of the automobiles the most hearty enthusiasm seemed to pervade the town. New Englanders were particularly interested because the 26th Yankee division, recruited in this sec-

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The body of Miss Mary Adams was brought to town this past week from North Leomirster for interment in the family lot in the Hillside cemetery. Miss Adams, whose home was in Boston, had been in poor health for about a year and passed away while visiting her sister, Mrs. Newton Boutelle, at North Leomisser. Miss Adams was seventy-nine years of age and was a native of Towns ad, the daughter of the late Samuel and Augusta (Bowers) Adams and was born on what is now known as the Frazer place, the

ers) Adams and was born on what is now known as the Frazer place, the house havir, been built by her father. She came from a musical family and followed that profession all her life. She was a gifted alto soloist, a successful tool or and talented musical. She was member of the Boston Choral and for twenty consecutive was also never missed as an e never missed a re- visiting hearsal. s survived by two sis- week to be The decerve

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of Montclair.

The golden wedding.

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Burton W. Potter, of Worcester, was quietly celebrated on Tuesday at Wyndecrest, Townsend, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Fessenden, their daughter, Mrs. Fessenden being hostess of the occasion and their elder daughter, Mrs. Foodick B. Harrison, mistiess of ceremonies. After the golden wedding feast the family gathered on the broad versands. lly gathered on the broad veranda, where an informal reception was held from three to five o'clock in the afternoon, when friends called to express their hearty congratulation; to Mr. and Mrs. Potter, and to the members of the family.

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Last Saturday evening a special meeting was held at the engine house and the following company formed, subject to the approval of the board of engineers: Henry B. Hathaway, fore; Ray Brown, Richard Rusk, assists George Tenney clerk, Fred subject to the approval of the board of engineers: Henry B. Hathaway, fore: Ray Brown, Richard Rusk, assists.; George Tenney, clerk; Fred A. Patch, treas.; Charles A. Hodgman, stew.; George Richardson, Warren Elliott, standing com.; Charles Hodgman, fireman; George Richardson, engineer; Warren Elliott, asst. engineer; Amos Jodery, Fred A. Patch, hose connector men; Chester Shaw, Fred A. Patch, chemical men; George H. Tenney, Daniel Coffey, Warren, Elliott, Fred A. Patch, Chester Shaw, pipe men.

George A. Seaver, who has spent the George A. Scaver, who has spent the past five weeks in the Deaconess hospital, Brookline, where he underwent a severe operation, returned to his home here last Saturday afternoon, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Alice Seaver, who has been spending a few weeks with friends in Waltham, and his son, Edward E. Seaver, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who returned to his home on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Seaver is much improved in health and the operation proved completely successful.

W. C. Winchester and son George wasted the Mohawk Trail last week and also attended the races at North-

Gardner.

Rev. Jose; h. McKean will occupy his pupil at the Baptist church on Sunday, continues his series of sermons on famous haracters in the bible. The Y. P. S. C. E. will be conducted by Mrs. Classes Hodeman, and the subject with the Company of the Sunday of the

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The old brick store, formerly owned and occupied by I. P. Sherwin & Co recently purchased by W. A. Bootwell has been thoroughly renovated and the floor space entirely changed by the removal of all the partitions, making it into a large, light and airy room, fit ted with modern counters and apparatus for convenience and neatness in the carrying on the business of a general store. A partial partition separates the northwest corner where the postofice is located, practically in the same position from which it was moved several years ago, and new floors ter the golden wedding feast the family gathered on the broad veranda, where an informal reception was held from three to five o'clock in the afternoon, when friends called to express their hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Potter, and to the members of the family.

The venerable Charles T. Haynes, former principal of the Worcester schools, was present and made remarks in reminiscent vein of his pleasing acquaintance with Mr. Potter while residing in that city. Not only did the guests lend their presence to the joyous occasion, but individually made pleasing remarks and

### SHIRLEY

News Items. Miss Nellie G. Gardner has gone to days. her old home in Presque Isle, Me. where she was called by the death of Interesting Address. her mother.

Mrg. Irving E. Wallace, who has stayed with her daughter, Mrs. Alvah B. Watton, for the past year, left last week Friday to visit relatives in Bos-

Rev. S. F. Goodheart, of Milton, N. H., occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church last Sunday. Mr. Goodheart will occupy the pulpit again on August 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grenfell, with little daughter Marjorie, of Dorchester, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brockelman.

Henry F. Burrage broke his left wrist last Saturday afternoon while assisting in moving household goods from the residence of H. E. Lawrence. The annual picnic of the Congrega-tional church will be held at Wha-lom Park on Saturday, July 27. Each one attending is requested to take their own lunch and eat same together

at twelve o'clock in the deer park, near the theatre. Mrs. Clarence Lohnes is spending his week with relatives in Everett. Mrs. Hooper has received notice that her son Leonard has arrived safe

Patrick Gionet, U. S. N., and Miss Florida Collard were married on Monday at St. Anthony's church by Rev. Rosario Richard. The bride was attended by Miss Charlotte Bodah, niece of the groom; Adelard Collard, brother of the bride, was best man.

Miss Sarah S. Stevenson will teach school in Great Barrington, beginning n September.

Everyone having flowers to spare r will take the time to gather wild owers, please leave them at the home f Mrs. E. H. Conant every Thursday fterneon at four o'clock. Those do-

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BEECHAMS

Mrs. C. E. Bradford, left for a shor visit with relatives in Fitchburg befor eturning home.

Next Sunday is to be Old Home Sun-by at the First Parish church. Rev. B. Saunders will preach.

Rev. F. E. Webster of Waltham will conduct the service at Trinity chapel Sunday afternoon at 3.15. The Knitting circle met on Monday-evening at the home of Mrs. Dakin.

Miss Ashe is a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Robert L. O'Brien, J. Manson Graves of Rumford, Me., was a visitor this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves. Word has been received in town that Mrs. Herman S. Hazen, who is visiting in Revere, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fenno, fell down stairs last week Friday and is suffering from

broken wrist Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snow and daughter, of Brookline, are spending daughter, of Brookline, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. G. L.

Mrg. Ruth Clarke, who has been staying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves, went to Boston on Wednesday to spend a few

On last Sunday evening Miss May-pard Butler, an American refugee Mrg. Irving E. Wallace, who has stayed with her daughter, Mrs. Alvah B. Watton, for the past year, left last week Friday to visit relatives in Boston.

Mrs. Catherine Hooper has received word that her son Leonard, who salled recently, has arrived safely in France.

Walter Dadmun is suffering from a fractured collar bone.

Capt. Milliken has rented the tenement recently vacated by Postmaster Harkins.

Mrs. James Ferrest, with son, James, Jr., of Ocean Port, N. J., has arrived at the home of her sister, Mrs. William Coddington, for a visit.

Rev. S. F. Goodheart, of Milton, N. H., occupied the pulpit of the Congressional church last Sunday evening Miss May Eurland Europe from Germany, gave a very interesting talk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking the particle stalk at the home of Mrs. Daking talk at the home of Mrs. Daking European and the educational system in talk at the hom system and illustrated her system and illustrated her points by incidents which have come to her notice of the extreme brutality of the German teachers, which has in many cases led to the suicide of the pupils. She spoke very forcefully and held the close attention of her large audience of Center people throughout the evening

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Miss Maynard Butler is to remain
in town for awhile and is staying at
the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ayers.

### BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. Mrs. Clarence Stickney, of Nashua, was a mid-week visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. Adella Whitcomb. Mrs. John Wright died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stella Dunbar, Fitchburg, last week. She was buried in the South cemetery on Tuesday, July 16.

Ruben Kecy, a private in the Signal Corps, stationed at Spartansburg, S. C., and Miss Arline Fleming, of Bellows Falls, Vt., were married at her home last week. They are spending a few days in this town, Mr. Kecy has to return to camp on Sunday.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Campbell, Townsend hill, Friday, July 19. Miss Ethel Taylor and Leon Gree-ey were visitors in Nashua last Sat-

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### PEPPERELL

News Items.

Miss Mildred Sawtelle returned to Newton last Saturday after a week's vacation with her relatives and

Mrs. Frank D. Farley, High street, has been spending a short time with her sister in Ayer, Mrs. Joseph Hart. Allen Gilson has received a new threshing machine, not only for grain, but has an attachment for threshing beaus and peas.

Mrs. Melora Scales, Park street, has enjoyed a visit recently from her son, Fred Woodward, of Gloucester.

The Misses Lillian Brown and Ruby Clark and Luther MacCurdy and Smith McElhinney of Lynn, visited relatives and friends on Oak hill last Mrs. Grace Winch and little daughter, who have been on a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morse, of Providence, R. I., returned home

On last week Friday Mrs. Edward Bliss received word from her son. Gerald Willett, that he was well, and she expects that he will be overseas

any time now.

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The second of the out of doors evening services was held in front of the Congregational church last Sunday, with Rev. John B. Lewis officiating. After a service of song Miss Ethel Wells sang a solo, "One sweetly, solemn thought." Miss Anna Blood then read an article, "Is it worth while;" written by Miss Agnes Taylor, who was here visiting Miss, Phelps few years ago. The article was of moment enough to appear in the editorials of, the Philadelphia Public Ledger, and was greatly appreciated torials of the Philadelphia Public Ledger; and was greatly appreciated by the Pepperell folks. After more singing Mr. Lewis spoke on "Hoover-zing," and impressed those present that there were things that should not be diminished in the least, "The common courtestes of life—love, education and religion." Mr. Lewis has but one more Sunday before he takes his vacation.

George Robbins, Hollis street, has George Robbins, Hollis street, has commenced to change the inside of part of his house. One of the first things to be done was to take down the immense old-fashioned fireplace. A few more changes will be made and we hope that the future may hold many happy hours for the family with the new rooms.

its new rooms.

We thought we saw Lieut. Rozer Robbins in a new Buick, and understand that Miss Esther is learning to drive also. Your reporter had heard that Lieut. Robbins was to stay indefinitely at Camp Devens, but later learn that he may go overseas before

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright, former residents of Townsend street, have been seen about town. Mr. Wright is well and favorably known here as a former rural mall carrier. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Wilson for awhile.

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It went from lip to lip, "Gerald Shattuck is in town." He came very unexpectedly to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lniville Shattuck, Pleasant street, and is to remain until Satur-

day morning.

Another pleasant family party happened at T. A. Greenleaf's home on Park street. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hinds, from Auburn, Ala., came to Templeton in eight days in their Ford auto, averaging 175 miles a day, and then went to Three Rivers, where they took in Master Gordon Hinds Cole, and came on to Pepperell. Miss Alice Hinds, from Nyack, N. Y., and Miss Ardelle Hinds, of Simmons college. Boston, also found their way to Pepperell and on Sunday the Wilsons, from Hollis, N. H., came, and there were eleven to lunch on Sunday. On Monday night all had gone.

Owing to the non-arrival of some ones for the evening meal or evening to the first party of the considered in the cessary to change their somber street clothes into low or half-low, fragile ones for the evening meal or evening meal event months. Paris has shown an extraordinary interest in this development, and the London thinkers and merchants have found it is to Evening the mean and the lighteen months. Paris has shown an extraordinary interest in this development, and the London thinkers and

Monday night all had gone.
Owing to the non-arrival of some express matter the entertainment for the Methodist church, to be held on Friday evening, August 2, will be post-

poned.

Little Irene Blood is not a bit happy, having the measles this hot weather.

Rev. B. W. Rust will preach at the Methodist church on Sunday morning, his topic being "At the back of the desert." At the happy hour service the topic will be "Tenting toward Sodom."

Many are not aware how cozy and comfortable the Methodist church so-clal rooms have recently been made. The rooms at either side of the stage have been made into retiring rooms and attached to these are tollet rooms. The large retiring room is well supplied with readable books, offering something to take up spare time.

Mrs. May Collins, of Everett, and Miss Harriet J. Allen, of Derby, Conn. are guests of Miss Ida Shattuck.

People about Oak hill report the overness of an auto going about with the control of the control only headlights. Better watch out of Chief Smith will get you.

Other Pepperell matter on page

Anto Accident.

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On last Sunday afternoon, on the old South road, above the brick home of the Hayes brothers, and on the rise near Mr. Carr's, about 2.30, quite a serious accident happened and the result is not known. Mr. Gautheir, wife, two sons, a daughter and three-months-old granddaughter were going from Peterboro, N. H. to Camp Devens, where Mr. Gauthier had two sons. The father was driving the auto and some way lost control of the machine on the smooth, newly-olied road, the auto turning into the gutter, and in turning out the axies and wheels crumpled, the car turning turtle. All the occupants were hurt. The Hayes brothers helped right the car and the members of the family tendered such help as could be given. Dr. Kilburn, of Groton, was telephoned for and came with a nurse and a stretcher. All were taken to his hospital, where it was found that the fifteen-year-old son, Bonat, was suffering from a fractured skull. Mr. Gauthier had a large cut on his left temple; the other son had a long gash on his left leg, requiring six or seven stitches; mother and daughter received injuries to the head, and the baby scratched about the face and head, but not hurt.

but not hurt.
The son who was left at the hospi-The son who was left at the hospital is getting along better than could be expected. The rest of the family returned to their home in Peterboro that night. It was said this was the last of two autos from Peterboro going together, but that part could not be verified. verified.

(Continued from page 6, column 6)

tive knowledge of what other women want, and do not want. With training, which will give them a cool head, a smooth tongue and the ambition to rise, they will make admirable clerks, floorwalkers, heads of departments buyers and shopkeepers. It is toward the apparel business that

they are rapidly drifting. That is their desire, and all their preliminary training of the centuries has fitted them for this particular sector of industry. Be ing in the business, they will spend more money on clothes, and they will influence the expenditures of other

This is the situation which all seri ous-minded women realize and which will probably dominate the country be fore peace is concluded.

It is useless to tell women that they must not buy clothes. The reformers mean well, but they are planting seed



Black satin, tulis and lace. There is a long tunic, which starts with a pointed bodice built of the satin and swings free over a tight petticoat of black Chantilly lace. There is a shawl of black tulle, which stands well away from the shoulders and reaches to the elbows.

on barren soil. There must be some pleasure in this world, or we would all go mad with the pain and anxiety of It and if you ask three million women to work for their living, you must give them the chance to deck themselves out in a bit of gay plumage and go out and eat and laugh; otherwise, they will become useless for all service, pa triotic or industrial.

Demand for Evening Clothes. Let me tell you an odd thing about this development of women's work, which has been brought about not only through their service in paying positions, but in war relief work.

It is the growing demand for eve ning clothes by women who have here-tofore never indulged in them. We are only following in the footsteps of human nature as it has asserted itself

ones for the evening meal or evening gayeties. The street suit, with a few changes, has served during the waking hours. The shirtwaist and sport skirt have filled in the rest of the service

But this condition no longer exists in Europe, and it has changed in America in the twinkling of an eye. Why? Women have more money; they have more opportunities; industry, charity, war relief, hospital service and committee work have brought women from the depths of social obscurity into hourly contact with those who lead fashions and live leisurely lives.

All of this has lifted the art dress instead of degrading it. It enof our sacrifices; it is a light to our endurance.

There were days when a woman used her motor coat for any chance evening gayety. Today she is asking It is reported that Lyman Blood is going to drive the school barge this makers offer to this now type of makers offer to this now type of buyer.

These new wraps have extraordinary charm. They are figured, whereas they used to be solid. They are lavishly trimmed with fur, regardless of sum-

mer weather. Chiffon, in great Dresden patterns. is used over silver or gold metallic cloth, or a lining of plain satin.

Dark colors are chosen, as well as light. The two new blues, "Liberty" and "Blue Devil," are chosen in crepe or chiffon that has an immense pink, that begin fruiting some distance from scarlet or white and yellow flower

There are other wraps made of Dolly Varden, flowered white chiffon which are lined with lace, with mauve or pink chiffon as an interlining. (Copyright, 1918, by the McClure Newspa per Syndicate.)

Bring Up the Reserves.

John was visiting his grandmother. who lived in the country. One day his grandmother found that John had but a few clean clothes left, so she told John to write to his mother and tell her to send him some new clothes. John obeyed immediately, and in a few minutes returned and showed he: the letter, which was as follows: "Dear mamma, please send me a re enforcement of clean clothes."

# HARVESTING SOY BEANS IN SOUTH

Mechanical Seed Pickers Now Being Used Successfully in

Many Localities.

Growers in Many Districts Now Consider it No More Trouble to Gather Crop Than Oats or Wheat-

Time for Work. (Prepared by the United States Depart ment of Agriculture.)

The difficulty soy bean growers have experienced in harvesting their crop has been the greatest handleap in increased production, but the development of new machines and accumulated experience with the crop have overcome most of the troubles previously experienced. Growers in many districts now consider it little if any more trouble to harvest soy beans except for hay than it is to harvest oats or wheat ...

Harvesting soy beans for hay is practically the same process as harvesting cowpeas for hay. Any difference is in favor of the soy beans, for the vines grow more erect and do not become tangled like cow peas. Soy bean hay is usually made by cutting when the pods are half filled and partially curing in the swath before rak-Sometimes a tedder is used for curing, but not often. After the soy beans are raked into a windrow they may be hauled directly to the stack or barn, but the usual custom is to shock them on hollow racks made of poles When the soy beans are shocked on these racks there is a hollow space on the inside which allows a passage of the air and causes more rapid and thorough curing. The hay is so thoroughly cured on these racks that it



Soy Beans Shocked on Racks-Hollow Space on Inside Insures Ventilation Essential for Proper Curing.

can be baled out of the shock, which frequently is done. The usual custom however, is to store the hay loose in the barns.

Harvesting for Seed. In harvesting soy beans for seed mechanical pickers are used quite exten siyely. These pickers are of different makes but all have the same genera principle. They run astride the rows and knock out the beans, leaving the stems, leaves, and hulls on the land. The machine is drawn by two mules and operated by two men. One man drives and another throws out the excess trash that accumulates in the back of the machine. The picker will hold from 4 to 6 bushels of beans. When it is full, the beans are emptied and handled in different ways. In one common method the beans are run through a half-inch mesh sieve to remove the coarse trash and then are sacked. One or two men handle the sieve. These men may be the same who operated the machine or they may be extra men. After this the beans are

cleaned with a fanning mill. Time for Harvesting.

Harvesting with a picker begins ome time after the leaves of the plant have fallen. The time to begin is when first pods pop open and throw out the beans. As the picker works best only when the beans are dry, the mathine is not started in the morning un Il the dew is off, which is usually from 9 to 11 o'clock. When the day's work is once started, it is customary to continue work, until nightfall without stopping for dinner. In the soy bean district picking usually begins about the last of October and lasts through approximately 10 days of glow is entirely different from the so-good picking weather. If it rains, the maturing of the beans is checked and the egg is unfit for food. icking is resumed when the weather pick from 3 to 6 acres per day.

Waste in Picking.

The waste of beans in picking usuvaries from one-twentieth to oneh, and, as a rule, averages about eighth. If the plants are blown own or have long branches so the ma-Chine cannot handle them well, the waste may be more than this, or if the beans are left on the vines too late, so that many of them pop out, the wastage may be higher. Varieties of beans the ground can be harvested with the least waste by a picker, and this is one advantage of the mammoth yellow soy bean. Hogs are usually turned in to clean up the waste beans, so that in fact there is a very little loss.

Few Whites in India. Compared with India's 814,000,000 ark-skinned natives, that country has but about 300,000 white inhabitants.

Glory for the Conqueror. The more famous the vanquished more famous the victor.-Don

Optimistic Thought. Suffer not your faith to be shaken the sophistries of skeptics.



ESSENTIAL IN GRADING EGGS

Candling is Only Method by Which Producere Can Be Certain of Quality of Product

NEW MACHINES ARE BIG AID (Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture). Grading is becoming more and more customary in the sale and purchase of eggs, and a knowledge of candling is essential to egg grading. It is only by candling that producers and shippers of eggs can be certain that they are complying with federal, state and other regulations, because by this method one can determine the freshness and quality of eggs. The process, in simple terms, is to hold an egg before a shaded light in a dark room, and by noting certain characteristics seen through the semitransparent shell to determine its edible and marketable qualities.

Farmers with only a few eggs to market may improvise a candler by placing a stovepipe over a kerosene lamp, cutting a small hole in the pipe, level with the light. The eggs is held in a slanting position at the opening. It is twisted a few times to the right and left and then from end to end, so that its entire contents may be visible. Care should be taken that the fagers or hand do not conceal small blemishes, which otherwise would be disclosed by the light. The beginner should study carefully the general for mation of an egg, as this detailed knowledge is necessary for the appli cation of the standards of various grades and qualities.

The yolk ranges in color from light olive green. The eggs with olive green yolks are less desirable because of this color, but are considered edible. The yolk is contained in a delicate membrane and on its surface is a small germinal disk, from which the chick Around the yolk lies a small quantity of thin white and then a heavy layer of thick white. Twisted cordlike colls



Homemade Candling Outfit.

hold the yolk in position, yet allow it appealed to him. to turn freely.

Between the white and the shell are two fibrous membranes with an air space between them. When first laid, the contents fill the entire egg, but when the egg cools the contents shrink and these membranes separate, forming an air space. The sise of this air space is important in determining the freshness of the egg. As the egg ages the air space increases in size. Most LEGGROR TIR THEOTRIPS OF A

A fine, thick white is found in a fresh egg, and a weak thin white in a stale egg. As the egg becomes stale always proved enough introduction to the amount of thick white decreases. Several classes of bad eggs are indicated by discolored whites.

The yolk of the fresh egg when twirled before the candle is seen dimly as a dark object moving slowly in the white. The yolk of a stale egg is seen more plainly than that of the fresh egg. When the yolk is so weak that shake of the egg in candling causes it to break it should be graded as unmarketable. In the fresh egg the yolk is slightly above the center in the large end of the egg. As the egg becomes stale the yolk floats higher and nearer the shell.

The start of incubation in a fertile egg may be detected by a reddish glow surrounding the germinal spot. (Such eggs, although considered edible, are not graded as firsts.) This reddish called blood ring, which indicates that

Where there is any doubt as to an egg's fitness for food purposes, the candler should give the consumer the benefit of the doubt and reject it.

## MORE INTEREST IN POULTRY

ligh Prices Should Encourage Produc-tion of More Eggs—Purebreds Most Profitable.

Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Not only is there a flock of poultry n nearly every farm in the country out in towns and cities flocks are not are. With the present high price of iggs even a more general interest thould be taken in positry raising. Too requently the home flock consists of mixture of breeds, Purebred poulry is more profitable.

A novel method of diagnosing pleurisy is described by P. Lereboullet in the Paris Medical Journal. The examiner applies his ear to the patient's chest, closing his other ear, while coins are clinked at the patient's back. The sound of the coins coming through a healthy, normally agrated lung seems distant and dull, while through an atfected lung, through folid or homo geneous tissue a clear, silvery metal lic ring is heard.



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The kind of girl he wou would not marry him and the kind of girl that would marry him he wouldn't have, so there you are." Donald Mac-beth could not help overhearing these words as he sat in a quiet corner of the clubroom, unnoticed. A feeling of resentment rose in his heart for the men were discussing him. He took a more careful look at them. They were the two he had thought Inn Vining and Lorne Miller, two clubmen with whom he was fairly intimate.

"But why?" questioned Vining. "He's clever and moderately well off. He's considered one of the painters of the day."

Yes; but did you ever see a home lier man? That scar on his face makes him positively hideous," Miller declare "Beauty is only skin deep," argued

Vining, who wasn't handsome himself "So it is, but disfigurements cannot be overlooked. There is generally something pleasant in a homely man's face to detract from bad features." "I am sure his eyes are kind and sympathetic. Have you ever seen a picture of him before he had that

scar?" "No; I thought he was born that way," Miller said with a show of interest.

Vintug led him to a group picture on the wall. "There he is there," he pointed out. "Can't you recognize the eyes? He was handsome then." "Yes," Miller agreed, "he was. I

can hardly credit that it is the same man. But even that is no argument. He is as homely as sin now and is the only man I know of in the club who is yellow to orange, and is occasionally doomed to bachelorhood., Imagine a pretty woman married to a man like that.

"He might find it hard to get a wife at that." Vining said after a moment's thought. "Let's leave that to him light-colored circular area called the though. How about the theater to night? Marguerite Morton is playing develops. The yolk always floats in her farewell before going into the the white with the chick spot on top. movies. She's a dream! Will you come?"
Miller needed no second invitation

After they had gone Donald Macbeth got up and went to the group on the wall. It was a long time since he had looked on the smiling, handsome facthat had once been his; he wished he had not looked at it. What was the use? It only made it harder to bear. The light behind him reflected his features on the glass and he turned away with a shudder. No, he had no right to ask any woman to marry such a homely man as he was. He give Marguerite a chance to break her engagement that very night-the night was leaving the old life behind and was going into something new. In a few months she would be as popular, universally, as she was in the city.

He arrived at the theater just after the curtain had gone up. From the noment Marguerite flitted onto the stage he was entranced. How ador-

In another part of the house Vining and Miller were watching the play of opaque white material called chala- and were almost as enthusiastic over zae extend from the yolk through the it as Donald. Miller had not been a white toward each end of the egg, and follower of Marguerite's, but this play

After the play was over he persuaded Vining to accompany him behind the scenes.

"I'm going to meet that little lady and take her to a little supper, if it costs me a million in tips," he said. But even generous tipping couldn't get him any farther than behind the

"Miss Morton doesn't receive visitors," the man at the door told him, "but I will take your card to her."

Miller hoped she would connect his name with his father's millions. It had the other actresses that he had honored with a visit. What would his father, say if he married an actress? He would not object to one like Mar guerite Morton. Wouldn't they make a handsome couple? He twisted his mustache before a mirror on the wall. He was handsome, there was no denying it. He had reason to be conceited he felt. Vining watched him with just a trace of a smile playing about his lips. "Some day, Mr. Man, you'll get a shock to your vanity," he said to himself, "and I'd like to be around when you get it."

The man returned with the card. said politely. "Miss Morton considers herself too mportant," Miller flashed. "She's only an actress after all."

"You'd better not say anything agin Miss Morton here, sir," the man cautioned. "She's mighty popular with us. all. There's a young man in there now who fought a lion to save her life, and he won out too. She's going to marry him tonight, sir. She just informed me. He's a fine young man

and she's a fine girl-the finest in the

land, and I wouldn't mind fightin' a

lion for a girl like her myself, though I ain't got much beauty to get spoilt." The men were still talking when Marguerite's door opened and she came out, her arm in Donald Mac-She was looking up into his face, smiling sweetly, noticing nothing but him. Macbeth caught a glance of the two men standing there with incredulity written in every feature. There was a smile of victory on his face when he turned his eyes once more to Marguerite's and whispered to her

A Sane Outlook. Exaggerated outpourings of our physical ills and troubles tend most certainly to their verification. Our minds respond to salacious scandal (if we allow it to be retailed to us) until we also are vitlated. Exaggerating the faults or the merits of children give them an unduly distorted idea of their importance. The reading of sensational fiction unfits us for a proper appreciation of standard literature; and exaggeration of architecture and house furnishings places us unmistakably in the ranks of the newly



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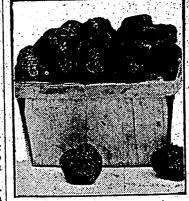
HOW TO HANDLE STRAWBERRY

Study in Ozark Region Shows That Much Loss in Transportation Can Be Prevented.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Strawberry growers can prevent nuch of the losses of their crop due to careless handling and improper transportation by following the recommen dations made by specialists of the United States department of agriculture, who conducted an investigation in northwestern Arkansas and southwestern Missouri to determine the best methods of handling strawberries

from the producer to the consumer.

The studies were limited to the strawberries grown in the Ozark region, but the results obtained are applicable to all strawberry-producing regions, the report of the study says The work, conducted in the senson of 1917, was made possible through the assistance and co-operation of rallway



Carefully Handled, Sound, Berries Bring Best Market Prices.

lines operating in the territory covered and of the leading strawberryshipping organizations. The following summary is given in

the report: 1. Careful picking and handling of strawberries to prevent bruising and mechanical injuries is of fundamental importance. Prompt and thorough cooling is necessary to reduce losses from decay in transit.

The use of salt immediately after loading and again at the first relcing, about twelve hours later, is desirable in order to hasten the rate of cooling when cars can be had which are equip ped with false floors, basket bunkers and solid insulated bulkheads. About two and one-half per cent of the ice capacity of the bunkers at the first application and one per cent at the second is advised unless the temperature of the fruit when loaded is lower than 60 degrees Fahrenheit, in which case

less salt should be used. 3. Loading crates higher than four layers in the car is to be avoided as far as possible in cars of standard length. Extra space in the center of the car can be eliminated by bracing with wedges instead of using long bracing strips.

# INSECT ENEMY OF CURRANTS

mmon Worm Can Be Controlled by Spraying With Some Poison-

The chief insect enemy the current has is the common current worm. This can be controlled by spraying with some poison, either paris green at the rate of five ounces to 50 gallons of water, and one pound of lime, or arsenate of lead, two pounds to 50 gallons. This should be applied when the currants are beginning to form, and if necessary repeated in two weeks.

There is also a green plant louse which attacks the current foliage and frequently causes considerable dar-age by sucking the sap. The only way this can be controlled is by the application of Black Leaf 40, before the lice cause the leaves to curl. After the leaves curl, there is very little "Miss Morton can't see you, sir," he that can be done to check this pest. It usually disappears about midsummer, as at that time it goes to another plant.

Occasionally the current is attacked by the San Jose scale, or more frequently by the European plant scale Either of these scales can be controll ed by the regular application of lime-sulphur before the buds start in the spring. The regular commercial lime-sulphur testing 32 de-grees Beaume should be diluted at the rate of one gallon to eight ounces of

## WEEDS IN STRAWBERRY BEDS

Clean Patch in Fall Helps to Guaran tee Good Crop Next Year—Keep Out Plantain.

See that the strawberry patch is free from perennial weeds like plant ain and dock. If such weeds are not destroyed this fall they will make a growth next spring before it is pos sible to destroy them by tillage. A clean patch in the fall helps to guarantee a good crop the following year,

Using Plaster of Paris. If you wish to use plaster of paris for filling cracks in walls, mix with vinegar instead of water, then it can be handled like putty.

Almost Beyond Imagination. Astronomers reckon that there are at least 1,000,000,000,000 suns in the

universe; and some of them are so far distant that light starting from them long before the earliest dawn of human history has not yet had time to

### PEPPERELL

Child Welfare,

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On Monday, in accordance with the child welfare movement, a meeting was gathered at the home of Mrs. L. R. Qua, Main street, at which Miss M. E. Moors, of this district, informing the third of the importance of the movement in the economics of the nation. Miss Elizabeth Wright, Park street, was chosen chairman, and the work will be carried for ward on certain prescribed lines. The movement was launched on April 6 is to be known as the children's year. The nation intends to save 50,000 more bables this year than it did last year, and Massachusetts is going to do its best to save every possible baby. The first feature of the movement is the weighing and measuring of each child under five years of age and the tabulating of the results. The relation of the weight; and height to each other from a rough index to the young child's development and heatth.

The first draft; with a rejection of one-third of the men as not physically sound, has aroused the nation, and the year of 1918 the United States decided to commence at the foundation of the nation and to conserve the lives of the babies and to build physically sound children through the national agencies of baby welfare, stations, and to provide against three of the most prominent and frequent physical defects—defective vision, flat foot and bad teeth.

After the weighing and measuring On Monday, in accordance with the

fects—defective vision, flat foot and bad teeth.

After the weighing and measuring tests have been made, it is hoped that the tests will aid parents to properly care for the children to secure the best possible health. It is estimated that in the United States one out of every eight babies, die the first year. A recent report of the children's bureau in Washington states that forty percent of infant deaths occur the first month of life; such a survey as the committee on child conservation is making in Massachusetts would doubtless disclose the facts that such deaths are in a large part due to prenatal conditions, either medical, social or industrial.

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All mothers in Pepperell with children under five years are asked to
help save the children and ald the
local committee. The time that the
weighing and measuring will be done
will be from the first to the tenth of
August, and the exact dates made
public. The chairman, Miss Wright,
has been appointed from Boston, and
Miss Hamilton, our district nurse, will
do the weighing and measuring, and
the committee is to be helped in every
way by the Community Service club
girls.

Pepperell Branch, A. R. C.

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A new month's quota has arrived and consists of the following: 50 bed shirts, winter, 25 boys' blouse suits, 6 years, 25 boys' undershirts, 10 years, 10 sweaters and 100 pairs of socks.

The yarn for socks and sweaters may be procured at the town hall on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, or of Mirs. Durant, Mirs. Tarbell or Mrs. Barnes. Ladies will find the Red Cross room always cool and comfortable and help on the sewing is earnestly solicited. Several Pepperell boys have been provided with the knitted articles for service and any others wishing them may have them by notifying any of the executive committee. mittee

Red Cross room open for work on every Wednesday and Saturday afternoon from two until five o'clock. Let all do what they can to help in this most necessary work.

Pistols were first brought into Eng-land from Pistoja, a town in Italy,

Otls H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell by public auction the cows, helters, norses, pigs, wagons, etc., belonging to Fred F. Walker, Burlington, on Thurs-iay morning, August 1, at ten o'clock.

More than 70,000 acres of land in his country has been planted with easterbeau plants to produce oil for

New Advertisements

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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 SAMUEL L.

BLODGETT late of Groton 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 MARGARET A. BLODGETT of Groton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety 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 ninth day of September A. D. 1918, 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, this seventeenth day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

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