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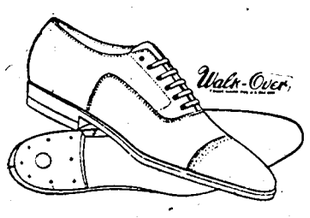

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SHIRLEY

News Items.

The ball team from Camp Devens arrived late Thursday evening and the game was called at the close of the sixth inning on account of darkness. Shirley had piled up seven runs while the camp team had not scored one. In the sixth inning a batter from the camp was hit by a pitched ball and fainted, but was able in a few minutes to walk off the field.

Arthur Desmond has entered the New England School of Dentistry at Providence. He writes of meeting a former "buddy," who is taking the same course.

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WESTFORD

Center.

The regular correspondent for Westford Center has resumed the work again and bespeaks the same pleasant co-operation as heretofore. Telephone personals and other items of interest and help make the column accurate and readable and interesting.

Misses Gertrude and Julia Fletcher and two young lady friends, the latter from North Chelmsford, returned Wednesday evening from a three-days' trip to the Mohawk Trail and other points of interest. The party went in Perley E. Wright's car, the latter doing the driving. Good weather and good roads helped make a most enjoyable trip.

Westford people represented among the Cape Cod summer colonies are Mrs. Julian A. Cameron, Misses Elinor and Marjorie Cameron at Hyannisport, Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Wright at Hyannis, and the Donald M. Camerons at North Brewster.

J. Herbert Fletcher and John G. Fletcher returned the first of the week from a three-days' trip to Farmington, N. H.

The Board of Trade met at the town hall on Thursday evening of last week with President W. C. Roudenbush presiding, and A. R. Tuttle in the secretary's chair. Some items of business were acted upon and L. W. Wheeler gave an informal talk of his recent automobile trip to Denver, Col. The speaker gave some account of the various states and cities passed through, their road conditions, industries, crops, flowers, birds, etc., and of the many and beautiful sights in and around Denver.

Good shipments of raspberries and blackberries have been sent to the Boston market this week, in fact more blackberries than for some seasons. The short apple crop makes pretty light shipments of early apples for this apple-growing town.

The reading circle of the Tadmuck club, after a period of quiescene, resumed its monthly gatherings at the home of Mrs. George F. White on Monday afternoon, Miss Mabel Drew as chairman. Four one-act plays from "Representative one-act plays from American authors" were enjoyed. Future meetings for the third Monday afternoon of each month were planned, the next meeting to be at the home of Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert V. Hildreth and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert E. Fletcher have returned from a pleasant vacation in Maine.

Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth and baby daughter are spending two weeks with Mrs. Hildreth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lawrence, at their farm in Northboro.

Miss Hazel B. Hartford is spending a two-weeks' vacation at her home here.

The Westford baseball team was defeated at Chelmsford on Tuesday evening by the score of 7 to 1.

Westford was well represented at the first annual picnic of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau, held on the grounds of the Middlesex school, Concord, Wednesday. Among those in attendance were Mrs. A. M. Buckshorn, Fisher Buckshorn, Mrs. John Feeney, H. M. Gumb, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Osgood, William E. Pollock and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wright, Fred A. Burbeck, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nesmith. It was an interesting day of good weather, music by the Chelmsford band, motion pictures of the crowd, sports, speaking and dinner hour.

The young people tripped the light fantastic to good music last week Friday evening at the town hall, and a very pleasant summer dancing party is reported.

Mrs. Helen W. Leighton was in town this week, visiting relatives, driving over from Dunstable in her Dodge automobile.

Bertram Sutherland returned from the Lowell General hospital on Wednesday after a two-weeks' stay as an operative patient.

Miss Lillian Sutherland is at Bethlehem, N. H., for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Woodard are spending the week-end at Mrs. Albert Richardson's. Mr. Woodard was the principal of the academy for several years and is now at Rockport.

Invitations are out for the marriage on July 30 of Miss Mildred I. Parrott, of Lowell, to George E. Perkins.

Electric lights and a bathroom are being installed in the cottage on the firehouse lot, occupied by Clarence Hildreth, as it was voted to do at town meeting.

Genevieve and Cyril Blaney have returned home from the Lowell General hospital, where they had their tonsils and adenoids removed.

Mrs. E. E. Campbell and children, of Townsend, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. John Felch.

Miss May E. Day spent a pleasant Sunday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Lincoln, of Winthrop, during her attendance at Simmons college. Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln send pleasant greetings to their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Smith are occupying Mrs. Hammett Wright's apartment during her absence for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Anderson and son returned last week from a three-weeks' trip to Virginia.

About Town.

Miss Dorothy Bunce has completed a stenographic course at the Lowell Commercial college, and is now employed in the office of T. C. Entwistle Co., of Lowell. She will be pleasantly remembered as the daughter of Henry and Rosa (Polly) Bunce, former well known residents of this town, now living at Chelmsford Center.

Ralph P. Cutting has bought the standing grass on the W. R. Taylor farm on the Stony Brook road.

Paul Smith has his new bungalow on the Lowell road nearly completed.

Frank C. Drew is having his barn shingled. This is the longest and handsomest barn in the Stony Brook Valley and many other valleys and hilltop farms.

The town teams are repairing the cradle holes on the Lowell road. The automobilists move a vote of thanks and the writer seconds the motion. It seems to be unanimous.

Nabnassett is still the picnic resort for many Lowell parties and other parties. Several were held there last week and more are planned and unplanned by the weather.

The Boston Globe of Wednesday has a picture of our former Congregational pastor, Rev. C. W. Marshall, who is now living in Plymouth. The picture represents Mr. Marshall in the role of Elder Brewster, which part he admirably performed in the Pilgrim pageant at Plymouth this week in honor of the tercentenary of the Pilgrims.

Obituaries.

William Bunce died at his home in Worcester on Monday, aged eighty-four years. He was born in Westford at the well known Bunce farm. His parents, Elisha and Priscilla (Wright) Bunce, were well remembered residents of the town for many years. He was educated at Minot's Corner school and Westford academy, and later taught school at the old Stony Brook school in ye olden days of ye old brick schoolhouse. The school was ungraded and ranged all the way from a, b, c to cube and square root, but Mr. Bunce was an apt teacher and remarkable in his gift of meeting the requirements of all grades. He was a gallant soldier of the civil war, enlisting in the 11th Illinois regiment. He was severely wounded in 1862 at Fort Donaldson and carried the bullet in his body during his life time. His wound resulted in his being a semi-invalid. He was a splendid man of staunch New England principles, literary in his tastes.

The deceased was a brother of the late Augustus Bunce. He leaves a wife and three children and two sisters, Misses Maria and Carrie Bunce, of Lowell. The funeral was held on Thursday from his late home.

Edward O. Fifield died at his home in Milford, N. H., last week. For several years he was engaged in the manufacturing of boxes in Tyngsboro, in 1891 moving his business to Nashua, N. H., which is still in operation, and another plant at Wilton, N. H. He represented the town of Lee in the New Hampshire legislature in 1917. While in Nashua he held many important offices. He was prominent in all Masonic organizations up to and including the 32° degree, being a past officer of each, including past commander of St. George Commandery of Nashua and past grand high priest of the grand chapter and past master of the grand council of New Hampshire, and for many years he was treasurer of Ancient York lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Nashua. Besides his Masonic affiliations he was a member of Custos Morum lodge, I. O. O. F., of Nashua, and the first Baptist church of Milford.

The deceased was born in Hopkinton, N. H., on August 25, 1848, and educated in the public schools of Londondery, N. H. He was an occasional visitor in Westford. His father, Capt. George E. Fifield, was a resident of Westford for several years, buying a tract of land fronting on the Stony Brook highway, and building a set of farm buildings and a bell on the barn after his custom at Londondery. The farm is now owned by W. R. Taylor. The late George H. Fifield, who owned for several years a small place on the Lowell road, was a brother. He was married twenty-five years ago to Miss Grace Hopkins, of Nashua, who survives him; also, a sister, Mrs. Fannie Colson, of Salem. The late Mrs. Carrie Fifield Woods was his niece.

Graniteville.

The Abbot Worsted Co. club visited Hudson on last Saturday and met with defeat at the hands of the Hudson town club by the score of 8 to 5. Morrill and Deancourt did the battery work for Hudson, while Williams, Duggan and Liston were in the points for the Abbots. On Saturday, July 23, the Abbots will play on the home grounds at Graniteville, when they will have for opponents the fast Bennett A. A. club of Boston. The Bennetts were defeated by the Abbots by a 1 to 0 score on their last appearance here and the game next Saturday promises to be equally as interesting. Game called at three p. m.

Mrs. Ellen Murphy with her grandson, Francis Murphy, of Manchester, N. H., have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Healy here.

The members of the Brotherhood with invited guests held a very pleasant outing at Long pond, Littleton, Wednesday evening of last week. Swimming and running races were much enjoyed and before the homeward trip was taken an excellent lunch was served. The affair was in charge of the president, C. M. Sawyer, assisted by an efficient committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stover of Lisbon Falls, Me., have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ellsworth York.

Many of the baseball fans accompanied the Abbot club to Hudson on last Saturday.

A large number of the Graniteville people attended the St. John's parish picnic at Lake Nabnassett last Saturday.

The Abbot Worsted Co. band furnished excellent music for the Lamson Co. outing at Canobie lake park on last Saturday.

Miss Lena Healy of Chicago is now spending her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Healy, here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Peters of New Bedford are now spending a few weeks with Mrs. Peters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rafferty, in East Groton, near the Westford line.

HARVARD

News Items.

Last Tuesday morning Miss Anna Brough, of the Canning club, Roy Houghton, of the Garden club, and Lawrence Bigelow, of the Chicken club, started for a two-days' camp at Amherst college. Mrs. Olive Bryant took them by auto as far as Fitchburg, where Lewis Harrington met them, where in company with the rest of the party they went by auto to Amherst.

The officers of the Canning club are Grace Nogler, pres.; Pauline Pomer, vice pres., and Josephine Reale, sec.

Regular church services will be held on Sunday morning at both churches. At the white church the chorus choir will sing, assisted by Mr. Boynton and Miss Scorgie.

On Thursday, July 28, the Evangelical Congregational church will observe its 100th anniversary. Elaborate preparations are being made to make it a day to be remembered. At 10.45 there will be a devotional service. Former pastors of the church will be guests and assist the pastor, Rev. A. W. Dycer. A chorus choir, assisted by Mrs. Madeline Parker Sargent, soprano, and Charles N. Pollard, organist, will sing some of the old hymns and anthems. At twelve o'clock a dinner will be served at the town hall, after which there will be speaking by out-of-town guests. The party will then march to the church, where a reception and general good time will pass the afternoon. Efficient committees are at work on all the details and a big day is assured.

Last Saturday the young people's class were given an auto trip to Methuen. They visited the Memorial chapel designed by LaFarge and Merrimack Park. Mr. Egerton, Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Bryant furnished the auto. The young people each invited a guest and all had a wonderful time.

The Harvard A. A. play against the Shirley A. A. on Bromfield grounds at three o'clock this Saturday afternoon. Last Saturday the local team played the Vose Hollingsworth team at Bromfield. They found in this team a hard customer, but held them down to five runs. It was a great game, both teams playing ball every minute. The umpires were right on the job, too. The score was 5 to 2 in favor of the Vose team.

The Harvard Fruit Farm is surely a wonderful sight with its hundreds of baskets of peaches coming on. Mr. Babcock is making every preparation for handling a bumper crop. He expects to start picking the last of next week.

A Pleasant Outing.

The Boys' and Girls' Extension Service clubs enjoyed a day's outing last Saturday, twenty-seven of the members going by auto to Lunenburg, where they were taken over some large poultry plants, visiting one where there were 2000 chickens, some of these pullets being nearly full grown. They then visited a model market garden farm and then a large dairy farm. After completing their observation trips they were taken to Whalom Park, where they enjoyed all the excitement of this resort. A basket lunch was served. Mrs. West and Mr. Harrington had charge of the trip. On their return the entire party were invited to the home of James Murchie in Lunenburg. Mr. and Mrs. Murchie, formerly of Harvard, enjoyed meeting their friends and treated them all to fruit and lemonade. On leaving the young people gave three cheers for Mr. Murchie and family.

Some of the interesting things the boys and girls will remember was a 7000-egg incubator plant and a modern refrigerating plant where Mr. Fish, the owner of the dairy farm, made a small cake of ice for their entertainment.

Moving Pictures.

This Saturday at the town hall the feature picture will be Bebe Daniels in "You can never tell" from the Saturday Evening Post story of the same name by Grace Lovell Bryan. Rowena was bitterly unhappy. Her folks had just been dispossessed from their humble tenement because they could not pay the rent—fifty dollars a month. And in the fashionable hotel where Rowena worked as a check-room girl, she saw people pay fifty dollars for one little dinner party. A fifty dollar bill meant so little to these idle rich—so much to the poor Jones family. What does fifty dollars mean to you? Much or little? Whether you are rich or poor you will enjoy seeing Bebe Daniels in this fascinating comedy, "You never can tell." Fourth chapter of "Velvet fingers" and Pathé news.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Three members of the A. L. Auxiliary went to Dr. Ayers' hospital in Groton recently and carried magazines, cigarettes, candy, jellies, etc., to the soldiers. Some of the members will go every two or three weeks with supplies of goodies and literature and will be pleased with contributions also from any interested friends outside of the auxiliary. These supplies should be given to Mrs. E. A. Adams, president, or other members of the organization, who will see that they are given to the boys in khaki.

Miss Emma E. Tenney has resumed her duties as organist and choir director at the Baptist church.

Mrs. Herbert A. Childs has recovered from scarlet fever.

Charles L. Smith is taking a week off and enjoying the bracing air of New Hampshire hills. His son, Charles L. Smith, jr., is taking his place in the store.

Miss Miriam Conant is at home for the present.

Miss Margaret Conant has visited her brother in Passaic, N. J., and college friends in that vicinity.

Miss Caroline Conant is spending the month of July in Cohasset.

The Misses Peabody are at Cochituate for a few weeks.

Miss Hazel Bradlee has a position in Boston.

The George Bonnells are entertaining Miss Betty Rice of Winthrop. John Chisholm was over Sunday, a guest of the same family.

James McNiff has sold his Newtown farm to a Lowell party and bought the Whittier house of F. W. Moore. He will have an auction of his personal property on Saturday, July 30, at 9.30 a. m. John A. Finigan, auctioneer. See advertisement in another part of this paper.

Mrs. Louise M. Bray of Boston has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Adams, who also entertained her aunt, Mrs. William Lancaster, of Salem, N. H.

Mrs. Shedd of Nashua, N. H., is making her annual visit with her niece, Mrs. N. B. Conant.

Judge Sanderson is recovering from a fall last Monday. In climbing a stone wall he fell and cracked a rib.

Remember "Littleton day" at Whalom Park on Wednesday, July 27. There will be the usual attractions at this well known park, including dancing.

It is hoped that the new sidewalk will be laid the last of this month. The expense will be borne by the town, the Littleton Improvement society, the abutters and friends. All who have the good of the town at heart are invited to make a contribution according to their ability for this worthy purpose. Subscriptions should be sent to Hon. Frank A. Patch, president, or Mrs. Walter H. Titcomb, secretary of the Improvement society. Do it now.

We are informed on good authority that as soon as the Groton road is opened King street will be closed for repairs. This will make Foster street and Harwood avenue the main thoroughfare through town.

Foster street is in excellent condition and the selectmen have the gratitude of all who take pride in their town.

The Boy Scouts will meet at the Baptist church at seven o'clock Friday night. They are planning to organize a baseball team and all are requested to bring gloves and other equipment for playing.

Mrs. Carrie Gilman Edwards has opened her summer home, The Ledges, and has with her Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, who will remain through July. The Ralph Conant family will spend the month of August with Mrs. Edwards.

Mrs. Annie C. Smith, Miss Mary Nye, Mrs. Jessie M. Young and Eliot Young enjoyed a trip down Cape Cod last week.

The Misses Sanderson recently enjoyed the hospitality of the Hale family at Marlboro, N. H., who lived in Judge Sanderson's house a while in war-time.

Miss Catherine Proctor anticipates studying at one of the conservatories of music in Boston next year.

Charles E. McDonald and young son of Winthrop have spent two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDonald, leaving town last Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Ryan and her two sisters are occupying the James Nixon farmhouse in Pingryville this summer.

Dr. J. N. Murray has screened his piazza and completed modern improvements inside his house recently.

L. W. Bartlett wa sthe guest of Fred J. Benthall, train dispatcher, at his Somerville home Monday.

Barbara Hibbard is with her grandmother Kidder at the beach.

Mrs. Ada W. Ireland and grandson, Harry Hibbard, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ireland in Gardner.

Mrs. Eunice Priest Cole of Scituate has been Miss Florence S. Whitcomb's guest this week.

Norman Bonnell is spending his vacation at Biddeford, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis entertained as over Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Patlin, who were on their way to Maine.

Chester M. Hartwell and family of Chicago arrived in town last week, making the journey by automobile.

Joseph Barber returned home from the Lowell General hospital last week Thursday.

Congregational Notes.

The Sunday morning sermon subject will be "The God of the open air." A week from Sunday the congregation unites with the other churches in the Sunday service at the Unitarian church.

This Saturday at eleven o'clock in the morning the Sunday school meets at Long pond for the annual picnic. Bring your lunch. The ladies will have ice cream and other refreshments for sale. In the afternoon games and water sports will make an interesting feature of the day. All swimmers and bathers should bring their bathing suits. The Middlesex local C. E. union picnic will be in the same place Saturday afternoon and evening beginning at two p. m.

A very pleasant social function was held at the parsonage Monday evening and attended by nearly all members of the parish. Sociability, games and refreshments made the hours pass all too quickly. Some one had previously discovered the date set for this social occasion was the tenth wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. Cleland and in recognition of the fact a purse was presented to them, Hon. C. A. Kimball making the presentation speech, followed by a happy response from Mr. Cleland. This closed the church socials of the year very appropriately.

Baptist Church Notes.

Rev. E. C. Dunbar's Sunday morning sermon will be on the subject "Why Abraham left home." In the evening he will speak on "Lessons from a strong man."

A large number of Endeavorers are planning to attend the picnic at Long pond Saturday.

Rev. Mr. Dunbar is planning a series of prayer meeting talks on "The kinds of men there are." The first will be Thursday night at 7.30 o'clock.

Unitarian Notes.

The annual church picnic will be held at Whalom Park on Wednesday, July 27. A cordial invitation is extended to the members and friends of the other churches to join this church in the annual outing. Those who have no conveyance and those who have spare seats for those who desire to go to the church picnic please notify Nahum Whitcomb.

The minister recently united in marriage Ernest L. Wetherbee and Lizzie L. Robbins, both of Hudson.

The special music for Littleton Sunday to be held in the Unitarian church on July 31 will be rendered by a young people's chorus, the combined choirs of the three Protestant churches and the newly organized quartet of Littleton.

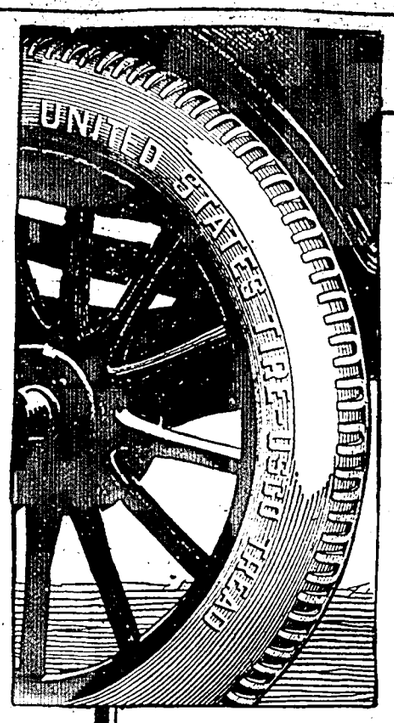
The church school will hold its last session of the season on Sunday. Let there be a full attendance.

The church will be closed during August and all the various activities will be resumed on Sunday, September 11.

New Company Formed.

The entire plant of the Avery Chemical Co. in Tewksbury has been sold to a new company known as the Wamesit Chemical Co. of Lowell. The company will start immediately to operate the plant. The usual line of products at this plant will for the most part be continued. The Avery Chemical Co. has been for years the largest producer of lactic acid in the world and its product has had an international market and reputation. The new company plans to specialize in the lactic acid for which there is a rapidly expanding demand. The incorporators and directors are George Stevens, Charles H. Hobson, Percy Gulline, Thomas Burke, John H. Murphy and Robert F. Marden. George Stevens is president and John H. Murphy is treasurer.

The officers of the Wamesit Chemical Co. will be established at the plant. The old Boston office of the Avery Chemical Co. has been closed and transferred to the plant.



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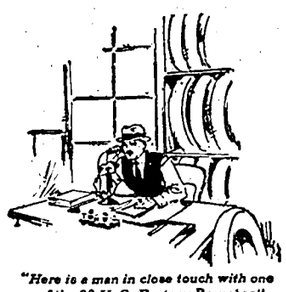

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TOWNSEND

Center.

Miss Leona Cockerell, of Brockton, is making an extended stay at the home of Irving Seaver. About nine years ago she made her home with the Seavers.

Cards have been sent out announcing the marriage of Evelyn Sanders to Sergt. George Pasco of Camp Devens. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William Hodge at the home of T T. Goodwin. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Hattie Sanders. After a wedding trip they will make their home at Camp Devens.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kendall, who have been spending their vacation camping in Rindge, N. H., have returned home.

Mrs. William MacMaster and daughter Marie went Tuesday as auto guests of Mr and Mrs. John Bacon to Malden, where they are to visit at the home of Mrs. William Wing.

Mrs. N. Howard Pease and baby son are at the Severance home, where they expect to make a two-months' visit.

Word has been received by Henry J. Miller that the body of his son, Private Franz W. Miller, who was killed in France has arrived in New York. The body will be taken to Danielson, Conn., for burial.

The Leominster Rangers will play the Townsend team here this Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

The choir of the Highland Baptist church of Fitchburg held a picnic at the Dudley farm on last Saturday. Trucks left the church at ten o'clock in the morning and carried the picnickers back to Fitchburg last in the evening. The outing was in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth Towle, the director of the choir. Swimming and boating were enjoyed and basket lunches were served at noon and in the evening. Although there were no organized sports nor any scheduled events a good time was thoroughly enjoyed by about fifty young people.

Miss Ellen Gates, of Nashua, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Henry Going.

Mrs. Gordon Cleveland and two children are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laban Naas.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Reed, of Haverhill, with Mr. Reed's mother, of Melrose, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Sawtelle, of Boston, have been keeping house for Mr. and Mrs. George Upton during their vacation spent at Hancock, N. H.

Mrs. Blanche Stickney Ward and two children, of Henniker, N. H., are spending this week as guests of Miss Carrie Walker, Townsend hill.

Miss Eva Whitcomb is taking a summer course at the normal school in Keene, N. H., and Rev. Leroy Lyon is taking a special course at Clark university, Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Moore, of Hathorne, and Mr. and Mrs. Hills and daughter Ruth, of Peabody, were Sunday auto guests of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Moore.

Mrs. Bertha Peffers Stiles, who died recently at her home in South Amherst, will be remembered as formerly living for a time with her father, Rev. Mr. Peffers, at the Deacon Proctor place at the Harbor. Mrs. Stiles leaves her husband, Charles Stiles, and six children—five sons and a daughter—and a sister, Miss Mary Peffers. Mrs. Stiles suffered a shock a few years ago when there was no news from one of her sons, then in Meuse-Argonne for five weeks. He was heard from later, but Mrs. Stiles' health was seriously affected by her anxiety.

A. L. Leeman, Townsend hill, has returned to New York to resume his position as foreman of the New York Call, after having spent a two-months' vacation with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leeman entertained as week-end guests Charles Adams, of Bangor, Me., Mrs. Joel Smith, Miss Lelia Smith, Rodney Smith and wife and Howard Rows, of Dorchester.

William A. Dudley and his brother Frank of Fitchburg have recently returned from Sherburne Falls, where they have been repairing a church steeple. Tuesday morning, accompanied by their nephew, Elmer C. Dudley, of Providence, the three left by auto for Wellfleet, where they are to be engaged in carpenter work for several weeks.

Frank and Fred Dudley, with their families, of Fitchburg, were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. W. S. Dudley. Mr. and Mrs. Terrell, with their two daughters and son, of Waltham, were also guests of the day.

Mrs. Ida Dudley Binford, of Chicago, arrived Tuesday for a two-months' visit with her mother, Mrs. W. L. Dudley, and other relatives.

A. D. Tracy is building a bungalow on the Dudley road, beyond the brook.

Louis Streeter, who has been spending a vacation with his wife and son Norman at T. E. Flarity's, has returned to his work at the Waltham watch factory.

Through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Seaver the children at the vacation camp in Lunenburg, near the Townsend line at South Row, enjoyed the band concert last week Friday evening. This camp is in charge of Miss Brown and is run as a vacation camp. It is under the supervision of a committee of the Associated Charities of Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, of Fitchburg, are camping out for a few weeks on Brookline street. Mr. Hunt is employed by the electric light company in Fitchburg, testing out the meters in town.

After the band concert on last week Friday evening the band was invited to the Fessenden store and entertained by the manager, John J. Piper. A lunch of sandwiches, coffee and doughnuts, cold tonic and candy were served; also, cigars. A social time was enjoyed by all.

Corliss Woolley, of Portland, Me., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Woolley.

Rev. Albert Kilbourne, of Eddyville, Iowa, is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Rev. A. L. Struthers' subject for Sunday morning will be "The crossroads of life."

Obituary.

Mrs Abbie Frances Rolfe aged eighty-seven years, who recently died at her home in Concord, was well known in Townsend, being the daughter of the late Deacon Henry Winchester, who formerly lived at the Leeman place on Townsend hill. They also lived at the Baldwin house at the Harbor. Her late husband, to whom she was married in 1856, was a teacher of what used to be known as the academy at the Center.

Mrs. Rolfe was widely known and beloved. She was for forty-four years president of the Middlesex County W. C. T. U. She also took an active interest in other work throughout the state, at one time being almshouse visitor for the State Board of Charities. She was one of the first persons in the state to develop district nursing and started her work in Ayer fifty years ago.

Besides her two sons, who are eminent in the educational field, she leaves an only daughter, Mrs. Cole, wife of Prof. Cole of Harvard university. Four grand-daughters also survive her.

When living in Townsend Mrs. Rolfe was prominent in church work and an active officer of the Congregational Ladies' Benevolent society. Since living in Concord she had returned to town on several occasions and given profitable lectures.

West.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howard, who have a large apairy in Stoneham and are experts in bee culture, Tuesday removed a colony of bees belonging to Mrs. Frank Farnsworth from their old quarters into new and modern equipped hives, and also removed a large amount of honey from the old hives. Mrs. Howard is remaining for a few days with her mother, Mrs. Tebbetts, at Mrs. Morgan's, but Mr. Howard returned Tuesday evening to his home in Stoneham.

William Wilson, chauffeur for Mrs. Homer, has closed the cottage on Main street, and with Mrs. Wilson started for Prout's Neck on Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Donley is spending a few days with her sister in Greenville, N. H.

Capt. Winchester, who is in charge of the "Captain's spa" at the Squannicook inn, has been enjoying a vacation this week in Boston and vicinity, leaving by auto with a party of friends Monday morning.

Miss Mary A. Taft, who has been visiting relatives in town for the past few weeks, returned by auto to her home in Lowell last week.

Miss Annie Murphy at Mrs. G. A. Seaver's, enjoyed a brief vacation with her friends in Fitchburg the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Adams from Peterboro, N. H., with Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence, who is employed in New Ipswich, N. H., visited Mrs. Lawrence's home here Sunday.

Walter Farrar, who has been spending a vacation on an auto trip to Canada, has returned to his home at the Center and is again at his accustomed place in the brick store.

Mrs. Herman L. Stickney left last week for a vacation to be spent with relatives in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Nieland of Somerville have been stopping for a few days at the Squannacook Inn.

A party of twenty-one of the Worcester County Fair association met at Squannacook Inn on Monday evening and enjoyed a chicken supper bountifully and delightfully served by the proprietress, Mrs. W. C. Winchester, after which a business meeting of the organization was held and plans were discussed in regard to the coming fair.

Mrs. Craik Swift from Springfield is visiting her father, Rev. Joseph McKean, at the Baptist parsonage.

Mrs. Winfield Reed and little daughter Marjorie drove to town from their home in Reading Sunday for a few weeks' visit at the home of Alexander Reed. Mr. Reed, who has been in Springfield, joined them Tuesday.

Miss Freda Jodery, who has been stopping with Mrs. George Ball and family at the L. F. Wood homestead, returned to her home in Concord Junction the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Homer from Quincy spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Homer.

Mrs. Mary Heath had charge of the distribution of library books at the reading-room Saturday in place of Miss Alice Seaver.

Everett Pierce and friends from Brookline spent Sunday at the Pierce summer home, "Twin Maples."

Mrs. Abbott, who is employed at the home of Mrs. Frank Farnsworth, has returned from a trip to her home in Reed's Ferry, N. H., where she accompanied her little daughter on her return from a few weeks' visit here.

Mrs. F. J. King and son, from Framingham, have been spending a week's vacation at the Squannicook Inn, and Mrs. Edith Winchester, proprietress of the inn, has been enjoying a few days' visit from her nephew, Harold Caswell, and friend, Miss Wallace, from Taunton.

Mr. Foss, from Jamaica Plain, has been a recent guest of Rodney Richards.

Freddie Howard, from Lancaster, has been spending a few weeks with his uncle and aunt, Charles and Clara Hosley, Bayberry hill.

Mrs. Stephen Shepherd has been spending a few days with friends in Ashby.

Augustus Bruce, of Boston, a former resident here, called upon friends in town last week.

George Wyman, who has been confined to his home for several days with an attack of shingles, is able to be about again.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Allen and children, from Worcester, have been spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sherwin. Last Sunday they left in their car to visit another sister in Lunenburg, accompanied by their young nephew, Wilbur Sherwin, whose birthday, Monday, was celebrated at the hme of his aunt.

Mrs. Fred A. Patch is enjoying a few days' vacation at the home of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Patch, in Brookline.

Mrs. Charles Morgan celebrated her birthday last week Friday and entertained an old friend, Miss Nellie Whitney, a prominent teacher in the Boston schools, and was the recipient of many birthday remembrances, congratulations from friends and neighbors and a shower of cards, which caused the occasion to be one long to be pleasantly recalled. Miss Maud Hodson, from Reading, was also a guest of Mrs. Morgan over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William O. Loveland, from Ashby, and family, were guests of Mrs. Lois Vose last Sunday.

Edward E. Seaver, of New York, made a flying visit to his mother, Mrs. G. A. Seaver, Saturday, returning on Sunday morning on a business trip to Boston.

Little Miss Parker, from West Groton, is spending a few days with Faith Tucker at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Tucker.

Miss Grace Conneghan, from Lynn, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Coffey.

Charlotte Hodgman, who has been quite ill with summer pneumonia, is able to be about again.

Frank Sanders, of Ayer, visited his sisters, the Misses Addie and Fannie Sanders, Sunday.

Miss Ella Farley, housekeeper for Mrs. Mary Coburn, is spending her vacation with her brother in Wakefield.

Mr. and Mrs. John McElligott and family, from Boston, motored to their home here for the week-end last week.

Mrs. C. S. Homer leaves this week for her seaside home at Prout's Neck, Me., where she will spend the month of August.

The Baptist Sunday school plan to hold their annual picnic at Whalom Park next Tuesday, weather permitting, and the school and friends in the community will probably be conveyed to the park and return by the Squannicook Inn barge. Arrangements, which have not yet been completed, will be fully settled at a business meeting of the Sunday school at the Sunday session.

Harold Caswell and Miss Wallace, from Taunton, who have been stopping at the Squannicook Inn, have gone to Maine to complete their vacation.

Mrs. Brown and Inez Brown, of Shirley, have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Phillips, of Rochester, N. Y., have arrived at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Goddard, of Framingham, spent the week-end at the Squannicook Inn, and upon their return were accompanied by Mrs. King and son Francis, who had been spending a fortnight's vacation there.

John Eldredge, of Boston, a former resident here, visited friends in town last week.

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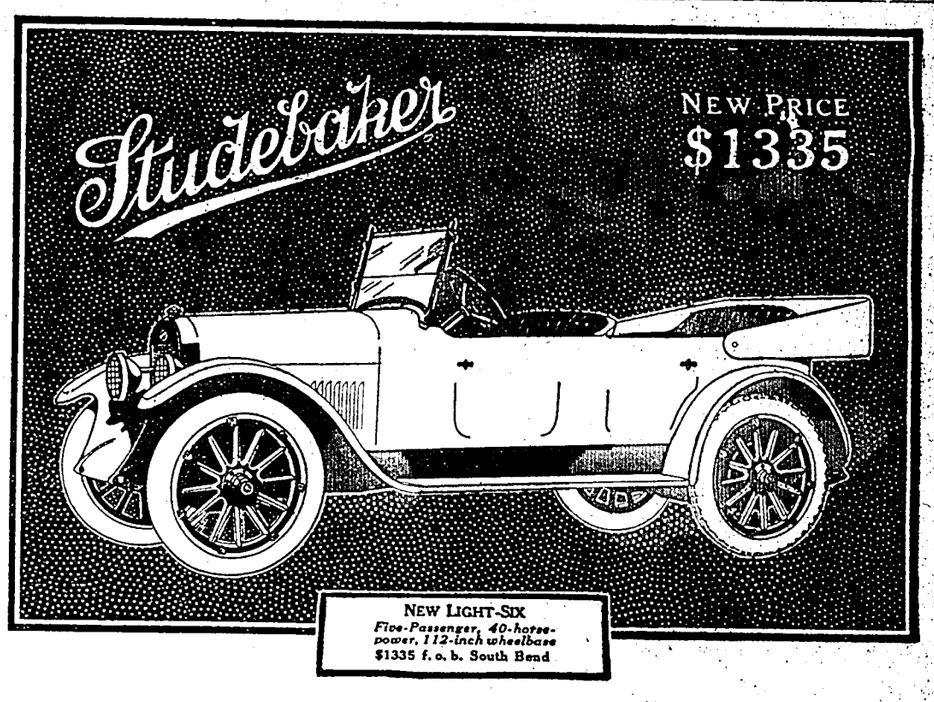

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GROTON

News Items.

Under the leadership of Mr. Waltz, one of the instructors at Harvard university, twelve Boy Scouts, who are camping at Island pond, came up to Camp Baddacook on a hike on Tuesday and camped there that night, returning to Island pond Wednesday noon.

Mrs. Annie Smith, who was at Dr. Kilbourn's hospital for some time, has had another of her ill turns since leaving the hospital.

The Groton A. A. will play the Walton A. A. at the Lawrence playground on Sunday afternoon at 3.15.

Everett C. Williams and Howard Wheelock made an automobile trip to West Haven, Conn., Monday, returning the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman, of Dorchester, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. A. V. Dimock over Sunday.

Young, newsdealer, has a new bicycle with carrier attached, which makes his work much easier.

Dr. F. Earland Gilson attended the field day and picnic held at the Middlesex school, North Concord, under the charge of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau and the Middlesex Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics. About 700 farmers and their families were present. In the contests banners were awarded five towns for large total of points, as follows: Acton 137, Burlington 135, Carlisle 110, Concord 91 and Bedford 77. Representatives of sixteen towns competed in the horseshoe tournament, which was won by W. H. Clark and his son, of Bedford. There were numerous athletic events and addresses by H. P. Hinckley, of Agawam, president of the Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation, and Richard Pattee, managing director of the N. E. Milk Producers' association. H. S. Russell of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau announced the speakers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ames were delightfully entertained last Sunday afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. Naylor at their home near Knopp's pond, so beautifully located for a summer day's outing.

By some misunderstanding the band expected from Camp Devens did not play at the lawn party at the U. S. Contract hospital on Wednesday evening, so Mr. Dimock's orchestra furnished the music. There was a fairly good attendance and ice cream cones were sold for the benefit of the entertainment fund for the soldiers. The grounds were lighted up and the weather was favorable.

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Kilbourn, with William, George and John Kilbourn, Miss Jones and Miss Olive Ancill started for New Brunswick by automobile last Tuesday. Miss Jones took her car and the doctor had his car with a trailer attached to it. Miss Kathleen McGowan is taking Miss Jones' place at the hospital.

Mrs. J. Edwin Jones, wife of the superintendent of the John Hancock Insurance Co., of New Bedford, and her daughter, Miss Dorothy, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mackenzie of Pleasant street this week.

A daughter was born on Tuesday morning, July 19, to Mr. and Mrs. George F. Sampson.

Mrs. J. Grafton Minot was registered over Sunday, July 10, at Heaton Hall in Stockbridge.

The Canning club met at the home of the club leader, Mrs. James T. Hill, Wednesday afternoon. After an enjoyable time and games at the bungalow the party went down on the river's bank, where a picnic lunch was eaten. The club enjoyed the afternoon so much that it was decided to hold the August meeting at the same place and each member will invite a guest.

Owing to a mistake at Camp Devens the 36th infantry band did not come to Groton to give a concert as planned on July 20. Major Stillwell has now promised the band for Wednesday evening, August 3. The men at the hospital and the Groton entertainment committee invite the townspeople to this concert and we especially ask those who came to hear the band last Wednesday to come again on August 3.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Blood, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Blood and Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Blood were present at the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blood of Gardner, which was held at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Arthur Bartlett, in Pepperell, on Tuesday. Another daughter, Mrs. Arthur Elliott of Gardner was also present and assisted in receiving.

Herbert J. Folkins and Floyd Jaquays have recently purchased a Ford car.

Miss Elsie Shattuck was the guest of Mrs. Herbert J. Folkins last Wednesday. Miss Shattuck has finished her year's work in teaching at Belchertown and after spending three weeks in Williamsville with Mr. and Mrs. George Kruse and Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Shattuck, has come to Groton to be at her room in Miss Edna Keyes' home for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Prescott Lawrence are now in Paris, where it is understood that they will stay for the present, having gone abroad on account of Mr. Lawrence's health. This is the first summer in the memory of the oldest Newport summer cottagers that Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have not spent at Newport, and their absence will be generally regretted by their circle of friends at this famous resort. Prescott Lawrence is a brother of the late James Lawrence, of Boston and Groton.

Mrs. Shelby Sawyer was in town last week Wednesday, leaving the next morning for Winchendon.

Mrs. F. C. Bishop and her daughter Marion are spending this week at York Beach.

Word was received here last week of the birth of a daughter, on July 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Danielson.

Mrs. Fanny B. Woods returned last week from a trip which included a visit at Brant Rock with Mrs. Clesson Currier, of Leominster, and one to Beechwood with Mrs. Addie S. Lincoln.

Mrs. Hugh Bancroft is one of the patronesses of the first entertainment given in aid of the Jacoby club in the town hall at Cohasset.

Rev. Sherrard Billings of the Groton School, who went over to Southampton, N. Y., for the Cowles-Krech wedding on July 9, was entertained during his stay by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Townsend.

Miss Irene Peabody, teacher of domestic science in Fitchburg, is spending the summer at a girls' camp in Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong and son spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Eber Keirstead. Mr. Armstrong is a brother of Mrs. Keirstead.

The band concert will be held in West Groton on Saturday evening.

Grafton D. Cushing is visiting at The Ledges on the Ocean Drive at Newport.

The union services were held at the Congregational church on last Sunday, Rev. Arthur V. Dimock's subject being "Just tired to death," a common complaint. The decorations of dark blue larkspur and white hydrangeas were very attractive. The musical selection was a violin solo by Miss Alice Knapp, accompanied by the organist, Miss Alice Dodge.

Mrs. Maria Bowers is recovering gradually from her recent illness, being now able to sit up for a short time during the day.

Mr. Peterson was operated upon at Dr. Kilbourn's hospital last week Thursday and is getting along nicely.

Unclaimed letters at the postoffice are Keith Gordon, Harold Nelson, care of Mrs. Clifford, and A. Y. Whiting.

Miss Claribel S. Vickery went on Monday to North Andover for a two weeks' visit.

Little Joyce Sampson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Sampson, was seriously ill last Saturday, but is now much improved.

Clarence Tuttle is harvesting his crop of raspberries and a load of berry pickers from the village assist him in the work.

George H. Woods has bought the Elm street garage from Roy Cunningham and his son, Frank Woods, has bought out the business.

Miss Edna Keyes has returned from a visit with her cousin, Mrs. Davis, in Dunstable.

Fire at Five Oaks Farm.

Considerable excitement was roused in our quiet village on Tuesday morning about eleven o'clock when the fire department was called out for a fire in William P. Wharton's barn and the neighbors immediately saw a thick column of smoke, only too soon followed by flames rising from the barn. There was a quick response to the alarm, for many lent helping hands in the work, but the fire had started from sparks from a pulley used in raising the hay from a load just being put in the barn and the hay caught fire quickly and set the roof on fire so that it was not possible to save the barn or the silos. The garage and the long shed, which is now being fitted up for cows, were saved and the carriage house which joined the barn was only partially burned.

It is estimated that the barn contained from thirty to fifty tons of hay. Eli Collyer, who is employed at Mr. Wharton's, lost a number of his personal belongings which were in the barn. The cattle and horses were turned into the fields in time to escape injury, but it required the efforts of several men to keep them away from the burning biulding. Among the faithful workers at the fire was Roland W. Sawyer, the fourteen-year-old son of Elmer Sawyer, who led out fifteen cows and helped in carrying out the milk. He was kicked by one of the cattle. He assists C. H. Eldridge in delivering milk on his route and works about the cows at Five Oaks farm.

Charred shingles from the burning barn on Tuesday were carried by the wind over to Hollis street. It was fortunate that the wind blew in the opposite direction from Mr. Wharton's house, as it would have been in much greater danger otherwise. The insurance on the barn is said not to be nearly enough to cover the loss, as it was almost, if not quite filled with hay. A teamster who is employed by Mr. Wharton lost most of his personal effects which were in the barn, as did Mr. Collyer. The Ayer fire department responded promptly when called, but it was found that their hose would not couple onto the hydrants, and the Groton firemen had to do the work, aided by the townspeople and the employees at the farm. Mr. Wharton's herd of cows are being sheltered in John Lawrence's barn, and Stephen W. Sabine's at the Riverdale farm. The cooler, which contained about twenty cans of milk, after being washed off with a hose was found to have kept the milk in good condition.

Clipping.

The following interesting news concerning Miss Muriel Wood, great niece of the late Miss Carrie Wood of this town was taken from the Springfield Union of July 6. It substance it is as follows:

The First church, Court square, of Springfield is sending out Miss Muriel Wood as a missionary to China. Miss Wood graduated from Mt. Holyoke college, class of '19. She is to sail on the S. S. Golden State from San Francisco on August 6, bound for Shanghai, where she is to teach in the Bridgman Normal school. For the first six months Miss Wood will study the Chinese language in the Nanking Language school and about February next will take up her chosen work in Shanghai. The Bridgman Normal school is closely identified with Mt. Holyoke college and its principal, Miss Ruby Higgins, is a Mt. Holyoke graduate, class of '17. Her assistant, Miss Amy Holway, graduated in 1917 from Mt. Holyoke. The school is of high grade and has 160 students, half of whom are day pupils. Its course begins with the kindergarten and continues through three years to the normal school. It is an interdenominational school.

As there is only a small number of American teachers they are reinforced by thirteen native teachers. Miss Wood has been active in the Y. W. C. A., where she has been both membership and office secretary. She left Springfield on July 9. She is the daughter of William Wood, the nephew of the late Miss Carrie Wood, who was in Groton for some time during the last illness of Miss Wood. His wife and daughter were here also part of the time. Miss Muriel Wood was in college with Miss Hope Nichols.

Baseball.

The Groton A. A. defeated the strong Nashua Card Shop team, at present leading in the Manufacturers' league of that city, last Sunday by the score of 5 to 1.

The game was very interesting from a Groton standpoint, as the local boys bombarded Willard's slants to such an extent that they piled up a three-run lead at the outset, and from then on were never in danger. This is quite a contrast to previous games when the local boys have given their opponents a big lead at the beginning of the game, and is an encouraging omen for future contests.

Smith and Lang were in the points for the Groton team and did their part well, Smith poling out three hits and fielding his position finely, while Lang supported him well behind the bat.

O'Neil continued to fatten his batting average, while Woodson, playing for the first time in three weeks, drove in the first two runs with a slashing two-bagger, and covered the center garden as though he had always played there.

O'Rourke, a new man at short, and Cleary at second played well, the latter especially so, while Boynton made the unusual play of throwing a man out at first on a clean drive to right field.

A one-hand catch by St. Jean featured the play of the Nashua team.

Tom Donohue officiated as umpire, and his work as usual was above criticism. The whole Groton team was on the job which augurs well for future games. The summary:

GROTON A. A.

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
Kelly, 3b.	5	2	1	1	0	1	1
O'Neil, lf.	4	1	2	2	0	0	0
Woodson, cf.	4	0	1	2	2	1	1
O'Rourke, ss.	3	1	0	0	2	1	1
Lang, c.	4	1	0	0	8	1	0
Smith, p.	3	0	3	3	3	3	0
Farwell, 1b.	4	0	2	2	6	0	0
Cleary, 2b.	4	0	0	0	6	2	0
Boynton, rf.	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Freeman, rf.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	5	9	10	27	8	2

NASHUA CARD SHOP

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
St. Jean, lf.	4	0	0	0	2	0	0
Tinker, 1b.	3	0	1	1	8	0	1
Declos, 3b.	3	0	1	1	2	1	0
W. Haggerty, ss.	4	0	0	0	2	2	1
G. Haggerty, 2b.	4	0	1	1	2	2	0
Green, cf.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dobbins, rf.	3	0	0	0	2	0	0
Wise, c.	4	1	1	1	6	1	0
Willard, p.	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Narkis, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	4	4	24	9	3

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Groton A. A.	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	*	—5
Nashua C. S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—1

Two-base hit—Woodson. Struck out—By Smith 8, Willard 4, Narkis 1. Bases on balls—By Smith 4, by Narkis 1. Hit by pitched ball—By Willard, O'Rourke. Stolen bases—O'Neil, Smith, O'Rourke, Wise. Umpire—Donahue.

West Groton.

The Misses Rose Alma and Alice Clouttier of Greenville, N. H., were the guests of their uncle, John Robichaud, last week.

Mrs. Clifford Bixby gave the girls of her Sunday school class a very pleasant outing on last week Thursday. They went by auto to Concord, where they had dinner at the Concord Inn, spending the rest of the day visiting historical landmarks.

Mrs. William Ganley is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Augusta Mackens, of Rockland.

It was James and Bernard Sherwin instead of Cronin who visited in Groton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bixby and Mrs. Horace Sprague motored to Sutton, N. H., last week Friday. Mrs. Sprague remained for a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Bixby returned on Saturday.

Dorothy Bixby went on Tuesday to the Girl Scout camp at Lake Massapoag in Dunstable for a month. This is her second year of camp life.

Mrs. Arthur Lamb of Riegelsville, Pa., made a short stay in town last week. Her many friends were very glad to see her.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coram and their daughter Ruth of Portsmouth, N. H., were week-end guests of Mrs. Ida Burgess.

Aristides Diacos recently cut his hand very badly with an axe while chopping wood. Dr. Kilbourn was called and was obliged to take several stitches.

A large party of young people went to Whalom park on Friday evening of last week to see "Daddy Long Legs."

Miss Dorothy Thompson submitted to another operation on her arm at Burbank hospital on Monday.

Mrs. Ernest Snow of Hanover, N. H., is visiting her friend, Mrs. C. L. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thompson, Mrs. M. E. Williams, Miss Alice Humiston and Miss Tarbell were the guests of Mr and Mrs. C. A. Small in Watertown on Wednesday of last week.

G. S. Webber is spending two weeks at Bass Point, Nahant.

Miss Ella Ganley is home from the Groton hospital.

Last Saturday afternoon will long be remembered by Edward Mellish. He was asked to be present at a meeting of the baseball club at the office of Hollingsworth & Vose Co.'s mill. Upon his arrival Ralph Simonton, in behalf of the employees, athletic association and friends, presented a purse containing $150 in gold. For many months Mr. Mellish has been unable to work and the gift at this time from his many friends is much appreciated.

The feature picture next Wednesday evening at Squannacook hall will be "Once to every woman," with Dorothy Phillips.

TOWNSEND

Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk of Medford Highlands were guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Proctor on Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Watkins and Miss Olive Watkins were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cummings.

It is rumored that the Harbor store is to be repaired and opened for trade by Mr. Parker.

Miss Kloss is spending a few days with her mother.

Miss Myrtle Gray is spending several days at Silver Bay, Lake George.

Mrs. A. D. Bagley and daughter, Miss Esther Bagley, are spending a week in New Hampshire.

Mrs. Minnie Knight is in charge of transportating the mail to and from the station to the postoffice.

Repairs are underway at the residence of Mrs. M. E. Baldwin whose home was struck by lightning two weeks ago. The bolt struck a dead branch on a shade tree on the lawn then, seeming to divide, one part struck the fence knocking down one or two lengths of railing, the other part entering the dwelling set fire to furniture. The inmates upon perceiving smoke in the house found that a couch in the parlor was on fire, also one of the sofa pillows, while the wall back of the couch was hot and the paint scorched in places. Mr. Genong, a next door neighbor, rendered valuable assistance in putting out the fire. Although badly frightened none of the family were injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Morgan, whose buildings were recently destroyed by fire, are converting their garage into a temporary bungalow. This fine old place that could be seen for miles around was the repository of the heirlooms of five families. The beautiful old furniture and curios with which Mrs. Morgan was about to furnish one of the large apartments in her former home were all destroyed together with the rare old china. Although the loss is great financially, still greater is the loss of those possessions made doubly dear by use and association.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan are deeply grateful to the Townsend fire department and the volunteers for their efforts to save their property as well as for the sympathy expressed by their neighbors and large circle of friends.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

Leon Jones spent the week-end with his brother Carl in Princeton. Ernest Cole returned with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley F. White are spending their vacation in Shirley.

Some of the weavers have left Conant & Houghton Co. of Littleton and started up their looms in the suspender factory. There will be about a dozen back by the beginning of next week.

Virginia Wheeler and Josephine Lash are with the Camp Fire Girls in Dunstable. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wheeler visited them Wednesday and found them very pleasantly stuated.

A large number of people from the village attended the band concert at the Center Wednesday evening, given by the President Suspender shop band. There will be a concert at the bandstand in the village next Wednesday evening.

Dr. T. E. Lilly and family and Miss Mary Marr and Edward Harkins and family spent Sunday at Canoble lake.

There will be a ball game on the playground this Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. Sampson Cordage Works against a Camp Devens team.

Richard Lilly is assisting at the soda fountain at John Csiellanis in the absence this week of Miss Albert.

Edward Lilly has a position at the Industrial school this summer as detail officer.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hughes and daughter arrived Friday at the home of Mrs. Hughes' sister, Mrs. Walter Knowles. Mr. Hughes is one of the executives of the Revere Rubber Co. of Providence, R. I., and is having his vacation.

Miss Ethel Knowles is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. M. J. Johnson, in Boston.

In a well played game Shirley A. A. was defeated Saturday by the fast Walton A. A. of Fitchburg by a 5 to 3 score. Except for one bad inning the first, in which Fitchburg scored three runs, the chances of winning were even. The feature of the game was a wonderful bare hand stop by Freis, the Walton A. A. shortstop.

The Shirley A. A. play the Harvard A. A. this Saturday afternoon at Harvard.

Shirley A. A. plays the Westminster A. A. at Shirley Thursday evening, July 28, at Shirley There is much interest expressed in Westminster and a good crowd of rooters are expected.

Center.

The engagement has been announced of Stanwood K. Bolton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton, of Shirley and Brookline, to Miss Lois Arnold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund K. Arnold, of 12 Gloucester street, Boston.

Miss Helen Douai, of Fitchburg, was a guest on Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. J. Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anderson and little granddaughter, of Everett, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Winkins, at Woodsville.

Born this week a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Snow, of Winchester. Mr. Snow is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snow of this town.

HARVARD

News Items.

Following the service at the Congregational church 100th anniversary on next Wednesday a banquet will be served in the town hall to which members of the Congregational parish and guests are invited. Owing to the limited room they are unable to invite everyone to the banquet, but it is hoped that all the members of the church will be present at the banquet. At 3.30 there will be a public reception in the church.

Still River.

The Ladies' Picnic club held its annual summer picnic at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Merrifield on Wednesday afternoon and evening. About fifty members and guests were present and enjoyed the hospitality of the hostess. A lunch of sandwiches, salads, coffee, cake and ice cream was served on the lawn. Games and a social time were enjoyed throughout the afternoon.

An adjourned meeting of the Baptist society and parish was held in the vestry on Tuesday evening, and it was voted to have the church and parsonage buildings repainted.

Mrs. Helen Morse, of Worcester, was the guest of Mrs. Merrifield from Tuesday evening until Thursday, coming out to attend the picnic.

Kenneth Russell, of Glen Cove, N. Y., was at his home here last Sunday.

At the Baptist church last Sunday morning Evan Brown, nephew of Mrs. Wendell B. Willard, gave much pleasure to the congregation by an organ recital of about half an hour, which was very fine

Hope and Rowland Willard and Lawrence Bigelow were among the children who went to Lunenburg under the auspices of the Worcester County Farm Bureau last Saturday. They visited three farms and on their return they stopped at Whalom, where they enjoyed bathing.

L. K. Savage, of Harvard, took a truck load to Whalom last Tuesday evening to see the play "Daddy Long Legs." The party were the members of the Whist club.

The Sprague house is having a fresh coat of paint, much improving its appearance.

Capt. Ralph H. Whiting entertained four officers from Camp Devens by giving a dinner at Mrs. H. D. Stone's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Willard and son, of Wakefield, are stopping at H. D. Stone's.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

The regular meeting of the summer clubs was held at the town hall on July 11. It was voted to have the senior president take charge one week and the junior president the next. The senior class named their club the Canning Lads and Lasses, and the junior class selected K. W. K., which stands for "Kan We Kan." The star canner for the week among the seniors was Stella Cobleigh, while the juniors had a tie between Margaret Shea and Alice Griffin.

Priscilla Hager and Margaret Shea enjoyed a two-days' visit to Amherst college this week as a reward of their excellent club work the past season.

The engagement of Robert Rantoul Poland and Helen Ida Burroughs is announced.

William Withington now has telephone connection and answers to the call of 103-25.

Henry Wheeler is at the Carney hospital, where he went to have an operation performed. At last accounts his condition was satisfactory.

The Ralph Whitcomb family and the two Livermore families motored to Ipswich last Sunday.

Both the church and the Grange held their annual lawn parties during the past week. The one given by the church on last week Friday evening was in charge of Mrs. Harry Wetherbee, Miss Marie Steele and Miss Hazel Morse. Although a heavy shower late in the afternoon made the grounds very wet, the program was well carried out and a good miscellaneous entertainment was given in the hall. Rounds' orchestra of Stow furnished good music. It was also a financial success. The one in charge of the Grange on Tuesday evening drew an unusually large number. As a result about $100 were added to the treasury.

Mrs. Charles J. Knight, of Acton, visited Mrs. A. E. Lawrence the first of the week.

A beautiful set of pictures on Belgium, loaned by the Woman's Educational association, is on exhibition at the library.

A hearing on the roads will be held at the town hall on Wednesday morning, July 27, at ten o'clock. The county commissioners will be there. It seems there is some more money available from the state to be used on the roads here. In as much as enough has been given to finish the Liberty square road, it is hoped by those interested in the Hill road, which is still unfinished, that it will be their turn to be considered and to that end all persons interested in continuing the road from the hill to Littleton are urged to be present and talk the matter over, as then will be the opportunity.

About twenty from here attended the Farm Bureau picnic held in Concord last Wednesday.

LUNENBURG

News Items.

The executive committee of the Woman's club met on last week Thursday evening and organized as follows: Mrs. J. M. Lynds, pres.; Miss Harriet Stimson, sec.; Mrs. Arthur Adams, treas.; Mrs. Edith L. Smith, cor. sec.; Mrs. William Harley, program com.; Mrs. John Gardner, Mrs. C. E. Burnap, hostess com.; Mrs. W. H. Adams, floral com.; Mrs. J. L. Rarrington, chairman relief com.

Rev. L. S. Nightwine of the C. C. church Fitchburg, has been engaged for the evening speaker on Old Home Week Sunday July 31.

Miss Florence Burrage has returned from a month's vacation, spent with her sister Emma and family in Portsmouth, N. H., where she was only a few steps from the ocean, could look out upon it all the time, and go down to the beach at any moment.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Moody, of Portsmouth, have been spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burrage. They went from here to Ballardvale to visit Rev. and Mrs. G. F. Moody, who it will be remembered were pastor and wife of the Methodist church here only a few years ago. Miss Helen Moody is at her home now with her parents and is very successfully teaching music both vocal and instrumental although she is badly handicapped with her lameness.

Death.

The community was much saddened by the news on last week Friday evening that Mrs. Ellen (Look) Parker, widow of the late Rev. Horace Parker, had passed away at the home of her son in Billerica. It was known that she was in poor health and that she had been suffering intense pain with one of her feet, from which there seemed to be no relief, but by amputation. Physicians, surgeons, nurses and friends all agreed that this was the only way to ease the dreadful pain. Accordingly she went to the hospital, where the amputation was performed, the limb being severed just below the knee. After that she felt no pain, but expressed herself as perfectly comfortable, and for a few days it was believed she was getting better. But the wound did not heal—blood poisoning set in and she passed away.

The funeral was held in the North cemetery on last Saturday afternoon in the warm bright sunshine—the open grave almost hidden by fragrant flowers in abundance and evergreen. The service was conducted by her pastor from the Congregational church of Billerica, assisted by the pastor from the Unitarian church. The singing was by a male quartet from Worcester, who rendered three selections, "My faith looks up to thee," "Rock of ages" and "The christian's home in glory," in a most beautiful and impressive manner. Burial was in the North cemetery.

Rev. and Mrs. Horace Parker were former residents of this town, Mr. Parker being pastor of the Congregational church here for several years. Their home was on Cowdrey hill. Mr. Parker died several years ago. They were fine people; Mrs. Parker was a lovely woman, a fine pianist, a beautiful singer, and her pleasant, cheerful presence, her sweet voice in song and prayer, have cheered and comforted many sick and shut-ins, even in the hour of death. She was always so kind and helpful that she won the love and respect of everyone who knew her.

She is survived by five sons and a daughter, and all but one son, who lives in Maine, and who visited his mother a few days ago, returning to his home only two days before her death, were present at the funeral. She was able then to see him, to converse with him and enjoy his visit.

LITTLETON

Obituary.

Mrs. Lilla E. (Flagg) Derby, a native of this town, and wife of Dr. Ira Harris Derby, of Indiana, entered into rest last Saturday afternoon. Death was due to heart disease of long standing, terminated by a series of shocks. The remains were brought to Littleton and the funeral was held from the residence of Mrs. Derby's brother, E. A. Flagg, Shattuck street, Wednesday afternoon. A testimony of love and friendship was manifested by the presence of many relatives and friends and a variety of beautiful floral tokens.

A former pastor of Mrs. Derby at West Acton, Rev. Mr. Lovett, officiated at the services and Mrs. J. C. Kelley sang "Abide with me" and "Nearer my God to Thee." The bearers, Messrs. E. A. Flagg, E. H. Flagg, Alden Flagg, Charles V. Flagg, Everett Kimball, George A. Kimball and Elmer Derby, laid the body to rest in the family lot at Westlawn.

Mrs. Derby was the oldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Stilman Flagg, of this town. The early years of her half century of life were spent here with parents, brothers and sisters, and in the Littleton schools she received her elementary education. She graduated from Colby academy, New London, and afterwards from the Massachusetts General hospital training department. In her chosen profession she became proficient, earning the reputation of being a nurse of high rank, skilful, conscientious, dependable and cheerful, forgetful of her need of rest, working continuously and not infrequently beyond her strength. The hospital was represented at her funeral by a member of her class.

Surviving Mrs. Derby are her husband and two children, Gordon and Helen; three brothers, Elbert H., Elmer A., and Clifton, and two sisters, May and Helen, who have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

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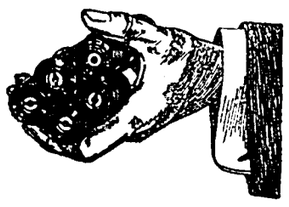

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BOTTOM ROUND	30c lb.
BACON	22c lb.
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PURE and COMPOUND LARD	12c and 14c lb.
PEACHES, large cans	20c
TOMATOES, large can	15c
CONDENSED MILK	15c can

AYER

News Items.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Yuill, Washington street, July 20.

This Saturday the Strand presents Gladys Leslie and Creighton Hale in "A child for sale," which is based on our present economic condition and deals very lucidly with the subject which is being discussed on every hand is a photoplay that all should see. Besides Gladys Leslie, Creighton Hale and Bobby Connelly the cast includes Julia Swayne Gordon, Anna Lehr, William Tooker, William Betchel and others The Suffolk theatre in Boston opened up with this play.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coley and son Russell have been spending a week's vacation with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Sherlock, Elm street.

Miss Gertrude Crowley, of Groton, operator at the telephone office here, is substituting at the Groton telephone office this week.

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Fox left this Friday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Proctor at their summer home at Hampton Beach. They will return next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Bennett, E. C. Page and family and Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Gray and daughter attended the outing of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau held at Concord Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Gibbons of Upper Washington street have returned from a week's stay in Plymouth.

The third union service of the Federated, Unitarian and Episcopal churches will be held at the Episcopal church on Sunday at 10.45. The service will consist of morning prayer and sermon. On the last Sunday in July and the first two Sundays in August the united congregations will worship in the Unitarian church.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hill and their daughter, Mrs. Howard M. Beverly returned Tuesday evening from their vacation at the Isles of Shoals.

Judge and Mrs. Warren H. Atwood left Wednesday for an outing of several weeks at Old Orchard, Me.

Charles H. Crocker has returned from a visit of six weeks in Gloucester.

Charles W. Mason returned Tuesday from a stay of several weeks at his summer home at Center Harbor, N. H.

R. L. Bradley, president of the United States Conservation Company of Mobile, Ala., is the guest of Michael E. Markham of West Main street.

Miss Rosamond Lougee is confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. Mary E. O'Clair has returned from a vacation of two week, the last week of which she spent at Lynn beach.

Misses Alice and Marguerite Rand left Wednesday to visit their aunt in Rockland.

Miss Marjory Fletcher returned on Tuesday evening from Hampton beach, where she has been the guest of the family of E. O. Proctor for the past week.

Miss Caroline Hopkins is spending a week with the family of Howard P. Fletcher at their cottage at Sandy pond.

Miss Edith Charlton of Chelmsford is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Charlton.

William S. Beckford is in charge of the office of Farnsworth Bros., coal dealers, during the absence of Herbert L. Farnsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Cunningham of Pleasant street leave town August 14 for Reading, where they will make their home in the future.

Mrs. Frank Whitcher has had delivered to her this week by R. L. & W. H. Hackett a new seven-passenger Buick touring car.

Mrs. Harriet Gutterson, of Waltham, formerly of this town, met with a very painful accident recently. While walking on the sidewalk in Swampscott she stepped into a defective place, falling on the ends of her fingers on her right hand, bending them back and splitting the palm of her hand, requiring several stitches besides spraining all the fingers. Her hand is still in a sling, but is doing well.

Rev. Frank B. Crandall, minister of the Unitarian church, and Mrs. Susan M. Barker have registered for the Sunday school institute to be held at the Isles of Shoals, Portsmouth, N. H., from July 23 to August 6, under the auspices of the Unitarian Laymen's league.

A motor car driven by Mrs. Arthur G. Downing collided with a Ford touring car near the intersection of Washington and Main street late last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Downing's car, which was coming down Washington street, struck the other car on the running board, jamming the mud guards and running board. The front axle of her car was sprung. No one in either car was injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farnsworth, of Summit, N. J., are in town for a short stay.

Miss Hortense Sawyer and her friend, Miss Bernice Newell, of Wrentham, arrived last week Friday evening for a visit of two weeks at the home of Miss Sawyer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Sawyer, of Nashua street.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Farnsworth left last week Friday for Bethlehem, N. H., where they are to spend two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Gleason and daughter Marjorie returned Sunday from Hyannis where Mr. Gleason has been attending the summer course of the normal school. They enjoyed trips to Provincetown and Woods Hole while there.

Howard B. White and W. B. Whitney of Ashburnham left Monday in Mr. Whitney's auto for a fishing trip through Northern Maine. They will be absent ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Vern Pillman are to move to Faneuil next week. Mr. Pillman is in business in Boston with his father who agent for a large rug firm in Philadelphia.

James Morrison and Nathan Branson are employed at the railroad station restraurant.

Mrs. Arthur G. Downing is entertaining her sisters, Mrs. Alberta Rotschild and Mrs. Olive DeLude, and her nephew from New York city.

Edwin H. Burkhardt of Holyoke joined his family here over the week-end.

A garage is being built in the rear of the residence of Mrs. Sidney Glynn.

Mrs. Mary A. Beverly of Nashua is visiting her son, Howard A. Beverly.

Clarence M. Chase took a trip to Worcester Wednesday.

The second annual picnic of Ayer Grange will be held at Lake Nabnassett on Wednesday, July 27, weather permitting. A fine program of sports, etc., for young and old, has been planned. The picnickers who have no autos for conveyance will meet at Depot square in time to take the nine o'clock car, unless they wish to travel otherwise. Bathing, races and similar sports have been planned, so be sure to come prepared, and last but not least a basket lunch. Any further information may be obtained from the master, C. M. Chase, or the committee. Surrounding granges are cordially invited to attend.

The pastor of the Baptist church will preach at 10.45 a. m. on "Enoch, the immortal." The Sunday school meets at 12 m. and the Young People's service at 6.45 p. m. with preaching at 7 p. m. on "The chief glory of Christ." Prayer meeting at 7.30 p. m., Thursday.

The committee for the union picnic of the protestant churches desire to thank those who assisted in the transportation.

Last Saturday evening thirteen of Lyman Sprague's friends walked in on him on the event of his nineteenth birthday. Mr. Sprague was somewhat taken back at first, but rose to the occasion and proved himself a good entertainer. Whist was enjoyed with other games. Dudley Whitney presented Mr. Sprague with a beautiful bathrobe in behalf of the friends assembled. A dainty lunch of ice cream, cake, chocolates, punch, wafers and sandwiches was served by his mother, Mrs. Waldo W. Sprague.

Miss Alice Rand is enjoying a two weeks' vacation from her duties at the central telephone office. She intends to spend a part of her time at home and expects to visit wth her aunt, Mrs. Minnie Bowles, in Rockland.

Edward E. Sawyer, jr., has concluded his duties at the C. R. P. Co. and will have a vacation before returning to school this fall.

Clarence M. Chase has left the employ of the Chandler Machine Co. and has taken the position at the C. R. P. Co.'s store vacated by Edward E. Sawyer, jr.

Blueberries are plentiful in this locality this year although some portions of the state are short on berries owing to the late frosts.

Howard Preble is assisting on the soda fountain evenings at the C. R. P. Co.'s store.

Dewey P. Downing has returned from New York, coming by auto. The trip lasted four days and many delightful side trips were taken in on the return trip.

John McLaren of Harvard road, who is working in Springfield as foreman with the Ley corporation, was at home over the week-end.

Supt. of Schools Frank C. Johnson and family returned Sunday night from Hyannis.

Miss Marjorie Noble, teacher of domestic science in the high school, has resigned. Miss Noble has a position to teach the same subject in the schools of Pittsfield, her home town.

Miss Corinne Weber of Hyannis has been engaged as teacher of French in the high school for the coming school year. Miss Weber graduated this year at Middlebury college and there won election to Phi Beta Kappa.

Fred B. Barrows of New York city is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. H. Barrows of Pleasant street, for a two weeks' visit. Mrs. Barrows, who has been here for the past two weeks, will return with Mr. Barrows.

Yates' garage has sold a Studebaker light six touring car to Louis A. Clouthier of West Groton.

Herbert H. Proctor has purchased a Chevrolet car from Yates' garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Yates celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary by a motor trip to Woonsocket, R. I., where they were guests of Mr. Yates' sister, Mrs. Alfred Teachman, Sunday.

St. Paul lodge of Masons held a regular communication Monday afternoon at Masonic hall. A dinner was served at one p. m. Visitors from Nashua attended the meeting.

Mrs. Annie McMillan of Nashua street is making a two weeks' visit at Passumpsic, Vt., where she is a guest of Mrs. William Dudley Pellens (Marion Stone).

Caleb Butler lodge of Masons held a special communication Monday evening at Masonic hall. The meeting scheduled for July 22 will be omitted. The lodge will have a vacation during August. The date of the outing of Caleb Butler lodge is Augnst 3.

Arthur J. Goudreau and Miss Madeline E. Robinson, both of Taunton, were married Saturday evening by Rev. James T. Rider, jr., pastor of the Baptist church, at his residence on Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. St. Leger (Myrtle Flagg) of New York city have arrived in town to spend the summer with Mrs. St. Leger's mother, Mrs. Jennie Flagg. Mr. St. Leger has a position as chef at the depot restraurant.

Mrs. Helen M. Turner, Mrs. M. L. Savage, Miss Helen Savage, Llewellyn T. Savage, Miss Frances Keyes of Concord, Mrs. Lena Jenness of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. George H. B. Turner and Rachel and John Turner leave Saturday morning for Beachwood, Me., by autos for a vacation. Most of the party will be away two weeks.

Mrs. Thomas Burns of Roxbury is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert J. Stevenson of Elm street.

Harold Waterman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Waterman, underwent an operation for the removal of tonsils and adenoids Monday at Groton hospital.

William Beard returned Tuesday from a trip to Ware and other points in Hampshire county.

O. Hartwell Kidder and family are at the Puffer cottage, Sandy pond.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church held a lawn party Tuesday evening at 6.30 on the church lawn. Ice cream, sherbet, fruit punch, candy and cake were sold.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Vern Pillman are to spend the month of August at Onset.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas is having a three weeks' vacation from her duties at the White Ribbon Home. She is visitng her sister in Old Town, Me. Her daughter, Miss Clara B. Thomas, is having a vacation in Bristol N. H.

The fire department was called out Tuesday shortly before noon to assist the Groton department fight a fire at the farm of William P. Wharton. The combination truck responded, making the run to Groton in seven minutes but could not render any assistance because the couplings of the Ayer apparatus would not fit the Groton hydrants, which are not of standard type.

Mrs. Kate C. Carrigan and Miss Gertrude Carrigan left Thursday morning for a ten-days' trip to Canada. They will visit Montreal, Quebec, St. Anne de Beaupie and other points of interest.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently from this vicinity: Littleton; George M. Brown to R. Wood, Edwin N. Robinson to E. H. Robinson; Pepperell, Frank A. Conant to A. M. Ham et ux., Francis O. Dutton to M. D. Newmaire; Townsend, Evelyn A. Newton to J. Anthony; Westford, Hannah Coburn to Abbot Worsted Co., Joseph A. Leclerc to James Benoit; Harvard, Marion F. Safford to Ada M. Rockwood; Lunenburg, Minnie L. Rome to Maria Weidenauer, land on state road to Fitchburg, Charlotte E. Bennett to Alice F. Pierce, land on Lancaster avenue.

Louis H. Cushing, superintendent of the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway, has been confined to his home this week with an attack of tonsilitis. He was able to return to his office this week Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert B. Priest and son Houghton returned Tuesday evening from a three-days' motor trip to the White Mountains.

Twenty-one members of the fire department went to Nantasket for an outing on Wednesday. The members of the party enjoyed the various amusements of the place and partook of a bountiful shore dinner. They returned home late in the evening. The party made the trip by motor cars belonging to James J. Livingston, Arthur Nutting, Edward O. Proctor and Alfred Smith.

Rev. Frank B. Crandall has received from Fred Farnsworth, for the First Unitarian Parish church, two framed pictures of early ministers of the church. One picture includes also the portraits of several distinguished clergymen of churches in adjoining towns. Among the latter are the portraits of Rev. Drs. Charles Babbidge, Seth Chandler and Joshua Young.

Ernest O. Moss, a former resident of Ayer, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Moss of this town, had a narrow escape on Thursday morning when his engine, hauling a freight train between Nashua and Rochester, struck a washout and left the track with a number of cars and turned bottom up at the foot of an embankment. Mr. Moss jumped, landing in a body of water up to his shoulders. As Mr. Moss cannot swim his escape was not only one from the peril of the wreck but also from possible drowning. He received only bruises on the arms and legs, according to advices received by his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farnsworth, of Summit, N. J., who have been making a brief stay in town, returned this week Friday morning, traveling by motor car.

It is reported that Chief Beatty had a narrow escape from an injury on Wednesday afternoon when he was brushed off the curb by the mudguard of a car driven sharply around the corner by a lady driver.

The Army Y. M. C. A. have purchased a new Ford Sedan from MacLennan's garage.

Frank Loeffler, of Lisbon Falls, Me., and Frank Sweatt, of Hopedale, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Sawyer, of Nashua street.

Amos Mahony is having an undertaking office fitted out in the Eagle block on West Main street.

The interior of the postoffice is being brightened by a new coat of paint and varnish.

The school committee has decided to make the entering age of school children 5½ years on or before September first of the year in which they enter school. This will allow all children born on or before March first, 1916, to enter school next September. Educational authorities now assume six years to be a suitable age for entrance, and many places insist upon that age being attained before the child is admitted. It therefore seems that our children should be at least 5½ years upon entrance. This greater maturity enables more to pass from grade to grade without repeating.

St. Mary's Field Day.

Saturday afternoon St. Mary's parish held a field day at the town park. To start the festivities the St. Mary's A. C. crossed bats wth the Young Men's Catholic club from Lexington and came out on the long end defeating the Lexington boys in a close and exciting game 3 to 2. Both teams played excellent ball and it looked as though a pitcher's duel was in store until St. Mary's bunched their hits and scored the extra run.

After the ball game there were races for the young folks. Three-legged race, horse and rider, 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash and the most exciting of all was the contest with the bag of flour in which were $3.50 in pennies, nickels and dimes. Each youngster was for himself and most of them got more flour than they did money. Cash prizes were given for the first prizes and ice cream for the seconds.

The results in the sports were as follows: sack races were won by W. Cornellier, R. Davis and T. McAuliffe; girls' 50-yard dash, 1st Alice Beard, 2d Mae Donahue; three-legged race, 1st Donahue and McGray, 2d Smith and Carman; boys' 100-yard dash, 1st Walter Smith, 2d H. Kozlov; 50-yard dash for girls under 11, Helen Murray.

At 5.30 p. m. the Ayer A. A. had their annual game with the Ayer K. of C. The K. of C. was anxious to repeat their win of last year, but the A. A. turned the tables by the score of 8 to 2. Horatio Chase of the Montgomery Hardware Co. offered a $3 bat to the first Ayer boy, belonging to the Ayer A. A. to score a home run, and "Kitty" Wheeler, Ayer's shortstop won the bat. In the same inning D. Downing got a home run but "Kitty" came across first and was awarded the bat.

In the evening a parade for the children was in order. Dainty costumes, and small floats were in the lineup. The judges awarded first prize to Martha Willis and second to Martin Pender. The 13th infantry band from Camp Devens gave a splendid concert till ten p. m. which ended the affair.

Postmaster John L. Markham won the hope chest contest. With the chest were included a great variety of valuable articles. It is estimated that the value of the combined articles was between $400 and $500.

District Court.

On Monday morning Special Justice Hayes presided over the local court in place of Judge Atwood.

George F. Hardy, of Ashby, was before the court charged with assault on James H. Lively of that town. It appears that Mr. Lively and his family occupy a house which is located on Mr. Hardy's farm and not far from his house. Recently a dispute arose between the complainant and Mr. Hardy over the picking of blueberries on the premises, Mr. Hardy objecting to the complainant picking berries for sale. As a result of this dispute Mr. Lively decided to give up the house he was occupying as soon as he could locate another house in Ashby. Last week some difficulty arose between a member of Mr. Lively's family and the defendant and the complainant went to the defendant's house and invited him to come out and explain. The complainant stated that the defendant came out and threatened him with a shotgun, whereupon he left. The court found the defendant not guilty. Atty. McGrath of Fitchburg appeared for the government and Atty. Robbins of Fitchburg appeared for the defence.

Cecil Libby, of Groton, was also before the court, charged with larceny of a few small articles, including a tie-rope, a currying brush, a quantity of rivets and a few bolts from Robert Allen of that town. Mr. Allen stated that he missed the articles and that he was told by a former hired man of Libby's by the name of Perkins that Libby took them. A search warrant was obtained and these articles were found at Mr. Libby's home. The defendant Libby testified that he bought the articles when he bought his house, and the former owner of the house stated that he had similar articles and that he sold them to Libby with the house. Mrs. Libby testified to buying rivets and bolts at Mr. Parker's hardware store in East Pepperell. It also appeared from the evidence that Perkins, who gave the information to the complainant, was not on good terms with the Libbys and had left their employ. The court found the defendant not guilty. Atty. John M. Maloney appeared for the defendant.

The remainder of the court session, which continued into the afternoon, was given up to inquests on the faltal railroad accident in Forge Village recently and the accident at Slab City crossing in Shirley last week.

On last Saturday morning the continued case against Oliver Prescott, of Ashby, for assault and battery on Edward A. Foster, of Ashby, came up for disposal by the court. Atty. John D. Carney, who represented the complainant, stated to the court that the mules and farm machinery, which were the cause of the difficulty, had been turned over to Mr. Foster. The court found no evidence of intent to commit assault and battery and found the defendant not guilty.

The Camp Devens team forced the Wakefield Knights of Columbus to go twelve innings at Wakefield last Saturday before being defeated by the score of 8 to 7, in an interesting game.

Camp Devens News.

Last Saturday was mayors' day in camp when Mayor Peters of Boston, Mayor Creamer of Lynn, Mayor Childs of Newton and Mayor Kimball of Malden motored out to camp for the purpose of inspecting and reviewing the Ninth regiment of infantry of the Massachusetts National Guard on their annual fifteen-days' tour of active training. The official party arrived in camp shortly before four o'clock and paid their respects to Col. Thomas F. Foley, the commanding officer of the regiment, and his staff at regimental headquarters. The regiment was already in formation along the company streets and was directly marched to the main parade ground and drawn up in regimental front. The escort to the colors was held, and then the customary provisional review for the commanding officer and staff was executed. After this a mount was provided for Mayor Peters and he displayed some of his well known horsemanship when he rode around the regiment with Col. Foley. The regiment then passed in review before the ranking officers and the four mayors. This regiment has presented the best appearance to date of any of the many national guard organizations that have been in camp this summer and the municipal heads were quite enthusiastic in expressing their appreciation of the showing made.

Major Dundas R. Campbell of the medical reserve corps, in addition to his duties as camp sanitary inspector, has been detailed as camp exchange officer. The former exchange officer, Capt. W. R. McReynolds, 13th Infantry, will continue as Major Campbell's assistant for a while.

It is expected that the camp library will reopen this week after the fire damages caused two weeks ago have been checked up and repairs made.

The children of the Sunday school enjoyed a picnic at Fort pond last Saturday afternoon, all arrangements being in charge of Chaplain Purdy.

Capt. R. G. Sherman expects to leave camp in the near future, as he has been transferred to the air service with a prospective station at Carlstrom field, Arcadia, Fla.

Capt. Walter L. Perry of the medical corps left Monday for his new duties in the canal zone. He will leave his children north for the two years that he expects to be absent from the state.

Major Robert A. Hale of the station hospital has been transferred to Carlyle Barracks, Penn.

First Lieut. R. E. Shum has arrived in camp after attending the Camp Benning school of infantry.

The sales commissary, due to the unusual rush of business is open for purchases only from 7.30 to 11.30 each morning.

Major H. H. Fletcher has been assigned to the 36th infantry and is expected to report soon for duty.

Capt. Leo S. Bessette, formerly with the 151st depot brigade and reappointed to the army last summer has returned to camp after eight months' duty in Camp Benning, Ga.

George Swift, formerly an army field clerk at headquarters, and more recently a staff reporter for the Boston Globe in camp, has removed the personal effects of his family and taken up residence in Worcester, where he is employed by the Worcester Telegram.

Union Picnic.

A union Sunday school picnic of the Protestant churches in town was held last week Friday at Long pond, Littleton. Owing to indications of unfavorable weather the picnic had been postponed from the previous Tuesday. The children and adults were taken in motor trucks and touring cars to the picnic grounds about nine o'clock. In spite of signs of bad weather a large number attended. Among the conveyances used were motor vehicles belonging to J. Harold Atwood, Louis H. Cushing, I. G. Dwinell, Fred R. Earle, Daniel W. Fletcher, Ellis B. Harlow, Frank Mason, Frank Maxant, Edward C. Page, B. H. Tyrrell and Alfred Yates.

After the grounds had been prepared by the erection of tents the members of the party engaged in swimming and sports. The picnic dinner was served at noon, ice cream having been provided by the committee. A shower came soon after the dinner and drove all to the shelter of the tents and motor cars, and prevented a part of the program of sports. The uncertain weather following made water sports the chief diversion of the afternoon. The party returned by motor cars the latter part of the afternoon.

The committees were as follows: Refreshments, Charles Burrill; transportation, Fred R. Earle, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, Ralph Richardson; sports, Howard Preble, Lucille Hollis, Theodore Barry, Marion Dwinell, Homer Harrington, Mary Cleary, Ray Miller and Ruth Stone.

The following are the results in the various sports: 50-yd. swimming race for girls, Isabelle Traquair 1st, Gladys Pillman 2d, Caroline Hopkins 3d; 50-yd. swimming race for boys, Edward Harlow 1st, George Rowe 2d, Alfred Yates 3d; 100-yd. dash, boys over 12, Charles Chandler 1st, Walter Smith 2d, James Tagg 3d; water obstacle race, Charles Chandler 1st, Edward Harlow 2d, George Rowe 3d; relay race for men, won by team representing the Federated and Unitarian churches; relay race for women, won by team representing Federated and Unitarian churches; 50-yd. dash, boys 6 to 12, Noddin 1st, Pillman 2d, Tyrrell 3d; 50-yd. dash for girls, Ruth Stone 1st, Caroline Hopkins 2d, Gladys Pillman 3d; 50-yd. dash for boys over 12, Robert Tibbetts 1st, Clifford Folkins 2d, Earl Pillman 3d.

Baseball.

In a game featured by heavy hitting, Ayer A. A. defeated the Waltons of Fitchburg last Sunday afternoon by the score of 11 to 10. The Waltons made 14 hits for a total of 22 bases, and Ayer 13 hits for a total of 18 bases. Ayer was first to score, making one run in the second inning, but Walton came back with five in the first of the third and was in the lead by the score of 8 to 1 in the first half of the fifth. Ayer scored four runs in the fifth, two in the sixth and one in the seventh, while Walton made a run in each of the seventh and eighth innings, the score being 10 to 8, in favor of the Waltons when Ayer came in for their last inning at the bat. A combination of hits, an error and base on balls gave the local team three runs and the game.

Bulger, playing third for the local team, lead off in the ninth with a single, followed by a safe hit by Rafferty. Babineau made an error on Wheeler's grounder and Sullivan walked. Dewey Downing then came through with a hit and the winning run was scored before an out had been made. The score:

AYER A. A.

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
Bulger, 3b.	5	2	3	4	0	3	1
Rafferty, cf.	5	1	3	4	5	0	0
Wheeler, ss.	5	2	0	0	2	3	2
Sullivan, c.	4	0	1	1	5	3	0
D. Downing, lf.	5	2	5	8	3	0	0
Greenslade, 1b.	4	2	0	0	11	0	1
Donahue, 2b.	4	1	1	1	1	3	0
Pender, rf.	4	1	0	0	0	0	0
E. Downing, p.	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Tatreau, p.	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	40	11	13	18	27	14	4

WALTON A. A.

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
Frels, ss.	5	1	1	1	0	1	0
Cournoyer, 3b.	5	1	1	1	0	1	0
Francis, 2b.	5	2	3	5	2	7	0
Babineau, 1b.	5	2	2	5	12	0	2
Dunn, lf.	5	0	0	0	1	0	0
Manning, rf.	5	0	2	2	1	0	0
Debonville, cf.	4	0	1	1	0	0	0
Walsanen, c.	4	2	2	2	8	1	0
Denomme, p.	4	2	2	5	0	4	1
Totals	42	10	14	22	24	14	4

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Ayer A. A.	0	1	0	0	4	2	1	0	3	—11
Walton A. A.	0	0	5	2	1	0	1	1	0	—10

Two-base hits—Bulger Rafferty, D. Downing, Francis 2. Three-base hit—Babineau. Home runs—Denomme, D. Downing. Hits off E. Downing 4 in 3 innings, off Tatreau 9 in 6 innings. Stolen base—Manning. First base on balls—Off Denomme 1. Struck out—By Denomme 7, by Downing 2, by Tatreau 3. Umpire—Dailey.

WEST ACTON

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bosworth, of Weymouth, visited relatives here this week-end.

At the last regular meeting of the W. R. C. two candidates were admitted by initiation. There was a good attendance of members.

Mrs. Edith Watson is quite sick at her home here, and a nurse is in attendance.

Mrs. Mary L. Brown is visiting in Leominster.

Prof. Carl S. Hoar, wife and two children, are at the home of his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hoar, for a month.

Gertrude and Bertha Cummings spent the week-end at Grand View camp, Peterboro, N. H., with their parents.

Eugene White has sold his house to a party in Somerville.

Death.

Rev. Gorham Estabrook died suddenly at his home in Waverley on Monday of heart disease. Mr. Estabrook was pastor of the Baptist church here nine years, and although retired from regular preaching he has substituted here quite recently several Sundays, and his death came as a shock to his many friends here. Funeral services were held at his late residence on Wednesday afternoon. There were thirteen of his former parishioners from the church here who attended the services, including Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Knowlton, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hall, Miss Helen Knowlton, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hall, Bertram Holt, Mrs. Susie Hall, Fannie and Nellie Wetherbee, Mrs. H. A. Gould and Mrs. E. L. Haywood. The deceased leaves a daughter, Miss Florence Estabrook, a son Fred, and a sister, with whom he resided. Burial was in the family lot in East Hingham beside his wife, who died about three years ago.

News Items.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Smith has received the name of Marion Kittredge.

Mrs. Irving Smith is again having trouble with her eyes and has to spend much time in a dark room.

Misses Hattie Shafter and Margaret Brown are attending Hyannis summer school.

Miss Miriam Conant is spending her vacation at home.

Miss Elizabeth Brown, Wellesley '21, is visiting a college friend in Washington, D. C. Before her return home she will also visit in Philadelphia, Montclair, N. J., and New York.

Winthrop Kelley had the misfortune of being run into a few days ago near the four corners in Acton. He sustained no injuries but the car he was driving was badly damaged.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Many Littleton people qualified as motor drivers at Ayer this week.

Mrs. Paul L. Brown has been confined to her home with rheumatism and neuralgia.

Baseball Notes.

The unfortunate row at last Saturday's ball game emphasizes Littleton's lack of police protection. In justice to the Littleton player primarily concerned the facts should be published. A "spectator" in uniform, who came with the visiting team, but took no part in the game, continually abused the Littleton pitcher, repeatedly calling him a name which means fight in most parts of the world. The umpire ordered the man to be quiet without effect, and as there was no means of legally compelling him to be quiet the Littleton player took the law into his own hands with the usual result that there was a general mixup. All this was unnecessary and would have been avoided if the grounds had been properly policed. The visiting team said the man was not entirely responsible for his actions; if this is the fact, they should not take him to games away from home.

The West End "Has Beens" continued their glorious career on Monday by defeating the Conant, Houghton Co. "Old Timers" by the score of 15 to 14 in seven innings. The C. H. team got eight runs in the second, and in the fifth the score was 9 to 2, in their favor, but the West Enders, who like the Boston Braves, never know when they are beaten, came back with five in their half of the fifth stanza and again in the sixth. The Easterners got four more in the seventh, but they were without avail, although the tail end of the winners were coming up. Three of them succeeded in getting on bases and the fiery topped pitcher earned everlasting glory by driving them home with two out and two strikes on him in the last inning There was an attendance of about 250 to 300. We wonder what is the opinion now of those gentlemen who early in the season said that people would not come to the ball grounds in the west end of the town.

Tuesday's game at the Country club was no so exciting as some others. The young fellows from the common could not find a full team so borrowed two or three from the West End, which took away some of the sectional interest. The "Dirty Shirts" of the West End went off with a rush, getting three in the first inning, which lead they did not lose until the sixth, when their opponents raised their total to four. The D. S. team got one on clean hitting in their last turn at bat, and as it was getting dark a fitting end to the game was a tie score of four runs each.

Wednesday's game between West Acton and the depot twilight team was won by the former, 6 to 5, in five innings.

MASON, N. H.

News Items.

Mrs. Charles Ruckstuhl, of New York city, with her little son, are among the latest arrivals in town for the summer vacation. Mrs. Ruckstuhl is known better by her many friends in this town and vicinity as Madeline Paltenghi, as she spent all her childhood days here.

Mrs. T. A. Elliotte entertained two auto loads of friends Sunday from Massachusetts.

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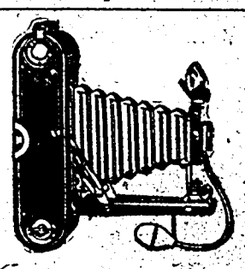

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News Items.

The Alliance held a very interesting meeting at the Unitarian church last week Thursday afternoon, when Rev. Carl G. Horst, of Littleton, gave an interesting explanation of the Passion Play and read selections from it. Refreshments were served.

The tests by the fire department have been changed to the first and third Tuesday evenings of the month, starting last Tuesday.

Fredonian lodge,, I O. O. F., conferred the third degree on one candidate last week Thursday evening. Refreshments were served.

Shirley Seymour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Seymour, received a broken collar bone recently as a result of a fall. The break was not discovered for a day or two.

Herbert Lawrence had an attack of indigestion the first of last week, but is some better. His brother Edward and wife, of Millers Falls are visiting him.

Rev. Ermun Morin, who was visiting relatives in Lowell, substituted for Rev. Charles A. Cordier while he was away.

At 11.15 last Sunday morning, following high mass at St. Anthony's church, Miss Charlotte Gallein and Thomas Vachon, of Lynn, were united in marriage by Rev. Ermun Morin. Miss Dorena Albert was bridesmaid and Irving Bolerd of Lynn best man. The bride wore a dress of white georgette with hat to match and carried a bouquet of roses and carnations. The bridesmaid's dress was of rose pink satin with hat to match, and she carried a bouquet. After a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride the newly-wedded couple went to their home in Lynn, accompanied by a party of friends.

A daughter, Fabiola, weighing 7¾ pounds, was born on last week Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Leger.

Mrs. Hittie W. Evans, with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Polley, are spending a two-weeks' vacation at Lake Winnepesaukee. Lester James drove them there in Mrs. Evans' car.

Miss Dorena Albert has been spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vachon in Lynn.

Leslie C. Wells, cashier for Jones & Parker in Cleveland, Ohio, is spending his vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wells.

Miss Eva Bowers, of Reed's Ferry, N. H., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brockelman.

Mr. and Mrs. Harding James and son Merrill, and Mr. and Mrs. William Van Tassel have a cottage in New Hampshire for two weeks.

Miss Blanche Wells, of Cambridge, is spending a short vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Wells.

Miss Leah Wheeler is working in the local telephone office while Miss Gertrude Provost is away.

Miss Helen Fitch, of Worcester, is spending part of her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Idella Fitch.

Mrs. Walter Knowles is in charge of a tonic and ice cream stand at Whalom for the remainder of the summer.

Arthur Desmond, who has been enjoying a vacation of two weeks at home, left Monday for Providence, R. I., where he is to take a course in mechanical dentistry.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret and children, of Waverley, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret.

Edward Davis and two children and the children of Roy Birchstead enjoyed a day at the beach recently.

John McGrail, of Roxbury, and Alfred Shaughnessey, of Marlboro, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. John Desmond.

Mrs. John F. Archie, of Keene, N. H., called on Mrs. H. H. Chapman one day last week.

Mrs. Gertrude Fairbanks, matron at the inn, and her daughter Dorothy are spending the week in Freeport, Me. Miss Minnie Stanton is looking after the inn in her absence.

Miss Mildred Manning, of Ashburnham, is a guest at the Brookside.

Miss Prudence Tremblay, of New York, was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. Inez Pancek.

Mrs. Fred Smith, Jr., and daughter Marjorie are visiting in Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farnsworth, of Summit, N. J., were over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wheeler last week on their way to Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daley and children leave this Saturday for a vacation with Mrs. Daley's brother, Mathew H. Gately, and wife, in Winchester, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wheeler and three children and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farnsworth, of Ayer, spent Tuesday at Hampton and Salisbury Beaches.

The following list of jurors has been prepared for the year by the selectmen: John E. Adams, Charles E. Bradford, Fred S. Brown, Charles A. Ford, Morton E. Lawrence, Sylvain Thomas, Charles H. Weare, Jr., Francis E. Park, Clayton M. Wells, George Holden, Asa A. Adams, Edward M. Davis, John A. Chesborough, John W. Desmond, Felix Gionet, Walter Knowles, Lester A. James, George F. Buxton, Edward A. Farnsworth, Wilfred Chevrette, Earl A. Graves, Arthur H. Jubb, Joseph Murphy and John Seymour.

Special Town Meeting.

The warrant has been posted for a special town meeting to be held on Friday evening, July 29, at 7.30 o'clock in the municipal building. The articles are as follows:

Article 2. To hear the report of the committee appointed to investigate the question of the reconstruction of Main street and Leominster road.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow a sum or sums of money for the reconstruction of Main street and Leominster road, or any part thereof.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money for temporary repairs to Main street from Main street railroad crossing to the Ayer town line at Mitchelville, so-called.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 136, Sections 21 to 28, inclusive, of the General Laws, to permit under public regulation and control, certain sports and games on the Lord's day.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $150 for fire hose.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to install a catch basin in the yard of the Church street school.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to establish a maximum rate of pay per hour for men and teams employed in town work.

Death.

The funeral of Arthur Gionet was held on Monday morning at St. Anthony's church, Rev. Ermun Morin officiating. A large number attended the services as Arthur was a general favorite. A large number of floral pieces covered the earth about his grave, the last that his friends could do for him. His mother arrived Sunday, about noon, from her home in New Brunswick. The bearers were Ralph Griffin, Albert Gionet, Horace Reed, David Thomas, Orrel Pontbriand and Peter Thomas. Burial was in St. Anthony's cemetery.

Arthur, who was eighteen years of age, was drowned while bathing in the mill pond at the Samson Cordage Works at about seven o'clock last week Thursday evening. He, with others, entered the water shortly after supper and was probably seized with cramps. Reuben Landry caught hold of him but was not strong enough to hold him up, and as he was in danger of being pulled under also, had to let Arthur go.

A crowd soon gathered and older men dived, but could not locate the body. Charles H. Weare, Jr., had the gates lowered and Fred Smith and Thomas Burrill in a boat grappled about for the victim, who recovered the body fifty-five minutes after Arthur went down. Dr. Thomas Lilly was present and everything was done to restore life. The pulmotor was brought from Ayer, but the body had been too long in the water.

Arthur was the youngest son of Mrs. Joseph Lantagne, of Athol, N. B., and leaves a sister, Mrs. Augustus Chaisson, of Canada; four brothers, Wilford, who is with his mother; Patrick, with whom he lived; Maxim and Camille, of this town; a half-sister, Mrs. Samuel Bodah, of this town, and two half-brothers, Augustus, of Fitchburg, and Joseph, of Canada.

Mr. Gionet worked in the spinning room at the Samson Cordage Works.

Center.

Mrs. Christine L. White of Allston, spent a few days last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Abbie Longley.

Mrs. Elmer Hubbard, of Princeton, spent last week Friday with Mr. and Mrs. John W. Farrar. She was accompanied by her son Chandler, who remained for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Farrar.

The Catacunemaug Camp Fire Girls left last Saturday for Dunstable, for a week's vacation at a camp there. They were accompanied by their guardian, Miss Mildred Evans.

Mrs. Arthur L. Bumpus and daughter Theodora are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Ayers for a few weeks.

Stephen Webster, of Waltham, conducted the service at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. His father, Rev. Francis E. Webster, of Waltham, will occupy the pulpit on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Adams and family, of West Roxbury, spent the week-end at the Adams home on Center road.

Thomas H. Evans, of Hazen road, has purchased a Ford touring car.

David B. Marsh started on Tuesday the work of renovating the interior of the town hall, for which a special appropriation was made at the last town meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Kent Arnold of Manchester and Boston announce the engagement of their daughter Lois to Stanwood Knowles Bolton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knowles Bolton of Center road.

Elmer E. Wilkins, at Woodsville, spent the week-end with relatives in Arlington and Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves, Earl A. Graves and A. A. Adams attended the Middlesex County Farm Bureau picnic on Wednesday at the Middlesex school grounds in Concord.

Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, who has been on a trip to California, is expected to return home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennison, of Princeton, were guests on Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Farrar.

Clifford Thompson, who is living at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Marsh, is ill with scarlet fever.

Mrs. Marion L. Hartman, who recently underwent an operation at the Clinton hospital, has returned home from the hospital and is reported to be gaining rapidly.

At the meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening the program for the lecturer's hour was in charge of the music committee and the executive committee. The following excellent program was given: Vocal solo, Mrs. Eva Hatch; piano duet, Mrs. Gertrude Farnsworth and Miss Hazel E. Cummings; reading, Mrs. Ella Blenkhorn; vocal solo, Miss Phelan; mandolin solo, Charles E. Bradford; selections by a quartet consisting of Charles E. Bradford, Kenneth Longley, Mrs. Bessie Buxton and Mrs. Eva Hatch.

If there are a sufficient number of voters from this part of the town who wish to attend the special town meeting on July 29, and if they will notify the selectmen of their intentions, transportation will be provided for them.

The President Suspender Company band gave an excellent concert on Wednesday evening in front of the town hall. The attendance was the largest ever seen here at a concert, it being estimated that about 100 automobiles were parked about the common.

The First Parish Branch Alliance will meet at the First Parish church on Thursday afternoon, July 28, at 2.30. Prof. Herbert L. Willet, who attended Adirut college for three years will be present. He will be accompanied by Haratune Passjian, a native Armenian, who is one of thirty survivors of a massacre of 800 men. They will speak to the meeting on the subject of "Near East relief."

Norman Fletcher, pastor of the First Parish church, is staying at the home of Mrs. Anna F. Dakin.

Forum.

The third season of the Shirley Center Forum will open on Sunday evening, July 24, when Hon. Charles H. Adams, of Melrose, will speak on "Town government." Mr. Adams has served six terms as mayor of Melrose, including the whole period of the world war, and has always been active in Melrose affairs, serving on the finance committee and also as chairman of the park commission. He also represented Melrose in the legislature for four terms, serving as chairman of the committee of ways and means for two years. He was appointed by Governor Coolidge upon the state commission on the necessaries of life and served during its work. By Governor Guild he was appointed to investigate the whole subject of tuberculosis in Massachusetts and was also appointed to the state commission to locate and build three state hospitals for consumptives. He has also been a member and vice-chairman of the State Board of Charity, under Governors Bates, Guild, Foss and McCall. The greater part of his life has been devoted to public service and he should be able to handle the subject of "Town government" in an able manner.

The meetings of the Forum start at 7.30 in the evening and are open to all, free of admission. It is hoped that not only the local people will take advantage of these meetings, but that there will be a good attendance from the surrounding towns. At the close of Mr. Adams' address there will be a short period for questions and discussion of his subject.

Unitarian Notes.

Services at the First Parish church at eleven o'clock Sunday morning. Minister, Norman D. Fletcher; subject of sermon, "Letter and spirit in human experience." The letter of Paul, "The letter killeth and the spirit giveth life" are of great importance because of their universal application. The minister will use these words as the text for the sermon, and will apply them to various phases of human experience.

It was announced from the pulpit last Sunday that the coming meeting of the Alliance, on July 28, Prof. Herbert L. Willet and Horatune Tashjian, one of the thirty survivors of an Armenian massacre, would be the speakers on the subject, "Near East relief." Members and friends of the Alliance are asked to remember this date.

The minister preached last Sunday afternoon at the White Ribbon House in Ayer, a home for aged women.

Neighborhood Club.

A little Neighborhood club is being started at the Center, the preliminary meeting having been held at Miss Winslow's last Monday afternoon. The purpose of these gatherings will be purely social and to promote the community spirit by getting better acquainted with one another. Summer residents come here every year and remain for several months without much neighborly meeting or acquaintance. We mean to be friendly and social with each other and the all-year residents, but the weeks go by, nothing is done and we go back to the cities again with very little interest in the community outside of ourselves. This year we are going to try a new plan and come together quite informally each week, have a cup of tea and a social hour. There will be no officers and no program for "improving the mind." (The Grange, the Alliance and the Altrurian club all attend to that.) Our purpose is merely to know each other better and to talk over neighborhood affairs as they present themselves.

Miss Hazel MacKaye, Mrs Snow and Miss Harriet Winslow will serve as a committee to arrange for the hospitality end, and for a time, anyway, these gatherings will be held at the old Whitney mansion with Miss Helen Winslow, that being perhaps the most central place. Later other invitations will be accepted. The meetings will be held weekly, Monday afternoons at 3.30, and all the neighborhood women and guests are invited to attend without further notice—the "neighborhood" being approximately considered as covering the region between Mrs. Lewis Farnsworth's and Pound hill.

Mrs. Bradford, Margaret Bradford and Mrs. Avery will be hostesses on next Monday at the first regular meeting, and it is hoped that a large attendance will be in evidence. Come, bring your work—and your babies if you want to! H. M. W.

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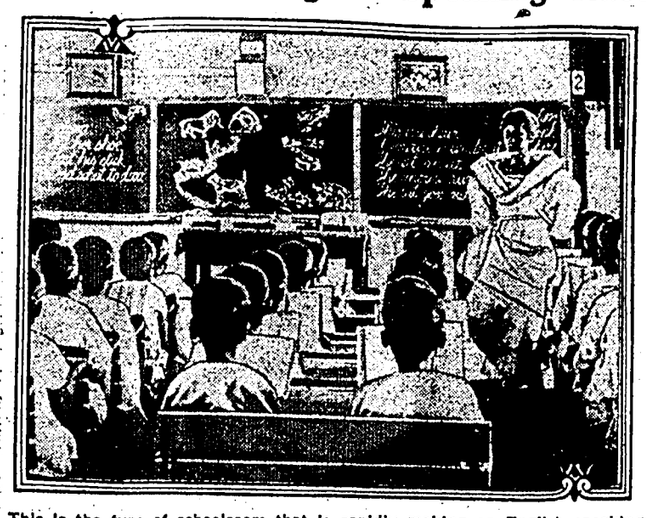


This is the type of schoolroom that is rapidly making an English speaking nation out of the 10,500,000 inhabitants of the Philippines.

If a teacher in a public school in the Philippines desires to punish a child, she doesn't have to apply the ruler. She simply sentences the offending pupil to remain away from school a few days!

This is the most severe punishment she can inflict, for Filipino children take an almost abnormal pleasure in going to school and acquiring an education. The all-Filipino legislature, in response to the popular demand for "schools, and still more schools," is constantly increasing its appropriations for education, but the schools can scarcely be constructed fast enough to care for the ever-increasing enrollment. The school enrollment is now 892,000 without any compulsory attendence laws. When Dewey sailed into Manila Bay there were 2,100 private schools in the islands. Today there are 6,500 schools and colleges, with 17,000 Filipino teachers and about 1,000 other teachers, 341 of whom are Americans.

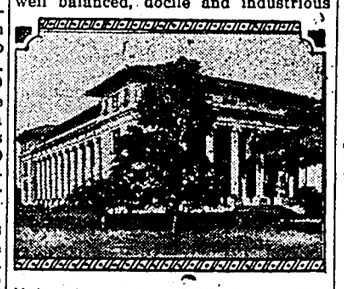
The University of the Philippines is the center of learning of the entire Orient, and is the pride of the Filipino people. It has an enrollment of 3,500 students. Santo Tomas university of Manila, older than Harvard, is another famous seat of learning.

The school system includes normal schools, agricultural colleges, twenty-seven farm schools, a nautical school and a school for the deaf and blind.

The Filipino pupil, in addition to learning English and in addition to his regular studies, learns basket making, embroidery and hat weaving, the trades peculiar to the islands, as well as the domestic sciences and pedagogy. There are more positions than can be filled by the trade school and commercial college graduates. The trade and agricultural schools produced $1,176,850 worth of goods in 1919.

There is nothing that the Filipino people take more pride in and that they are more grateful to the United States for, than their school system, which has been declared by many competent critics to be one of the finest in the world. While the system was implanted in the islands by Americans, every cent of the cost has been cheerfully borne by the Filipino people. The schools are making an English speaking race of the Filipino nation. English is the official language, and it is declared will continue to be when independence is granted.

"The Filipino boys and girls are well balanced, docile and industrious

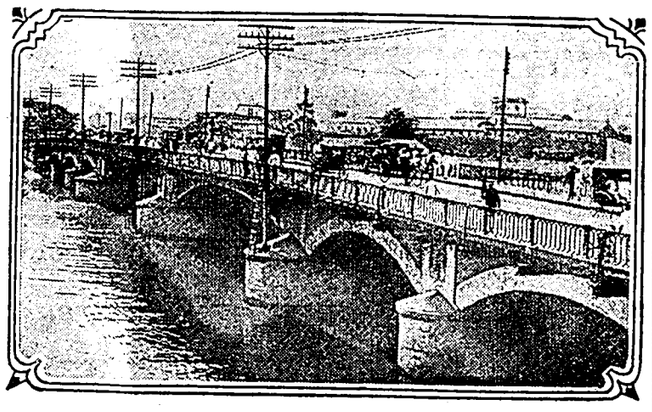


University of the Philippines which Has an Enrollment of 3,500 Students.

pupils," says Junius B. Wood, who was sent to the islands by the Chicago Daily News to investigate conditions there. "To attend school is a privilege to a Filipino child or young man, not an unwelcome duty. In the cities those who work days go to school at night.

"Today there is hardly a barrio where youngsters cannot be found who speak English. One-third of the house of representatives and eighteen of the twenty-four senators speak English. In the next election, in 1922, the young men of the new schools will be stepping into control, and the first great goal of the public school system will have been reached."

A Passing Landmark of Old Manila



This is a photograph of the famous old Bridge of Spain, Manila. It is now a departed landmark of the Philippines, for its place has been taken by one of the finest bridges in the entire Orient, the new Jones bridge.

The Jones Bridge is named in honor of the late Congressman W. A. Jones of Virginia, author of the Jones law of 1916 which promised the Filipinos independence upon the establishment of a stable government.

The old Bridge of Spain is called "the mother of Manila's bridges." The original bridge was built of pontoons sometime between the years 1590 and 1600, being known as the Bridge of Boats. The stone bridge shown above was built about 1630. It was twice damaged by earthquakes, and was once partly demolished by a flood.

PRESS COMMENT ON PHILIPPINES

The Philippines!
(Shenandoah (Ia.) Post.)

Our idea of the Philippine question is to get out as quickly as possible and stay out. What do you say?

Our Little Brown Cousins
(Argus, Rock Island, Ill.)

There is no mistaking that Filipinos want their independence. And it is just possible, as they insist, that they in the islands, better than we Americans over here, are the best judges of whether they are fitted for independence. The United States wants no outburst in the Philippines as England faces in Ireland. The easiest way to head off a rebellion is to give the islands their independence before they have cause to rebel.

Shall We Let Philippines Go?
(Cedar Rapids (Ia.) Republican.)

The United States cannot continue to hold the Philippines unless this nation wants to give the lie to its own professions in the matter. The United States must keep faith with the world. The American people do not want the Philippine Islands to become their Irish question.

Filipinos Are Making Headway
(Mt. Vernon (O.) Republican-News)

The Filipinos are making an intensive and intelligent campaign for independence. They are urging their claims with shrewdness and vigor. They declare that they have proven beyond question that they are capable of self-government, and they believe that with independence the Filipino will so conduct himself as to gain the respect of the world.

Sweet day, so cool, so calm, so bright; but here comes a smudge on it. Buy coal now.

The cities of the United States will be rid of the loafers when cities stop feeding loafers.

There isn't much question about bootleggers making something while the moonshines.

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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of SAMUEL REED, late of Ayer in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court for Probate, by EDWARD ALBERT WHITNEY, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-fifth day of July A. D. 1921, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Miss M. Louise Stratton is attending the summer school for librarians at the New Hampshire State college this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprague of Lynn are visiting at Mrs. Daniel Hayden's.

Miss Abby E. Flagg and her sister, Miss Etta Flagg, went to New York the first of the week and will visit Columbia college.

Miss Grace Hayden was at home over the week-end.

During the severe shower about ten o'clock Tuesday night the lightning struck the high school building. The only damage done was the tearing off of a few clapboards on the cupola.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Patch of Malden are at their cottage for the remainder of the summer.

Parties of berry pickers are going into Parker's swamp with good results.

Helen Goodwin, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Goodwin, fell from a load of hay and fractured one of her arms Tuesday.

Mrs. Hattie Munn and family of Melrose Highlands are visiting at her father's, George Woodin.

The Woman's club are planning to hold their annual outing at Canobie lake, Wednesday, July 27.

Committees have been appointed and plans are well underway for the annual sale and entertainment of the Ladies' Reading and Charitable society to be held the third week in August.

It is expected little Doris Flagg will be home from the Massachusetts General hospital Sunday. She has been receiving treatment to straighten her back and limb and on coming home will be in a plaster cast that will necessitate her lying quiet for a time.

Invitations are out to the fiftieth annual reunion of the Willoughby family to be held at Silver lake, Thursday, July 28.

Miss Allen of Winchester is a guest at William B. Simond's.

Mr. and Mrs. Redfield and Mr. and Mrs. Marsh of Lynn were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Emerson last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Parkhurst Monday, July 18, a son.

Frank Scott and family and Mrs. Hattie Wheeler motored to Marlborough, Mass., Sunday for the day to visit a sister of Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Wheeler. Barbar Scott, who had been visiting her aunt for a week, returned with them and Millicent and Bernard Scott remained for a visit.

Children's night was observed at the Grange Tuesday night. The program consisted of music and recitations by the children and was in charge of the lecturer. Games were played and refreshments of ice cream, cake and cookies served.

Mrs. Nellie H. P. Hale motored to Hampton and York beaches for the day last Saturday with her cousin, Charles J. Farley and wife, of Nashua.

The Avalon lodge of Rebekahs hold a lawn party on the common Friday evening of this week.

The Boys' and Girls' club connected with the Farm Bureau for Hillsboro county hold a meeting at Milford Saturday. A number of club members here are planning to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frost are entertaining Mrs. Frost's sister and husband from Thompsonville, Conn.

Two members of Aurora lodge, I. O. O. F., were initiated into Nashuawian lodge, Nashua, last week Friday night. Arthur Boulton was installed as first watch and Albert F. Hildreth as first guard.

The Girl Scouts from Milford will camp at Silver lake next week in Dr. Atherton's cottage.

Miss Sargent, who is assisting Miss Minnie Colburn this summer, spent the week-end with friends in Peterboro.

Charles J. Farley of Nashua received word Sunday that the body of his son Earl, who was killed in action during the great war, had arrived at Hoboken. Upon the arrival of the body in Nashua funeral services will be held at the First church there. Charles J. Farley is a brother of Frank L. Farley of this town and a former resident here.

The dinners and suppers given by the W. R. C. and the Woman's club to out of town companies and clubs have been so successful that the Drake Cake Co. of Boston have made some inquiries about coming here, but their number 500 would make it impossible.

The Misses Nellie Denault and Helen Fisher and Dr. David Alison of Boston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alec Denault over the week-end.

Jason Young attended church Sunday for the first time since his severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. John MacConnell visited friends in Dover and Manchester from Saturday until Tuesday.

Mrs. Alice Felton was granted a letter of dismissal from the Congregational church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Smith of Boston spent Sunday with Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Smith.

The first and third patrol of Girl Scouts go into camp at Wheeler's grove, Silver lake, next week for one week. The second patrol is going for the following week.

Alphonso Powers spent Monday night and Tuesday at the home of his brother, M. J. Powers.

Wilbert F. Cameron, son of Herbert Cameron, who graduated from the Nashua High school this year, has secured a position in the Second National bank in that city.

Charles J. Nichols and family are in town for the summer. Before coming here they visited Nantucket.

Miss Anna Hardy is home after camping with the Camp Fire Girls down on the cape.

A new bathing house is being erected at Silver lake by the selectmen and it is hoped those who use it will have some respect for public property. The condition the old bathhouse was allowed to get into was a disgrace.

The many friends in town of Rev. and Mrs. C. Hill Crathern are very pleased to hear of their safe arrival from Europe and of the improvement in Mr. Crathern's health. His son Charles will remain in Greece until later in the summer.

Fred B. Spaulding with his wife and son of Athol and his wife's mother, Mrs. Wright, visited Mr. Spaulding's mother, Mrs. Mercian Spaulding, recently.

Miss Minnie Colburn and Mrs. Charles Woodin motored to Medford, Mass., Thursday of last week for the day. Mr. and Mrs. William Woodin returned with them for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Powers motored to Boston last week Friday for the day.

Mrs. Harry H. Bell is driving a new four-seated National car.

Mrs. Daniel Goodwin visited friends in Watertown aist week.

Mrs. Harry H. Bell and the Misses Elizabeth Worcester, Frances Goodwin and Hazel Lougee motored to Boston recently.

Ten boys belonging to the Boys' and Girls' club of Milford, accompanied by Mr. Miltmore, came to Hollis last week Thursday. The Hollis Boy Scouts with their scout leader, Edward Hills, and assistant scout leader, Clifton Glover, joined them in the evening at Charles E. Hardy & Son's applehouse where the Milford boys spent the night. During the evening games were played and a general good time enjoyed. The Milford boys left for home before breakfast Friday morning.

Charles D. Wheeler of Brookline, Mass., spent a few days last week with his cousin, Charles E. Hardy, and family.

Capt. Herbert Cameron, who is stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas, has been having a two weeks' furlough and visited friends and relatives in town.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Mrs. Lizzie Maynard was a guest on Friday of last week of the Ames sisters in Pepperell

Mrs. Susie Wright of Leominster, has returned home after a two-weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fessenden.

On last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Fessenden entertained Mr. and Mrs. Prescott Palmer and daughter Beatrice and Earl Nash, of Groton; also, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wallace, of North Leominster, and Walter Parsons.

W. J. Bailey and David Fessenden spent last week Friday at Camp Devens.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest and Mrs. Wood spent the week-end with A. A. Goss and family.

Mrs. George Davis has been chosen organist for hte churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pollett, of Brookline, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Perrin at their summer home.

Arthur Cook, of Nashua spent the week-end at Mrs. Celia Powers'.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Goss and Mr. and Mrs. William Hume were in Nashua last Saturday.

Wilfred Ouelette, of Lowell, spent the week-end at W. L Parker's summer home.

Frank Hall, of Nashua, was in town last Sunday, calling on friends.

Arthur Green of Roxbury, Mass., who has been stopping with Mrs. Grace Campbell, has returned home.

Miss Marjorie Smith is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Mabel Smith.

Donald Perrin and daughter Beatrice, of Brookline, Mass, are staying with Mrs. Celia Powers.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall and daughters attended the theatre at Whalom Park to see the play "Daddy Long Legs."

Mrs. Agnes Stearns has returned home from Lyndeboro.

The Girl Scouts were organized at the home of Mary Dodge on last week Friday afternoon. Miss Frances Farnsworth was elected captain and Miss Mary Dodge as lieutenant.

Dr. and Mrs. DeVoe, of Boston, were guests of George Perrin recently.

Junior Perrin is spending a few weeks in Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Lamonte and sons, of Lowell, were at the lake last Sunday for the day.

Clarence Kline and friend, of Leominster, spent Sunday at Mrs. Charles Dunbar's.

John Gilmore and Mrs. George Dodge went to Nashua last Sunday and brought Mrs. John Gilmore and daughter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Betterley and son, of Worcester, Mass., are spending a week with Mr. Betterley's father, George Betterley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Page and grandson are enjoying a vacation in Groton, Vt.

Mrs. Mabel Jones and Mrs. Francis Bentum, of New Ipswich, were in town calling on friends recently.

Miss Gertrude Abbott is caring for Mrs. Hattie Styles and Mrs. Josie Seaver.

Miss Minnie Flavon, of Melrose, Mass., is visiting Mrs. L. J. Riordan.

Mrs. Mertie (Whitcher) Howard and two children, of Ponemah, and Mrs. Grace Stickney, of Nashua, were recent guests of Mrs. Adella Whitcomb.

Mrs. William Jerome and two children, of Haverhill, Mass., have been visiting their cousin, Mrs. Eva Elliott.

Miss Shay, a trained nurse, is visiting her old friend, Mrs. James Powers.

Silas H. Wheeler visited his grandfather in Milford last week.

Mrs. Alexander l'Ecuyer and four children were visitors in town last Sunday. Mrs. l'Ecuyer owned the barber shop and pool-room on Mason street at one time.

Mrs. Jennie Pianette, of Milford, visited her sister here last Sunday.

Harry Chandler and family moved into Patrick O'Connell's house last Saturday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Taylor on July 18—Kenneth Wendell.

MASON, N. H.

News Items.

The Old Home Day association held a meeting in the town hall last Saturday evening and considerable business relating to the annual celebration was transacted by the various committees in charge. It was voted to hold a dance in the town hall on July 29 to help raise funds toward securing a good band to furnish music for Old Home day, and with the united support of the citizens the committee expect to make it a day long to be remembered by all who attend the exercises.

Alice Barnes, after spending a short vacation at her home here, has returned to Waltham, Mass., where she is employed by a large grocery firm.

Priscilla Drew has returned to Framingham Normal school and is taking a domestic science course in the summer school. She is also a regular student at this school during the school year.

Many from here attended the outdoor circus given under the direction of Howard Abbot in Wilton last week.

Winnie Collins is visiting at the home of Mrs. Nelson Blanchard in Worcester, Mass. Mrs. Blanchard is a sister of Mrs. James Washburn of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Tupper and family, of Braintree, Mass., spent Sunday at the Drew farm.

Mrs. Rhoda Barrett, who has been living in New Ipswich for several months and is in poor health, has returned to her home in No. 6 and is being cared for by Mrs. Percy Lawrence, of Wakefield, Mass.

Marion Emerson, who is working in Connecticut, is spending a few days' vacation at the home of her father, C. E. Emerson.

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No. 1 is a choice 6-year-old Black Mare, weighs 1340 lbs., well broke, extra nice driver and worker, single or double, fearless on the road or farm, sound and clever; purchased green last March. No. 2 and 3, Pair of Black Mares, weighs 2800 lbs., a nice sound team, good workers, single or double, 7 years old each; will be sold separate. No. 4, Gray Mare, weighs 1000 lbs., nice family mare, clever for anyone to drive. This is a well-bred, very fast trotting mare, with a record of 2.09, which she got at a county fair. She is registered and papers will be given to the purchaser. No. 5 is a very handsome Steel Gray Colt, 14 months old, one of the best bred colts in New England. This Colt is sure to be a winner; well bred, good gaited, goes to the trot and is an extra large colt for his age.

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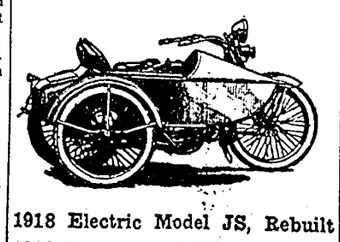

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(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Garden waste, decayed vegetables, dead vines, weeds, and the organic rubbish that collects about the place during a busy summer may be cleaned up and put to work again through the agency of a compost heap. Start the heap by laying down a bed of stable manure which has not been burned or heated. The size of the plot will vary with the amount of refuse to be used; for ordinary uses, if the bed is made 8 feet long by 6 feet wide and 2 feet deep it will serve the purpose. Over the manure spread a two-foot layer of refuse and cover it with another layer of manure. This last layer need be only a foot in thickness. Repeat the layers until all the waste has been disposed of and then cover the whole with a layer of earth.

Don't Leave Manure in Piles Exposed to Weather Conditions Favorable to Loss By Washing—Use It to Make a Compost Heap.

If it is desired to add to the heap from time to time the top layer may be opened and the new material emptied into the hole thus made. This is convenient for the suburban home where there is no animal to consume the kitchen waste. In the spring the heap is well mixed with a fork and the compost is ready to be spread on the garden plot. The heating manure will effectively destroy any weed seed present and will also break down the structure of most of the materials that have been thrown upon the pile. The process may be continued indefinitely by simply adding enough manure to insure heating. Compost is especially valuable for use in hotbeds and coldframes.

CLEANING UP INSECT PESTS

Many of Hibernating Species May Be Destroyed in Winter By Cleaning Up Obscure Corners.

Much can be done now to reduce the possibility of insect plagues next summer if a little effort is directed toward the destruction of insect shelter areas. Around the grounds and gardens, under hedges, beside ditches, and in fence corners are bunches of insect-sheltering weeds or grass. By the time cold weather approaches many kinds of insects in the adult or immature stages have taken full advantage of these nooks and hidden away there for the winter. The bureau of entomology, United States Department of Agriculture, says that if these spots are cleaned up and the refuse cut and burned, many of these hibernating insects will be destroyed and the damage from such pests during the coming season will be materially lessened.

PROVIDE BATH FOR POULTRY

Chickens Cleanse Themselves by Wallowing in Soil and Dust Box Should Be Accessible.

Chickens never wash, as many other birds do, but cleanse themselves by wallowing in soil. Where board or cement floors are used in the chicken house, some means for dusting should be provided during the winter months, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. For a flock of 50 to 60 fowls a dust box 3 by 5 feet or 4 by 4 feet will generally be found large enough, and should be placed where it can be reached by sunlight during as much of the day as possible.

Fine, light, dry dust is the best kind with which to fill the box, but sandy loam is good. Road dust is recommended by many, but it is apt to be filthy. Coal or wood ashes may be mixed with the soil if desired.

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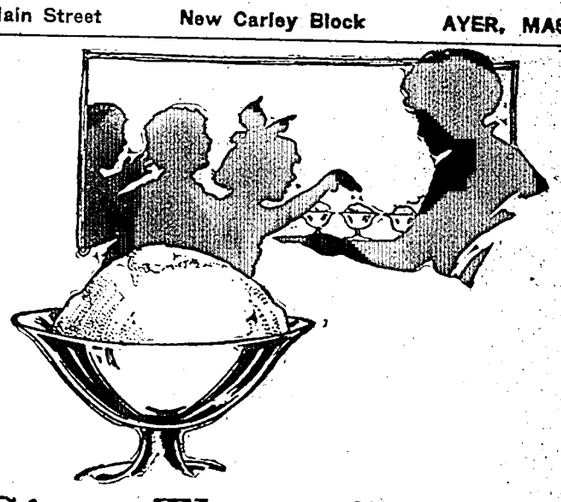

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Saturday, July 23, 1921

PEPPERELL

News Items.

William Williams, of Worcester, spent last week with his friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Beckett.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown and family returned on Monday from an auto trip to Portland and Rumford, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lawson and two children, who have been visiting here from New Haven, Conn., went to Maine last week Friday to motor to Damariscotta and Edgecomb, among relatives. They started on the return trip on Wednesday to Connecticut.

Mrs. Milton W. Fox and daughter Muriel, from Worcester, were the guests of Mrs. W. B. Beckett the first of the week, returning on Wednesday.

Russell Parker is convalescent after an operation performed last week at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, for diseased tonsils.

Miss Sarah Pratt, from Boston, visited her father at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. S. Adams, Townsend Harbor road, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marsh have been visiting here from Springfield at the home of W. N. Mault. Mr. Marsh has a two-weeks' vacation, the latter part of which they will spend with his sister at York Beach, Me.

The mills of the Nashua River Paper Company at Hollingsworth started up Tuesday night on receipt of one car of stock with a promise of others in transit.

Mrs. Abbie Lawton was a guest in town Tuesday from Hudson, coming to attend the observance of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Blood.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Marchant and two children go to Knopp's pond on the Littleton road on Saturday for two weeks' rest in camp. Mr. Marchant's father from Fitchburg wil be their guest a part of the time and probably other guests will also be entertained.

F. H. Parker, night superintendent at the Shirley Electric Company's office, is at home on a two weeks' vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Parker will pass the time by taking several short motor trips to the beaches and points of interest.

Take out a health insurance policy this year for yourself and family and the town by becoming a member of the District Nurse association.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cook are on a vacation to South Yarmouth for two weeks.

Miss E. E. Butterfield, formerly connected with the telephone exchange at Ayer, and Mrs. Harriet Lapointe, also of Ayer, are visiting Miss Swan, who is at the D. W. Fletcher farm on Hollis street.

Frank Marston of Boston was in town at the home of his mother, Mrs. Davis, the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buck have been on a visit to Maine, at Bangor and Old Town, returning home on Sunday.

A pleasant surprise party of the friends and neighbors of Lucius T. Wilson was held at his home on Townsend street on Tuesday evening. His pastor, Rev. H. P. Taylor, and wife, and a former pastor, Rev. P. R. Stratton, now residing here with his family, were present and other church friends. Mr. Wilson was happily remembered, among the gifts being two fine birthday cakes to remind him of the occasion for the little celebration. Refreshments of ice cream, assorted cake and confectionery were served and notwithstanding the threatening skies it was a very enjoyable time. Guests from out of town were Mrs. T. H. Barnes and daughter, Miss Eleanor, from Yonkers, N. Y. They went to Boston on Thursday on their way back to their New York home.

Saturday, July 23, afternoon and evening, Priscilla Dean will be seen at the Opera House in "Outside the law." Priscilla Dean is said to be at her dramatic best in this her first picture since "The virgin of Stamboul."

In an interesting game last Sunday afternoon Pepperell defeated the Fitchburg A. A. at the playgrounds by the score of 6 to 4. Each team managed to drive across three runs in the first inning, after which both settled down to real baseball, a stunt which Pepperell always has had the reputation of doing. Sullivan secured ten strikeouts, while Hallisey, Fitchburg's twirler, former of Pepperell, registered seven against his old teammates. Milan featured at the bat, obtaining three hits. The local infield demonstrated its speed with Arthur Ryan on the initial sack, Ray Rollins at second, Harold Lillis at short and Richard Ryan on the hot corner. The large attendance at the game has shown the fact that the townspeople will give their support to a first-class team. The strong Asbestos team of Nashua will play at the playgrounds on Sunday and all indications point to a close contest.

Mrs. Raymond Potter and children are staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blake, Mill street, from Brookline.

Rev. E. M. Slocombe and family are stopping at their small cottage on Oak hill.

Miss Marion Merrill recently visited her sister, Mrs. Carr, at West Burke, Vt., bringing back with her little Susie Carr, her niece.

Noah Dennault is working on the ice team for Cahries Lorden this week.

Fifteen ladies and children spent a pleasant day on Wednesday at the annual picnic of the East Village Social club at Greeley park. There was a fine invigorating breeze and enough sunshine to make the outing a pleasure. An easy trip by train and trolley took them to the grounds and lunch was eaten in the little pavilion at noon. Mrs. Isaac Pierce, a relative of one of the members, joined the party from her home in the city.

Rev. George F. Durgin, who was somewhat expected here this month, is sent farther west, to Idaho, and will not reach here probably before August when he is due to attend a convention of the Epworth League, and will go to his home at Poland, Me., where Mrs. Durgin may join him. He reports cool nights where he is, as he is 6000 feet above sea level.

Members of the house party at Pinehurst gave Mrs. Elizabeth Attridge a surprise party and shower on Monday evening. The gathering was also in the nature of a farewell reception to Miss King, who was returning to New York the next day.

Among the transfers noted recently is the one of the Morrow property on Mill street to Miss Irene Salter.

It is understood that a party here in town is negotiating for the A. D. Hayes' house on Townsend street.

At the Community church last Sunday morning the audience was pleased to listen to a fine solo, "Look down, oh lord," by Miss Elizabeth Wright.

An auction sale of house lots, recently surveyed on the Sibley place on Main street, occurred on Thursday. Mr. Sibley from Pawtucket arrived early on that morning with two agents and the auctioneer. At this time of writing no sales are reported.

Miss Beth McNayr is with her relatives in Pawtucket, R. I., for two weeks.

Miss Katherine Blood and Miss Katherine Hobart, who are interested in the Simmons college endowment fund, are to have a dance on Tuesday evening, July 26, in Prescott hall with music by Mulvanity's orchestra.

A birthday celebration for Dorothy Bennett, the little eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett, was enjoyed on Wednesday by a trip by auto to Whalom Park, in company with her parents and grandmother, Mrs. Drew, and her brother and sisters.

Mrs. A. G. Mignault recently entertained a friend, Miss Brown, from Nashua.

Miss Susie Danforth, from Tyngsboro, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith, Main street.

Mrs. Flagg, who was formerly Miss Anna Kenney, of the Nashua River Paper Company office force, is occupying a position in that office, and is at present stopping at the Homestead. She is now planning to remove here with her two children, who are now in Roxbury.

Among the guests at the Homestead are Mr. Small, of Boston, formerly of this place and Hollis, N. H.

Mrs. Georgianna Kimball, who recently returned from an extended stay in Hollis, N. H., went to Lynn Beach on Monday, where she will be the guest of her grandson, Ervin Low, and family, for two or three weeks.

Oliver Perry went into Boston last week with his new Ford car, and on his return brought back Mrs. Calkins, the aunt of Mrs. Perry, for a visit at the Perry farm in North Pepperell.

Miss Lila Stratton went to Kansas City last week Thursday after a visit in town with her parents, Rev. P. R. Stratton and wife, Townsend street. During the war Miss Stratton held a position in Washington, D. C., for more than a year, resigning her teaching duties in Leominster. She now has a position as teacher in Beverly.

The William Greenlaw cottage has been occupied the past week by Mr. and Mrs. Holden and grandchild from Beverly.

An eleven-pound daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Boutwell at the Mygatt private hospital in Nashua, N. H., Thursday, July 14.

Mrs. Americus Lawrence is said to be gaining slowly, which seems nothing short of a miracle, she was in so critical condition from the result of a shock. She is now able to be moved out of doors and to get about her home a little each day. Her daughter, Mrs. Daisy Williamson, is still with her, from Millinocket, Me.

The church school picnic of the Methodist Sunday school and guests, in all about seventy-five, reported one of the finest days of the season at Silver lake, as the breeze was from the southwest and swept over the water toward the grove. The Milford Sunday school held a picnic on the same date and there was much pleasant social intermingling. Transportation was by two large auto trucks and several smaller ones. The lunch at noon was supplemented in abundant fashion by a plentiful supply of lemonade, made by Mrs. P. R. Stratton. Bathing, swimming and boating were among the chief pleasures of the hour, as the sports in charge of Misses Cherry and Clarke were abandoned because of the heat. A baseball game was played, however, and the return home was earlier than usual.

Miss Mary King, one of the members of the "Irene" company, New York, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Kennedy, returned to Boston on Tuesday from her tendays' visit here, and from there will be joined by Mr. King for the trip over to New York.

Clifford Bailey motored here from Boston on Sunday, joining the house party at Pinehurst. On his return he was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walton and daughter, Miss Murilla, who have been visitors during the past week.

Gwenn Parker went to the Girls' camp at Massapoag, Tuesday, for two weeks.

P. J. Hayes closed out his meat department at his grocery store on Friday of last week and is talking seriously of shutting up his store for a while in order to go away for a long vacation, which his health demands.

Mrs. May Collins, a visitor here for ten days with Miss Ida Shattuck, has returned to Lexington.

Mrs. Frank Smith entertained her uncle, William Durant, from Boston, last week. Mr. Durant was formerly one of D. E. Weston's workmen and renewed his many friendships while in town. He is now working in a garage in the city and although past his three score and ten is very active. He returned to Boston on Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Cummings and their guest, Mrs. Arthur Lensest, motored into Boston on Monday in Leonard Dow's car. Mrs. Lensest was returning to her home after a visit in town with her relatives, Messrs. Jacklin and Cummings.

Frank Messer, who has been in bad health for a long time, went to Boston on Monday to the eye and ear infirmary, but was advised there to consult a physician as to the general state of health. He somewhat expects to go into the Massachusetts General hospital next week.

Harry and Earl Dunton, jr., who have been with their grandmother, Mrs. Harry Trenholm, at Fitchburg, were in town on Sunday at the home of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, and with them made up a party to visit Lake Muscatanipus, Brookline, N. H. They are to be taken back to their home at Portland, Me., next week by Mr. and Mrs. Trenholm.

George B. Clarke, superintendent of schools, returned on Monday from his week's stay at Hyannis, and went immediately to attend the school week at Amherst college.

Among those from town attending the Middlesex county picnic at Concord on Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Otto Olsen and son Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Gustaf Anderson, Oscar Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hobart and daughter Katherine and Miss Jennie Merrill.

Are you a voting member of the District Nursing association? One dollar will make you such and help keep the district nurse for another year.

At the chapter house of the D. A. R. next Sunday Mrs. M. L. Blood will act as hostess and the hours are from five to seven o'clock.

Mrs. L. A. Boynton was a visitor at Watertown Tuesday.

Miss Hope Davisson has been entertaining friends from Boston, former associates in her school.

Mrs. Martha Bancroft has finished moving into her lower tenement and proposes to rent the upper rooms.

The house party at Pinehurst last Sunday included the Waltons from Allston, the Misses Hagstroms, from New York, Miss King from Brooklyn, N. Y., Miss Marion Chinn and her father, Sydney Chinn, from Reading, and Herman Peaks and Clifford Bailey from Boston, who motored up for the day. The entire party, including the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, took a trip to Silver lake for the outing and swimming in the lake.

The celebration of a double birthday event for Messrs. Edgar and Wilfred Jacklin took place on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jacklin and Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Cummings, Hollis street. It was an affair of much merriment, a barn dance with music by a Victrola, being one of the features, the barn being cleared and filled with wild flowers for the occasion. The costumes of the ladies were supposed to be uniform, all dressing in bungalow aprons of the latest style. Several young townspeople were present and the members of the house party at Pinehurst, just across the street, beside the families of the two young men. Refreshments of punch and cake were served the guests.

Walton Bosworth came home from Dunstable on Monday afternoon, following the death of Mr. Gilson of Dunstable, whom he had been caring for during a long illness.

Mrs. Lucy Boynton, our aged, blind townswoman, was recently visited at the White Ribbon Home, at Ayer, by Miss Ida Shattuck and sent a message to all her friends that she was well and happy.

Mrs. Maude Heber, from Beacon street, Boston, and Mrs. Frederic Brown and daughter, from Somerville, were week-end guests with Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Melendy, Heald street.

The baseball game between the Pepperell A. A. and the Fitchburg A. A. on last Sunday afternoon resulted in a victory for the home team by the score of 6 to 4. There was a good crowd present.

The household goods of Nelson Archambault arrived here on last week Friday from Newburyport, Vt., where he has been lumbering. His brother Fred and Charles and two workmen accompanied the family here. They will occupy the Beck cottage on Crescent street, which Mr. Archambault recently purchased of Kemp & Bennett.

J. R. Patterson attended the big ball game on last Saturday in Boston.

The last machine at the Nashua River Paper mills shut down last Saturday night. Two other machines have been shut down during the week from lack of stock.

Ernest Melendy, the eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Melendy, recently had his tonsils removed at St. Joseph's hospital, but is fully recovered.

Miss Evelyn Greenlaw, at the cottage at North Pepperell, has had her niece, Elizabeth Greenlaw the daughter of her brother Joseph, staying with her for a short time. They expect to return to Beverly this week.

Mrs. Harry Newell is expected here this week, as she recently came east from her home in Wabash, Ind., to Hanover, this state. She is to remain in the east during the summer, as she reports hot weather in the middle west, the temperature ranging from 9 to 10 degrees most days. She will be with her niece, Mrs. Bernice (Chase) Bailey, in Hanover, which, from its nearness to the ocean, being but seven miles from Brant Rock, has a fine summer colony.

I. W. Brown, manager for the electric company for town wiring and general oversight of household necessities, had his goods arrive from Cambridge on last week Thursday, and with his family will occupy the upper tenement in one of the Charles Jewett houses on Main street.

Mrs. L. T. Wilson is entertaining her friend, Mrs. Barnes, and daughter Eleanor, from Yonkers, N. Y.

Mrs. Nettie H. Parker, from Greenfield, recently visited her sister, Mrs. Susan Weston, Pleasant street.

A meeting of the Ready Workers' circle, Acoma lodge, was held with Mrs. L. G. Robbins, High street, on Friday of last week.

Messrs. Kemp and Shepherdson, with their wives, motored to Lake Winnepesaukee last week Friday for two weeks of camp life. Mr. Butler and his brother and Miss Mary and brother George are still there at their camp, although Mrs. Butler returned here last week.

Mrs. E. J. Davis returned on last week Thursday, having prolonged her stay in Boston to three weeks instead of one. Mrs. Davis was in charge of the apartment house of her daughter, Mrs. Tilton, Warren avenue, during the necessary absence of the latter in New Hampshire by the illness of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett and children motored to Northwood Narrows, N. H., on Friday of last week, for the day.

Golden Wedding.

The observance of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Blood, formerly of this town, occurred on Tuesday, July 19, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Arthur W. Bartlett, Cross street, by whom, with the assistance of another daughter, Mrs. Arthur Elliott, of Gardner, the reception was given.

The three connecting rooms were opened to the guests and decorated with jardineres filled with bouquets of yellow daisies; also, with bouquets of yellow marigolds, sweet peas, and between them, on the piano, a tiny but very choice bouquet of three four-leaved clovers. In the bay window, where Mr. and Mrs. Blood received their friends, there were special decorations of a large white crepe paper bow, tied "true-love-knot" fashion, with the two dates, 1871 and 1821, on either side. Underneath, on a small table, a very handsome basket of smilax and rose buds presented by friends occupied the place of honor.

The reception was pleasantly informal, lasting in the afternoon from three to five and from eight to ten o'clock in the evening, about 100 guests paying their respects during that time. Ice cream and cake were served by the daughters.

There were many friends who motored quite a distance, among them Rev. and Mrs. Putnam Webber, a former pastor, and his wife; also, their daughter, Mrs. Marion Webber Hagar, her husband, Lester Hagar, and their little son.

Among the relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Blood were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lawrence Blood and Mrs. Mark Blood, of Groton; Andrew Blood and family, of West Groton; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Blood and daughter, of Groton; Miss Emily Lawrence, from Townsend, and Mrs. Carrie Eggleston Patch, of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stevens, who were former neighbors, motored here from Fitchburg with their daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Stevens Kenney and her four children, and the younger daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Beers, and baby Jane. Mrs. Mary E. Rice and Mrs. Lucinda Eaton, of Gardner, motored here with a friend, representing the Rebekah circle of Gardner. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hodgman, of Gardner; Miss Carrie Blood, of Nashua; Mrs. George Herrig and daughter Rachel, of Somerville; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sanderson, of Nashua; Mrs. Abby Lawton, of Hudson; Miss Mary Parker, of Gardner, and Mrs. Helen Barrows and Cedric Hodgman, of Groton.

Everyone united in best wishes and in addition to many gifts of flowers and cards from absent friends there were many coins of the real gold, matching color decorations and outdoing them in brilliancy.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Blood are members of the Acoma Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., and Mr. Blood is also a member of Beacon lodge. A delegation from the Ready Workers' circle of the Rebekahs attended in a body during the afternoon and many of the former members of the Ladies' society of the Methodist church also attended, besides many town friends and former associates.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Blood back the half-century ago, was performed at Groton, their native town, by Rev. Oliver Ayers of the Baptist church. Of the guests then present, Mr. Blood's brother, Frank L. Blood was probably the only one to be present at the golden wedding. After some years' residence in Groton they removed here about thirty-seven years ago, occupying the tenement in the so-called Blood block, corner of Pleasant and Main streets, where Mr. Blood conducted a hardware and plumbing business. He has continued the plumbing business up to the time of his removal to Gardner, about twelve years ago, and even at his advanced age is still working at the same line of work. The family moved from the block into the cottage house, Pleasant street, where they resided for many years.

Among other hearty good wishes from friends the following poem, from a life-long friend in Groton was read and appreciated by all present:

Congratulations of golden hue
With all good wishes I send to you.
Your loving children and friends rejoice
That choosing a mate was happy choice.

True to each other through all these years—
There was home sunshine—if sometimes tears.
For love and sympathy was the chain
Uniting your days in health or pain.

Fifty years on the journey of life,
Happy together, husband and wife.
What greater riches could come to you
Than family ties loving and true.

Now on this golden wedding day,
When great rejoicing holds its sway,
We hope that many years will come
And a diamond wedding crown your home.

Ellen A. Barrows.

Community Service Club.

Eighteen of the members of the Community Service club, including a few who had not been previously attending this summer, met with Miss Boynton on Monday evening and a very good, enthusiastic meeting resulted. The main topic was the work for the coming canvass for the District Nursing association membership August 4-8. Plans were discussed to open the campaign by a dance, and a committee of the Misses Dennen, Phinney and Cherry were appointed to arrange the details.

Miss Gertrude Carter has been appointed chairman of the canvass committee, and the captains for the different localities have been appointed as follows: Mrs. P. W. Flynn, Mrs. R. Deware, Mrs. E. E. Iten, Misses Hobart, Rouse, Dennen and Cherry; for transportation, Misses M. Boynton, Miller and Wilson.

The club further voted to extend their activities through the summer after the canvass, although no definite action was taken as to the exact form, but the club propose to make a separate contribution toward the fund for the District Nurse association.

The meetings are to be made more interesting by having a special topic for each evening, under a leader. Miss Smith, the nurse, has already agreed to give one evening to special phases of first aid work and help measures

Girls Scouts Visit Camp.

Nearly thirty persons, including twenty or more of the Girl Scouts, went to the girls' camp at Massapoag on Saturday and were finely received. There are about 130 Girl Scouts now in camp, occupying the tents in the grove known here as Kendal's grove. The place is well adapted and the facilities for boating from the wharf or swimming from a spring board while a boatman patrols nearby are excellent. The visitors were favorably impressed with the camp and discipline. Miss Sandiford, the director, is well liked by the girls, as shown by their attitude toward her, as well as the prompt attention to her requests.

There were four scouts already in camp, Katherine Maltman, Natalie Blake, Geraldine Parker and Betty Hutchinson, and Gwenn Parker joined them this week.

Two scouts from other camps joined the Pepperell troop for the outing, Helen Varasano from New York and Evelyn Maltman from the Petersham troop.

Some of the girls in camp accepted the invitation for a part of their number to picnic at lunch time with the Pepperell visitors, near the lake shore, the others occupying their diningroom, built this year.

The guests remained to witness the pretty ceremonial exercise of the lowering of the flag. The color guard and six girl scouts were summoned at the appointed time by the bugler. After saluting the flag it was carefully lowered by the guard into the hands of the girls waiting to receive it, not a fold being misplaced or allowed to reach the ground. After the little ceremony Miss Sandiford presented one of the girl members with a Scout badge. At the close the bugler sounded taps.

The camp is about equally divided into the four sections, the first being called the little brown owls, the second the crickets, the third the warblers, and the fourth, or oldest, the guides. A fine, friendly spirit was manifest among the girls being one of the essentials for successful camp life.

A name for the camp is now under discussion, the members who have been there favoring Camp Sandiford.

Clipping.

The following clipping was taken from the Boston Globe of July 20, morning edition:

"Grover C. Robbins, head of the vocational training department of the public schools of McKeesport, who in a letter to Dr. J. B. Richey, superintendent, admitted that he had tarred Percy England at Pepperell, Mass., his home town, has resigned upon request and the school board July 18 accepted the resignation, but, after receiving Robbins' own story of the case, several members wanted him retained.

"In reporting to the board, Dr. Richey gave details of the case as given him by Robbins. The latter asserted that a married man who had deserted his wife and children was undesirable company for Robbins' sister, Miss Eva Robbins, and that authorities of Pepperell had shielded the man and had refused to take action against him and Robbins took the matter in his own hands. Supt. Richey wanted to know what the moral effect on McKeesport children would be if Robbins was retained.

"'Robbins is to be admired for his backbone,' said T. D. McKee, a member of the board. 'Would we had more men like him as instructors of our boys.'

"R. M. Baldridge, another member, said: 'Robbins at least has placed himself on record for decent morals.'"

Fairview Farm Still Occupied.

At Fairview farm, where the buildings were so recently destroyed by fire, caused by the lightning, the family have now returned to camp there while making permanent plans. The garage was used as the base of their present habitation, with projecting piazzas for living and sleeping rooms, and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan moved in this week-end, from their refuge at the time of the fire, the McDonald house, which was an ideal haven after the trying experience of the night of the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan feel the impossibility of acknowledging the many kindnesses shown at the time of their great loss of home and personal belongings, but they nevertheless wish all their friends to realize that they sincerely appreciated every act of kindness and help, which came from so many sources. The number of their friends and acquaintances was demonstrated anew by the incident, as hundreds visited the scene of the ruins, and all were in sympathy with the family in their sorrow for their beautiful home. In a home where the choicest articles of three generations had been gathered, every day brings to mind something lost. Rare books, mementos of the children, keepsakes, are recalled, beside the real valuable articles of jewelry and furniture, all of which was lost in the flames.

It is a matter of congratulation that Mr. Morgan does not feel inclined to give up his residence in this town.

Birthday Party.

On Wednesday, July 20, a gay little party met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Winch, River street, to help celebrate the fifth birthday of the small daughter Shirlie. The children were nearly all her associates as to age with the exception of little Helen Sylvester, who was the youngest of the group. Other guests were Arlene Attridge, George Mills, Boynton Carter, Russell Parker, Ruth Gardner, Malcolm and William Bailey, Mabel Cotton, Francis Melendy and Phyllis Messer. The children were assisted in their games by Alice Winch, who planned delightful pastimes. The small hostess had many pretty gifts. Mrs. Winch served refreshments of ice cream and cake, the crowning glory of the whole afternoon to Miss Shirlie being the little ceremony of blowing out the candles on her birthday cake and cutting the first slice for her guests, the usual custom.

Death.

Those noting the record of the death of Mrs. Ellen (Lock) Parker, late of Billerica, widow of Rev. Horace Parker in the Boston daily of last Saturday recall them as former residents here nearly fifty years ago. Rev. Mr. Parker was pastor of the Congregational church and recalled by the older parishioners of that period as most energetic, adding to the church spiritually and financially. During his pastorate the former parsonage on the site of the present one was renovated and improved, although the present one was not built until the pastorate of Rev. W. G. Schoppe. Rev. Mr. Parker's memory is held in grateful remembrance by many and his wife with a family of young children was his loyal helpmate. After leaving here they resided in Ayer and in Lunenburg. The funeral services for Mrs. Parker were held at the North cemetery in Lunenburg on Saturday, her death at the age of seventy-five having occurred at the Lowell General hospital. Mrs. Parker visited here in town about five years ago.

Methodist Church Notes.

At the Methodist church on Sunday morning the pastor will preach at 10.45 on the theme, "Drinking from the stream by the way." There will be special music, and in the absence of the chorister, Mrs. Marchant, the music will be in charge of Miss Florence O'Neil. Preaching service in the evening at 7.30.

At 7.30 o'clock on Tuesday evening Rev. Charles E. Spaulding, D. D., the district superintendent, will hold the first quarterly conference in place of the regular prayer meeting.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet in the vestry on Thursday afternoon at the usual hour.

Epworth league night will occur on Friday evening in the vestry, with devotional and social periods.

Community Church Notes.

Sunday morning service at 10.30 with sermon by the pastor. The decorations will be furnished by the officers of the church school. Church school at noon.

Regular meeting of the C. C. W. in the church vestry on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30.

Regular motion picture service on Friday evening, July 29, at eight o'clock. The feature picture will be "Earthbound," a powerful drama of this world and the unseen beyond. This tremendous production has drawn the largest paid admissions of any picture. The big appeal of this remarkable achievement is to adults and we are unusually fortunate in securing it here in Pepperell.

Last Sunday a gold wreath pin was received by Nathaniel Shattuck, which was given for a perfect record of fifty-two consecutive Sundays.

C. C. W. Fair.

The July sale held at the vestry of the Community church on Thursday of last week was the usual pleasant occasion, and the finishing touch was given by one of the finest entertainments in the evening which it is the good luck of a Pepperell audience to often enjoy.

The sale opened at three o'clock with the tables in charge of the following ladies: Fancy articles, Mrs. W. N. Mault, Mrs. Drawbridge, Mrs. Durant and Mrs. Dunn; aprons, Mrs. W. F. Dennen, Mrs. Mary Maltman and Mrs. Pond; candy, Miss Rouse, Beatrice Boynton, Beth McNayr and Hazel Chapman. The mystery table held a tree with marvelous orange fruit, in charge of Miss Elizabeth Piper, assisted by Ellery Newhall and Edward Durant, two boys of her Sunday school class. All the tables had excellent patronage.

The most attractive feature of the sale during the warm time of the afternoon was the tea-room, where most delicious sandwiches and cakes, with iced drinks and ice cream were served by Mesdames Miller, Hayes, Chapman, Tower, Barnes and Chapman.

The decorative scheme, under the direction of the Misses Wright and Carter and Mrs. Richardson, deserves a paragraph by itself, the result was so satisfactory. An airy appearance was the most noticeable thing to those entering, produced by the fringy, feathery line of asparagus from the top of the side walls and about the room. Cool green shadows played in the corners of the stage, where small pine trees were grouped, and in front of the massed effect of green, bunches of yellow daisies relieved the greenery. The decorations were arranged with much attention to color effects and with artistic skill.

A program was arranged for the evening by Miss Mary Wood, chairman of the committee, which pleased everybody attending, the only regret being that not more people were present. The out-of-town artists were Mrs. Ingram, pianist; Mr. St. Francois, violin, and Mr. Welch, saxophone, all being from the Nashua School of Music and Elocution. The numbers given by the trio were varied and given with a fineness of execution bringing forth merited applause. The solo numbers by violin and saxophone showed true artistic musical ability and delicacy of expression, and the only regret by the audience was the fact that Mrs. Ingram acted solely as accompanist, giving no solo numbers. As an accompanist she was perfect. The selections were as follows: Trio, a minuet, by Mozart; saxophone solo, "Tone poem," Mr. Welch; reading, Beverly O'Brien; trio, "The brook"; violin solos, La Belle Contadina and Elf Dance, Mr. St. Francois; saxophone solo, "Laverne," Mr. Welch; reading, Beverly O'Brien; violin solo, "Adoration"; trio, "Serenade"; violin solo, Nocturne; solo, with violin obligato, Miss Elizabeth Wright; saxophone solo, "Cavatine," Mr. Welch; violin solo, "Polish Dance," Mr. St. Francois; reading, Miss Flynn; trio, "Minuet," by Haydn.

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