

TURNER'S PUBLIC SPIRIT.

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TOWNSEND

Center.
Lawrence Eaton, William and Gordon Eaton, of East Boston, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Frank Dudley.

Chester Going is the owner of a new Dodge automobile. Leon Watkins has also purchased a Ford Sedan.

Donald Fessenden, of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. A. D. Fessenden.

Last Monday night was observed as children's night by the Grange. The entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Nello Proctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller have returned from a trip over the Mohawk Trail.

The Epworth league will hold a food sale in the vestry of the Methodist church on August 3.

Miss Lena Barnes, of Mason, is visiting at the home of Henry J. Miller. Miss Harriet Miller has also returned for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Abney and daughter Edna are making a several weeks' visit at the home of Stephen Farrar.

Miss Lucy D. Stearns, of Nashua, has been a recent visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. S. J. Stearns.

Red Cross Lawn Fete.

The gross receipts of the lawn fete held at Wyndecroft, July 21, for the benefit of the Red Cross, were approximately \$900, being itemized as follows: Admission and gifts \$213.35, checking cars \$25.45, supper \$146.08, dancing \$72.50, cold drinks \$33.01, candy \$10.19, fish pond \$27.75, balloons \$21.14, ice cream \$72.19, popcorn \$5, smokes \$28.65, guess cake \$15.50, ring pitching \$15.50, novelty booth \$41.65, canning and garden booth \$37.05, fortune-teller \$10.05, flowers \$4.11. Money not completed, the bills not all being in the net profit has not been estimated.

The ring-pitching was in charge of Nello Wood, the first prize, a cut glass dish, being won by Raymond Frye, second prize, a case for neckties, by between Harry Whitcomb and Richard Rusk.

The guess cake, in charge of Stillman Rand and his assistants, Miss Bertha Spaulding, Mrs. John Bachelder, Mrs. Carrie Thacher and Miss Helen Dobson, the cake weighing seven pounds, and three people guessing the exact weight, necessitating its being divided, the winners being Mrs. Adelaide Tarbell of Pepperell, Miss Grace Lowd of Mason, N. H., and Robert Walker of New Ipswich, N. H.

There was music during the afternoon on the Victrola and music box loaned by Mrs. A. J. Atwood, these being on the veranda. Newell Mitchell, of Fitchburg, gave musical numbers, accompanied by his son Armand on the piano between five and six o'clock, the piano used being loaned by W. F. Hesilton.

The cafeteria supper served by Mrs. Frank Spring, as chairman, and Mrs. George Clarke, Mrs. Lilla Estes, Mrs. J. Livingston, Nicholas McGuire and Charles Spaulding, as assistants, was well patronized.

The decorations were very appropriate and much credit is due the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. The hand-made posters displayed in Fitchburg and elsewhere were made

and given by Mrs. Arthur Homer of West Townsend.

Miss Maude Walker, of Fitchburg, the pianist, proved a popular attraction, her tent being surrounded by a crowd until the finish.

A feature especially attractive to the children was the fish pond situated in the old-fashioned garden in charge of Mrs. Frank Woods, Mrs. Mabel Hurley, Mrs. Raymond Thacher, Mrs. Ralph Miner and Mrs. Stillman Rand. The pond will be more heavily stocked next year so that the grown-ups may have a chance to try their luck.

The garden hats given by Mrs. Harrison Bliss in the canning and garden booth were a novelty and sold very readily.

The Townsend band gave its usual fine concert at eight o'clock assisted by three vocal soloists from Boston. The band also played for the dancing on the tennis court.

It is estimated that about 1500 people attended the lawn fete and about 30 cars were parked. The police were assisted in parking the cars by Clarence Wyman, Roy Brown and Charles Wilson. The B. & A. D. Fessenden Company furnished free the material used in the making of the booths, and wiring for lights, etc., also the labor of their men as electricians and carpenters.

Harbor.

Mrs. A. G. Stanwood and daughter, Miss Anna Stanwood, from Manchester-by-the-Sea, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bagley.

Mrs. C. H. Gerold, of East Boston, after a week's visit with the families of Mr. Bennett and Bagley, returned home on Monday. Mrs. O. R. Schultes and family, of East Boston, have been guests at James Bennett's.

Waldo Leahy, who has finished the summer term of school at Mt. Hermon, returned home on Tuesday.

G. A. Proctor has had his barn equipped with lightning rods.

Mr. Seward, of Chelsea, a former resident here, called on old friends and neighbors Monday.

On last Sunday James Bennett met with an accident with his car, whereby he broke one of the ankle bones of his right foot, necessitating a plaster cast and a month of quietness.

Mrs. Hattie Spaulding, of Nashua, is visiting Mrs. Anson Spaulding.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

There was a good attendance at the Alliance meeting on Thursday afternoon at the Unitarian church.

The speaker, Prof. Herbert L. Willer, gave an interesting talk on "The Near East Relief work." The native Armenians, who was to accompany the speaker, was not present. It was voted to collect more clothing for this work and bring the same to the next meeting, August 11. Mrs. Arthur Bumpus assisted as organist. Refreshments were served.

Leo Gendron is suffering from blood-poisoning in one of his hands, where he injured a knuckle.

Some time ago "A. W. Porter," of Alameda, Cal., a brother of Mrs. John Conant, gave the trustees of the public library a check for books. The trustees have bought the set of books prepared by the Literary Digest on "The World War." Mr. Porter has

from time to time shown his interest in the Shirley library in a substantial manner.

A modern bleaching plant is being installed at the Samson Cordage Works who hope later to do their own dyeing. Other improvements are a public bathhouse for employees with both tubs and showers. Repairs are also being made on the chimney, which is the highest one in town.

Baseball fans were disappointed on Thursday evening when the game scheduled was called off because it looked like rain. The Westminster boys were on hand early but the local team did not materialize. Opponents this Saturday afternoon at three o'clock on the town playgrounds.

The Samson Cordage Works ball team won from a Camp Devens team on the local grounds last Saturday afternoon and again crossed bats at the camp on Wednesday evening, the score being tied at six runs each when the game was called on account of darkness.

Freeman Rouse is trimming the large shade trees around the home of Mrs. Myra Ely. One tree, on the Chapel street side, has attracted considerable attention as it was badly decayed and has been given the necessary attention to preserve it, thus keeping the symmetry of line unbroken.

Mrs. James P. Tolman and daughter, Mrs. Carter, are at their summer home on Clark road. Mr. Carter comes for the week-ends.

Sylvester Chesborough is confined to his home with a quinsy sore throat.

Fred S. Brown is having an enforced vacation caused by a heavy plank dropping on his foot.

Mrs. Ashton, wife of Capt. Charles O. Ashton gave a bridge party Thursday evening in honor of Capt. Ashton's birthday. After playing bridge two hours the rest of the evening was spent in dancing. Capt. Ashton was presented with a sabre and belt. Refreshments were served.

Joseph Gilbert, a former resident of this town, passed away in a Manchester hospital and the body was brought to Shirley on Thursday. Mr. Gilbert worked while here in the leather department of the President Suspenders factory. He moved to Wilton, N. H., about nine years ago. He had been sick over a year, and was in the hospital about two months. Funeral services were held on Friday morning at nine o'clock in St. Anthony's church with burial in St. Anthony's cemetery. He was thirty-nine years old and leaves two sons, his wife having passed away about six years ago. Other relatives are two sisters, Georgianna Severo, of Sanford, Me., and Mrs. William Bulger of this town.

Mrs. Orrin Oliver has returned from a week spent with friends at the beach.

There will be another band concert at the village on Wednesday evening, August 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Smith and daughter left Friday to spend the week-end at Beachwood, Me.

Thomas Rolfe, who has been working in the machine room at the Samson Cordage Works, has moved his family to Flat Hill, Lunenburg.

The concert given on Wednesday evening by the President Suspenders shop band was unusually good and the number of people who came by auto increases each week. Two weeks ago a soldier from Camp Devens was seen standing in a listless position with his blouse over his arm while the band played "The Star Spangled Banner." This week it was a soldier from the camp who having noticed before that the man with the popcorn wagon paid no attention to the piece being played asked him why he did not remove his hat, but did not get a very satisfactory answer. It would seem that any American citizen might take time to remove his hat while "The Star Spangled Banner" is being played. In these days of Americanization how can we teach it better than by example, especially to the young?

The young ladies of the Samson Cordage Works office force surprised Miss Gladys Peterson with a miscellaneous shower on Wednesday evening at her home in honor of her approaching wedding. A white bell was suspended from the ceiling in the dining-room, and in the center of the table a doll bride was very attractive. Ribbons were carried from the bell to all parts of the house and grounds and to each was attached a gift, accompanied by an appropriate verse. The gifts included Pyrex cooking dishes, aluminum kitchen ware and others, some useful and other only humorous. Miss Peterson, who had been spending the day in Leominster, arrived home with Mr. Whitney and his parents to find everything ready. After all the gifts were gathered punch, ice cream and cake were served.

LITTLETON

News Items.

The correspondent wishes to correct the statement, made in last week's issue that Miss Hazel Bradlee has a position in Boston, as she was misinformed.

Littleton farmers are not doing the usual business with the apple markets in nearby cities, but some of the fruit-growers have realized good prices from the few early apples sold. Haymaking is attention now, and many will have completed their harvest by the end of the week if the remaining days are as favorable as the first of the week.

Several members of Troop C, 3rd United States Cavalry, from Fort Ethan Allen, who will serve as President Harding's official escort in the tercentenary parade on Monday, stopped in Littleton on their journey to Plymouth. Besides their cavalry horses they had several mules.

Owing to lack of time for proper rehearsal the Nashobah male quartet will be unable to sing at the service on Sunday. The members are assisting with the mixed choir and hope to sing as a quartet at the Unitarian church early in the fall.

Helen and Gordon Derby, who have been living with their uncle, E. A. Flagg, for several weeks, have gone with their father to his people in Lynn, N. H., where they will remain next month. Derby expects to return in a month and take the children to his home in Indianapolis.

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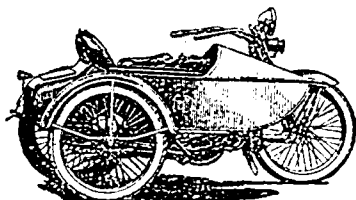
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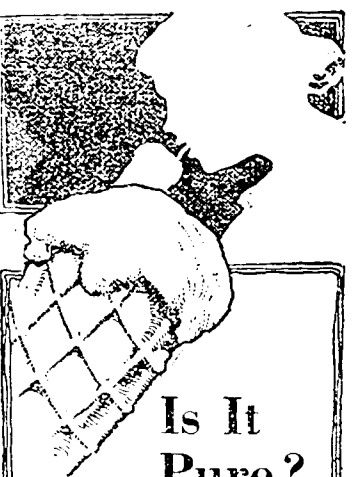
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SHIRLEY

News Items.

Mary Walsh of Framingham is a guest this week of Miss Madeline Desmond.

Bertie Tatro was in town Sunday. He only made a short call.

Frank Lawrence lost his horse Monday morning just as he was finishing mowing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Dalrymple of Worcester were guests Sunday of Mrs. Dalrymple's father, Henry Sawell.

Jack O'Donnell lost the end of his little finger at the first joint on his left hand while at his work Monday in the finishing room at the Sanson Cordage works.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kelley and Mrs. Maguire and Mr. and Mrs. John Maguire and son spent Sunday at Revere beach, going by auto.

Miss Madeline Desmond is assisting in the office of Wiley and Desmond of Ayer in the absence of the regular office girl.

Many people are making repairs on their homes as prices are a little better. Mrs. Vern Ballou is having her piazza enlarged and house painted. Arthur Welch has had a bathroom fitted up. Henry Sawell has given his building a coat of paint and Parmenter is putting a coat of paint on the buildings of Charles Peterson.

Mrs. Francis Rich is visiting friends in Gardner. She is not to live with Mrs. Francis Herson any more.

Chesler Hooper will arrive home the first of next week for a two weeks vacation. The Western Electric Co. for which he is working is an automatic inspector in New York, after his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith were guests the first of the week of her mother, Mrs. George Adams.

Ernest H. Parker of Pepperell, plaintiff in the substitution returned to his work Monday after a two days' vacation.

Mrs. Malvina Mithell and children arrived at cottage in Winthrop.

A son was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Kinsie at Mary Gorman at the home of Michael Gorman.

A daughter was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Alessandro Gorman at Harvard road.

New telephones installed at Mrs. Arthur Welch, 22-2; John Seymour, 4-11; David Goozey, 14-11; H. Davidson, 1-12; Mrs. Stella McKee, 25-2 and Mrs. Julia Riley, 6-12.

About fifty young people gathered at the home of Sylvester Thomas on Tuesday evening to celebrate the sixteenth birthday of his daughter, Annie. Games and music made the time pass quickly. Mr. Thomas presented his daughter with a gold wrist watch and refreshments were served.

Set. and Mrs. William H. Childerton announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth, to Harry A. Martin, private in the 25th Infantry.

Mrs. Louise Butler is spending two weeks with Miss Martha Hunter.

Charles Stobbs has returned to his duties at C. R. White's store after a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Conant leave this Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Walden Conant of Littleton for a few days' stay and will attend the pageant.

Mrs. Edwin Conant spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. L. N. Damon, at Gardner.

Barry Fissette, who has been visiting his sister, Anna, is spending the week with his aunt, Mrs. Murray Bagley, in Loomis.

Anna Fissette is spending the week with her uncle, Eugene Fissette, in Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turner and Mrs. McDonald of Barre were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brockleman.

Muriel, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Russell Miner, enjoyed a happy birthday Monday. In the afternoon Marjorie Wolf, Marjorie Greenfield, Elizabeth Brockleman and Helen Weeks were invited in and helped the young hostess to celebrate. Games were played and ice cream, cake and cake were served. A birthday cake with five candles was the center of attraction. Gifts of candy, games, handkerchiefs, money and a silver

teaspoon, mother's pattern, and marked "Muriel" were received by the little girl.

Miss Dorothy Jubb and Frances Clark of Ayer spent the week-end with Miss Marion Jubb.

Mrs. Mary Sleeper has as guest, her granddaughter, Elizabeth Sleeper, of Attleboro.

Mrs. Charles O. Purdy gave a bridge party on the lawn at her home Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Bond, a recent bride of Capt. T. G. Bond. There were six tables of bridge and a few more for tea. First prize went to Mrs. Ruby Smith, a Dutch silver nut bowl, second prize to Mrs. LaVelle, silver teapot. Punch, ice cream and cake were served by the hostess.

Baseball.
In a game featured by heavy hitting Shirley A. A. defeated Harvard A. A. on Bromfield school grounds last Saturday by a score of 11 to 7. Shirley gathered in fifteen hits for a total of twenty bases, scoring five runs in the fifth inning and driving Bridgeford from the box. The feature of the game was a home run by Maloney in the ninth inning. Two runs made by Harvard in the seventh inning were as the umpire called a ball that struck at least five feet over the foul line a fair ball.

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of town government since the earlier days, and pointed out many of the ways in which the state furnished means for the solving of what were formerly very serious town problems. Following Mr. Adams' address was the usual period for questions and discussion, which brought forth some more of the interesting points connected with this subject. Robert H. Holden, the Forum speaker, reported a small balance on hand to start the season with. Charles E. Goodspeed presided over the meeting and introduced the speaker.

Ulysses Wilson and family are occupying the Blair house at Woodsville for a few days.

Walter Rettberg, of Newwood, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Arthur H. Jubb, Holden road.

Mrs. John D. Moulton, who has been spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Adams, returned Sunday to her home in Lunenburg.

Mrs. Etta Derby, of North Loomis, spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Holden.

Mrs. Elmer E. Wilkins, at Woodsville, spent the week-end with relatives in Nashua.

Mrs. Ruth Clark, of Springfield, arrived this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves, for a short visit.

The Catacumaug Camp Fire Girls returned home last Saturday after spending a week in camp at Dunstable, under the direction of their guardian, Miss Mildred Davis. They wish to thank all who assisted by means of donations or otherwise in making their trip so successful and pleasant.

Mrs. G. L. Snow entertained her sister from Newton over the week-end.

The meeting of the Grange for the first Tuesday in August will be omitted, the next meeting occurring on August 16. This meeting will be neighbors' night, and Prescott Grange from Pepperell has been invited to neighbor with Shirley on this occasion.

The Ford touring car owned by Ira Lines, at the North, was damaged on last Sunday night at Whalom as the result of a collision with a Ford roadster owned by George Corey, of Fitchburg. Each car lost a wheel, besides receiving damaged mudguards, but none of the occupants were injured.

Forum Speaker.

Payson Smith, state commissioner of education, who was to address the meeting of the Shirley Center Forum on Sunday evening, July 31, unfortunately will be unable to be present, as he is away on his vacation. He has, however, made arrangements to have William D. Parkinson, principal of the state normal school in Fitchburg, take his place. Mr. Parkinson is a graduate of Dartmouth college and for twenty years served as superintendent of schools in the city of Waltham. He also served in a similar capacity at Amherst, and more recently has held the position of agent with the State Board of Education.

His experience in educational matters has been extensive and has covered a considerable period of time, and he should be well able to handle the subject of "Education" in an interesting and comprehensive manner. Following his address there will be the usual time for questions and discussion.

The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 and everyone is invited to be present. It is hoped that the good attendance of last Sunday will be repeated and that more of the surrounding towns will be represented at the meeting.

LITTLETON

News Items.
Robert Kimball announces the engagement of his daughter, Gladys, to Dr. Benjamin White Seaman of Haverhill, N. Y.

Mrs. Elma Hartwell entertained the Littleton Girls' club at her home on King street last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Conant, Mrs. A. H. Gardner and Mrs. P. C. Hartwell visited the Littleton's former home in Littleton, N. H., last Friday and on Sunday brought with them more than a hundred and a half of the season's produce.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tidman are the parents of a baby girl, Ruth Marie, on July 13.

Harold Shepard has recently accepted an attractive offer as movie operator at one of the Lowell theaters.

The Christian Endeavor union enjoyed a fine time at Long Pond Saturday afternoon and evening. A fine address was given by Mr. Wells and there was much singing by the company in the evening, which added greatly to the program for the occasion.

The six members and fathers at Long Pond are making the most of their opportunities and the crowds on evenings and Sundays are greater than in previous years.

Mrs. Gardner W. Prouty has been in Plymouth this week and Mr. Prouty will join her for the pageant this Saturday evening and over Sunday.

Mrs. Hilbert of Westford is visiting Mrs. F. S. Kimball.

One of Master Alward's children at the children has liphtheria.

Charles Wrentham, who has been very sick, is now walking out a little daily.

Fred G. Row has moved into Harry Barker's house.

A heavy truck ran into the water-rough at the Common at midnight recently and knocked it off the base. The truck has since been removed.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Kimball and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fuller motored to Milford, N. H., last Sunday and spent the day with friends and former associates.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Conant and daughters, Misses Grace and Miriam Conant, motored to Plymouth this week and attended the pageant, which they describe as wonderful and a pronounced success. They were particularly pleased with the educational value, the spectacular effect, and the splendid moral worth of the pageant.

Misses Frances and Ada Eisner have returned from a week's visit with their sister in Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayward Hartwell recently spent Sunday in Newell. Mr. Hartwell has let an apartment to the Misses Freeman, who moved in two weeks ago.

George Hartwell and Edward McNiff started the last of last week on a motor trip to Niagara Falls.

There was a large company of young people at the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor picnic at Long pond last week Saturday afternoon and evening.

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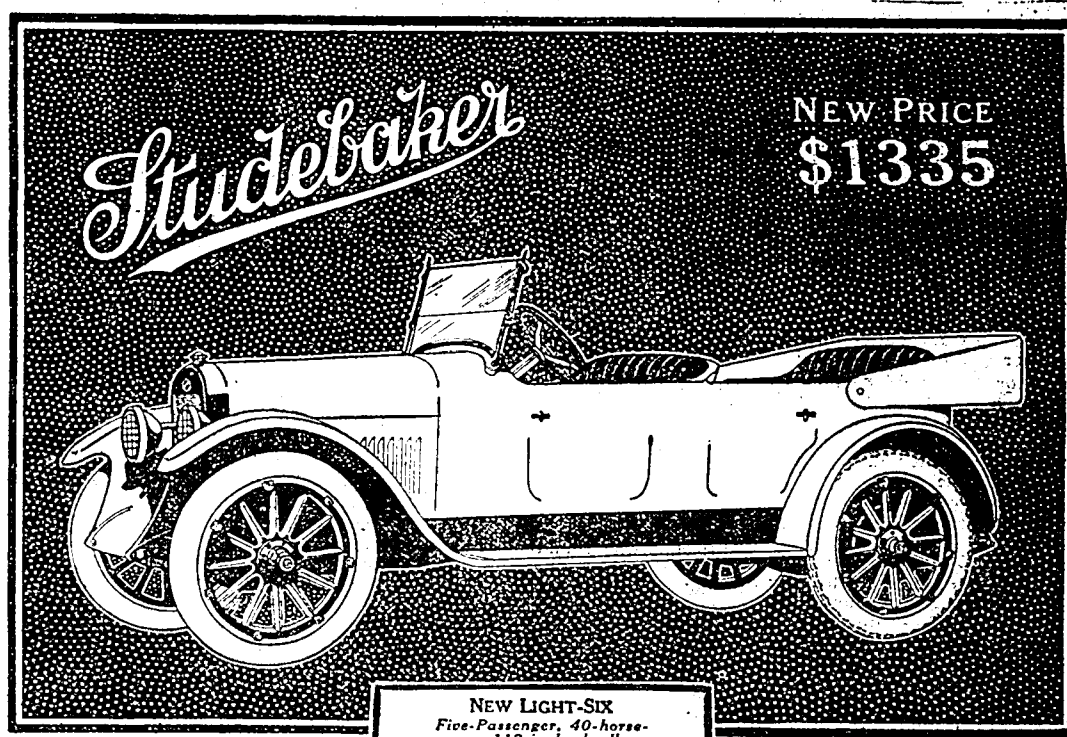
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Saturday, July 30, 1921

AYER

News Items.

Mrs. Gorham K. Brooks leaves Sunday for Weymouth, N. S., where she will visit Mr. Brooks' relatives.

Corps members are reminded of the regular meeting in Hardy's hall next Thursday evening. As many members are away on vacation, those remaining in town are asked to make a special effort to be present that necessary business may be transacted.

Miss Ethel M. Nixon returned Monday from her two weeks' vacation spent at Camp Maqua, Poland, Me., also enjoying a trip to the White Mountains, and stopping over Sunday with relatives in Beverly, taking a trip to Gloucester Monday.

Edward E. Backus has had Townsend added to his district. All matters pertaining to fish and game in Townsend will be referred to him.

Glenn Kidder has returned from a visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving W. Kidder, in Fitchburg.

John T. Sullivan has been enjoying a two weeks' vacation from his duties at the First National bank.

Thomas O'Meara is having a bathroom installed at his residence on West Main street.

Daniel W. Mason has ordered a Ford touring car.

Miss Victoria Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Johnson and Robert Messenger of Lynn were married last Sunday in Boston where both have resided for some time. Mrs. Messenger was formerly employed at the Hotel Devens and Soldiers' club. Mr. Messenger was in the army four years and at one time stationed at Camp Devens. He now holds a carpenter's position in Boston where they will make their home.

Miss Marie P. Cote of Springfield is home for a visit.

Lawrence Bowles of Rockland has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Oscar C. Rand.

The Pleasant and Washington street school buildings are undergoing repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Sawyer entertained Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White of Malden over the week-end.

Miss Mary Horan of Lowell is visiting her cousin, Miss Madeline Fitzgerald.

Among the local boys who are to take advantage of the citizens' military school at Camp Devens opening Monday Edward E. Sawyer, Jr., is enrolled.

Miss Emma Butterfield is visiting in Hollis, N. H., for two weeks with relatives there.

The Misses Marguerite and Alice Rand have returned from an extended visit in Rockland. Their cousin, Master Lawrence Bowles, returned with them for a short stay.

Harbinger lodge, K. P., celebrated their fourteenth anniversary last week Friday evening by visiting the Clinton lodge, K. of P. Fifteen members of Harbinger lodge served a luncheon which was followed by a short entertainment and speech-making by the various officers of the surrounding lodges.

The Ayer A. A. easily defeated the Camp Devens baseball nine Sunday in the local ball park by the score 11-2. Camp Devens boasted of an excellent ball team but the Ayer boys put a crimp in the soldier boys' sail, which could not be removed after Devens used three pitchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lawton have returned after a week's motor trip to Waldoboro, Me., where they had been visiting Mrs. Lawton's father, Mr. Richards.

The Eastern Concession Co. has opened an office in Carley's block. Frank Howard is managing this office. Michael Scully is at the Carney hospital, South Boston, where the leg that was crushed in an accident some time ago, developed another break. Mr. Scully's leg has again been put into a plaster cast.

Peter Devnany has returned to his duties on the B. & M. railroad after an extended layoff.

John McAuliffe is out again after being confined with a severe sore throat.

Mrs. Blanche Whitney, Miss Marah Whitney, Mrs. Mary E. O'Clair and Dudley Whitney visited Miss Helen Whitney recently at Peterboro, N. H., where Miss Helen is attending the Outdoor Players' school.

Kenneth Wheelock, who is employed by the Chandler Machine Co., has rented a three-room apartment at Dr. Butterfield's, and has moved his mother here from North Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lovejoy and Miss Mary B. Johnson of Lunenburg attended the meeting of Worcester County association at Whalom park recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Gilman have returned from a trip to Vermont.

Mrs. J. Murray Lynds, a former president of the Ayer Women's club, has been elected president of the Lunenburg Women's club.

Miss Helen D. Whitney is to remain at Miss Loughton's summer school in Peterboro, N. H., through August.

Capt. and Mrs. Charles H. Crocker have returned from a visit with Mrs. Crocker's brother in Gloucester.

Mrs. S. N. Lougee left by auto last week Friday for two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. White of Ashby.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently from this vicinity: Ayer—Charles H. Hewes to Nelson E. Hewes at \$10,000.

Phelps et al. to Waldo Blood; George A. Sanderson to L. Whitcomb; Grotton—R. & M. railroad to H. B. Blood; Mack H. Blood to B. & M. railroad; Littleton—Fred O. Stiles to R. G. Houghton; Joseph Coco to G. Radosta et al.; Margaret S. Sullivan to J. J. Connelly et al.; Peterboro—George F. Parker to F. R. Bennett; Shirley—Fred O. Stiles to R. W. Hartwell; Townsend—George R. Gilchrist to A. M. L. Hildreth; Lunenburg—Mary Elizabeth Kimball to John K. Eager, and on new road to Fitchburg by Whalom lake and Hollis

street; Florence L. Putnam et al. to Norman C. Bigelow, land near Massapoog pond.

James M. Boutwell and family leave Saturday for their usual sojourn at Mt. View, N. Y., making the trip by automobile. They are to have as guests, Mr. Boutwell's sister, Mrs. Emma L. Wood, of Lancaster, and Harold Murphy. Their son, Rex, will drive his car over the route also. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Proctor will leave here with the party in Mr. Reynolds' car. They are to visit relatives in Albany, N. Y., and vicinity. At Lunenburg Mr. Boutwell's uncle, Ernest Narramore, and wife will join them and at Ashby Mr. and Mrs. Proctor will complete the tourist group. Mrs. Edward E. Sawyer is to visit the Boutwell camp next month.

Miss Margaret Eaton leaves Sunday for a vacation in Freeport, N. S.

Mrs. John H. Craig is visiting Mrs. Brown, formerly of Ayer, at her summer home in Old Orchard, Me.

James W. Oikie is seriously ill at his residence on Park street.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward H. Hopkins and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis E. Harlow and family left last Sunday for their summer home at Newfound lake, Bristol, N. H. The Harlow family returned Wednesday; the remainder of the party are to stay through the month of August. Dr. Herbert B. Priest will have charge of Dr. Hopkins' practice.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Kennison entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ide of Southbridge last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester C. Bruce and sons, Robert and Gordon of Worcester, Miss Angie E. Kendall of Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Evelyn Dunbrack of Jersey City, N. J., were Sunday guests of friends here.

Silas N. Stone is sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to use a wheel chair on the piazza.

Miss Winifred Madden returned to her work in Boston Monday after a short absence.

William N. Bodah, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Bodah, is seriously ill. A trained nurse has the case.

Mrs. Robert MacDonald of Quincy and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Neill of West Somerville have been visiting their relative, Mrs. John W. Clisler.

Several of the local Shriners went to Boston Tuesday to attend the ball game.

Russell B. Chase is planning to spend his vacation in the White mountains with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Pitts.

Mrs. Edward Backus, who recently returned from the hospital, is gaining and is about doing her work as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White have been visiting with Mrs. Edward E. Sawyer. Mr. and Mrs. White are from Malden.

This Saturday the Strand presents Elaine Hammerstein in "The Miracle of Manhattan." The story of an unusual compact, which led to startling results, a thrilling tale of romance and adventure, enacted beneath the towering spires and minarets of "Big Dad on the Subway." Surrounding the star is a large supporting cast, including Matt Moore, Ellen Cassidy and Jack Raymond.

Mrs. Lena Seekin is recovering from an operation performed for adenoids.

Other Ayer matter on pages 2 and 4.

District Court.

On Saturday morning William Sparks of Shirley, an ex-soldier, who has been working at the Davis farm in Shirley, was before the court for having an unlicensed dog. He was found guilty and a fine of ten dollars and costs was imposed. He appealed, furnishing bonds of fifty dollars.

A larceny case from Grotton was continued for a week, as Special Justice Hayes was unable to be present and Special Justice Maloney, who represented the defence in the case, had to hold the court.

On Monday morning Leslie M. Kimball of Ashby was before the court on a non-support charge and his case was continued until Wednesday on request of his counsel, Attorney John D. Carney.

On Wednesday morning Leslie M. Kimball of Ashby was before the court for non-support of his wife, Mary F. Kimball, his case having been continued from Monday morning. His wife testified that he had given her no money for three weeks or more, the last he had given her being two dollars, which she received while visiting in Nashua. She stated that she was living with her uncle in Ashby and that her husband did not even speak to her, although he sometimes came to her uncle's house.

The defendant testified that he had had trouble with his wife and they had agreed each to go their own way. He stated that he was married to the complainant about twelve years ago, that he was at that time eighteen years of age while his wife was said to be thirty-seven. He said he had recently sold an automobile but that the proceeds were now gone and that he was working on a farm in Pepperell.

The court found him guilty and placed him on probation for six months on condition that he would pay five dollars per week toward the support of his wife.

Attorney John McGrath of Fitchburg appeared for the government and the defendant was represented by Attorney John D. Carney.

Will Abandon Camp Devens.

Six army cantonments will be abandoned by the war department Secretary Weeks announced Saturday. Two of the six are Camp Devens and Camp Meade, Md. The remaining four were not named. The secretary said one big cantonment somewhere in the south would be maintained permanently because of advantages due to climatic conditions.

True economy will be practiced by the department in reorganizing the army down to the 150,000 total fixed by congress for the enlisted strength. It was said. Many commands will be reduced to bare skeletons of their present size and kept at the old stations until they can be entirely eliminated and placed upon the "inactive list."

The secretary said he had cancelled orders permitting enlisted men to obtain discharges upon application during July. It was understood that appointments during the coming week, which had exceeded expectations of army officers in number and necessitated cutting off the outflow of the service.

Gen. McCain Retired.

Announcement was made by the war department Saturday that Maj. Gen. Henry P. McCain had been placed on the retired list. Gen. McCain is one of the best-known officers of the military service. He was adjutant-general of the army from August, 1914, until August, 1918, and had charge of the great work imposed

upon the adjutant-general's department during American participation in the world war. In August, 1918, he was appointed a major-general of the line and assigned to Camp Devens to command the 12th regular army division in training for overseas service.

Gen. McCain was born in Mississippi. After his graduation from West Point in 1881 he served in the infantry until he was made a major in the adjutant-general's department in 1906. He saw active service in the Philippines during the Spanish-American war and the Aguinid wars, participating in a number of engagements.

Gen. McCain was awarded the distinguished service medal for exceptionally meritorious and conspicuous service in administering the adjutant-general's department during the early period of the war. Through his efficient management this department was able to meet the excessive burdens placed upon it. He was awarded also the British honor of Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

13th Infantry Reduced.

The 13th United States Infantry, one of the oldest regiments in the service, once commanded by William Tecumseh Sherman before his promotion to general and the subsequent famous march to the sea, and with an enviable record extending through five wars, lost many of its well-known characters Saturday when three hundred members of the organization were given honorable discharges, following the recent policy of the war department to permit reparations from the service upon the request of

the individual in order to comply with the act of congress reducing the army to 150,000 men.

When the regiment first came to Camp Devens in February of last year its personnel numbered more than 2000 men. Through the medium of discharges by the ordinary manner and today's exodus, less than 500 men remain for duty with the organization.

One hundred more men will be released during the coming week, which will reduce its numbers to less than it has ever known since its organization.

The men discharged Saturday left immediately for their homes in various sections of the country, forty-one states being represented. Each man, in addition to his final pay, received the government travel allowance of five cents a mile to his bona fide place

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\$5.00 TROUSERS, sale price.....	\$3.49
\$4.00 TROUSERS, sale price.....	\$3.00

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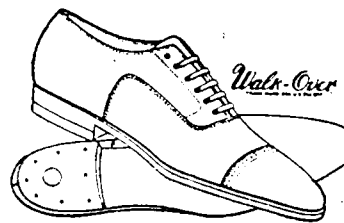
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The 36th Infantry, also at Camp Devens, expects to discharge about fifty men during the week on the same authority, which will conclude the large scale of discharges that have been handed out here during the past two weeks. The war department at first expressed some doubt as to the possibility of obtaining enough applications on this order to reduce the army from 225,000 to 150,000, but the rush has been so overwhelming from all sections of the country, that Secretary of War Weeks has become alarmed, and on last week Wednesday issued orders to commanding generals of all the corps areas that not more than thirty percent of the men under their respective commands would be discharged. Over 1000 of the men at Camp Devens applied, but not over 600 will be permitted to leave under this new ruling.

Although a large number of the men discharged Saturday were young soldiers with but little service to their credit in the army, there were many men with five and ten years of service. It is not thought by the commanding officer of the regiment, Col. F. S. L. Price, that they will remain in the army for a very extended length of time. General recruiting will be re-opened within a few months and before the end of the year doubtless, many will have found their way back into their former organization.

Supply Train Reaches Camp.

The first supply train, M. N. G., under command of Major John B. Atkinson, reached camp shortly after noon Saturday for a two weeks' tour of duty. Arriving close to the heels of the departing 9th infantry, they occupied practically the same area, bounded by 3d and 4th avenues. The units gathered at the North station and entrained for camp in the forenoon. Some of the trucks went down over the road, timing their arrival to coincide with that of the rest of the outfit.

Six men under a sergeant who had been assigned to the 9th regiment during their tour of duty are staying on for their own training period and had prepared the headquarters for the reception of the outfit. Immediately after their arrival the men drew bedsacks and filled them with straw and by nightfall were comfortably settled in their barracks.

The first supply train is virtually a reorganization of the "Yankee division" overseas outfit, being composed of former service men who fought with the 26th. Composing the supply train are:

First company, Springfield, Lt. Donald E. Temple, commanding; Lieut. Walter D. Van DeWolk.

Second company (motorized), Worcester, Lieut. James H. Sheeran, Lieut. William Mobbs.

Third company (repair section), Everett, Lieut. Joseph W. Harrington, commanding.

Fourth company (wagon section), Boston, Capt. Perley L. Smith, Lieut. Harold J. Crocker.

Fifth company (wagon section), Lawrence, Capt. Leon C. Waite, Lieut. John E. Wheeler.

The new outfit is equipped with five five-ton trucks, several light repair trucks and other vehicles necessary. Convoy drills will be held and the retraining of Liberty motors will be included in the two weeks' training. An athletic program has been arranged which will create competition among the companies. The motor repair work is under the direction of Major Ralph Holiday, inspector-instructor of the United States army.

Col. Herrinshaw, chief of the motor transport service of the United States army, and Col. Foote, chief inspector of the state guard, reviewed the unit Wednesday. A lecture, "The higher aspects of motor transport service" was given Wednesday evening by Col. Herrinshaw.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.**News Items.**

Rev. A. B. Ebbitt, George Nye, Charles Sweeney, George Davis and Harlan Whitcomb attended as delegates the annual convention of Hillsboro County Sunday School association at Milford, N. H., last week.

Morton Rhlen of Fitchburg, Mass., has a very fine canoe on the lake.

C. R. Russell and Edward Lancy are having new chimneys installed at their homes. The work is being done by C. H. Robbins of Milford, N. H.

Junior and Elmer Corey are spending the week-end with their aunt, Edith Lawrence, at Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris of Boston are spending two weeks with Walter Corey.

Miss Mary Dodge has been a recent visitor at Leonminster.

Mrs. Charlotte Wright was a guest at Nashua last Tuesday.

Mrs. Cella Powers spent a few days in Boston last week.

Mrs. Minnie Maxwell and daughter, Helen Rockwood, went to Boston on Wednesday morning to return one lot of fresh-air children and brought back seventeen.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown, Forces Hall of Brookline, Miss Florence Corlies and mother of Mount Vernon are spending two weeks at Cape Ann.

Mrs. Charles Gilson has two boys from Boston boarding with her for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphy Hall motored to Cape Ann on last Sunday.

Donald Rhin and John Stultz of Brookline, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Rhin.

Miss Thelma Perkins has returned home from Milford, where she has been spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perkins.

The heavy showers of Wednesday night struck the home of Eldo Shattuck, but did not do very much damage.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whitcomb of Keene, N. H., spent the week-end with James Gilson and mother.

Miss Frances Farnsworth is assisting at the home of Mrs. Belle Hall.

Miss Margaret Hadley, with friends from Cambridge, spent the week-end at Edward Hadley's summer home.

Miss Marion Styles has returned from York beach, where she spent two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Green and Dennis Ryan of Allston, Mass., spent the week-end at Edward Farnsworth's.

Wilfred Ouellette and friend from Lowell, Mass., spent the week-end at Walter L. Parker's summer home.

Miss Mary Brown is spending her vacation with her father, William Brown, in Milford, N. H.

Mrs. Wilma Cardwell and son from Allston, Mass., are spending a few days with Mrs. Elizabeth Bridges on Milford street.

Mrs. Ella Rockwood was a guest at Pepperell on Saturday.

Mrs. John Lover and granddaughter, Grace Sterns, spent the day at Nashua.

The Girl Scouts met at the home of Mrs. George Dodge on Friday.

Miss Mary Dodge is assisting at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Gilmore.

Matthew Burke has returned to his work at Pepperell, after having been confined at his home for the last week with a piece of steel in his neck, which proves to be very painful.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dodge and son are spending the week-end at George Dodge's on Main street.

Mrs. Charlotte Wright is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Whitcomb of Keene.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greeley and family and Ethel Taylor motored to Boston on Sunday.

The Methodist church held their annual fair Tuesday evening, July 26, one of the best for many years.

HOLLIS, N. H.**News Items.**

Mrs. McLeod and daughter, who have been spending some weeks with Mrs. McLeod's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Reed, have gone to Manchester, where Mr. McLeod is employed.

Mrs. George Eaton received word Saturday night that her husband was ill with typhoid fever in a hospital in Washington, D. C. Since then she has received word from him that he is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garon of Manchester were guests at the VanDyke home over Saturday night. On Sunday, they with Miss VanDyke, motored to Lowell to visit friends for the day.

Miss Mary J. Hale comes to her home here the last of the week from Nashua, where she has spent the winter.

Mrs. Addie Hale and daughter, Maud, will move into her house to care for her.

Charles Fletcher, who lives in the north part of the town, and his housekeeper, Miss Colburn, have been having a series of accidents recently. A week or more ago they were taking a cow to pasture and had her tied to the back of the wagon. In some way she tipped the wagon over, throwing them both out. The horse broke away and ran. Mr. Fletcher had a long gash cut in his head and Miss Colburn had one bone cracked in one of her arms. Last Saturday they started to drive to Milford. The horse took fright when Miss Colburn raised her parasol and ran away, throwing them out again. This time Mr. Fletcher had several of his ribs cracked, and Miss Colburn had a deep gash cut in her head that bled profusely. Their injuries, though not serious, are painful and they are badly shaken up.

The Misses Louise Maharman, M. A. French and Helena Ensign of Dorchester and Alice Shedd of Waverly are boarding at Irving Messer's.

Mrs. Estelle Hyde Richardson announces the marriage of her daughter, Elizabeth Florence Hyde, to Carl Huntress Moulton Saturday, July 23, at Canterbury, N. H.

Mrs. William Sanders and Miss Clara Smith have charge of the Girl Scouts, who are in camp at Silver Lake this week.

Dudley Lawrence announces the engagement of his son, Frederick Lawrence, to Clara Johnson, formerly of Hollis, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson of Nashua.

Mrs. Nellie Lougee is spending her vacation at home.

Miss Ethel Goodwin is at home.

Winston Henry is the name of the little son born to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Parkhurst last week.

The lawn party held by Avalon lodge of Robokahs on the Common

last week Friday night was fairly well attended. There were booths for home-cooked food, candy and a grab bag. Chinese lanterns were strung around that part of the Common where the booths were, making it bright and festive. One feature was the guessing how many blueberries there were in a box, the berries to go to the winner. Herman Whitshier guessing nearest, got the box of berries.

Miss Marion Howe, who is in training at the Memorial hospital in Nashua is at home ill with tonsillitis.

Mrs. Helen Powers Kline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Powers, is in a hospital in Amsterdam, N. Y., for an operation.

Mrs. Howard Barnard and Mrs. Archie Colburn have charge of the play to be put on for the entertainment and sale of the Ladies' Reading and Charitable society August 25.

There were 800 people at Morrill's grove last Sunday, a record number so far. This resort seems to be growing more and more popular. Between 150 and 200 bathers have been counted in the water to one time. The quiet Sundays of old Hollis seem to be a thing of the past, a thing to be regretted by many.

Little Doris Flagg is home from the hospital and shows marked improvement. Later she will be taken back to the hospital to be under observation for a time.

Mrs. Francis Lovejoy and daughters, Hazel and Doris, motored to Revere beach Sunday.

There are fifteen little folks attending Miss Robbins' dancing school Thursday afternoons.

Mrs. Ellen H. Lovejoy celebrated her eighty-first birthday Thursday. In the afternoon between four and five she was at home to some of her friends. Afternoon tea was served by her daughter, Miss Deborah E. Lovejoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clapp, Jr., was in town Monday on business.

Luther Tarbell spent the week-end with his wife at Frank Clement's.

Joseph Munn and family, who have been visiting at Mrs. Woodin's, returned to their home in Melrose Highlands Sunday.

Edward Brooks, with his wife and two children, and his mother, are visiting his aunt, Mrs. George Woodin.

Miss Emma Butterfield of Ayer is a guest at the Worcester farm.

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Worcester, who has been restricted to her bed by illness, is better.

The dances that were advertised to be held at the town hall during the summer, have been given up on account of poor attendance.

Questionnaires about the kitchen are being sent out by the Farm bureau to the housewives of Hollis.

Those receiving them are asked to fill them out and send to Mrs. Robert H. French, being sure to sign their names, as it is necessary when Miss Beggs comes later on to carry on the work to know from whom they come.

Miss Dorothy Farley is assisting Mrs. Irving Messer.

Mrs. Walter Hayden and her father, Jason Young, are visiting friends and relatives in Vermont this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gates are at their own home for a few weeks while C. J. Nichols and family are at the Nichols farm.

Mrs. Jason Reed visited her brother in East Weymouth, Mass., recently.

George H. Coburn is spending his vacation in Berlin, as the guest of his cousin, Thomas Rodgerson. Mr. Coburn went to Boston last Saturday, taking the boat for Portland, and going north from there.

Mrs. Sally Lawrence, who has been spending the month with her mother at the Clark cottage, returned to her home in Boston Tuesday. Leonard Lawrence will stay here for the remainder of the summer.

Miss M. Louise Stratton returned last Saturday from the library school at the New Hampshire State college, after a busy but enjoyable week. Miss Stratton considers the library school sessions of great value to librarians.

MASON, N. H.**News Items.**

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson of Shanghai, China, spent the week-end with Miss Belinda Jewett at Frank Farwell's in Sunny Valley.

Mrs. Conray Wharf and children are spending a few weeks' vacation with her mother in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Elliot of Brookline are visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Laura Washburn and Mrs. Guy Washburn and children enjoyed an outing at Pratt's pond Sunday.

Mrs. Dustin on Merriam Hill road, Greenville, entertained Mrs. Clark Grey and Misses Alice, Helen, Louise and Marion at her home Sunday.

A party of young folks from this town under the guidance of Rev. Mr. Dunbar enjoyed a motor trip to Mt. Monadnock last week.

Fred Jackson returned to his home last week, but will be obliged to go back to the hospital in the very near future to have one of his fingers amputated.

Ben Heal of Prentiss was in Boston recently to consult an oculist for treatment of his eyes.

Joseph Beck has purchased the Henry Newell farm.

The following are boarders at The Maples: Miss Grace LeBosquet of West Somerville, Mass., Mrs. E. F. LeBosquet, also of West Somerville, Mass., Mrs. John Sweeney and daughter, Dorothy, of Newton Highlands, while John Sweeney spent the week-end, Mrs. Julia Thomers of Marblehead, Mass., and Arnold Brown of Lynn, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Josie Green and daughter, Hope, Gale Green, Miss Helen Tucker and Miss Minnie Bailey of Marblehead motored here Sunday.

Mrs. Harriet Tucker, who has been boarding here for the past few weeks, returned home with them.

Dr. Hartwell of Greenville is having repairs made on the house owned by him at Mason Center.

Under the direction of Miss Mary Cunningham of Dorchester and Gertrude McGill of Marblehead, Mass., a fine entertainment was presented before an interested audience at the Community house in district 4 Friday evening, July 22. Acclaimed Emerson, Gertrude McGill, Mary Cunningham and Charley Emerson responded, in turn with songs, while recitations were ably given by the same little folks, including Miss Julia Robichaud of West Grotton, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. James K. Abercrombie of Dorchester are visitors in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hosmer and family have been visiting at the home

of Mrs. Hosmer's mother, Mrs. Annie Hosmer, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kimball and family returned to their home in Southboro, Mass., after spending several weeks' vacation at the Kimball farm in Sunny Valley. Mrs. Kimball will go from her home in Southboro to Edgartown, Mass., for the rest of the summer vacation.

Mrs. Herbert Loud, with her daughters, Ethel and Grace, of Everett, Mass., have been visiting at the Smith farm for a few days' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Albro Waite and Justine Hanson of Lynn, Mass., and Mrs. Hetty Oliver of Marblehead, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf and son, John, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Smith of Lynn, Mass., spent Sunday at the Smith farm.

Mrs. Alice Wright of New York and Miss Marion Tyler of Dedham, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Louisa at the Center.

Eather Asaden, who is employed at the Samson Cordage Works in Shirley, Mass., visited her mother, Mrs. Nellie Asaden, on the week-end.

Carrie Wright of Townsend has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farwell in Sunny Valley.

The Misses Alice, Helen and Louise Crathern have gone on an auto trip to Middlebury, Vt., and the White mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dixon called on friends in town recently. Mr. Dixon was formerly the postmaster at the Center.

Herbert Tyler of Somerville, Mass., Frank Hinkley of Cambridge and Earl Marshall of Dorchester are at the home of Mrs. Stanley Plagg for a few days' vacation.

Prof. John Dow and daughter, Francis, have been in town for a few days and while here have had their furniture removed to Reading, Vt., where he will spend his summer vacation with his family.

Several visitors and friends were entertained at the Adams farm Sunday.

Grange Meeting.

Fruitland Grange conducted its regular meeting Tuesday evening of this week. Many interesting points were brought out during the meeting. A fair will be held in the fall and the committee in charge will make plans for it in the very near future. After the regular business a fine literary program in charge of the Pomona was furnished, consisting of a discussion, "Which can the lecturer use to the best advantage, the critic, the kicker, or the good-natured, indifferent person?" opened by Flora, followed by members of general, piano solo.

Sister Gallagher; reading, Brother Farwell; singing, Grange melodies, by Grange quartet; reading, Sister Smith; reading, Brother Davis; clipping from Grange paper, by Worth Master H. H. Hill; discussion, "Which has the greater influence, an honest man without money or a dishonest man with money?" Brother J. E. Wilson and members; singing by all the members. "Red, white and blue," concluded the program.

HARVARD**News Items.**

Under the auspices of the Worcester County Farm Bureau there will be held at the home of Fred L. Avery at the South Shakers farm a poultry culling demonstration. Prof. J. C. Graham of Amherst college will have charge. Permanent records will be kept both before and after the culling. Poultry keepers here will be interested to learn how to cull their flocks so as to rid them of boarders and keep only the profitable birds. This is to be held on Thursday, August 4, at ten o'clock in the morning.

Last Saturday the Harvard A. A. played Shirley A. A. on Bromfield grounds, the game resulting in the score of 11 to 7, in favor of Shirley. This Saturday the same teams play in Shirley.

Regular church services will be held on Sunday at the Unitarian church. Rev. George Kent will preach. Mr. Thayer will sing and Miss Blanche Emerson will assist with her violin. During August the church will be closed and members and friends of the parish are extended an invitation to unite with the congregational church services. During Mr. Dyce's vacation, which will come during August, the pulpit will be supplied with interesting speakers. The chorus choir, assisted by soloists, will furnish music for these services.

The Calkins twins, Robert and Dorothy, celebrated their second birthday anniversary at their home on last Saturday. Mrs. Calkins prepared a sand pile for their special amusement under the big elms on the lawn. Those who attended as guests were Barbara Arnold, Esther Keyes, Charles Brown, Bernice Cleaves and Barbara Bryant. They were attended by their mothers who seemed to enjoy the party as much as the youngsters. Misses Margaret and Barbara Calkins assisted their mother in entertaining. Ice cream and cake were served.

Miss Rose MacLennan left last Sunday for Providence, R. I., where she will visit for two weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gray, and family.

Miss Lillian Jones and Erwin Butterfield, of Somerville, were guests last week of Barbara and Buddy Rhonstock at their home on Lovers' Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cobb with their children, Mildred and Richard, returned Thursday after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lucey at Mt. Desert Island, Me. During their absence Edgar Cobb attended to affairs at "Questond."

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bryant are camping in the Wilson cottage at Bare hill pond for the month of August.

Bromfield alumni held their annual Wednesday evening. The entertainment consisted of a mock graduation. Mrs. Alice Cleaves took the part of the principal and Ruth de Lord, Edgar Harrod, Lulu Olsen, Stella Hersey, Eleanor Merrifield, Fred Wrangham, Viola Parker and Alice Bigelow taking the parts of scholars. Their essays were unique and witty. Earl Turner with his silk hat and full beard was the trustee "Mr. Barber."

His talk to the "class" brought out roars of applause. Mrs. Louise Turner presented each graduate with a bouquet tied with huge ribbon. Refreshments were served and a large number attended.

Next Saturday, great special, Edwin Carey presents his all-star production, "Rio Grande," a romance of the border by Augustus Thomas in seven parts, a play of frontier life, a vivid picture of flaming passions along the Rio Grande, a colorful play, rich in atmosphere, lavish in settings, a drama whose message penetrates the hearts on the Rio Grande. Fifth chapter of "Velvet fingers" and News.

Wins a Raise and a Bride

By DOROTHY WHITCOMB

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"I beg to remain, lovingly yours, John P. Stevens," the man dictated, and Miss Keith, his stenographer, started round in her chair.

"Lovingly," did you say, Mr. Stevens?" she asked in surprise.

"Surely you are not going to write that to the Anderson Iron Foundry!"

John P. Stevens took the slim white hand which Miss Keith had laid upon the back of her chair and pressed it between his own. "No, my dear, I meant it for you," he said. "End the letter in the usual way."

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PEPPERELL

News Items.

The friends of Mrs. L. E. Starr in this and surrounding towns are glad to learn of her slight improvement. The little girl, Marion Starr, was taken down to Belmont to see her, by her request last week, on the date of her birthday, and was able to see her visitor for a short time, although all company is not allowed in the sick room at present. Mrs. Starr can now be raised in bed and there is a gain in other ways most encouraging.

Mrs. P. J. Hayes is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Fred Blood, from Springfield. Mrs. Blood had been visiting her brother, George Jenkinson, and family, in Milford, N. H., and the entire party motored down for a call Sunday afternoon.

Miss Edith Ericson, who recently came from Concord, N. H., to visit her friend, Miss Margaret Boynton, an associate with her at one time in the schools of New Boston, is remaining with Mrs. Ida Boynton in the temporary absence of Miss Margaret at South Wollfleet. While there, she will be at Halifax also, where Miss Flora Boynton is instructor at the summer school.

Miss Helen Hayes was taken back to Rochester last week by Mr. and Mrs. Hayes by auto, after a vacation here from her work in the Children's Home at that place.

Former friends and associates of Miss Jessie Swift were pleased to renew their acquaintanceship the past week, during the short time she was a guest in town with Mrs. Arthur Bartlett. Miss Swift came east to spend her vacation from her school at Laramie, Wyo., and has been visiting in New York state, and in Worcester and with her aunt, Mrs. Frank Hall, in Nashua, where she returned on Thursday. She intends going from there to Washington, D. C., on her way home to Keweenaw, Colo., where Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Swift now reside. Mr. Swift was formerly in the clothing business here, but is now conducting a grocery store.

John H. Holt, Mr. Lebanon, has been entertaining his brother, J. B. Holt of Lodi, N. H., who returned home this week.

Rev. R. W. Drawbridge and wife went away on Wednesday, as Mr. Drawbridge is to have his vacation through the month of August.

Mrs. M. M. Pond is at Scituate at the summer cottage of her brother-in-law, Dr. McCarthy.

E. D. Walker and family returned home last week from Ocean Park, Me. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Parker expect to occupy their bungalow with their family during August.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bannan are expected home the latter part of this week from a two-weeks' stay at the Wabasha, York beach, Me.

At the meeting of the Community Service club on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Mary Boynton, about thirty were present, including guests. There was a report of progress from the committee appointed for the membership canvass of the District Nursing association, which was satisfactory. Miss Boynton gave an instructive half-hour talk on her work as secretary of the W. C. S. in all the various branches. At the close the social committee, Mrs. Caroline Iken and Miss Ruth Wilson, served refreshments of wafers and tarts.

Mrs. M. D. Seaverns, who is still at the home of her sister, Mrs. Holt, is improving, and hopes soon to be able to discard her supports, used in walking.

Mrs. H. N. Tower is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Everts, Newton, a new arrival, at the Newton hospital, Albert Everts, Jr., being announced for Monday, July 18.

Mrs. Sydney Tower is acting as housekeeper in the absence of Mrs. H. N. Tower. Dr. Percy Miller and family are at his old home in town, Park street.

Miss Fletcher from Waltham and Miss Margaret Gilmore from Dorchester have been the guests of Mrs. William Jewett, Pleasant street.

Several papermill hands have gone to Franklin, N. H., to be employed by the International Paper Co., who have had three mills there, all idle, and much damaged by the recent strike.

The end of the year under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Fred Chapman, who meet at her home on Park street, have organized themselves into a club, to be known as the Junior Community club. The president of the club will be Hazel Chapman, the vice president, Catherine McLean, and the secretary, Constance O'Brien.

At the last appointed meeting on Thursday of last week there was a small attendance, probably on account of the weather.

Walter Bosworth went to Danvers last week visiting friends and may remain in that vicinity if a situation offering inducement is secured.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Attridge and four sons left early on Sunday morning to motor through to Old Orchard, Me., intending to spend two weeks at Ocean Park.

News was received last week of the serious accident which a former resident, Mrs. Harriet Guterson, sustained at her home at Waltham from slipping and injuring her hand seriously in the fall.

Frank Bennett took a party of friends to Rindge, N. H., on Friday of last week blueberrying and went up again on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Buck from Orono, Me., came Saturday for a visit with Mrs. Buck's mother, Mrs. D. A. Weston, Pleasant street, and at the home of their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Parker's residence on Brookline street is materially improved by the large outer piazza, which has been thrown across the entire front of the house. It is about 10x50, and affords ample space for an outer living-room, entrance and dining-room as it is to be enclosed.

Mr. Carlin from Clinton is doing the carpenter work and the wiring is to be done later by the workmen from the Electric Co.

The harness stock of the late Albert Lawrence is to be disposed of by a ten-days' sale by the purchasers, Kemp & Bennett, followed by an auction.

John T. Sullivan of this town returns to his duties at the Ayer bank this week after a vacation of two weeks.

The county commissioners were in town on Friday to arrange some of the public affairs. The mill company has been given a reasonable time to consider their proposition, and it is expected that a survey will now be made for a re-location, as the grading has not proved a success. Although nothing definite is yet known, it is probable the re-location of the street will run parallel to the present street, joining the old street near the Hunt house, close to the private way leading to High street.

Nelson Archambault, who has purchased the Peck cottage on Crescent street, is occupying the same with his family. His brother, John Archambault, and wife, their goods coming here last week by auto truck from Brandon, Vt., instead of the place formerly given, by error. Their brothers, Fred and Henry Archambault, and Emil Lero, came here with them.

Mrs. J. S. Marshall and daughter, Mrs. Frank Marshall and children, recently came from Somerville and Melrose to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Chapman, Elm street.

At the all-day meeting of the D. A. R. at their chapter house on Thursday was a pleasant gathering, ten being present at lunch time, and about twenty-five at the afternoon session for the annual pilgrimage in August, which will probably be taken to Marblehead and Salem this year, were under discussion. The pilgrimage and outing committee will have charge.

We note that in Shirley and Milford, N. H., the question of relieving the congestion of the centrally located schools, has come up, the same as in Pepperell. Milford parents desired to have one of the district school buildings reopened and the school board have voted to do so. Shirley also desired to have a district school reopened.

At the meeting of the Community Church Workers on Tuesday afternoon in the church parlors the reports from the recent July sale were very satisfactory. It was voted to adjourn until Tuesday, September 13.

A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Carter on Friday, July 22. Raymond Cook from Chelsea and his wife, who are guests at Charles Card's, Bayline street.

F. H. Parker has returned to his duties as night superintendent of the Shirley Electric Co., after a two weeks' rest at home and on short motor trips.

Supt. George P. Campbell is expected at his summer farm on Heald street. He recently returned to Shirley from the hospital following an operation.

Miss Ada Spaulding, formerly of this town, came from Worcester the latter part of last week for a short visit.

The Pepperell A. A. baseball team trimmed the Nashua Asbestos shop team here at the playground Sunday afternoon, before one of the largest gatherings of the summer, to the tune of 3 to 2. It was a good close game and about 800 fans were there to see it.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Morgan, who have recently purchased the A. D. Hayes place, Townsend street, will not take possession for about a month. Their residence nearer Pepperell is very pleasing to townspeople and the house, which was modernized by Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, is well adapted to their ideas, although not "fairly new."

Miss G. W. Pierce is visiting in Lexington, returning on Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Kelley, after their visit here over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Willoughby and four children moved here from their home in Leominster on Saturday of last week. Mrs. Willoughby and the two younger children, Rodman and Frances, remained here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Robbins and Mr. Willoughby and the two older children, Lorraine and Russell, went on to Manchester, N. H., to visit his brothers there. On his return here on Sunday he was met by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Willoughby and family for a visit.

Mrs. E. S. Greenache and little daughter, Eleanor, and little friend, Ariene Munson, with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boulla and two children, are stopping at Hampton beach for two weeks.

Miss Lizzie Jordan returned here to her home on Crescent street last Sunday from Boston. Her niece, Mrs. Julia Jones, and children, accompanied her.

The Pepperell Card shop was shut down Wednesday for lack of stock.

The August meeting of the Woman's Branch Alliance will be held at the residence of Mrs. A. S. Woodward, Mill street, Thursday, August 4. It will be an all-day meeting, devoted to a business session in the morning. The speaker will be Norman D. Fletcher, now holding a pastorate in Shirley for the summer. He will take for his topic "The problem of war."

Miss Catherine T. Flarity, of Newburyport, is visiting at the Hayes home on the South road with her niece, Miss Mary Hayes.

Mrs. Michael Drumm and little grandson went to Worcester over Sunday to visit the child's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Drumm.

Mrs. Myron Murphy, and the five-week-old son, who has been named William.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Kaulbeck came from Allston on Tuesday to spend a part of their vacation with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Geiger welcomed a seven-pound boy into their home on Tarbell street on Friday, July 22. At present Mrs. Rogers, the nurse, is there, with Mrs. Geiger's cousin, Miss Flynn, assisting with the house work.

Mrs. George G. Willett, from Lynn, recently visited at the home of Rainsford Dewar and the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Willoughby and children, from Manchester, N. H., with Mrs. Willoughby's sisters, the Misses Patterson, motored through Pepperell, Sunday, having enjoyed an outing at Silver Lake, and on their way to Groton. They made short calls on relatives.

Among the people interested in this vicinity who attended the Garden club picnic in Groton on Wednesday were Wm. P. Hutchinson, Andrew Blood, Florence Walker and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Olsen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Edwards have vacated their tenement on Main street, Mr. Edwards going to work in Franklin, N. H., and Mrs. Edwards will board for a while in Nashua, N. H.

The Sunday baseball game will be between the Internationals of Nashua and the Pepperell A. A.

Caleb Butler lodge of Ayer holds its picnic this year at the Martin Luther club grounds in Tyngsboro, and have invited the members of St. Paul lodge to join them, the invitation having been accepted. Any member desiring transportation may apply to J. G. Willey. The date is set for August 3.

There will be no meeting of the East Village Social club next week, Wednesday, the next date and place of meeting to be announced later.

Miss Annie Brown, of Auburn, R. I., is the guest of Miss A. M. Jordan at Blakesmore.

Mrs. Gertrude (Phelps) Dempsey, of Fitchburg, with daughter, visited here at the home of Mrs. H. A. S. Phelps on Tuesday.

News was received here on Friday of last week of the death of Mrs. Estella (Burkinkshaw) Jacques, at Agawam, on the preceding day. The services were attended by the pastor, Rev. J. S. Marshall, of this town. She was the widow of George Jacques, formerly a painter in town, and leaves two sons, Fred Jacques, of Brattleboro, Vt., and Clarence Jacques, of Agawam, with whom she has resided.

She also leaves a sister, Mrs. G. G. Willey, of this town, and a brother, Charles Burkinkshaw, of Oakville, Conn. Burial was in the Springfield cemetery.

The new foreman on the Nashua farm, taking the place of Mr. Kesh, who resigned, is to be Sydney Chave, formerly of this town, being foreman for years on the Lawrence place on Oak hill. He is expected in town on Saturday with his wife, two sons, Lester and Urquart, and Miss Marion will join them on fall, when she returns to Groton college, Boston.

Harvey Fletcher, from New York, came last Wednesday to join his wife, who has been stopping at Pinehurst for several days.

The Community Service club are to hold a dance in Prescott hall on Tuesday evening, August 2, as the first step toward their part of the District Nurses association. An entertainment will precede the dance.

Charles H. Miller has the contract for the renovating of the Hollis high school building, an addition also being included in the plans.

Chester Fuller and family moved Thursday from the Fuller home on Tucker farm with Mr. and Mrs. Fuller into the tenement over Brown's store.

The quarantine for scarlet fever at A. H. Harris' is removed, and the girls, Viola and Dorothy, with their mother, are rejoicing once more in their outdoor freedom after four weeks of confinement. Mr. Harris took them to South Merrimack, N. H., to the old home to visit Mr. Patterson and other relatives, Wednesday afternoon and evening, going with L. P. Shattuck by auto.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sullivan, Tarbell street, is to be called Florence. Mrs. Sullivan was formerly Miss Florence Riley, of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Denault have a new daughter, born Tuesday, July 26.

The Pepperell District Nurse association has been organized for ten years. It has become a habit and a good one to cultivate. The dollar for membership in the association will help keep the nurse for another year and fix the habit. Have your dollar ready next week when the canvasser calls.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darling entertained over the week-end their sisters, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Edwards, from Worcester; also, a nephew, Stanley Daulbeck.

C. C. Tucker and wife started for Washington, D. C., Friday. Mr. Tucker, who has a position in a settlement school in Kentucky, has been home on a vacation and is to resume his work there about August first. Mrs. Tucker is to accompany him as far as their daughter, Mrs. Bertha Simmonds' in Washington, with whom she will remain for a while. The Hindman school in Kentucky is but a day's journey from there.

The chapter house, D. A. R., will be open on Sunday from five to seven o'clock. The hostess will be the regent, Mrs. Boynton.

Community Church Notices. Sunday morning services at 10.30 with sermon by Rev. William Merrill of Putnam, Conn. The decorations will be furnished by members of Miss Piper's class. Church school at noon.

Thursday evening, August 4, regular meeting to the trustees in the vestry at 7.30 o'clock.

Friday evening, August 5, eight p. m., regular motion picture service with Harold Lockwood in "Pals first." Buster Keaton comedy, "Neighbors."

Community Church Notes. Instead of the usual August vacation the Community church of Pepperell has planned very interesting services. Rev. Boynton E. Merrill of Putnam, Conn., will conduct the service and preach Sunday morning, July 31.

On August 7, 14, 21 and 28, Rev. Francis E. Webster of Christ church, Waltham, will conduct church service and preach each Sunday.

On the first three Sundays of August the church school will meet at the same time as the church service, 10.30 a. m. to 12 m. The opening half-hour will be united, then the young people will sing and the school will adjourn to the vestry and be led in story-telling by Miss Mildred P. Forbes of Dorchester.

Miss Forbes is well qualified to make these stories most interesting and instructive, as she is a trained story-teller and one of the best in the Emerson School of Oratory and member of the faculty and an instructor in the school. She teaches teacher-training classes. She is an expert story-teller and her instruction along that line is most fascinating and gripping. She is also employed by the state of Massachusetts as instructor of story-telling for the Massachusetts University extension of the state house. She is an author of a book on story-telling. She has taught in the Daily Vacation Bible schools for three or four years with the greatest satisfaction. She has taught primary and junior Bible and is working through July in the large Congregational church of Lawrence. All visitors will be very welcome.

Too Fresh for City Drivers. On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherman, their son, Francis, and Misses Sherman from West Newton, motored here for a visit with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kennedy, River street. In the afternoon the party went down to the pasture where Mr. Kennedy on the Goodenough lot and the young ladies petitioned

Mr. Kennedy to drive his pretty gray horse in the buggy, the elders going auto. The young ladies were employed in the Boston offices, and somewhat out of practice on farm work, but it seemed an easy thing to drive a horse in the country.

Just when they began to realize their mistake is not known, but the Sunday, reaching the turn into the pasture the first, saw the gray go by at a good run, with the occupants calling loudly for assistance. The auto containing Mr. Sherman and Mrs. Kennedy was quickly in pursuit and other autos attempted to help as they saw the situation, and as the horse neared Primus it slacked up enough to turn the corner up South street and was caught by Mr. Sherman without any damage to the young drivers, only a bit of a downfall in their pride. They were soon recovered from their mistake, and as the horse was going to learn to drive, even such a spirited animal as the gray had proved to be.

The gray horse, which is so well-known here, was not injured by the run apparently, as it was working over the ground, and was too tired for such a quick trip. The horse behaved splendidly and with more experienced drivers the incident would not have taken place.

Death of Aged Resident. Mrs. John Hayes, widow of the late John Hayes, died, passed away after a brief illness on Friday morning, July 22.

Mrs. Hayes was born in Tipperary, Ireland, March 16, 1835, and came to this country at the age of fifteen years, making her home in Lowell, where she married her husband, John Hayes, in 1859. Subsequent to her marriage she lived in Harvard, and in 1868, with her husband, moved to her late home in Pepperell, where she has resided.

She was survived by two sons and a daughter—James B. John and William Hayes, of Boston, M. G. Hayes, of Acton, Francis G. Hayes, of Groton, and Mary E. Thomas B. Timothy, Edward E. and Patrick J. Hayes, of Pepperell. She also leaves a sister, Miss Catherine Flarity, of Newburyport.

Funeral services were held Sunday at St. Joseph's church, conducted by a relative of the deceased, Rev. Edward J. Pepprell. She also leaves a sister, Miss Catherine Flarity, of Newburyport.

Simmons Endowment Fund Dance. A very good attendance of young people and a few older ones filled Prescott hall on Tuesday evening, the date of the Simmons college dance, for the benefit of the endowment fund. The two Simmons college students, Misses Katherine Blood and Katherine Hobart, had charge of arrangements, and all pronounced the result excellent. The orchestra was composed of quite young performers but all were very good musicians.

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Auto parties were present from Brookline, and Nashua, N. H., with several attending from the house party from Pinehurst, and other summer people now in town. Altogether the crowd was a gay one, and the committee was able to report that the results exceeded their expectations. The tickets should receive special mention as Miss Hobart had very cleverly adorned them with the college colors, blue and gold, with a picture of the college appearing on one side, the whole presenting the appearance of a painted ticket, it was so well done.

The young misses feel that they have carried out the pledge to do their best to aid in the endowment fund and thank the participants at the party for their co-operation.

Boxborough. News Items. Mrs. Eva Davidson and children are spending the week in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hanscomb, of Melrose, are guests at the Braman farm during Mr. Hanscomb's vacation.

Arthur Houghton, of Worcester, visited at C. T. Wetherbee's on last Sunday.

Through the kindness of C. T. Wetherbee a truck load of old and young people enjoyed the lawn party at Stow last week Friday evening. Among those who went was Mrs. Mary Pratt, who, although over the eighty-year line by a year or two, attended three lawn parties during her ten-days' visit here and enjoyed them every bit as much as the young people.

Mrs. Mabel Hager and two children returned to their home in Clinton last week on account of the sickness of the son Roger. They will return here as soon as he is better.

The apple crop seems to be somewhat better than was predicted in early summer. Many have about a normal supply of early apples, and even Baldwins are proving to be not entirely missing.

Mrs. C. T. Wetherbee, Mrs. Herbert Livermore, Mrs. C. B. Robbins, Mrs. David Livermore, and Mrs. A. L. Wetherbee motored to Worcester on Wednesday and spent the day with relatives there.

The church is backing the latest move for community service in purchasing five acres of land for athletic and social purposes. The plans for the future include tennis court, pond, baseball field and in fact all that goes to make an attractive place for people to meet and enjoy themselves. The Grange, which is making special efforts for community service this year, will probably help in this project.

Church Notes. Interest continues to increase in the Saxons vs. Ford race. The Fords reached San Francisco last Sunday and are well on the return trip. The Saxons will reach their destination and start on their return on Sunday.

Ten of our young people enjoyed the Christian Endeavor picnic at Long pond, Littleton, last Saturday afternoon and evening. In the contests which were played by Foxborough, the first place with Littleton and Maynard tied for second place.

The meeting last Sunday evening in behalf of the proposed playground and athletic field was well attended and much interest was shown in the proposed project. Opinion was practically unanimous in favor of the athletic field, providing sufficient funds can be raised. It is proposed to purchase five acres of land at \$80 per acre, the same to be paid for in three equal annual payments. A committee of five, Burpee C. Steele, Edgar Mead, Arthur Nelson, Walter Livermore and George Richardson, has been named to take subscriptions upon this three-year basis, and bring in a report August 7, at 7.30 in the evening. It should be counted a privilege to help in this plan for community betterment.

To remove grease or oil marks from wall paper, apply paste of cold water and pipe clay; leave on all night and brush off next morning.

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BONES OF HISTORIC RACE

Anthropologists Intensely Interested in Discovery of Indian Skeletons in California.

New indications that California was once inhabited by a race of gigantic Indians was furnished when sewer diggers on Ferry and Howard streets, in the heart of the business district of Martinez, Cal., uncovered an Indian burial ground, with skeletons measuring more than seven feet.

Several skulls and one well-preserved skeleton are to be given over to the investigators of the anthropology department of the University of California. The skulls and skeletons are declared to be of highly important and scientific value.

Discovery of the burial ground has revived an old Indian legend that an immense treasure of gold nuggets was interred with a body of a chief of the ancient tribe of the giant Indians. So convinced are the residents in the truth of this legend that great crowds have thronged around the sewer diggers, largely hampering their activities, and more than a score of persons have applied to the municipal authorities for positions on the city's sewer-digging crew.

According to the ancient Indian legend, the vast gold treasure was buried in close proximity to where the bones were recovered.

Eight years ago William A. Latham, curator of the museum in Golden Gate park, San Francisco, declared that skeletons unearthed near Concord were the most valuable contributions to the scientific investigations of the state's prehistoric Indians.

The decorations in the church were very attractive and were arranged by Gladys Elwell, Mrs. Royal and M. C. Pollard, and they certainly deserve credit. A large birthday cake, presented by Mrs. Royal with a miniature model of the church building designed by Gladys Elwell was presented to Rev. and Mrs. Dyer with appropriate poem, where space forbade the customary candles, 100 in number.

Mr. Dadmun is arranging for space in the Boston Sunday Herald for a story of the day's celebration and a cut of the church and congregation.

New Advertisements. GEORGE H. RYAN starts Sunday night, July 31st to make regular trips to Boston with fruit and produce. Tel. 1148, Harvard.

CARD OF THANKS. We desire to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for all the kindnesses and sympathy shown us during the illness of our mother and at the time of her death.

Miss Mary Hayes, James B. Hayes, John Hayes, Patrick J. Hayes, Michael G. Hayes, Edward F. Hayes, Thomas B. Hayes, Francis G. Hayes.

East Pepperell, Mass., July 26, 1921.

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