

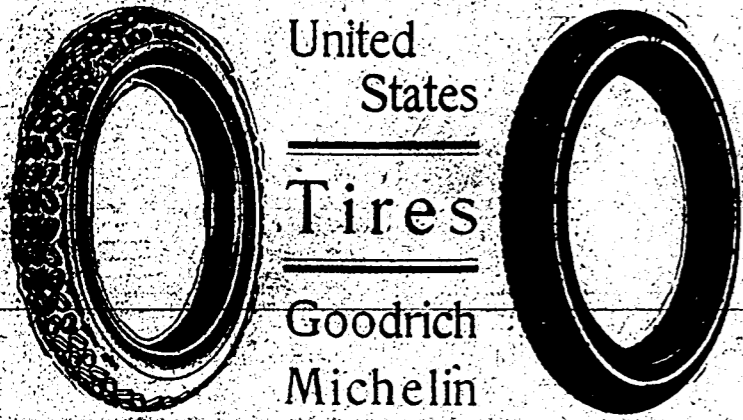
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LITTLETON

News Items.
Miss Arrin P. Stone received the degree of A. B. from the Boston University on Monday. Her graduation was attended by Mrs. George F. Stone, Mrs. George Proctor, John Pingry, Mrs. F. S. Pingry, Mrs. Eunice Bruce and Mrs. H. F. Works.
The Newtown farm belonging to Mrs. Theodore C. Fletcher and the W. H. Titcomb pasture adjoining it have been sold to Edwin D. Taylor, of Somerville, who takes possession next month.
The Walter Titcomb family will move into Mr. Titcomb's new house on Foster street within a few weeks.

The surgical dressings committee of Newtown will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, as Thursday is Memorial day.
Mrs. Wallace Robinson recently entertained her sister and husband from New Jersey.
Chauncey W. Deming and Mrs. Jane D. Chambers arrived in Littleton on Monday morning from their winter spent in Florida and are again at the home of their niece, Mrs. O. J. Fairfield, at the Talfanian parsonage.
The sermon at the Unitarian church Sunday morning will be on the subject of "Living the gospel we profess," and will be in part a review or report of the enthusiastic meetings of anniversary week.

An Attractive Bulletin Board

An attractive looking bulletin board called "Warfare" has been erected near the public library in a shady nook between the Catholic church and the center store in full sight of all who pass by either street. The object of the "bulletin" is to proclaim sentences of vital religion and of ardent patriotism that will be acceptable to all, and that will not only stir a great thought but start the mind of the reader thinking along the same lines. The motto last week was Lincoln's words in 1864, no less acceptable today: "We entered this war to attain a worthy object and the war will not end until that time." A fresh quotation will appear each week and in towns where the wayside pulpit has been long used many people have formed the habit of looking for the new sentence and the quotation is often copied, and taken into the school or home.
Running through this whole plan is the purpose of stirring the religious life of busy people. A well-known writer who has observed the wayside pulpits has called them "sprinkling drinking fountains"; a happy simile that is justified in this instance by the location of the board opposite the Reed drinking fountain and by the quality of the quotations of which this is an example: "I will hasten to the call of my soul lest, long unheeded, it cease to call."

High School Commencement

The high school commencement will take place on the week beginning June 16. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. Floyd W. Lambertson in the Orthodox Congregational church at 7:30 o'clock. The graduation will be held on June 21, beginning promptly at three o'clock. Dr. Lemuel H. Martin, president of Boston university, will deliver the graduation address. The parts by the seniors will consist of the salutatory by Miss Edna Crawford and the valedictory by Miss Marion Drew. Music will be given by the school and the girls' chorus.
The class of 1918 has the distinction of being the largest in recent years—eleven will receive diplomas, and most of that number plan to enter higher institutions. The class flower is the peony, and the motto is "Nulla victoria sine labore." The colors are black and gold.
The senior reception will be held in the town hall on Friday evening, June 21, at eight o'clock, to all friends and relatives of the senior class.
The alumni banquet is slated for June 22, at seven o'clock in the evening, in the town hall.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.
Wetherbee's and Richardson's trucks and several private cars from this town took a count of fifty-two to Maynard Grange on Tuesday evening, where the entertainment was furnished by Boxborough Grange, the host furnishing light refreshments to about 150 patrons. The local committee appreciates the kindness of all who took part in entertainment or transportation, thus making the evening such a pleasure and success.
Deacon M. E. Wood and family have recently moved into the smaller Jewett house in West Acton. During the process of moving and getting settled in their new quarters Mr. and Mrs. Wood were guests of Mrs. Lewis Richardson for ten days and the work was done by their son's family.
Rev. William C. Martyn and family came from Millbury, where Mr. Martyn has preached for several years, to be present at the Old Home Sunday. They were entertained by

Mrs. Lewis Richardson. Mr. Martyn was the pastor here about fifteen years ago. His daughter, Miss Mabel, and his two sons were born here. Besides these they have a daughter. The family are pleasantly remembered and their coming added much to the pleasure of the day.

Miss Hazel Morse was at home for the week-end, but returned to her school at Greenfield Sunday night. She has been offered a school there for next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Richardson went to Stoddard, N. H., last week with about forty head of cattle. The young stock will be driven up later.
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Robbins have returned to their home and the week-end meeting of the Red Cross will be held there on Monday afternoon. Although a very busy season the attendance is good, eighteen being present at the last meeting. The entertainment has been put over till June 8 on account of other attractions connected with the week-end.
The committee on the Red Cross drive consists of Mrs. Philip Cunningham, chairman and solicitor for No. 2, Mrs. E. B. Robbins, Mrs. E. B. Robbins, Mrs. B. C. Steele for No. 3 and Mrs. John Coffey for No. 4 report that the prospect is good for exceeding our quota.

Mrs. Lewis Richardson entertained her nephew, Eugene Wood, from Sandusky, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Wood of Jamaica Plain two days this week.
Mrs. Alice Zager attended the convention at Worcester and visited relatives in Clinton this week.
A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elerra at Clinton hospital last Saturday. This is the ninth child and as the mother is good again another boy was most welcome.

E. Y. Nelson has begun work on the piece of road extending from Library hill toward Littleton. Money was appropriated for the same last year, but lack of help prevented doing it.
Misses Bertha and Lena Newdeck of Worcester were week-end guests at C. T. Wetherbee's. On Sunday afternoon they went to Camp Devens to see a nephew who was recently called there.
Miss D. L. Fullerton, milliner, of Maynard, will have a sale of trimmed hats from three dollars to five dollars at town hall, Boxboro, next Tuesday, May 28.

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Church Notes

Sunday services—Morning worship at eleven o'clock. Memorial exercises, Address on "Mental aims of the war" by Franklin H. Dean. Sunday school at 12:15. C. E. meeting and evening service at seven o'clock; topic, "Doing His will," by Sarah Cobleigh. The special speaker at eight o'clock, Miss Margaret Delight of Concord Junction.

Next Sunday will be observed as Memorial Sunday. Printed programs for the occasion will be used. Mrs. G. W. Burroughs, our Sunday school superintendent, will have the charge of the exercises. We cordially invite all our people to regard this occasion as a patriotic duty to attend the services.
The Visitation Sunday was very successfully held last Sunday morning with a good fellowship and many former members and friends. One of the former ministers, Rev. Mr. Martyn, and his family, visited our town for the week-end. It was inspiring to see the reawakening of the old memories and acquaintances. The pastor and Mr. Martyn officiated together at the service and both gave brief addresses, appropriate to the occasion.
The pastor and Miss Mary Hager as delegate attended the state convention of the Congregational churches held at Worcester May 29-31.

In spite of unsettled conditions, the total American trade with Russia amounted to \$43,000,000 in 1917, a decrease of only \$2,000,000 as compared with 1916. This decrease was in the trade with Asiatic Russia and is attributed to congestion and import restrictions at Vladivostok.
Only the twelve-cylinder type of Liberty motor for use in cars is now being built, it having been thought best in view of developments abroad to concentrate on the high-powered engine instead of the eight-cylinder.

BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS IS COMING

Greatest Show on Earth will exhibit in Fitchburg June 8

Once again the glad tidings are being spread broadcast telling of the coming of Barnum & Bailey's circus. The greatest show on earth, it is announced, will positively be exhibited in Fitchburg this season and, as usual, a large percentage of the population will declare a holiday to visit the show.
The big show will exhibit in Fitchburg on June 8.
It is promised that nothing to compare with the present Barnum & Bailey performance has ever before been seen under canvas. New and novel features have been imported from abroad and a program of events, thrilling, educational and seemingly funny, will occupy every instant in three rings, four stages, the arenas above and the hippodrome surrounding for more than three hours.
There is a new and gorgeous pageant entitled "Madlin and his wonderful lamp" in which nearly 1,000 persons and one thousand animals appear in magnificent costumes rivaling the dress of the people of the famous "Arabian Nights" story. This will be followed by a host of acts in all parts of the show. The parade will be a grand affair, a greatly increased menagerie of wild and tamed animals, four elephants, several camels, several caravans of camels and many recently born baby animals.
The free show parade, which will start from the show lot at ten o'clock on the morning of June 8, is entirely different from anything of the kind ever shown before. It will be band music in length and there will be band music on foot, and riding on top of wagons of gold and silver. There will be six bands in all and they will be assisted by the steam callipers and an electric piano.
With the largest tent in the history of the circus, the Barnum & Bailey circus promises this season to be a good again its boast that it is the greatest show on earth. Extra railroad cars will be required to transport its paraphernalia, and more than 150 horses will be used to transfer its wagons from the railroad yards to the show lot.

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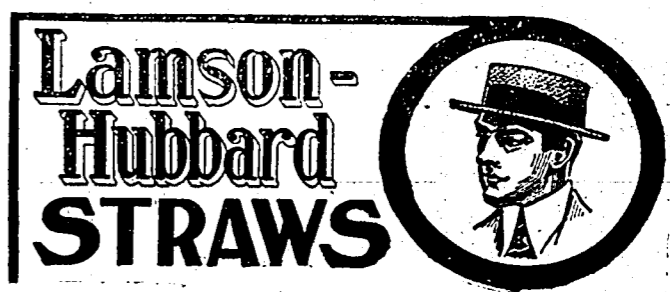
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WESTFORD

Center. The Mattawauke Camp Fire Girls held their regular weekly meeting in the form of a business meeting on last week Thursday, all but one member being present. It was voted to send for the regulation ceremonial costumes and plans were discussed concerning the grand council fire to be held in Ayer this Saturday.

Rev. Charles P. Marshall, a former pastor of the Congregational church here, now located over the historic Church of the Resurrection in Plymouth, has been granted a six-months leave of absence, during which he will go to France for Y. M. C. A. work with the men in uniform.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elliott, of Lowell, have opened their summer home in Westford for the season. Word comes to the Westford friends of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Griffin Hildreth, of Munson.

Mrs. H. V. Hildreth has had a beautiful yellow lady's slipper plant in bloom in Westford for the season. As is well known the yellow variety of the lady's slipper is much more rare than the pink and is one of the interesting varieties of the orchid family.

The householders in the community will be glad to hear that the prospect of getting the measles this season is fairly hopeful by those having the matter in charge. Difficulty of getting the oil and of transportation has made the carrying of the measles vaccine this year and at any rate it may be later in the season in getting it done.

Miss Marjory Seavey was in attendance at the commencement exercises at Boston university this last week. She reports the exercises of great interest, although many phases of the school life being affected by the war conditions.

The epidemic of measles is still in full swing, many households where there are children being in quarantine. We heard one estimate this week of 100 cases throughout the town, including all the villages. This, of course, affects the school schedule during the closing weeks previous to the long vacation.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Lincoln and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler were in attendance Monday at the afternoon and evening sessions of the state conference of Congregational churches held at the large Piedmont church in Worcester. While there it was pleasant to meet Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Westford one of his first objective points of any distance.

Union members of the Unitarian church and a cordial invitation is extended to all to be present. Mr. Buckshorn will preach the sermon and Mr. Lincoln and the Graces will help to assist in the services. Memorial day and its attendant services assume new significance in these changing days and its observance rather than the celebrating of a spring holiday.

The Nashobah Camp Fire Girls, in charge of their guardian, Mr. John P. Wright, will be in attendance in full ceremonial attire at the grand council fire to be held in Ayer this Saturday.

Everyone is reminded of the senior class play given by the academy students this Friday evening. This is a pretty Japanese play and promises to be most attractive.

Twenty stars have recently been added to the Red Cross flag, an impressive total of sixty-nine. One gold star signifies the death of Private Adlai Langley. Some faithful repairs have been made to the service and liberty loan flags on the log flag staff. This work was done by a committee of ladies from Westford Grange.

Plans for Memorial day next week (Thursday) at the Red Cross, completed. Arthur D. Prince, of Lowell, will give the address at the hall. Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher, president, Capt. Sherman H. Jones, Jr., of Westford, will be the speaker for the day. There will be a quartet from Camp Devens and the Nashua Military band will be in attendance. The members of the veterans' guard will be present for the procession starting from the association building at nine o'clock in the morning to decorate the soldier's monument, after which the procession will go to the hall for the exercises. There will be the usual concert on the common in the afternoon. The soldier's graves will be decorated on Sunday afternoon.

Principal Boudenhush has received the regular college certificate privilege, class A, for normal school and also has the class B certificate.

Eight members of the Boy Scouts camped at Forks in Westford Saturday. While they were not received his appointment, Mr. G. W. Goode is to be the new scoutmaster, and Mr. Boudenhush, who has done such good work in this capacity, will be a deputy. Mr. Goode is an able nature student and a student of boy human nature and will be a good leader.

earnest and thoughtful. The stage was simply and effectively decorated. The chairman of the Red Cross goes much of the credit of this event.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Watson are making alterations and renovations on the George May house, which they will occupy when it is finished. George H. Cadman, at the other side of the village, is also making some attractive changes and improvements on his house.

The Red Cross parade this week is being successfully carried on this week and expects to reach its quota of \$50,000. Let everyone be faithful to give to the extent of his or her ability. Those having the matter in charge are Edward M. Abbot, chairman; Alfred W. Hartford, treasurer; Miss Collins, Mrs. William F. Froussier, Mrs. William Baker, Miss Elizabeth Deane, Joseph LeClerc, Forge Village; Joseph A. Healy, Walter C. Wright, Wesley O. Hawkes, George H. Chas. E. Fletcher, north part of town; A. A. Lundberg, Brookside; Harwood L. Wright, Charles O. Prescott, Center; Miss Alice M. Howard, Mrs. Alexander McDonald, William R. Taylor, David L. Greig, Arthur E. Wilson, other parts of the town.

The Red Cross parade will long be remembered in purpose and significance by those who participated in it. The Westford company, M. S. G., turned out in full form and were given the honor of visiting company, being first in line of march next to the band in the long procession. Forty-five women of the Westford Red Cross group were in line in their white uniforms, their banner reading "Westford 777 members," being in evidence. A group of the girls of the Junior Red Cross in charge of Miss Denfield, were also in line.

About Town. Westford Grange held its annual veterans' night on Thursday evening of last week. There was a good attendance and the hall being full, to do honor to the veterans. It was expected that a quartet and orchestra from Camp Devens would have been sent from the camp elsewhere the day before. There was a good program—Parson Smith's family album, written by one of the members, made a clever hit, the men who took the parts receiving much applause. Mrs. Perley Wright reading the interpretation of the pictures and also gave several pleasing quartet songs. George Shaddock, quartet singing. Marlon and Mildred Fletcher, Freda Johnson and Edith Judd; solos, Mrs. D. Coburn with piano accompaniment. Ice cream and cake was sold and there was general dancing.

Mrs. C. D. Cushing, who has been spending the winter at Miami, Fla., has now come north for the summer. She is bringing her daughter, Mrs. William R. Taylor.

There has been a great prevalence of measles, but most of the children are over with them. The boys of Arthur Day's family, Viola and Miriam, have been among the latest victims. Norman has been staying with his grandmother so that the children will enjoy and so will their elders. Miss Eleanor Coburn is the efficient pianist for the affair. General dancing will follow. It will be well worth your attendance.

The Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher Oak Hill farm have peas in the pod and development at the Old Oaken Bucket farm they just passed into the blossom stage of promise.

A hot day and a warm forest fire last Saturday afternoon on the line of the Lowell and Fitchburg road near Nabasset pond, called out the Westford fire department and fragments of the West Chelmsford willing-to-fire department. A fire burning in some brush and about bushes and some briars it extinguished itself by the cooling aid of the fire department and the impassable Nabasset road.

Some folks are hoarding potatoes the second time, and other folks are planting first time. In the interest of saving wheat the department of agriculture advises the users of manure to be saving the manure for plowing and sowing the seed. It is nutritious as wheat and yet the consumption of rice in the United States, per capita, is only six pounds per year, and this mostly in the southern states. The consumption in the United States is the lowest of any nation. Norway and Sweden consume nine pounds per capita. Russia, 13; England 25; France 34; Italy 191; Germany 22; Japan 147 and China 158.

The department of agriculture has this final word on potatoes: When you drive your potato tubers out of the soil in the potato sections bring back a sack or two in your car; then eat them many times every day several times a day. As an idea of what to save the tubers, it will help save the big root reserve that will soon begin to sprout if it isn't eaten. Let this fact sink in deep. Unless we increase our production of potatoes markedly within the next few weeks there will be a loss of much wheat-replacement food. If that happens farmers may think we don't want so many potatoes, but we do want them this year.

The state board of agriculture says that the tremendous prices for potatoes during the past winter have increased the price of potatoes in Massachusetts. The price of potatoes in the state today is \$2.15 per bushel. This is an increase of 400 percent. The board is offering \$1200 in prizes. Banks and particulars can be secured from the state board of agriculture, 136 State House, Boston.

James H. O'Brien, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia and blood poisoning, is now considered out of serious danger. His farm was recently working in the ammunition shops nights.

The Harvard Red Cross will open a tea-room on Harvard common at noon on Thursday, May 30. Lunches can be ordered in advance. Telephone connection.

Wedding. Miss Adelle L. Day, one of our well-known young women, was married on Monday in Boston to Royal L. Keizer of Berlin. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Day and the twin sister of Arthur Day. She graduated from Westford academy in 1911 and later graduated from the Faulkner hospital in Jamaica Plain. She has been connected with a hospital in Ipswich and was recently chosen for a responsible position there. The groom has special ability in the line of mechanics and graduated from the Worcester Trade school. As

soon as war was declared he volunteered for service in the navy and was assigned to the submarine base in New London, Conn. He was granted a brief furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Keizer have spent the week touring in an automobile. On Monday evening they were given a surprise party at the home of the groom's parents, which was given by the bride's parents. The groom reports that the party was very successful. Mrs. Keizer will make their home in New London, Conn., where he is stationed. The good wishes of the bride's friends go with them.

Death. Mrs. Sarah L. Whitney, wife of Charles H. Whitney, died at her home on the Lowell road last Sunday noon, after a long illness. She was born in Lowell and was the last survivor of four children of George W. and Mary R. (Brown) Sanborn. Her children were: Charles H. Whitney, who married Alice M. Howard; Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney, who married Mr. J. C. Whitney; Mrs. Sarah L. Whitney, who married Mr. J. C. Whitney; and Mrs. Sarah L. Whitney, who married Mr. J. C. Whitney.

Mrs. Whitney was exceptionally efficient as a financial manager. She was a woman of substantial character and New England Yankee common sense, and had a large degree of reserve force for emergency and the trials of life.

Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Whitney, only one surviving, Charles H. Whitney, Jr.; there are five grandchildren.

Mrs. Whitney was a never failing helpmeet and wife, counsellor and mother, and the memory of her life will linger with those who have lived with her these many years.

The funeral took place from her home on Tuesday morning at 10.30 o'clock. Rev. Howard A. Lincoln conducted the services. Mrs. Janet Wright sang "We shall meet again" and "Lead, kindly light." The bearers were Frank C. Drew, Francis W. Banister, William Graves and Winifred Wright. Services were held at the chapel in the Edson cemetery, Lowell. Many friends went to the funeral.

Rev. Howard A. Lincoln again conducted the services. Mrs. Hazel Wirt and Edward Wirt sang. The bearers were Frank C. Drew, George Webber, Francis W. Banister and Winifred Wright. There were many of the beautiful flowers which the deceased loved. The burial was in the family lot.

Grantville. The Grantville A. C. baseball team visited Forge Village on last Saturday afternoon and scored its third straight victory by defeating the Red Sox of that village by the score of 14 to 8. The game was replete with free hitting, with many flashes of brilliant fielding and intermingled with a few errors on each side that made the final outcome rather uncertain at times.

The G. A. C. got the jump on their opponents by a four run lead in the first inning and Griffin kept the hits so well scattered that they were never headed. Forge Village was greatly strengthened for this game, while Grantville had practically no lineup.

The Grantville club will meet the Middlesex A. C. for the second time this season at Washington park in Lowell on Saturday afternoon. The Red Sox took part in the big parade that was held in Lowell on last Tuesday evening.

Joseph Wall, local deputy fish and game warden, has recently liberated 12,000 yellow perch from the ponds in this vicinity. These fish were sent from the Vermont state hatcheries in St. Johnsbury.

John Horan, of Charlestown, has been a recent sufferer. The members of St. Catherine's church choir are to hold a concert in Forge Village in the near future.

The local baseball club is without a game for Memorial day afternoon and would like to hear from any of the 16-17-year-old teams in Lowell or the surrounding towns. Address the Manager, Grantville A. C., Box 112 Grantville.

Joseph Wall and John Spinner, of Court Grantville, F. of A., attended as delegates the grand court convention that was held in the American House, Boston, this week.

Fred DeFoe caught a string of fine beautiful rainbow trout on Tuesday day. He said that they were being run somewhat "over there."

New Advertisements. TO LET—Furnished six-room Log Cabin Bunkhouse, well situated; rent \$10 per month. E. A. COX, Littleton, Mass., 2125.

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To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex: RESPECTFULLY I, M. DOOLEY, and renewsments MILLBURN C. M. DOOLEY in said County, that she was lawfully married to REGINALD V. DOOLEY now of San Francisco, in the state of California, at Peppercell, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of September A.D. 1914, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said libellee lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth to wit, at Peppercell; that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Reginald V. Dooley being wholly regardless of the same, at Peppercell aforesaid, on or about the first day of December, A.D. 1917, without just cause wilfully and utterly deserted your libellant, which desertion has continued from such time to the date hereof, being more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Reginald V. Dooley. And your libellant represents that there has been born of said marriage a son—Joseph S. Dooley—now about three years old, and prays that the Court may make such decree as it considers expedient relative to the care, custody and maintenance of said minor child.

Dated this seventh day of May A.D. 1918. MILDRED C. M. DOOLEY, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Superior Court, May 10, A.D. 1918.

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Saturday, May 25, 1918.

Owing to Memorial day coming on next week, Thursday correspondents are requested to have as much copy in as possible by Wednesday morning.

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News Items. Mrs. Sarah E. Nieman has a Red Cross tag that stretches over five continents. She is director of woman's work for the territorial, insular and foreign division of the Red Cross.

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When hospital construction now under way is completed more than 35,000 beds will be available for army purposes, according to statistics compiled in the office of Surgeon-General Gorgas.

Every Saturday and Sunday members of the Woman's club go to Ayer to assist in the cafeteria at the club-house.

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Little Rose Riley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Riley, was married in the town hall on Saturday last.

The members of the W. R. C. are requested to meet at the Baptist church vestry on Sunday morning at 10.15. A large attendance is desired.

All school children are earnestly requested to bring flowers to the lower town hall Memorial day for the G. M. committee. The flowers are to be given in as soon as possible after seven o'clock, as the procession forms at nine o'clock.

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E. S. Clark post, G. A. R., will celebrate the graves of their fallen comrades at a recent meeting of Middlesex Rebekah lodge.

Whereas our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our sister member, Annie C. Howe;

Resolved, that Middlesex Rebekah lodge No. 176 has met with a great loss in the death of our sister member, a faithful and earnest worker for our lodge.

Resolved, that the officers and members of Middlesex Rebekah lodge No. 176 extend their tenderest sympathy to the bereaved husband;

Resolved, that a copy of the resolutions be sent to the husband of the deceased, spread in the local papers and printed in the Groton Landmark.

Blanche M. Brown, Mary D. Boynton, Edna W. Harrington.

Food Committee Notices. Arrangements are practically completed for securing from the state a grain-dinner, which will be available to all farmers of Groton and Pepperell.

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The new cement building on Shirley street used for a storehouse for C. A. Cragg & Co. well-known wholesale grocers of Fitchburg, is practically finished. An office occupies space on the first floor, with a regular staff of employees.

Special communications of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on the evenings of May 25, 27, 29 and 31, the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees being worked on the first two nights.

The 20% payment on the third liberty loan is due in Boston on May 28, and the Groton branch of the A. Y. C. requests all partial payment subscribers to that loan to have remittance in the hands of the bank on or before May 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Davenport announced the birth of a son, born on Wednesday at the hospital in Clinton. The youngster weighed in at 8 1/2 pounds and has been named Elliott Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Portus have a daughter, born Tuesday, at the Clinton hospital.

Lieut. Earl Turner has been sent to Arkansas to study gas, after which he is to return to the aviation camp as a teacher of the subject.

The marriage of Sergt. Ellery E. Royal to Miss Harriet B. Thayer is to take place at the Congregational church on Saturday, June 1, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Miss Clara Purvie has tendered her resignation as teacher in the second primary school. Miss Purvie has been a conscientious teacher and it is with regret that the committee were obliged to accept her resignation.

Miss Helen Rowe, of Bolton, Fitchburg, has been elected to teach in the schools at Littleton.

George K. Clarke, of Cambridge, formerly a resident of Harvard, has been elected a trustee of the Bromfield school.

Visitors at the meeting of the Literary society, May 17, were: Mrs. W. F. Dickson, Mrs. E. L. Caswell, Mrs. Isaac C. Brown, Mr. Gardner Hapgood and Miss Josephine Baker.

Through some misunderstanding, Lawrence academy second team was not ready for the ball game scheduled for Saturday afternoon. In consequence of the Bromfield team and others who made the trip to Groton, stayed and watched another game.

The game with Ayer High school on Wednesday resulted in a victory for Ayer, 10-4.

Mr. Howard, wife of one of the soldier boys, is boarding with Mrs. A. A. Damm; also, a soldier's wife with Mrs. W. H. Damm.

The Red Cross meeting was held with Mrs. Damm on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Nugent, of Worcester, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. H. Morse.

Capt. H. E. Drury is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home in Arlington.

There will be no service at the Baptist church Sunday morning on account of the union memorial service at the Congregational church in Harvard. Evening services will be held as usual, and will be largely musical, and it is expected that soldiers will be present to help with the singing.

Fred Bateman is away for a few days this week on an inspection trip over the Fitchburg railroad.

The new combat range is bringing many soldiers daily from Camp Devens. On Thursday about forty big auto truck loads, 25 or 30 men to a truck, with rifles and steel helmets, came to the range for practice, and about twenty trucks more took soldiers down near the grounds where the artillery is to be placed.

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Saturday, May 25, 1918.

Owing to Memorial day coming on next week, Thursday correspondents are requested to send as much copy in as possible by Wednesday morning.

PEPPERELL

News Items.

The East Village Social club held a meeting on Wednesday with Mrs. Matthew Lane. Miss Esther Robbins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ebb...

On Sunday morning the G. A. R. and D. A. R. will attend divine worship at the Methodist church. The theme of the morning will be "The Heritage of the Past".

Thursday was house-cleaning day at the Congregational church, and was a day of hard but necessary work.

Rev. John B. Lewis attended the state conference in Worcester from May 20 to 22, inclusive.

Contrary to expectations, Charles Card received word on Wednesday that the operation on Mrs. Card's eyes was a success.

Miss Elizabeth McNay has been elected president of the sophomore class of the high school.

The next meeting of the Unitarian Branch Alliance will be held with Warren Wetmore, Shepley hill, on Thursday, June 13.

Mrs. Mabel Hodgkinson and son, who have been guests of Mrs. Chester Miller, Tucker avenue, went home on Saturday.

Miss Helen Hartwell, who is teaching in Bradford, is a week-end visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartwell.

It must be a satisfaction to Mrs. Thayer to know that Private Oliver Thayer and Sergeant Thayer, her sons, are in the same barracks at Camp Devens, and of interest to all Pepperell people that Oliver Thayer, leader of Thayer's orchestra, has been transferred to the 203rd Heavy Field Artillery band.

News has been received that Thomas Breen, Amos Nalette, Nicholas Morrissey and Cornelius Driscoll have arrived in France in the "Lorraine" where they will be with the 203rd Artillery.

Miss Pearl Maloney went to Boston last week Friday to visit relatives, returning Sunday evening.

The Unitarian church held a meeting on Thursday night and discussed plans for some betterments in town.

Mr. Sturges of the Grotton School, took charge of the services at the old South road church last Sunday. He will continue his interest in the Sunday school work until Mr. Green is better.

Frank Ryan of Oak Hill, who has one of the best poultry plants in town, is not hatching a single chick this spring, but says he will have yearling hens enough for this fall.

The Pepperell Men's club will hold its annual meeting at Monday evening in the old "fellows" hall, reports election of officers, banquet, entertainment of readings, music and speeches by the members.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilcox, of Hollis, N. H. were in Pepperell last Saturday, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Greenleaf, Park street.

Last Sunday evening at the Congregational vestry, Rev. B. Lewis gave an interesting report with about eighty-five slides, which were very pretty. After introductory songs and a prayer the pastor of the United States was thrown upon the screen and the first part of the service was a dramatic presentation of the life of a young man.

It is a possibility that the Chatham and Haverhill roads will be connected with an extension of the railroad station just west of Wednesday by falling face forward from his wagon to the ground, is sitting out of doors, and if blood poisoning has not set in it may appear in a few days. Barrett will not be much worse off for his enforced rest.

sprained her ankle Monday forenoon. She was most fortunate in not being alone in the house, as her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sanborn, of Boston, were with her.

Mrs. Fred S. Duncroft has had another letter from her son Lloyd, and when we think we must save for them somewhere in France it comes home when our boys write that they make the hundred bakers of his division—25,000 loaves of bread every day, and it is taken away as soon as it is out of the oven.

Miss Anna Jewett, of Northboro, is enjoying a two-week visit with her cousin, Mrs. Mary Pond, and Miss Helen, of Main street.

Walter Reed made a call on his mother last Sunday, coming in town at one o'clock and taking her Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and left Pepperell about nine o'clock.

Miss Marie Jordan is reported as slightly improving, but not well enough to return to town.

It was a surprise when Mrs. Charlotte Shattuck, of Brookline, N. H., nearly ninety-three years young, stepped out of an automobile last Sunday to call on her son and wife, Mrs. Thelma Shattuck, Pleasant street. She does not show her years and surely time has tripped lightly over her head.

Mr. and Mrs. John King, mother and two young lady daughters, came on Tuesday from New York city, and are to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy, of Hollis street, for a week or so and then go to the City Hotel, where they have a room.

Mrs. Minnie Dean, from Harvard, has been a recent visitor with Charles Bancroft of Hollis street.

The boys and girls in the public schools are working on the big project of the farm bureau, as only one has decided on that way to help win the war.

Class day exercises will be held in Prescott hall on Wednesday evening, May 29, to which the public is invited.

The Red Cross Branch met in town hall on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. The work at present is the making of hospital shirts and pajamas. A sewing machine has been secured and is being used.

Rev. D. R. Child will preach on Sunday morning at the union service of Unitarian and Congregational churches in the Congregational church. The subject will be "Keeping our Memorials," as the day is Memorial Sunday.

A committee of four, Mrs. Addison Woodward and Mrs. Mary Merrill, Miss Clara M. Shattuck and Otis A. Merrill, for the Congregational Sunday school, have been appointed to help more in winning the war and to encourage the letter writing to our boys with the colors. A joint committee is also planning a program for children's day to be observed on June 9.

The committee chosen to co-operate with the government to suggest further ways for women in practical participation in the war effort, met at the high school on Wednesday afternoon. The best places for group meetings were suggested and it is hoped that every home in town will be interested in the coming lectures.

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A Welcome Visitor. Allan Corcoran, who formerly lived for several years on Mason street, Pepperell Heights, and attended school in town, known by many from his changing sign in town, came to town Tuesday to call on a few of his many friends in town.

Like all the young gentlemen of the attractive appearance in the white regulation summer naval uniform. He has just graduated from the Harvard college radio school, and is expecting an assignment to some transport.

While not having the academic education of the Harvard graduates, he placed him in advance of many others who had not drifted around in their youth as he had.

His mother, Mrs. Georgianna Armstrong, died three weeks ago from a blood clot on the brain after a pleasant evening with friends, and was buried in the cemetery on Friday.

Training Class Meeting. On Tuesday evening the training class met in the Congregational vestry hall, under Dudley L. Whitmarsh's elaborations. The following were some of the points brought out: That it was time of physical activity, the lengthened, the arms extended out, the feet sometimes became conspicuous.

The body and the boy is sensitive. When the muscles are stretched, the boys and girls have this awkward appearance. To me this seems a most interesting age, more lovely and more beautiful than any other age.

We do not minimize those conditions but call attention to them and point out the responsibility of adults, we don't let children run wild. We must have a high school and a high school.

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Plants That Have Emigrated. Neither the laburnum nor the common lilac is indigenous to this country, the former having been introduced from the Alpine region of Europe and the latter from Persia.

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SHIRLEY

There will be a memorial prayer service at the Congregational church next Thursday evening, Memorial day, at 7:30 p. m.

Miss Stella Geary of this town and Roy Geary, of the quartermaster's dept., Camp Devens, were married at Ayer, May 11, by Rev. T. P. McGinn, pastor chaplain at the camp.

Thomas L. Hazen was stricken with a slight stroke Tuesday night, and Mr. Hazen seems to be improving.

At a meeting of the Ladies' circle of the Congregational church held at the home of Mrs. Tewksbury Wednesday afternoon, the officers were elected for the ensuing year.

A dance will be held in Oddfellows' hall Friday evening of this week for the benefit of the Red Cross.

Miss Doris White of Framingham Normal school arrived home last Wednesday to spend a day with her brother Stanley who leaves for France at an early date.

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GIRL SCOUT HEADQUARTERS

8 Washington Street Ayer

The Girl Scout rally will be June 2, Saturday, in the Ayer town hall, from 8:30 o'clock. Troops from the nine towns in the Federation will take part.

A meeting of the local executive board was held on Wednesday afternoon in the Mission house. Only two of the Little League members were present and several members pro tem were invited to attend in the absence of the others.

The exhibition of allied war posters last week Friday evening in the town hall were wonderfully stirring to all who were so fortunate as to see this fine collection.

The district nurse, Miss Murnane, gave the Girl Scouts practice in head bandaging last week. She will give further instruction in bandaging.

Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Kettlemun took charge of the Brownie Scouts in Shirley last week Thursday afternoon. They will continue to be the regular leaders.

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