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News Items Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gardner entertained Sergt. Babb, from Maine, and on Friday evening of last week to at-Sergt. Smithfield, from Florida, both tend the senior high school dance and

ens, over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ringdahl spent The saw mill operated by Messrs. the week-end at their home on the Sullivan and Shattuck, on the wood-

of whom are stationed at Camp Dev-

ily are removing to the Unitarian parsonage in Hudson, where Mr. Child

ditions allow. Mrs. Edward Westford, and

AYER, MASS. The senior class of the high school, in charge of two of the teachers. Miss Morton and Miss Hibberd, with friends, enjoyed a sleighride to Groton

The work of clearing the machinery entered upon his new duties as pastor from the building formerly the Mould on January 5. One los eir goods Shoe shop, was finished this week and went by auto truck cothers will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, others will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, others will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, others will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, others will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, others will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, others will follow a difference of the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was loaded on the cars, other was received on Monday from the machinery was loaded on the cars, other was loaded on the cars, ot

husband in appointed the permanent enrolling from him since his enlistment. The ves in Ayer, agent for the U. S. Shipping Board, re-letter stated he was well.

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cruiting service. Official notification was received by Mr. DuPaw, who has been acting as recruiting agent duing the war, from headquarters at the custom house, last week Friday. Anyone desiring information on any point con-cerning enrollment may obtain the same by applying to him.

Miss Nellie Lorden has accepted a position on the office force at the Nashua Coated Paper Co., Nashua, N. H., and assumed her duties last week.

Miss Nellie Mayhew, who has been visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. D. R. Child, started for her usual winter sojourn in Florida on Friday of

Mrs. Ellery J. Davis entertained the members of the Ready Workers' circle at her home on Franklin street, Wednesday afternoon of last week, in honor of Mrs. E. V. Harriman, a former teacher, who has been visiting here from Winchendon.

Thomas F. Tarbell, of New York,

He had evidently been in the battle front and too busy, as he speaks of being in the last two drives of the war, although he does not mention any wounds. Says they were then in billets, the "first time we have slept under a roof since September 11." He corporal in the 167th Infantry, Co. L. A. E. F.

Services are to be resumed at the South road schoolhouse next Sunday, conducted by Mr. Siple of the Groton School, and some of the students.

Miss Margaret Anderson, who sufentertainment. All report a pleasant fered a hard attack of the influenza and pneumonia in Boston, came home as soon as able, to recuperate at her home on Oak hill. She was accom-

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ringdahl spent the week-end at their home on the South road, returning Sunday evening to their respective school duties in Revere and Leominster.

A party of about twenty-five of the young friends and former schoolmates of William Greenwood gave him a surprise party on Thursday evening of the List week at his home on Tucker street. He was presented with a signet returning, and the committee in charge. There was a short session of business the Misses Newton, Keith, Blood and Lynch, had left nothing, to be desired in the line of retreshments provide at the interior was a short session of business the many. Games and music were enjoyed until a late hour.

Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Child and family are removing to the Unitarian parsonage in Hudson, where Mr. Child and some the provided by the many where Mr. Child and some live and a social time enjoyed.

The work of the List Committee at the whole fifteen months. Sould friend, also in home on Oak hill. She was accordance home of Mrs. East Village of the L. S. C., and the to on Oak hill. She was accordance holding friend, also in he done of Mrs. East Village hill be she was the home on Oak hill. She was accordance holding friend, also in he done on Oak hi

Mrs. Paul Barrett, from Keene, N

George H. DuPaw, proprietor of the R. M. Smeille, from Paris, by friends able to attend the meetings, if ap-Railroad square pharmacy, has been here in town. This was the first heard plied for, to the chairman or secretary

A son, Charles Albert, ir. was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McGraw at the Memorial hospital, Nashua, on January S. They baby died this Friday morning.

Survivor of Covington.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Kaulbeck of Boston have been visiting at the nome of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Johnson, the past week. Mr. Kaulbeck enlisted in the naval reserve force in Septembr, 1917, and was assigned to the U.S. S. Covington on which he snade six trips to France. The ship was torpedoed July 5, 1918, when 150 miles off the coast of France, while returning to this country, the crew being picked up by the destroper Smith. Mr. Kaulbeck was then assigned to the U.S. Thomas F. Tarbell, of New York, came last week for a few days' stay at the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tarbell.

Announcement is made of the marinage of Miss Blanche O'Neal, daughter of Mrs. James O'Neal, of Groton street, to Walter Miller, of Norwood, January 4. The ceremony occurred in that place, where Miss O'Neal has been staying with her sister.

A message has been received from Jerry O'Brien, a former Pepperell boy, by his sister, Mrs. George Granger, of West Fitchburg. He went overseas with the 76th glivision in July and wrote home in August and noth and the stay of the sands at Fire seas with the 76th glivision in July and wrote home in August and nother of the sands at Fire seas with the 76th glivision in July and wrote home in August and nother seasons. beck was then assigned to the U. s

dition even after her twenty, months' of service. At the end of his fur-lough, Mr. Kaulbeck will return to the Ericsson to await his discharge from the naval reserve force.

D. A. R. Sale.

On the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, January 22, Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. B., will hold a White Elephant sale in the vacant store, adjoining the millinery store of Mrs. Sylvester. The proceeds of the sale are to go toward defraying the expenses of the Camp Devens com-mittee who for more than a year have gone each week to Ayer, and spen sone each week to Ayer, and spent the day mending and sewing for the soldlers. They have freely given time and paid for carfares and lunches, which is no small item for the whole fifteen months. Feeling that the community will

Wednesday was very plentiful, as a large number of garments for chil-dren and layettes for infants have been received from headquarters. As many of these garments are simply those who are willing to sew, but no of the local Red Cross.

A special appeal has been issued from the New England division of the American Red Cross in Boston. They claim that New England has never failed yet to accomplish more than was asked, and they are today facing the most serious crisis since it came into existence as a war relief agency

The bureau of supplies is today cutting and shipping out over 12,000 garments a day. All of the order will probably be cut, assembled and shipped to the chapters before January 20.

unual Gathering at Town Farm.

hristmas season was held at the town farm for those now living there o Thursday afternoon of last week, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U About thirty were present. Rev. J. B. Lewis giving the welcome and offering prayer. Rev. B. W. Rust spoke on the Christmas spirit, and Mrs. Hutchinson and Esther Martin sang. E. F. Harmon also made a short address and with Mrs. H. N. Tower distributed the gifts provided by friends. The in-mates of the home then gathered about the table, where lunch of various good things was spread by the committee, Mrs. Appleton and Mrs. Harmon. Refreshments were also served the guests assembled for the oc-

The number of inmates at the hom was seven, although one. Mrs. Fred Miller, who had been cared for by Mrs. Christien during an illness, was able to return to her home the next day. The four children of William Sartelle, who were taken to the home when deserted by their mother, were taken to Boston on Tuesday by orders from the state inspector. They were well cared for by Mrs. Christien while at the farm, and outlitted through the efforts of the Village Aid, and goodly contributions of hops' clothing from

Mrs. Child.

There has here but one death at the farm during the past year, which was Finnie Nutting, aged about seventy the years, who had been an inmate there for nearly fifty years Her death occurred in July.

It was remarked on the day of the gathering how very comfortable and pleasantly situated all seemed to be and all are now in quite good health.

Installation of Officers.

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At Odd Fellows' hall on Thursday evening of last week, the officers of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., were install-Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., were installed by George F. Buxton, district deputy grand master, of Shirley, assisted by the following suite: Harry H. Lynch, d. d. g. w.: Charles J. Peirce, d. d. g. sec.: Arthur G. Dunn, d. d. g. treas; J. Edwin Pomfret, d. d. g. m.; Ralph O. Jenkins, d. d. g. chap.; Charles H. Weere, Jr., d. d. g. g.; Witliam Wiklins, d. d. g. d. g.

Charles H. Weare, Jr., d. d. g. g.; Willlam Wilkins, d. d. g. h.

The following officers were installed for the ensuing year: Charles W. Card, n. g.: Henry E. Wilson, v. g.; J. Gardiner Willey, rec. sec.; Lincoln A. Johnson, fin. sec.; Curtis D. Gilmah, treas.; Lambert G. Melendy, w.; George H. DuPaw, cond.; Elmer Mason, chap.: Carl C. Lawrence, r. s. s.; Ralph S. Shattuck, I. s. s.; Grant M. Palmer, r. s. n. g.; Louis P. Shattuck, I. s. n. g.; Elias B. Soule, r. s. v. g.; David F. Hills, I. s. v. g; Ernest Me-David F. Hills, l. s. v. g: Ernest Me-

edged the honor in a pleasing manner.
At the conclusion of the ceremony all adjourned to the banquet hall to

by some of the newly-elected and of Beacon lodge, by Joseph A. Saun-

A novelty in the idea of an out-door Christmas tree is brought to our notice by a clipping from a Florida newspa-It is spoken of as the "Communi-Christmas tree at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Starr, near Govern-

Joseph Toth, who has been working at the Ayer Machine shop, which shut down last week, has gone to Boston for employment in his line as electrician.

A son, Charles Albert, ir., was born of the conclusion of the conclusion of the conclusion of the conclusion of the past noble grand's collar was made by the front yard, which made its third the statement that "he would not take the installation to the retiring noble grand. E. Foye Brown, who acknowledged the honor in a pleasing manner.

At the conclusion of the c

ty threw open their house and grounds a new process of distilling which is for the enjoyment of all." And for meeting with gratifying results. for the enjoyment of all." And for the community tree, which has borne

At the conclusion of the ceremony about 100 people present and every dustrial situation in that section seems all adjourned to the banquet hall to partake of a fine oyster supper. The toastmaster for after-dinner speakers and package of poppeorn and ber are being cut, making way for the was J. G. Willey, and remarks were mention here that the popcorn was doincreased acreage of the DuPont came made by the district deputy grand master and members of his suite; also by some of the newly-elected officers of Beacon lodge, by Joseph A. Saunders and others.

The paper item concludes by saying, and others.

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Music and out-door games were ensuch a beautiful crop of presents for the third time. Here's wishing it may live long and flourish, to bear more. We neglected to say, when speak-

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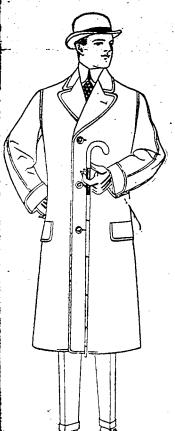


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Saturday, January 18, 1919.

WESTFORD

Word has been received by West-ford friends of the death of Mrs. Lucy A. Packard at her home in Auburndale at the age of 88 years and 2 months.

Mrs. Packard will be remembered as the mother of Mrs. Joseph R. Draper, and during Dr. and Mrs. Draper's residence in town was a frequent visitor here. She was a woman of poise and charm and one whom it was always a pleasure to meet.

Miss Emily F. Fletcher has presented to the collection of curios at the J. V. Fletcher library a little wooden shoe given by Miss Clyde Carpenter, who teaches in New York city. Miss-Carpenter says, regarding the shoe, "It is from a Portuguese child who went to school to me three years ago. I think she came from Furnas, on one of the islands." It is certainly a curious bit of footgear.

At Library hall on next Wednesday there will be an all-day meeting of the Red Cross, beginning at nine o'clock. A free luncheon will be furnished to the members at noon and each one attending is requested to bring her own cumbered asset. It was voted to hold cup and spoon. The call is urgent for a good number of sewers for there is with a speaker to be announced. about 300 refugee garments to be made in this quota. It is earnestly hoped that the Westford branch, which has d such a good renutation for the quality and quantity of its work, will keep up to standard and the members continue to give of their time and skill while the demand lasts. The chairman asks that just as many as possible shape their plans to give next Wednes-day at Library hall for sewing.

A reception to Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Brownsey was given at the Congregational church last week Thursday eve-The attendance was good and it proved a very pleasant gathering. It was especially pleasant to have Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright of Cambridge present and in the receiving line. Those who assisted Mr. and Mrs. Brownsey in receiving were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Day, Houghton G. Osgood, Miss Sarah W. Loker and Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright. The ushers were Messrs. Taylor, Labounteley, Hartford, Watson and Wright. A program of music and readings were given. Those entertaining were Miss Elinor Colburn. Mrs. Perley E. Wright, Forrest White and Miss Elva Judd. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served with Mrs. A. W. Hartford as hostess, assisted by Mrs. Roudenbush, Mrs. White, Mrs. Bartlett and Mrs.

Mrs. Inez P. Dickey of Dunbarton N. H., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Brownsey at the parsonage, as is also

Miss Marie Emerson of Dunbarton. Members of the senior class of the ed by dancing.

Little William Sargent, the eightyear-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William W. Sargent, was badly injured in a coasting accident on Richardson's hill last Saturday morning. The sled ran into a tree and struck the child with force and he was badly injured He was taken later in the day to the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston, where an operation was performed. Last reports are that

Ervin Farr is confined to his home with illness.

Mrs. H. G. Osgood at the Lowel General hospital is reported doing nicely considering the seriousness of her sickness. Her many friends wish her a good recovery. Mrs. Bridgeford at same hospital is expected home the very first of next week

Alfred Tuttle is confined to his home

Blaney children have been shut

The meeting of the Tadmuck club next Tuesday afternoon at Library hall will be a War Relief working meeting with a book review by Miss Mabel

At the Congregational church Sun day the paster's morning subject will be. Feeding the hungry" and at the evening service. Marks of discipleship," with special music.

Annual Meeting.

The annual macting of the Congregational churciff to fill the Congregational churciff to fill the Conduct and good interest. The afternoon business meeting was preceded by the usual here during the past few documents. meeting was preceded by the usual dimer and the pass low dimer at noon. The bountiful dimer. Haymond Chariton and J. was in charge of Mrs. Arthur E. Day. ferly have recently been on Mrs. S. L. Taylor and a number of from the army and are now assistants. There were about forty different homes here, present, and the roll call, which fell. Mrs. Maria Wall has been discovered to the discovered to the different homes here. lowed the dinner, met with unusually sick list for the past few days good response

brief prayer by the pastor, A. E. Day) been enjoyed here during the brief torayer by the pastor, A. E. Day was chosen as moderator. The clerk's report showed a tet increase of the roll of he 15 hoxing been added and by deed during the year. Reports of drawers, pastor, anditor, treasurer, trustoes, supply come fitted, superintendent of Sanday school, superintenden

Ladies' Aid and sections of cames Missionary society were given college, thesen were given as the college of th H. G. Osgood, A. E. Dav, L. W. Wheel-er, F. A. Hanseom, William C. Bouden-Kr. F. A. Baysson, Wilson, A. B. Atwood, Miss Bush, trustees; Miss L. B. Atwood, Miss Barah W. Loker, L. W. Wheeler, A. E. Day, H. G. Osgood, suptly come; H. G. Osgood, suptly Sunday school; Mrs. Osgood, s Symmes, sec. and treas.

It was voted that the treasurer or assistant treasurer renew any insur-ance policies that may expire during the year; that Mr. and Mrs. Brownsey be received as members by letter; that pastor and deacons investigate list of absent members. Chose A. E. Day, Miss Nellie McGovern has been appointed teacher of the primary grades eachip had meant a soft thing and a

Reports showed all bills paid and valance in the treasury.

At the annual meeting of the Firs Parish church on Monday afternoon 'harles O. Prescott was chosen moderator; Abiel J. Abbot, clerk; Abiel J. Abbot, Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Charles O. Prescott, prudential com.; H. V. Hildreth, J. Herbert Fletcher, Sher-man H. Fletcher, assessors; Miss A. Mabel Drew, col.; Mrs. Harry Prescott, treas.; Misses Gertrude H. Fletcher Julia Fletcher, Eva Fletcher, music Resolutions of appreciation and thanks were unanimously passed for the legacy to the First Parish by the will of the late Mrs. Hiram Whitney.

The second farmers' institute of the eason, under the auspices of the Middiesex-North Agricultural society, will he held on Wednesday, January 22, at her home with diphtheria. "yellow meeting-house," Dracu Center. The morning session will begin at ten o'clock; subject, "What can be done to realize a practical farmers market in Lowell." Speakers of ex perience in marketing will open the discussion, followed by a general dis-cussion. This is an important question in view of the fact that the law compels all cities and towns of 10,000 in habitants and over to establish a pub-lic market. The afternoon subject will John McNiff. be "How can we interest our young people in farm life in New England?" Mr. Trask, leader of club work in the farm bureau, is expected to give the address and bring "sample copies" of boys in club work.

At a recent meeting of the Westford Board of Trade, Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher was chosen president; P. Henry Harrington, v. p.; Charles L. Hildreth, sec.; Leonard W. Wheeler, treas.; Hon. Edward Fisher, Edward T. Hanley, Albert R. Wall, Herbert V. Hildreth, Samuel L. Taylor, board of directors. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$43.10 as an unen-

with a speaker to be announced. The recent death of Edward A. Richardson, of Ayer, recalls to some of the older residents of Westford his grandfather, Joseph Richardson, who for many years was a resident of Westby Oscar R. Spalding, and known as the Keyes farm, at the junction of Tadmuck road and Main street, near Fairview cemetery.

Rev. L. H. Buckshorn, minister of the First Parish, has resigned to devote himself to literary work, to gov-ernment farm loans as agent of the government, and to the care of his

The "people, inconvenienced by illbetter than expected. Mrs. Bridgeford and Mrs. Houghton Osgood, at the Lowell hospital, have improved so encouragingly that their friends are expecting them home any time.

Birthday Anniversary.

George Whidden celebrated his eightieth birthday at North Chelmaford, Sunday. Near friends and relatives brought gifts and a substantial check. which is considered more than one better. Dinner and after-dinner reminis-cences and social informalities of the real chat helpfulness was enjoyed.

Mr. Whidden was born in Westford, at what is known as Whidden's Corner, in 1839, one of seven children-five sons and two daughters-of Joshua and Martha (Fletcher) Whidden. He was married in 1860 to Catherine academy held a pleasant whist party at the Unitarian church Friday evenand George, in 1891. They have four tables for the game. Refreshments of cake and cocoa were served, follow-dby dancing.

Whidden, who lives near the old.

considered fortunate to get it on Feblittle "red schoolhouse" at Whidden's Corner on the Groton road, long since displaced by the Nabnassett school on the Nabnassett road. Of a charitable of Saturday, February 1, from noon the Nabnassett road. Of a charitable of the Nabnassett road.

little boy he lower that and kindly disposition and generous names to the voting list before the towards the erring, he was one of the annual town meeting. old school gentlemen, of sensible, self-

Graniteville.

of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Palmer, cele. guard. It was a splendid tribute to a brated her sixth birthday anniversary great man who died in the line of duty with sickness.

Several cases of chicken pox are last Sunday afternoon that was atreported. The Carver children and tended by many of her little friends. L. W. C. Games were played, songs were sunand the time was passed very pleasantly. Refreshments were served ar this part of the program was thor-oughly enjoyed. The whole affair was very enjoyable and voted a great s:

W. Carroll Furbush, chief mac ist's mate on the U.S. Destroyer T. er, has been spending the past days at the home of his parents and Mrs. Frank L. Furbush. brieish is now serving his third listment and tells many interest stories of his varied experiences ing the world war.

F. William Defee, of the U.S. New York, has been visiting relatives

Haymond Charlton and Jones Ref-Mrs. Maria Wall has been

Excellent coasting and sleep a

Mrs. Elizabeth Harris . ing with relatives in Ansor

esumed his former occupacome, known as the Ward was in the first draft and speing. He was afterwards sen for the government at Anson where he received his discharge

Colburn and Mrs. C. H. Wright as at Cameron school in place of Miss fat salary to them, and it was permusic committee for Sunday evenings. Evelyn Kimball, of Littleton, who re-fectly natural they should dislike give signed Christmas. Miss McGovern is a graduate of the Fitchburg Normal school. She is the daughter of Mr. nd Mrs. Thomas McGovern, of Ayer.

The Ladies' Sewing circle is to hold an experience party at St. Andrew's mission Thursday evening. There is no admission charge. Come and hear the many funny ways of earning a dollar. Refreshments will be served.

A large number from here attended the whist party at the Unitarian parlors on last week Friday evening, given by the seniors of Westford academy

Through the kindness of Charles Ripley all enjoyed a sleighride home. William Davis has returned to his former position as electrician in Am-sterdam, N. Y., where he was employed

before enlisting in the navy. Nora, the little daughter of Mr. and

The Daniel Gage Ice Company of Lowell are cutting ice at Forge pond. About two weeks of good weather will be required to fill the houses.

The movies will be shown every Wednesday and Friday evenings in-stead of Thursdays and Saturdays. James McNiff has received his discharge from the navy and is now at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs

Miss Helen Lord, who is a nurse the naval hospital in Newport, R. I. expects a forty-eight hours', leave of absence, and is planning to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Lord, Fri-

lay and Saturday. Westford academy, where the sessions have been an hour longer day to make up the time lost during

LITTLETON'

News Items.

réaders,

The C. E. society has purchased ratification map of the United States It hangs in the Baptist vestry and a each Sunday evening service the proprohibition amendment is indicated by coloring red the new states added each week to the list. Earl T. Spear and family moved to

Somerville this week. Rev. J. C. Alvord has a character istic poem in the latest issue of the that will interest Littleton

Mrs. H. B. Priest went to Glouces ter City this week and brought home her son Houghton, who has been sick vith malarla since Christmas. At the communion service of the Congregational church last Sunday

three were received into fellowship of the church. The annual business meeting and dinner of the Congregational church and society will be held in the vestry

last Sunday at the Congregational Miss Sanderson again pre-

sided at the organ. Miss Gretchen Crawford of North Dana was the week-end guest of her sister, Miss Gladys Crawford, at Mrs. G. A. Cook's.

"Home talent night" at the lyceum has not yet been given. A year ago this number was shut out by the clos ing of the hall owing to the fuel shortage. This year the influenza and war conditions have made many now to give the United States Official war film, "America's answer," for this number. This is a pictorial history of America's achievement in the world Mr. Whidden has lived in North Chelmsford for fifty-five years: for thirty-five years he was superintendent of the Boston Ice Co. He received his considered for that we are

The sermon by Rev. O. J. Fairfield bit by any modern kid glove perform—was istened to with great interest. It ers: grown old as years mark it off but the youth of the spirit is still a reliable headlight.

Granitoville. caniteville.

Little Elizabeth Palmer, daughter and the faults against which we must

An audience of average size attended the meeting of the Woman's club at the home of Mrs. Fred C. Hartwell, Monday afternoon. The meeting open Menday afternoon. The meeting open-ied with a vocal solo by Rev. F. W. Lambertson, accompanied by Miss sanderson, planist. Then followed the secretary's report and other mat-ters of business. Mrs. Shepherd was voted into membership,

ng to the direction of the onomics committee, Mrs. F. S. K. presided, and after a few peremarks presented the speaker of afternoon, Rev. F. W. Lamber-who gave a very interesting talk haracter reading at sight. By the f his blackboard he outlined the e ent types of people, namely mentor and vital, and showed the eter profile, form of body, shape ad, characteristic eye, and other res belonging to each type, amply tating by reference to several

own public men. speaker held the closest after throughout the address and se received a rising vote of

Lively Times Ahead.

introduction of a bill to extenenment control of the railroad a period of five years bids fair to things lively and interesting for a while to come. T erts of government control this have their plans all laid for are is fight and have a formidate of arguments to prove that the t has gone in the railroad bus.

seems to us that it was unfortnto that the government had to put enemies at the head of the business it took over the management of railroads in the persons of the possibly unavoidable as there was little time to look up mon favor as anything can be that the ex-presidents to a man were in favor of private ownership. Being human it could not be otherwise. Private own-

ing up so good a thing.
Practically the appointment of these men to controlling positions in the op eration of the radicads under the gov-ernment was like appointing a lot of liquor dealers as heense commissioners on making up a portend board of professional crooks. Their sympathies were all on the wrong side for making success out of the experiment.

It looks as though many changes were made with the sole purpose of disgusting the people and it seems to have been the practice to let the ideas that the little irritating rules promulgated were the effect of government control. Not that these things were published officially. They were just allowed to leak out.

One of these irritating, bothersome changes was the rule limiting the life of short trip tickets. If we remember rightly it was announced at the time of this ruling that the ruling was made to put a crimp in the business of the ticket scalper, which was a very thin excuse indeed.

When the government fixed the price of tickets at a flat rate per mile and the same to all buyers, we cannot see why the ticket scalpers' busines did not cease automatically. Those gentlemen were surely not going to sell tickets at a loss, and if the traveler could buy just as cheaply at the ticket office as could the would-be scalper, this would seem to be the terminal where the scalper got off.

The short life of the ticket, while nothing very serious, was rather a nuisance in a good many cases. long as the passenger paid for his ticket it is hard to see how it made any difference to the rallroad whether he took the ride Monday or Friday—the day he bought the ticket or a week after.

The idea of a ticket good only one way was off the same bit of goods To the ordinary mortal there seemed be no business reason for such rulings, and it looks mightily like some interested person was in a position where he would work these petty schemes for discrediting government control with the general public who rarely stop to think. The same tactics were employed in the freight business We happen to know how it was ap

plied to the shipping of milk.

One morning comes an order, from where nobody seemed to know, that every separate can of milk should bear a tag with the shipper's name and name of the consignee, otherwise he milk would not be received. Some of the milkmen got their milk to the car before they heard of the order and had to hustle for proper cards; or

when the thermometer is fooling around zero and one is in a hurry, i is not a pleasing job to write or print tags for twenty or thirty cans of milk. was an absolutely useless rule, as there were plenty of means of identi-fying a can of milk. The shipper's private mark on the stopper and con signee's stamp on the can.

To show just how much it amount

and society will be held in the vest.

this Saturday. It is earnestly hoped that all members of the parish and church will be present.

Hunt was the soloist

Nobody looked at the tags.

These little things that can be traced to nobody's door irritate the people and prejudice them against government control, which was very likely just what they were intended to do.
We shall read the congressional disussion with interest. V. T. E. New Advertisements

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincered thanks to all the friends who have helped alleviate our sorrow through words and messages of sympathy, kind acts, and many beautiful floral tributes. DANIEL C. HOUGHTON Littleton, Mass., Jan. 14, 1919.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons inter-ested in the estate of ELLEN M. CON-JON late of Groton in said County, de-

deceased to some other suitable person.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-seventh day of January A. D. 1818, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week. for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least hefore said Court.
Witness, Charles J., McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty fourth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

fourth day of December in the year of thousand nine hundred and eighteen. St19 F. M. ESTY, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To GEORGE H. BIXBY, the adminis-trator with the will annexed, the heirs at law, devisees and legatees under the will, and a'l other persons inter-ested in the estate of CALVIN P. LAWRENCE late of Pepperell in said County, deceased. Greeting: hereas, KIRK M. LAWRENCE ar THA F. NYE have presented Court their petition praying the decree of said Court, dated Janua. allowing an instrument as the will of said deceased may be to did and for such further orders and as a may to the Court seems.

or, are hereby cited to appear are court to be holden at (e in said County of Middlesse wenty-seventh day of Januar 15, at nine o'clock in the foren at nine o'clock in the forenoor cause, if any you have, agains

as as as as a said petitioners are ordered to the scitation by delivering a thereof to each of you who may found within the Commonwealth teen days, at least, before said to rif any of you shall not be so d by publishing the same once in week, for three successive weeks inner's Public Spirit; a newspaper ished in Ayer, the last publication to one day, at least, before said

ness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixe f January in the year one thou-sive hundred and nineteen, F. M. ESTY, Register. MINWEALTH OF MASSACHU-Middlesex, 88. Probate Co-the heirs at-law, next of his and all other persons his the estate of JOHN A. KIN-ate of Ayer in Sald County, de-

testate.

a petition has been present a doubt no grant a letter of ation on the estate of said dearthOMAS F. MULLIN of Averonity, or to some other suit-

hereby cited to appear at a court to be held at Cambridge curry of Middlesex, on the certification of January A. D. the oclock in the foremen, to the original property of the property of the

harles J. McIntire, Esquire, of said Court, this seventh any in the year one thousanded and nineteen.



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TOWN OF HARVARD Caucus Notice

The Citizens' Caucus will be held in the Lower Town Hall on Saturday Evening, January 18, 1919, at eight CHARLES H. HASKELL

SPURGEON M. FARNSWORTH, PERLEY BEARD, Selectmen of Harvard. Harvard, January 8, 1919.

TOWN OF HARVARD Registrars' Notice

The Board of Registrars will be in ession at the Selectmen's Room on the following dates:

Saturday evening, January 18, from 7 to 9 o'clock P. M. Saturday, January 25, from 12 o'clock

noon to 10 o'clock P. M. CHARLES H. HASKELL, SPURGEON M. FABNSWORTH, PELLEY BEARD. JAMES L. WHITNEY, Harvard, January 8, 1919.

No. 6986 Commonwealth of Massachusetts LAND COURT

To ABBIE M. BAKER, GERRY B HATTUCK, and FREDERICK H. PARKER, of Pepperell, in the County
of Middlesex and said Commonwealth any heirs, devisees or legal representa ives of SARAH A. LANGDON, of said 'epperel', deceased, who have not re eased their interest in the land here nafter described; and to all whom is may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been preented to said Court by JAMES W DENNETT, of said Pepperell, to register and confirm his title in the followg described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Pep-perell, bounded and described as fol-

Southerly by Heald Street sixty-nine 69) feet; Easterly by land of Abbie M. Baker by three lines measuring espectively sixty-three and 25/100 (63.25) feet, twenty-eight (28) feet, and four hundred seventy-nine and 2 100 (479.72) feet; Northerly on and of Heirs of Henry A. Parker he hundred fifty-seven and 66/100 157.66) feet; Westerly by land of theirs four hundred and thirtyaree and 84/100 (433.84) feet Southerly by land of Gerry B. Shat-ink ninety and 75/100 (90.75) feet: Westerly by said Shattuck land on edred twenty and 25/100 (120.25) to said Heald Street; containing No acres.

The above described land is shown plan filed with said petition and randary lines are claimed to be cated on the ground as shown or

You are hereby cited to appear a land Court to be held at Bester the County of Suffolk, on the third of February A. D. 1919, at ter felock in the forenoon, to show cause f any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition e o'clock in the foreneed, to if any you have, why the in not be granted.

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Will be recorded, and the said petition entitioner is hereby directed will be faken as confessed, and you will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and the said petition will be faken as confessed, and you will b

Attest with Seal of said Court. CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder. (Seal)

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HARVARD.

News Itoms.

Rev. Alfred J. Kennedy of Boston will preach at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning. Mr. Kennedy the town hall on Friday evening, Jun-preached here last Sunday and was yary 24: Music will be furnished by well received and much liked. Church the Colonial orchestra. school at twelve o'clock.

.The Congregational church will be afforded a treat at their regular morning sorvice. Rev. W. G. Puddefoot will preach. He has been a church The annual worker throughout the northwestern frontier, among the lumber camps and pioneer towns for many years. He has a faculty of holding his hearers with his wit, pathos and wide experience. his wit, pathos and wide experience with the roigh elements of the world. Mr. West and Miss Baker will sing at this service.

A son, weighing ten pounds, was born on January 9 to Dr. and Mrs. Burren E Bryant, of North Leomintein Ster, formerly of this town.

The Congregational club will hold The Congregational club will hold their monthly supper and meeting at the church yearty on Sunday. Supper will be served at seven o'clock. At eight o'clock. Rev., W. G. Puddefoot will address the meeting. He needs no introduction to this club and a large attendance is assured. The public are cordidly invited to this service.

Miss Dark Houghton has a will meet on Monday in the Odd Fel-

Miss Doris Houghton has entered service of the government and on Monday last went to Boston, where she will commence a three years' course in training as a hospital nurse The work she enters has always been very attractive to her and while we as a town regret to lose her in the social calling, as she possesses all the requisites for the work.

This Saturday evening the town will meet in caucus at the lower town hall at eight o'clock for the purpose of nominating the town officers to be voted on at the annual town meeting. If no signs fail this will be a very live-

The woman's club will present Mary Pickford in "The little princess" at the town hall on Monday evening, January 20, at eight o'clock, at their annual benefit play. The usual admission fee will be charged. Candy and popcorn will be for sale.

The efficiency class will hold their meeting on Wednesday, January 22, at two p. m. Any persons wishing to become members are urged to join the class not later than this meeting. Visitors are always welcome

The next meeting of the Grange is to be on Tuesday, January 21. The meeting is to be divided into business meeting is to be divided into desiress thirty minutes, literary fifty minutes and social hour to 10.20. By request of our state board the question of the past week with a bad cold, has been stricken with pneumonia. reported to the board. This discussion is to be opened by members who have had practical experience with sheep raising. Music. The Grange have a night at her home on Pleasant street. drama to be presented late in March, Ayer, of pneumonia. She was taken which is being cast with the varied sick with influenza last week Thursday talent of this order.

Mrs. A. J. Chester has moved into the Sprague farm house at Tahanto. Owing to sickness about town the attendance at the annual Congregational Men's supper was not as large as usual. The supper, however, left nothing to be wished for. The entertainment at eight o'clock was a reading, "The money moon," by Miss Sylvia Burdette of Boston, a nicce of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Thay'er. Miss Burdette is a very young woman, but read explendidly with the finish and grace of one with more experience. Miss Baker one with more experience. Miss Baker vester Chesbrough, pneumonia. tional Men's supper was not as large one with more experience. Miss Baker and Mr. Thayer assisted at this entertainment with vocal solos and duets. Miss Eleanor Hynes is sick with an

attack of pneumonia and although very sick is reported as not danger-

enue department; twenty pretty girls tially the wives of officers who are in fully finishing school pajamas; stationed at Camp Devens. The affair Ann Murdock climbing down a rain was decidedly informal in character pipe, a debutante taking possession of a bachelor's bedroom.

Next week's program for Proctor's Strand, Ayer, will be found under the Aver items,

ew of Henry Warner, the donor of our lecture fund. With George Pringle he Death. moved to Mansfield, where they have jointly operated a moving picture house. He was an accomplished musician, a plane player of more than ordinary ability. He was aged sixtyfour years. Death resulted from a cold which developed into pneumonia. This community was deeply stirred

Shores, was sent out from her home With barely a week's sickness, which developed into pneumonia, she was and has spent the rest of her life here, She was a refined, educated woman Her death leaves her husband. William F. Shores, and her two state. She was a woman of high daughters, Priscilla Bradley and Ruth ideals of character and was highly eshome on Saturday at two p. m. Rev. George Dodge, an uncle of Rutland, chapel. Roxbury, Friday afternoon at will render the last service. Music by a mixed quartet.

On Friday, January 10, news was sent to the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Center, Leon Dadmun of the death of their The next meeting of Shirley Grange eldest daughter Alice (Mrs. J. Henry will be held on Tuesday evening, Jan-Rhonstock) at their home in Somertheir summer cottage on Lovers' Lane. Mrs. Rhonstock was a devoted wife and mother and her loss is a severe to her family and friends. was 35 yrs. 9 mos and 23 days. Funeral services were from Mt. Auburn chapel on Sunday, January 12. She leaves her husband and two small children, Barbara and Henry.

Bromfield School

Officers of the Literary society for this year were elected on January as follows Lloyd I. Small, pres.; Lillian E. Taylor, v. p.; Marjorie S. Houghton, sec.; Harold E. McNiff, Nancy L. Harlow, Evelyn V. King, Le ona M. Gabrielsen, program commit-

The first program of the year will be presented on Friday afternoon, January 24 at 120 Marshield, about whom a clipping from a Boston paper was printed in this column last week, spent Wednesday in town. pary 24, at 1.30. The subject for the debate will be: Resolved, "That high school pupils have too many outside improving.
Interests to do their best work in Elizabeth

Davis and Susan G. Priest: negative, Ina M. Wetherbee and Lillian E. Tay-lor. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

The senior class will hold a dance in

SHIRLEY

A son, weighing ten pounds, was

The following cases of influenza have been reported to the board of health: Mrs. George S. Wells, Clayton Wells,

Alpha Past Noble Grands' association will meet on Monday in the Odd Fellows' rooms in Fitchburg. Supper will e served at five o'clock,

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will install officers on Friday evening, January 24, at eight o'clock.

The Brotherhood of the Congregaa town regret to lose her in the social tional church held its regular meet-and church life of the town, yet we ing on Tuesday evening at the home feel sure she will make good in her of its president, Elmer H. Allen, Harvard road. The pastor, Rev. F. S. Goodheart, gave a fine address on the subject of "Bolshevism." The execu-body was removed on Tuesday to her tive committee was appointed to re-former home in Natick for burial. tive committee was appointed to re-vise the laws and arrange for future meetings. Refreshments were served away on Sunday at the home of her by the host and hostess. The meeting daughter, Mrs. Georgia Farnsworth, at proved to be most enjoyable. The next the North, after an illness of ten weeks. meeting will be held at the parsonage Mrs. Brown was 36 years and 6 months on Tuesday evening, January 28.

Anthony's church; has to Waltham and left town on Wednesday to assume the duties of his new who died seven years and had lived in Shirley for the past ten years, at first at the old tavern at the North, and after the death of husband, at the home of Mrs. Desordieux, who arrived in Shiriey on Wednesday to take up the work so successfully performed by Fr. Richard, at the North, and after the death of The latter has been the priest at St. her husband, at the home of Mrs. Farnsworth. She is survived by a son, Anthony's church for five years. Many regrets are expressed in town at his departure

Sylvester Chesbrough, who has been home sick the past week with influ enza, has developed pneumonia, his right lung being badly affected.

Mrs. Florence J. (McClennan) Clark, wife of George H. B. Clark, of Ayer, formerly of this town, died Monday and pneumonia developed rapidly Everything that medical aid could do was done, two nurses being in attend-Mrs. Clark was a member of the Shirley Congregational church and a member of the Mary Livermore Re-

ester Chesbrough, pneumonia.

Edmund Winterbottom was taken to the Clinton hospital on Tuesday by the public health nurse, Miss Catherine Murnane, for observation and rest.

Mrs. Allen F. Kirk, wife of Capt. Kirk, entertained a number of her friends at tea on Wednesday afternoon at her home with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Come department; twenty pratty girl. and left nothing in its wake but the fragrance of happy memories. At the close of the luncheon hour games of various kinds and music were indulged in and the afternoon as a whole highly successful from a social standpoint. The hostess, Mrs. Kirk, was as-

> Mrs. Lydia R. Binney, aged an years, 4 months, 17 days, a resident of this town for half a century, passed away of the evening refreshments by the visitors, were served. Mrs. Lydia R. Binney, aged 89 years valescents' Home in Roxbury after an At the last meeting of the Grange Eliness of about a year. Mrs. Binney Deputy Robert C. Sherman, of Brimwas the widow of the late Benjamin field, assisted by Mrs. R. T. Barrow,

forty years. She was a member of the roughs, stew.; Mabel W. Wetherbee, Universalist church and also superin- sec.; W. H. Furbush, treas.; Roy Cobdeveloped into pneumonia, she was taken away. Fannie Hall Bradiey was to born in LaGrange, Mo., in 1867. At the age of eight years she came to Harvard to live with her uncle and harvard to live with her uncle and also a member of Mary A. Livermore could go enjoyed the fine supper servaguary. aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Stone, Rebekah lodge, holding the office of ed by the feast committee. The next chaplain at one time, and a member meeting will be held on January 24, of the Alliance, and in all the above it promises to be an interesting one, of the boys in the service. A bounti-organizations Mrs. Binney was a work- as George Trask, of the Middlesex ful lunch was served under the direcinterested in the service of the church organizations Mrs. Binney was a workand community with a cordial disposier. It is safe to say that no woman was better known in this section of the teemed by the townspeople. No near

relatives survive.

The funeral was held at Mt. Auburn chapel, Roxbury, Friday afternoon at ily lot in Cambridge.

uary 21, and the lecturer's hour will Gardner. ville from influenza. Although a res-ident of that city the family have spent. The program will consist of music the summer and fall months here at readings and three five-minute papers on: "Some good things about town," "What public improvements are most needed in our town" and "What She things I would like to change in our

> She A son was born last Wednesday to chile Mr. and Mrs. Wickham, who are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David

Mrs. Mabel Graves returned home on Wednesday from Springfield, where she has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Clarenco Clark.

Miss Ruth Briggs of Brookline is guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snow. Romolo Caccia of Marshfield, about

Kenneth Longley, who has been ill

week Wodnesday of double pneumonia.
The funeral was held on Friday and burial was in the Oak Grove cemetery road, after he

Word has been received of the arrival in this country of Henry Crowe. of Woodsville, who has been in overseas service for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson, who have been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moulton, at the North, have moved into the Thompson home at

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pray spent last Saturday at their home on Parker road.

Rev. Roscoe Thomas, of Groton school, conducted the service at Trinity chapel last sunday afternoon, after an absence of several weeks, due Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford spent

Tuesday at their farm in West Acton. In the list given out last week of those who are to return soon from overscas service appear the companies to which Arthur R. Holden and Lewis H. Bradford belong. Mrs. Carrie Dunham died on Mon-

day of double pneumonia at the home of George Farnsworth at Woodsville.

Mrs. Dunham had lived in town for Church several years at the home of the late Fred Carkin, and since his death sevthe home of Mr. Farnsworth. She leaves a mother and sister in Shirley. wo brothers and two children. The

Mrs. Harriet Atwood Brown passed of age. She was born at Marblehead Rev. Rosario Richard, priest at St. and was the daughter of Capt. Edward Anthony's church, has been transferred and Sally Humphrey. On April 15, to Waltham and left town on Wednes-Harry N. Brown, of Ayer, and two daughters, Mrs. Georgia Farnsworth, of Shirley, and Mrs. Amy O. Graves, of Fitchburg. The funeral was held on Tuesday, Rev. J. W. Thomas, of Ayer, officiating. Burial was in Lunenburg, in the South cemetery.

Mrs. Parker, who is staying at the iome of George Farnsworth, Woods ville, is very ill with pneumonia.

Next week's program for Proctor's Strand, Ayer, will be found under the Ayer items.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

Miss Evelyn Wood recently returned from a week's visit with her aunt in Braintree.

Charles Sherry has returned from Baltimore, where he worked during husband, two sons and a daughter; the last year. His family is living in also, by a sister, Mrs. Addie Martin, of part of the Benjamin Hayward house. part of the Benjamin Hayward house. The name of Perry Burns was found

week among the list of prisoners who have been rescued from German prisons and taken to France. He is a brother of Mrs. Leon Wetherbee. Mrs. Linwood Richardson has been quite sick, but is now convalescent.

The young people enjoyed a sleigh ride to Maynard last Saturday evening, where they attended the movies. Our former townsman, Arthur Wetherbee, is in the Waltham hospi-

tal, recovering from a broken leg. He slipped on the ice while in the woods, getting a load of wood. There were some complications which necessita ted his being removed to the hospital. The Hayward and Sherry families slowly recovering from the influ

enza. Our local juror is George Burroughs who expects to serve twelve weeks He makes the trip daily to Cambridge. His son, Prescott, makes a very efdelent foreman on the farm during

and Mrs. B. J. Priest from this town attended. Mr. Van Gleson was a neph- Murphy and Margaret Mumsen. with characteristic energy soon had things ready for the evening's enter-tainment and extended a hearty greeting to his parents. At the close of the evening refreshments, brought

S. Binney, who died a few years ago.

Mrs. Binney was born in Somerville following officers:

H. Prescott Buron Tucsday morning when the sad news of the death of one of our townswomen, Mrs. Fannie Bradley ties of Shirley for a period of about en I. Burroughs, lect. Marion E. Burlustrated lecture on boys't and girls club work along agricultural lines; also, home economics. will be open to the sublic, and school children especially are urged to be present. The lecture will begin promptly at 8.30. After the lecture refreshments will be for sale in the

own h d The next meeting of the Borough Pomona Grange will be held in Westooro, when the newly-elected officers will be installed by Post State Master

Our farmers who are interested in the corn show and intend to send exhibits are reminded that it is to be held at Horticultural hall, Boston, February 11-14. Full information about prizes and rules governing the exhibits can be procured by addressng Wilfrid Wheeler at the State House.

From numerous inquiries about the preventative for influenza published in this paper a few weeks ago, and so highly endorsed by a reader, it seems that it was not seen by numerous people or perhaps forgotten after reading, as several have requested to have it inserted again.

Influenza Fatal.

Much sympathy has been felt the past week for the Cunningham families and their neighbors, who have been so seriously stricken with the in-fluenza. In the Philip Cunningham for the past week, is reported to be improving.

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Clarence Clark of Springfield, deed last were sick. Here also was Wallace Cunningham, in whose employ Mr. Davis was. Mrs. Martin, across the road, after lending aid for a day, came in Springfield. She was the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves of this town.

Springfield. She was the grand-down with the disease; also, Thomas O'Brien, the hired man. At the Swansen's, nearby, three are sick. In all the state of the stat son's, nearby, three are sick. In there were seventeen persons that immediate seighborhood. Robert Cunningham, teather in Cambridge. and, Miss Bernice Cunningham Boston, came to help as it was impossible to get nurses. To the many anxious inquiries all were reported as do ing well but Wallace Cunningham, who from the first was very sick, and influenza was quickly followed pneumonia. Wednesday morning the away during the night and the town again mourns the loss of a young man who only ten days ago, full of life and energy, was joyfully making plans for the future.

He was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Cunningham. For several years he has made his home with them, being in the slaughtering busi-ness with his father. Recently he bought the Brown farm, making many alterations in the house. keen business man and his untiring energy had built up a large business in the various departments of his

Church Notes.

The regular services of the church resumed on Sunday. Harlan Page will preach as a candidate at the morning service o'clock. It is hoped the people of the town will come to hear him. Sunday school at 12.15.

church was not held on January 8, and it is expected the church will

1919 are in the hands of the committee and will be given out Sunday. The Woman's Missionary meeting

ent.'' As the treasurer of the auxiliary, Mrs. F. H. Dean, has gone to the city for the winter months, Mrs. Emily Richardson has been appointed acting treasurer until her return. As seven

gregational church held their annual meeting on Monday afternoon at the church and elected the following ficers for the coming year Mrs. Helen Hall, pres.; Mrs. Hattie Pierce, v. p.; Mrs. Nancy Daniels, sec.; Mrs. William Brown, treas.

James Lawrence was a visitor at he home of his sister, Mrs. Helen orey, last week. Forrest Hall was a visitor at the

iam Hall, last week Friday. George Perkins, of Nashua, spent he day last week Friday in town, calling on old friends.

Friends in town remembered Miss May Pierce, who has been ill in Washington, D. C., with a postcard shower recently. She received fifty cards.

Mrs. McFail and little daughter are ili with influenza. Mrs. Charlotte Wright and three children have been sick with the in

fluenza, but are reported as gaining. A son, Hiram John, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Stearns, Monday, January 6. Mrs. Stearns is at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lover.

sisted in the entertaining of her guests by her sister, Miss Sybii Harris. Those a resident of this town, but late of Mansfield, passed away at his home there on Thursday of last week, Fundament. Mrs. Rosendorf, Mrs. Munsen, Mrs. Rosendorf, Mrs. Munsen, Mrs. Rosendorf, Mrs. Munsen, Mrs. Carpenter. Mrs. Hollogate there on Sunday. Mr. Way, Mrs. Eustis, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Daugherty: also, little Miss Ruth toresses

> Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Glodys Rober-sheau, installed the following officers Russell, m.: Freeman Wright, o.: Mrs Grange, Mason; report of the State Grange meeting was given by Mrs. Clara Russell; several himorous selections, George H. Stewart, of Pres-cott Grange, Pepperell; reading, Mrs. Katherine Cady: original poem, by 'ounty Farm Bureau, will give an il- tion of Mrs. Man'l Greeley and Mrs.

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with the prevailing $z \mapsto z_0$ Townsend hill.

Dr. Holcombe received cards last week from Sergt Frank Bailey and Sergt. Wallace Jenness They are in the army of occupation and stationed somewhere in Germany

at the boarding house this year. Mrs. G. L. Dodge, of Groton, Mass., was a visitor at the home of Mrs.

net at the home of Edward Parker last week Tuesday evening to celebrate enjoyed, after which songs were sung er's birthday.

New Advertisement

We wish to express our sincer maks to our friends who so kind, membered us in our recent believe ent with flowers. J. Henry Rhonstock
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Mr and Mrs. Lean condmun. Harvard, Mass, January 16, 1919.

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The annual business meeting of the

decide Sunday morning the date of holding the meeting. The church weekly envelopes to

has been postponed until the second Wednesday in February. The lesson will be the third chapter of the study "Women workers of the Ori book,

members are out of town the gath erings are smaller than in warm

BROOKLINE, N. H.

iews Items. Mrs. Myrtle Rockwood and Mrs. Charlotte Wright were visitors in Mil-ford on Monday.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Con-

ome of his grandmother, Mrs. Wil-

Mrs. William Brown and Harold Brown have been quite ill with the influenza during the past week.

The Loyal Workers met at the home

John Smith, of Mason, assisted to sheau, installed the lonowing panels at the meeting of the Grange on last week Wednesday evening: Mrs. Clara Emma Dunbar, lect.; Henry Balley, stew.; Blanche Hall, asst. stew.; Mrs. Katherine Cady, chap.; Clarence Rus-Katherine Cady, chap: Clarence Ritissell, treas.: Mrs. Hattie Pierce, sec.: George Standley, 2. k.; Marion Holcombe, Pomona: Mrs. Eva Elliott, Ceres; Mrs. Della Hall, Flora.: Mrs. Ella Rockwood, i.a. s. Remarks were made by John Smith of Fruitdale.

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	and Mrs. Arthur Goss and Miss Hazel
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Miss Marior We all a spent the

Work on the ice commenced Mon-Hadley will have rooms

William Hall on Monday. The Sunbonnets and their husbands except the nace his seventy-seventh birthday. They close of register carried a bountiful supper which all clerical error or stories and readings were given by the different members of the club, and an original poem was read by Miss Blanche Hall in honor of Mr. Park
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REPORT OF CONDITION of the First National Bank of Pepperell at East Pepperell in the State of Massa-chusetts, at the close of business on December 21, 1915.

Resources and discounts, includ-

bonds and iffeates of in-19,000,00 69,000,00

the Fourth Liberty Loan owned
Bonds other than
U.S. bonds
pledged to secure postal savings deposits... \$7.000.00
Securities other
than U.S. bonds
(not including
stocks) owned
unpledged ... 102.552.28
Collateral Trust
and other notes
of corporations
issued for not
less than ONE
YEAR nor more
than THREE
YEARS tine... 24.671.67
Stock of Federal Reserve
Bank (50 per cent of subscription) ... 1,500.00
Value of banking house,
owned and dinfroumbered
Furniture and fixtures...
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank ... 19.054.00
Cash in vault and net
amounts due from mational banks... 53.169.11
Checks on banks located
outside of city or town of
reporting bank and other
cash items... 12500.0
Total \$405.676.6

Linbilities Capital stock paid in..... \$50,000.00 Surplus fund 17,296,62 ing Individual deposits subject 50,000.00 158,586.37 316.13

Individual deposits subject to check.
Cashier's checks outstanding Deposits requiring notice but less than 30 days...
Dividends unpaid
Total of 4 preceding items
Postal savings deposits...
Other time deposits...
Total of 2 preceding items
\$121,018.47

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss.

I. H. F. Tarbell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. F. TARBELL, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before methis 13th day of January, 1919.

George G. Tarbell, Notary Public. Correct-Attest: Charles H. Miller.
I. J. Rowell.
Arthur P. Wright.
Directors.



Middlesex, ss Whereas, at a meeting of the County Commissioners for said County at Surplus fund ...
Lowell on the first Tuesday of Septual Stroke profits tember A. D. 1918.

On the Petition of the inhabitants of Ayer praying for the relocation of West Main Street, near the Worcester, Nashua & Portland Railroad banks, and trust compating for the Shirley road; also said mon convenience and necessity: Sail Commissioners therefore give

otice that they will meet at Commissolice that they wan meet a solice sin East slopers' Office. Court House in East Camorilge, on the seventh day of February, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to relocate accordingly. WM, C. DHLLINGHAM, Clerk.

December 27, 1918. A true copy. Attest. ALBERT A. FILLEBROWN. Deputy Sheriff

LOST BOOK — In that 590, Sec. 40 and amendments the control of the by given that Book No. St. has been lost and application has been made for the issuance of a Fiberate book.

NORTH MIDDLESEN SAVINGS BANK, Raiph L. Hastings, Treasurer, Ayer, Mass., Lattary 14, 1919 2-19

Registration of Voters



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will be in .

Registration of Saturday, January 25, or 1 no names that date until after the vext election, comments examined as to their was if April and the o correct a Persons wishers to register should later must show the certificate of

> PETER B MURPHY, TOURS H CUSHING. TOURS HOUSHING,

REPORT OF CONDITION of the Townsend National Bank, at Townsend in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of bacthess on Incember 21, 25 Resources

culation Virtue

S. bonds and cettificates of the bled fresh pladged to security U.S. deposits (par value) \$190,000.00 5,000.00

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5,725.00 11,350.38 1.900,00 16,178,85

Bank (50 per cent of subscription)
Value of banking house
owned and anincumbered
Lawful reserve With Federal Reserve Bank
Cash in vault and net
amounts due from national banks. located
outside of city or town of
reporting bank and other
cash items.
Redemption fund with U. S.
Treasurer and due from
U. S. Treasurer 1.290.13 5,000.00 Total \$452,127.99

Linbilities Capital stock paid in....
Surplus fund
Undivided profits
Circulating notes outstand-\$100,000.00 20,000.00 21,481.18 Circulating notes outstanding.
Individual deposits subject to check
Dividends unpaid
Total of two preceding items \$194,488.80
Certificates of deposits (other than for money borrowed)
War loan deposits account 100,000.00 194,455.80 33.00

War loan deposit account... \$452,127.99 State of Massachusetts, County of Mid-dlesex, ss. I, C. B. Willard, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. B. WILLARD, Cashler. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of January, 1919.

T. James Harvey, Notary Public. rrect-Attest: Henry A. Hill. R. G. Fessenden, W. F. Rockwood,

Directors. REPORT OF THE CONDITION of the lirst National Bank of Ayer at Ayer n the State of Massachusetts at the close of business on December 31, 1918. Resources

to secure circula-tion (par value) \$20,000.00 .S. bonds and cer-tificates of indebt-edness pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par

350,960.00 120,671.73 Bank (50 per cent or sub-scription)
Lawful reserve with Fed-eral Reserve Bank
Cash in vault and net amounts due from nation--3.750.00 120,000.00

amounts due from national banks
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items
Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer and due from U.S. Treasurer 1,000.00 Total \$1,578,757.20 Linbilities Capital stock paid in...... Surplus fund \$75,000,00 FOWLS, ROASTERS and BROILERS Circulating notes outstand-ing Net amounts due to National 20.000.00

in provening terms of two preceding terms (1500 of two preceding terms) (1500 of terms) (1500 State of Massachusetts, County of Mid A seven-room cottage with bath and diesex, ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me his 14th day of January 1219.
D. Chester Parsons, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: Howard B. White, Daniel W. Fletcher, Oliver K. Pletce, Directors,

CHARLES A. NORMAND Cashier.

S COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Middlessex, ss. Produce Court
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NOTICE IS HEREBY WINN that the subscriber has been do appointed administrator of the exact. KATH ERINE M. CLEARY lane of ver in the County of Middlesey, described into tate, and has taken unto the set of the rects.
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Ayer, Mass., January 13, 1919.

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I. Charles A. Normand, Cashier of the bove-named bank, do solemnly swear hat the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and heller.

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THOMAS F. M. Room 3, Bank Build. steam heat, good location. For furth-THOMAS F. MULLIN,

Room 3, Bank Building, Ayer.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Waresster, ss. Probate Court,
To the heirs at law, next of kincreditors and al, other persons interested in the estate of JOHN NEYLAND
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JOHN NEELAN are of Harvard in said
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Saturday, January 18, 1919.

GROTON

News Items.

A most helpful new year's sermo was preached from the pulpit of the Baptist church last Sunday, when Rev. Sumner Bangs took for his subject the contents of the first seven verses of the 37th Psalm. The good number present were dismissed, ing that they had received food for strength and comfort for the coming week and year.

Everett Warren, of New Rochelle, N. Y., is at home for several weeks with his mother, Mrs. Ardelle T. Warren, who has been ill with the grippe. but is now convalescing.

Groton lodge, I. O. O. F., elected the following officers for 1919 at the meeting on last week Monday evening: George E. Lawrence, n. g.; Harold H. Woods, v. g.; Rev. Charles B. Ames, rec. sec.; Sidney F. Davis, fin. sec.; George L. Boynton, treas.

We are sorry to learn that Charles Berry's cold, which was confining him to his room, has developed into influ-. He is ill at the home of his in-law, Mrs. John H. Moore, in

Mark H. Blood, one of the enter-prising young men of our town, has decided to go into the ice business and has purchased a new Ford truck for delivering.

Mrs Marin Sawver, Station avenue has closed her house and is spending the winter months with her sister, Mrs. Proctor, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Nesbit Woods has been enjoying an extended visit from her mother, Mrs. Sloan, of Nashua, who returned to her home last week.

Little Gerandine Fletcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fletcher, who was on her way home with a jar of milk, in attempting to slide on her to the bed. wroke ner arm. After administering merous this week than last. Those recently coming down with it are Maitw. Ayres and the little patient is doing nicely. Since her sad experience she has been the recipients of many than the cases of influenza are more numerous this week than last. Those recently coming down with it are Maitland Johnson, Melvin Mansur, Richard Harrington, Elizabeth and Helen Mill. feet on a small patch of ice, fell and broke her arm. After administering gifts and goodles from her many Miller, whose sickness has developed friends.

During the past week Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck have been enter-Mr. Shattuck's brother, Dr. Albert M. Shattuck, of Worcester.

There was a military funeral for Capt. George K. Sabine, Jr., U. S. A., brother of Stephen Sabine, of this town, in Brookline on last week Thursday. The services were in the Church
of Our Saviour, Rev. William G.
Thayer, of St. Mark's school, Southboro, who officiated at Capt. Sabine's marriage last April, conducted the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Dr. R. H. A detail from the 36th Infantry at Camp Devens, made up of Companies E and H, was the military escort and was under command of Lieut. H. McDermott. The burial took place at Walnut Hill cemetery, Brookline, where a squad fired a volley over the grave. Capt. Sabine was the son of Dr. George K. Sabine, of Brookline. He died in New York from influenza.

Miss Hope Nichols, of Everett, is spending a few weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Woods,

January 24, when the current events noon to a close. The next meeting will and literary departments will hold a beld at the home of Mrs. George joint meeting. The speaker of the afternoon will be Mrs. Marble, of Worwho will take for her subject. "The best of today in life and books."

Dr. David R. Steere, of Providence, R. I., has recently visited friends in

Monday morning the alarm sound ed "no school." As there is much sickness in town the ban was once more put on,

Mrs. Charles Earle has recently purchased a Dodge touring car.

Word was received on Sunday that Mrs. Herbert Parmenter, of Wayland, was seriously ill with influenza. hoped that her condition will soon change for the better.

We are glad to learn that Mrs George Pierce is able to return home from Dr. Ayres' hospital, where she has been a patient.

Addie Shattuck Pierce has been at the hospital for two months with a sering from influenza, is more comfor fractured hip bone, as the result of an accident in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawrence were at the St. Regis in New York a few days before seeing James Law-rence, Jr., off on the Mauretania, Sat-urday, for England Mr. Lawrence bayes an infant daughtefew days before seeing James Lawgoes over for a short trip in the inspection of the townspection of the government. Both Mr. their relatives in this fewer and Mrs. Lawrence have been active in the Red Cross interests for the Miss Mary Parmenter, who in

two war years Rev. Dr. Endicott Peabody was one of those who attended the funeral of Strand, Ayer, will be four Col. Roosevelt, a classmate at Har-Ayer items. vard 80, at Oyster Bay church on last

The last wild flower of the season, a yellow butters ip, was picked on New Year's eye by Alfred Durant, of A large bouquet was gathered from the same spot about a tion

Melvin Rowe, who was employed at who died but two weeks are Moseley Hale's farm and lived at the critically ill; also, the live Ames place in the Brown Loaf dishas moved his family to Pitts-

eld, Me., where they previously lived, home last Saturday for a family Mrs. C. A. Shaw and one of her chilfield. Me., where they previously lived. dren who had been stricken with influenza, were taken to Dr. Kilbourn's hospital Wednesday forenoon.

Stanley Scott has been ill with the epidemic, but is on the gain.

Mrs. Palmer of Hollis street and young Joseph Cleary of the mill dis-trict, are others who are sick at this

Mrs. Alice Peabody, who has been making her home on Main street for the past few years, is spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rockwood of Champaey street.

Miss Lena Breckenridge has returned to Groton Inn, after a week's acation at her home.

The Groton Engine and Hose Co. have decided to postpone their annual fireman's ball, which was scheduled for January 23, until sometime in April, if satisfactory ararngements can be made at that time.

On account of poor health Mrs. rank F. Woods is at Dr. Ayres' hospital for a complete rest. Malcolm Woods has returned home

from overesas much to the delight of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lawrence Boynton, son of Mrs. Mary

Boynton of Whiting avenue, has joined his brother, William Boynton, who olds a responsible; position in New York city, as assistant in his work. Francis W. K. Smith, first lieutenant

engineers, U. S. A., received his dis-charge from the army last week while at Camp Fremont, California. He is spending a few days with his parents, fore returning to the practice of law n Boston

Paul Wilson has accepted a position as chauffeur in Dorcester and moved his household goods from the Wood's louse on Elm street to the home of liss Edna Keyes on Wednesday, where they will be stored for the present.
Mrs. Wilson expects to join him soon.

Friends in town have learned of the arrival on Friday, January 3, of a second son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. S. Hartshorn of Springfield. Mrs. Hartshorn was formerly Miss Gladys Mason of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Torrey and laughter Vallery are confined to their eds with the prevailing epidemic. Joseph Cleary, son of Joseph Cleary,

s very sick with influenza. Norman E. Beers is recovering from an ugly wound which he received at the Ayer Machine shop several days ago, caused by being struck in the head with a heavy piece of iron. He was taken to Dr. Ayres' hospital, where several stitches were taken. The accident will cause him to remain indoors for some time.

Mrs. Frank Torrey and her two sons ire sick in bed with the influenza. Willard Smith is another victim of

the prevailing malady. Last week the Neighborhood club

met at the home of Mrs. Nimmo. The usual program was carried out, the ladies knitting and sewing for the Red Hampshire line. It was a great dis-Cross. Mrs. Etta Sargent read an in- appointment to us that the road com-teresting story. Dainty refreshments missioners of the state decided to ere served. Milo Harrington is numbered with

those on the sick list. Philip Smith has been substituting for him on the mail route. Mrs. Herbert Taylor is suffering an attack of influenza and is confined

The cases of influenza are more nuinto pneumonia, is at the time of writ-ing very sick. The last three mentioned children are of the family of Abram Miller, Champney street.

Miss Marion Breckenridge, of Worcester, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Breckenridge, Chicopee row.

Services at the Baptist church, Sunday-10.30, "The church—its meaning, its mission, its field." Evening service at seven o'clock, "The cleaning we all need."

The Community club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs Herbert Folkins with a good number present. The chief feature of the afternoon was a miscellaneous shower given by the members of the club and nvited guests to Miss Florence Folkins, daughter of the hostess, whose engagement to Floyd A. Jacquays, of Stratford, N. Y., was recently announced. The shower was a complete surrise to Miss Folkins and the many beautiful and useful gifts which she received will ever serve as a sweet remembrance of her Groton friends, The next meeting of the Woman's A social hour, with refreshments, brought a never-to-be-forgotten after-

nany cases of sickness in town.

ne influenza.

Mrs. Fannie Sampson has kindly ner patients, thus saving her time and strength

Miss Ethel Moors, who has been ill the past ten days, is able to be about the house. The board of health desires

eeting of the Sewing school till further notice. Martin Kennedy, Mrs. Fred Mansur and one of the Tolles children are new numbered with the sick in town.

Mrs. Mark Blood, who has been suf

death of Herbert senter, of Wayland, which ... n Saturday, January 4, his who was Miss Harriet Dodge.

home with them. Next week's program "

About Town. Miss Cullen is still kent ome days has had ever she was able to do, the dist. so great and so many

The widow of Herbart F

Mrs. Jennie R. Hen-

The senior class of the high self held their postponed dance in the town hall last week Friday coming entertainment was by falent from Camp Devens; also, the music for the dancing. There was a good attend-ance. The matrons were Mrs. E. B. Gerrish, Mrs. Nesbit Words and Miss.

annie Woods. Roy Bennett was home from Worseter, where he is attending school.

Misses Irene Peabody

enjoy the high school dance with his former schoolmates.

Nichols were in town to attend the high school dance. Miss Nichols came from Everett.

Mrs. Edith Waters Brown and baby daughter returned to their home in Philadelphia on Tuesday, Miss Helen Dodge accompanying her for a short

Miss Ethel B. Moors is slowly recovering from her attack of influenza. Mrs. Herbert Parmenter, whose husand died a few weeks ago, passed away Monday morning. The little one is some better. Relatives and friends of the deceased have the sympathy of he community.

Miss Edith Messenger has been able to attend to her duties in Shirley his week, as, she is suffering with a severe cold.

Mrs. Dora Putnam went this week o Montciair, N. J., to visit her son. Several from Groton attended the meeting of the Pomona Grange in Fitchburg on Thursday and report an enjoyable time. The officers were intalled at the afternoon session.

Mrs. Richard Shaw and little daugher were taken to the Groton hospital

trying to find coal for poor families that were suffering from the extreme cold, and arranging for union church services in Melrose, so as to close five of the churches in that city. The ground on that day, he says, was froz-en as hard as a rock, and the thermometer was down to the zero mark.

To the Voters of Groton:

build to Ayer, then to Fitchburg, con-necting with road, already built in the western part of the state. We, I think, must concede that as a proposition concerning the whole state it was a wise decision. It was only about twenty miles or more to the state boundary with small towns be-tween Littleton and New Hampshire. while the route through Fitchburg was through larger towns, Gardner. Athol and others, to Springfield and

beyond, each section of road being of

dvantage in our own territory.

We have now a state road al all the way from the junction of the Groton, Ayer road and the Fitchburg road. some half mile this side of Ayer station to the city of Boston. In these ater years conditions at Ayer have een very much changed by building Camp Devens at Ayer. Devens is in Ayer to stay for a long period of time With miles and miles of fine roads with buildings enough to house more than 50,000 persons; only fifty cities in the United States have more inhabitants than at Devens since it was with abundance of water; two ponds within its limits, central heat for all its buildings, lighted by electricity, both buildings and streets, an up-to-date hospital. It is unthink-able that all this will be consigned to the scrap heap. If the U.S. government does not keep it indefinitely the state or some large manufacturing plant will secure it. So far as we can foresee it will always bring travel through Ayer, even if the final des-

tination is to New Hampshire.

The placing of the camp at Ayer has brought some expenses upon the has brought some expenses upon the nearby towns, which otherwise we would not have. In Groton, with the exception of the road from Hollings-term of the village street, which is a supervised by the village street.

Groton has not built an appropriated for many years, but has appropriated and the influenza, but are now nearly well. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haskell, and Mrs. Morse the Groton-Littleton and Groton-Ayer Miss Eleanor Haskell and Mrs. Morse are victims of the influenza, but forall our roads are dirt roads. years we prided ourselves on the state roads they were very good. ng the coming week on account of the The heavy trucking in the spring of Mrs. Elbridge and little boy were spoiled both the roads from the centhe north to the camp aken to Dr. Kilbourn's hospital on ter of the town to Ayer. I think thursday. They are both sick with everyone will concede that the Farmers' row road is in very bad condition.
It did not seem wise during the war to spend money other than for war given her assistance in taking Miss to spend money other than for war civen her assistance in taking Miss to spend money other than for war civen her than for war could avoid. Every purposes that we could avoid. Every purposes that we could avoid. one must realize that before long a considerable amount of money must he spent on that road to even bring it up to the condition that it was a

few years ago.

The distance from the railroad bridge to the line between Groton and Ayer is about two and a half miles. The number of houses along that distance is between 35 and 40; besides, there are at the Groton School some 175 persons not in any of these louses, but in the school buildings for about nine months in the year. these residents on this road use instantly to reach Ayer or Groton and they probably have as many omore visitors from out of town the other part of the town. Why it not now the wise thing to make ou connection with the state road to Beway of Farmers' row to the

By the Littleton route we should ave to build from the Prescott com-ion to the Littleton line. It is some hree and a half miles from the mile. tone near house of Mr. Collier to the ne, so that we would have to built denut four miles of road to connect state road at Prescott common

that road below Mr. Collier's are count from memory, eight hou fore you reach the Littleton linis eight families will have road to Groton and Boston How many of those families

ould go to Boston-by auto or caron the Farmers' row route to fle on I count 38 houses, besides the inersons who would use the road me months in the year. Many of these to Boston often on the highway instead of by railroad. In all the ewn, comparatively a small proper on of persons go to Boston, excep-

The large travel is by railroad. this road to the village and to Aver and by persons from the village this road to Ayer. Along this read we have some five times as man houses with eight or ten times as many persons, a much larger cor ribution in taxes, and an outlet for Littleton road. We have a the road to Ayer a mile less for us to driver and passed her examination as lands.

the most good to the greatest number.

With this road those who go to Ayer are as likely to come through Groton on their way north or west as to go towards Fitchburg. Groton village and the Groton Schsol are known abroad as worth visiting, and with good roads we shall not be sidetracked

as we are now. Suppose we had two state roads from Groton to Boston, one by Little-ton, the other by Ayer, with the one Ayer lighted by night almost al the way, the other dark from Groton village to Littleton. Let each voter before appropriating money towards a state road ask Limself which road he would take if built, and I think if put ton, returning in the evening. to him in that way the vote would be largely in favor of the Ayer route. B.

To the Editor:

promises to be a record breaking attendance at the next meeting of the personal friend and was a connection of farmers' and Mechanics' club. Our mention of the eloquent speech made by member, William A. Lawrence, has led many to hope for further flights of oratory and we expect they will efful. love of nature. In all the positions of honor and trust that had been

and ignorance of parliamentary law, if R. M. Shaw raises the above question at the next meeting? Will he call it, an insult? Will Secretary Sheedy make another eloquent plea for respect, if Moseley Hale criticises actions as secretary, or will he get busy and earn respect instead of

To the Voters of Groton:

When the state road was built as far as Littleton some years since, it seemed to the people of Groton, that the logical continuance of the road was through Groton to the New Lawrenties line. It was a great distance with the club take definite action to place the cl itself on a sound financial basis? Will the members stop their bicker

> mity and get together and work for benefit of agriculture and me chanical arts? These are questions agitating the public mind. The club's officers can answer them at the next meeting.

> ings and quarrels and personal en-

Will they? Richard M. Shaw, Moseley Hale.

To the Editor:

In previous issues of the Landmark have asked Selectman and Repreentative Frank A. Torrey some questions, which to date he has not an swered. The first question I asked was, what he had done and what had been done in regard to rebuilding the Groton-Ayer road and the Groton-Lit-

roads form an important issue, they are essential to the very life of our town. The people living on Farmers' row are among our largest taxpayers and undoubtedly are entitled to some consideration. That they tamely submit to the continued neglect of this wheeler, president. Mrs. Amy C. Wheeler, president, Mrs. Amy C. leton road? consideration. That they tamely sub-mit to the continued neglect of this Mrs. Wheeler introduced Rev. S. F.

croft place, only needs stone to make it useful. If Mr. Torrey will get it into operation I will show him stone enough to keep it running full capac-

We know that a stone road is the only permanent form of road to build. Groton has not built any stone road for many years, but has appropriated cears we prided ourselves on our coods. Even in competition with he state roads they were very tool or road appropriation is over expended and the competition with pended and no permanent improve-ment found? The road to West Groton is a striking illustration of inefficient road work under the present administration. If Mr. Torrey asks the support of West Groton's citizens in the coming town meeting, what will say when they point to the shameful road that they have to pass over.
I understand that a local jitney driver refused to take the district nurse to West Groton for less than five dollars on account of the deplorble condition of the road.

Now Mr. Torrey tell your constitu-nts why. Moseley Hale. erts why. ---Advertisement.

West Groton.

fluenza.

Loraine Stone, of Waltham, came up on last week Friday evening to attend the high school dance. Quite a party of young people attended from this vil-

Mrs. Martha Fairbanks, of Montague spent Thursday with her cousin Mrs. Martha Tarbell.

Mrs. Lillian Strand had a bad fall week, spraining her ankle, making it very painful to get about for several

Mrs. William Ganley and daughter Ella left town on Tuesday to visit Mrs. Fred L. Shores and other relatives in

Miss Nellie Eastman spent the week and in Lowell and Manchester, N. H. returning on Monday evening. Ernest Hood, of Lowell, was in town st week, visiting his aunt, Mrs. Rufus

Burgess. The schools, church, library and all nees of amusement are closed again ecount of another outbreak of the

Rev. William Ganley has been sufing several days with a severe pain A large party of ladies attended the ning afternoon session at Proctor's potion picture place in Ayer last Sat-

George Hallet was in town last week isting his uncle, Edward Hallet. Ed-ard Hallet's brother Charles is chief mechinist on the Superdreadnaught idahoma; his son Frank is secondthe village in against a France to escort Freshuent vilson on to realize the activities about ner, and a houses and perhaps 50 persons on the his homeward voyage. Charles Hallet, who has a daughter, Miss Jessie Hallet, who has a daughter, Miss Jessie Hallet, who has a daughter, Miss Jessie Hallet, who is trained in Boston for an ambulance sister, Mrs. Clinton, of Melrose High-trained in Boston for an ambulance

build? A saving of money and putting a machinist, the twing 96.06 on her money when spent where it will do the most good to the greatest number. With this road those who go to Ayer ard as likely to come through Groton on their way north or west as to go their way north or west as to go

G. H. Bixby made a business trip to Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill on Tuesday.

Ice is being harvested this week by our regular iceman, W. V. Bixby, and by Charles Lawrence, Mr. Barteaux and Mr. Beaulieu at the Shattuck arm. The weather has been ideal. Mrs. F. G. Humiston spent Thursday

in Fitchburg.

All who attended the memorial service on Sunday evening esteemed it Judging by the interest aroused by a great privilege to hear Dr. Endicott our last letter in the Landmark there Peabody's address on the late Col. promises to be a record breaking at-Roosevelt, who for many years was the Clipping.

Taken from the Boston Post:
Franklin P. Shumway of the Franklin P. Shumway Company of this city tells me of an interesting "stunt" in floriculture, that illustrates the variability of New England weather and gives a contrast between the remarkability of New England weather and gives a contrast between the remarkability of New England weather and gives a contrast between the remarkability of New England weather that we have had thus far.

On Saturday, December 28, he planted more than 200 hyacinth bulbs in his back yard, and found the soil at the depth of a foot to be in fine condition for planting. A year ago the same day, he recalls, he spent the time trying to find coal for poor families cause it lacked a two-thirds vote? Will President William Taylor wield the gavel with his usual Kaiser-like vigor and ignorance of parliamentary law

SHIRLEY

Nows Items.

Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., install ed its officers for the ensuing year on Thursday evening. J. Herbert Whitney, d. d. g. m., and suite, of Leominster were the installing officers. At the close of the ceremony a supper was served and brief addresses were mas served and prier addresses were made by the deputy and his suite, fol-lowed by members of the lodge. The following officers were installed: Frederick H. Fowler, n. g.: Asa A. Adams v. g.; George W. Balch, sec.; George F. Buxton, treas; John E. Adams, w.; F. Buxton, treas.; John E. Adams, w.; Clarence A. Taylor, con.; F. R. Burchstead, chap.; Percy E. Gale, r. s. s.; Isley H. Beach, l. s. s.; Arthur G. Runn, r. s. n. g.; James L. Holland, l. s. n. g.; Eddie L. Baker, r. s. v. g.; Henry F. Burrage, l. s. v. g.; John-T. Smith, i. g.; J. G. Wheeler, o. g. Fredonian lodge now has a membership of ninety-two.

of ninety-two. Mrs. Judith Thomas, aged eighty six years, passed away Wednesday at the home of her son, Sylvester Thom-as, of dropsy. The funeral was held Friday morning at St. Anthony's church, the new pastor officiating. Burial was in St. Anthony's cemetery Mrs. Elmer H. Allen attended a meeting of ex-regents of the D. A. R at Hotel Westminster, Boston, Thursday. Lunch was served and a program

mit to the continued neglect of this road and the indifference thereto of our representative, Frank A. Torrey, is certainly a tribute to their patience. How long that patience will last is another question.

Our new stone crusher, which forms such a beautiful-ornament to the Bancroft place, only needs stone to make it useful. If Mr Torrey will get it

HARVARD

Still River. Florence Dadmun and Alice Harrod are recovering from bronchial colds. The family of Wendall B. Willard have tunately all are light cases. Miss Helling her mother, from Templeton, and her Stone has recovered as to be in the postoffice.

Mrs. Birchail, who has been staying Alice Marshall for menths, has gone to stay with Mr. and Mrs. McNally in Bolton.

Last Sunday morning an offering for

the Armenians was taken at the Bap-tist church amounting to over fifteer Chester Willard filled his icehouse this week with eleven-inch ice cut on Still river. Frank Sprague and John

Bigelow also filled their houses, too. TOWNSEND

Wednesday finished the harvesting of ice on the Harbor pond. The cakes were of fine quality and thirteen inches

George Burrage, who recently returned from overseas, was in the vil-inge last week, calling on friends. Mrs. Adney Gray attended the funeral of her sister, Mrs. John Forbes, of Waltham, Thursday. Mrs. Forbes

was sick but twelve hours. Waldo Morgan went to New York, Wednesday, to be with his sisters for

Mrs. M. E. Baldwin is making a visit of several weeks at her son's in After a week's illness Harry Knight recovering from a severe cold.

Miss Hester Burdett and Mrs. Min-nic Knight attended the Pomona Grange meeting in Fitchburg on Thirty-one houses and tenements are Dr. Dobbs, of Malden, assisted in the filling of his icehouse at the Harbor

farm the first of the week. On Monday the sad news On Monday the sad little of Malden, of Malden, nephew of George Jones, was received. On the afternoon preceding the death of his father the younger son died on the afternoon preceding the birth of his father the younger son died on the father the polymers of his birth and Hallet's brother Charles is chief of his father the younger son died on machinist on the Superdreadnaught the first anniversary of his birth. Raiph Oliver, teller of the First Na-Raiph Oliver, teller of the First Na-Raiph Oliver, who some firmen in The dynamo room, and it innal bank. Boston, was the son of the son The father enlisted at the outbreak of the war and the somewhat later. The Oklahoma is expected to go to France to escort President Wilson on to realize the activities about her, and



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JOHN B. ABBOT, Middlesex County Farm Agent Subject, "Economic Aspects of Milk Production in New England, and the

Also two other speakers-names and subjects announced next week

LUNCH AT NOON HARDY'S HALL

Wednesday, January 29, 1919 LITTLETON

News Items. The Thursday evening meeting of the Congregational church was held this week at W. L. Pickard's.

Mrs. Lucy Phelps spent her eighty-seventh birthday very happily at her home on Thursday, January 16. She received calls from many friends, and was pleasantly remembered with post cards, cakes and other tangible re minders of the occasion. The best wishes of her many friends are her's or the new year.

William Proctor, of Hollis, N. H. has broken his hip and is at the Nash ua hospital for treatment. Mrs. J. H. Kimball attended the Pomona Grange in Fitchburg on Thurs-

Mrs. A. W. Knowlton is expected home the last of this week. months, has gone to stay with Mr. and Mrs. McNally in Bolton.

A Red Cross sewing meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Dadmun on Thursday.

Mrs. Mary C. Sommer passed away at Quakertown, Pa., January 13, after at lingering illness. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Martha W. Jones. They formerly resided in Littleton.

Grange Notes.

The Grange met in the selectmen's room on Wednesday evening on account of the inability to secure a jani tor for the town hall. The scheduled program was postponed until the next meeting and in place a business meet-ing was held. James Neagle was chosen a committee of one to inter view the selectmen in regard to a jani-tor for the hall. Mr. and Mrs. Colburn. who have recently moved to town, brought demits from Westford Grange and were received into Littleton Grange, Mrs. Hazel Barker was in-Grange. Mrs. Hazel Barker was installed into the office of Ceres by Mrs. R. T. Barrow. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wright, who are visiting their daugh ter, Mrs. Ernest Robinson, were pres-

Mr. and Mrs. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Barrow were among those who attended the Pomona meeting in the Pomona meeting in

Fitchburg on Thursday. It is desired that all applications for membership be handed in at the next meeting, so that they can be voted or at that time and the candidates initiatd in March.

new starfish

Mr. Carter and Mrs. Salome Cros by were reported sick. Starfishes have considerable power of reproducing lost parts, a single arm having been known to grow up into a

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Saturday, January 18, 1919.

AYER

The services at St. Andrew's church on Sunday will be as follows: 8.30 a. m., holy communion; 10.30, morning prayer and litany; 7.30 p. m., evening service. The preacher at the \$2956. morning service will be the vicar. In the evening Rev. Smith O. Dexter, rec-

tor of Trinity church, Concord, and

recently voluntary chaplain at Y. M. C.

A. 26, Camp Devens, will preach. ficers were installed: Thomas H. Millreers were installed: Thomas H. Millson, v. g.; George H. Millson, v. g.; Leon A. Downing, r. s.; Walter C. Winslow, f. s.; Dr. Carolus A. Fox, treak; James A. McDonald, w.; Arthur G. Wentworth, con.; Andrew McKean,

each Sinday morning at 10.30 in Turner's block. The subject for Sunday
much interested in the various camp
meeting at 7.30. The reading and
meeting at 7.30. The reading and writing rooms, maintained by the Mrs. Claude U. Gilson has been Christian Science war relief commit-tee in Carley's new block, is open so to France to do welfare work, and

'Dog's life," January 25.

gency hospital which was opened at House in Ayer.

'The pastor of the Baptist church was in Boston Tuesday night and so was unable to attend union meeting in the vestry. He heard a good report, however, that the service was well attended and interesting. Deacon W. L. Preble was the leader. Sunday morning the pastor will speak at 10.45 on The constraining power of love." Sunday school at twelve. Service of song at 5.45; preaching at seven in the evening, probably by a minister from the camp. B. Y. P. U. on Tuesday evening at 7.30. Business meeting and prayer service on Thursday evening at 7.30.

Mrs. R. B. Simmonds, of Aliston, mother of Mrs. F. Vern Pillman, is making her a visit for a few days.

A special communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday evening January 20; work Entered apprentice and fellow craft degrees. A special on Friday evening, January 24; work-Master Mason de-

The regular meeting of Ida McKin-ley chapter, O. E. S., will be held on Wednesday evening, January 22, at five o'clock. Supper at 6.30 o'clock. Public installation at 7.30 by Emily Eldredge, associate and deputy grand been sued for \$2000 by Bridget Mc-matron, assisted by Nellie B. Mone- Carthy, of this town. She alleges that Priday, January 17, at gan, deputy grand marshal, Warren Preble, as patron and Melissa E. Cook, as chapiain. Entertainment— Eisie Luker, pianologue; Ralph Smalley, cellist and Mary White, singer.

Capt. B. H. Hopkins, a well-known past several months, arrived home on to St. John's hospital in that city, Thursday. The doctor, during his where he was given treatment. Mr. service in France with the American McMillan was a former well-known Expeditionary Force, contracted influ-enza, which was followed by an at-tack of rheumatism. Recently he was sent back to this country and re-ceived treatment in a hospital at Hoboken, N. J. He was recently transferred from there to Ayer, where he will continue treatment at the base hospital. Dr. Hopkins will receive an honorable discharge as soon as he has fully recovered from his illness.

At a meeting of the directors of the First National bank, Monday, the name of Carl A. P. Lawrence, of Groton, was added to the directors. The same officers were chosen as last year.

William Chisholm, of Malden, who

and Electric Light Commission a town has no jurisdiction to fix rates at which has no lurisation in it faces at well generated the petition of the finest mutated tatent of generated the petition of the two of Palmer's protest against the Wercester Gas Company charting and furnish mutet from the two of Palmer's protest against the Wercester Gas Company here it was granted per mirror by the two of bar of two two of Palmer's protest against the Wercester Gas Company when it was granted per mirror by the two of bar of two two of palmer's protest are stated to the company and furnish mutet throughout the even mirror by the two of two the first period of the two of two the palmer in the wear of the company and furnish mutet from the two of two the palmer in the two of two the palmer in the period grants in Lowell, will be in attendance and furnish mutet from the two of two the palmer in the protest grants and grants and palmer in the protest grants and palmer in gas and electricity may be sold. This statement was made Wednesday when

Columbus teams in the fraternal whist series are having a very close contest for first place. The total at the end of the contest Thursday night leaves the Odd Fellows but one point shead of the Knights, the score being 675 and s74 respectively.

Lean Francis Briggs died at Paris Island, S. C., Monday night, of influence in a series on that date.

Supt. Frank C. Johnson, who has been confined to his home with a severe attack of influenza, is so much improved that he was able to be down town this week.

telegram to Frank P. Briggs, his father, on that date.

The young man was born in Ayer on September 3, 1893. After attending the public schools he entered the employ of Ira G. Dwinell as a grocer's

A creditors' petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States district court. Friday of last week against the Hotel Devens Company by Batchelder & Snyder Co., Boston, et al. Claims, \$2956.

Mrs. Oliver H. Dockery, Jr., wife of the colonel of the 74th Infantry, went to Camp Devens for the opening performance of "C'est la Guerre," a musi-A. 28, Camp Devens, will preach.

The officers of Robert Burns lodge,
I. O. O. F., were installed Tuesday
evening by George F. Bills, d. d. g. m.
of Fitchburg, and suite. After the
meeting closed supper was served in
the banquet hall. The following ofR Paul of Seattle, Wash, whose hus-S. Paul of Seattle, Wash., whose hus-band has just returned, wounded, from France, and is being treated at the base hospital, were at the Major Willard house during the past week.

Mrs. Henry P. McCain, wife of the The deceased leaves his parents, Mr. chap.; Harris L. Badger, r. s. s.; Alcommanding general of the Plymouth fred Yates, I. s. s.; Robert H. Irwin, Division, and her daughter, Mrs. Dr. H. Drake, of Hartford, Charry M. Howe, r. s. v. g.; Charles I. Washburn, l. s. v. g.; Charles I. Washburn, l. s. v. g.; John W. Wentworth, I. g.; Edward C. Page, o. g. Christian Science sewices are half to their home in Westback. Christian Science services are held to their home in Washington. They each Sunday morning at 10.30 in Turner's block. The subject for Sunday morning at 10.30 in Turner's block.

Mrs. Claude U. Gilson has been daily. All are welcome.

The following pictures will be seen at Proctor's Strand this week Saturday, and next week: Saturday, January 18, Doris Kenyon in "Wild honey"; Monday, Dorothy Phillips in "Soul for sale"; Tuesday, a western drama; Wednesday, Fritzi Brunette in "Velvet hand"; Thursday, William Farnum in "Fighting blood"; Friday, Violet Mersore in "Together." The latest Pathé Weekly shown on Wednesdays of American boys to enjoy companionship of American girls under prop-Pathé Weekly shown on Wednesdays lonship of American girls under propand Saturdays. Coming—William S. er supervision. This, it is expected, Hart, January 30; Charlie Chaplin in will make the vacation of the boys, "Dog's life," January 25,

At a meeting of the subscribers to the hospital fund of the Special Aid Society for American Preparedness, held at the Board of Trade rooms on Wednesday evening, it was unanimously voted to apply the fund to the tablishment of Camp Bayers the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to tablishment of Camp Bayers to be a special and the fund to who would otherwise be lonely and Wednesday evening, it was unani-mously voted to apply the fund to tablishment of Camp Devens she has help defray the expenses of the emer-

Married in Ayer, January 8, by Rev. Monday, Mary Pickford in her latest Chaffee of the Federated church. Serv. Married in Ayer, January 8, 197

J. W. Thomas, Walter F. Bennett, a soldier at Camp Devens, and Evelyn hanna enlists," a two-reel Mack-Sennett comedy, a one-reel Vitagraph nett comedy, a one-reel Vitagraph comedy and latest News: Tuesday, the gregational church in that town offici-widely known star, William Farnum ating. Dr. Page and Miss Florence in "The rainbow trail," a Mutt and Herson, of Fitchburg, sang. The bear-Jeff cartoon, Pathe comedy and News; Wednesday, Bert Lytell in his latest 'Unexpected places," a two-reel Vitagraph comedy and News; Thursday, the famous Griffith star, Dorothy the famous Griffith star, Dorothy Glsh, in a patriotic production, "Battling Jane," a two-reel Universal coniedy and News; Friday, the clever little star, Constance Talmadge, in her latest melodrama, "Silk stockings," two-reel Keystone comedy, latest of-ficial war review and Pathé News; Saturday, Tom Mix, the well-known William Fox western star, in "Mr "Mr. Logan, U. S. A.," a Charlie Chaplin comedy and News,

Benjamin Taft was elected treasarer of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons their regular communication on Monday evening, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Ed-

to a neighborhood meeting at Con-cord on Monday, January 20, at three p. m. Miss Lowell, president of the National Alliance, will be the speaker.

Stephen A. Meagher, of Ayer, has while walking on East Main street she was struck by the defendant's automobile and injured.

Monday, the four-year-old-son of Mr. and Mrs. James McMillan, of Lowell, was run over by an electric car which severed his leg between the physician, of Ayer, who has served in which severed his leg between the the Medical Corps in the army for the knee and ankle. The boy was taken

resident of Ayer. The town has received \$1000 from the district court from fines for the ice past year.

Norman E. Beers, of Groton, formerly of Ayer, is laid up with a severe injury to his head which he received by being struck by a heavy piece of iron while at work at the Ayer Machine Tool Company's shop. taken to Dr. Ayres' hospital in Groton

Other Ayer matter on page eight.

Public Installation.

The arrangements for the public inis widely known in Ayer and town in this vicinity, and Mrs. Chisholm observed the sixty-first anniversary of their marriage at their home on Wednesday. Mr. Chisholm, for thirty years, was known as the "ladder man" and his high wagon and white horse were a familiar sight all over the state, and in New York and New Jersey.

According to the Messachusette Ger. stallation of the officers of Harbinger ere a familiar sight all over the state, and in New York and New Jersey.

According to the Massachusetts Gas chusetts. After the work a fine produced the state of the state o some of the finest musical talent of furnishings for the Sergeants' club-at Lowell, an elocutionist of note, and a speaker from the grand longe. A sev-

ton Ice Company will probably require anda. Vedantist, Community, Boston, about a week or more, providing the Preacher, Rev. Fr. Paramananda, weather remains favorable for the Subject, "The unity of east and west." work.

The annual Every-Member canvass
The Odd Fellows and Knights of will be held on Sunday afternoon, JanColumbus teams in the fraternal whist
uary 26, from three to five.

a second lieutenant. Desiring to see active war service overseas he resigned his commission in April, 1918, and enlisted in the Marine Corps, with the hope that he might be able to go to France for active duty. Just before the United States enter-

died.

As soon as the telegram announcing his death was received his father left for the south to have the body shipped She will afternoon. Funeral services were held

ception of a few years that she resid-ed in Ayer. She was a member of comes from the business, as they could Mary A. Livermore Rebekah, lodge of easily make up the fines paid. Shirley and of the Shirley Congregational church. The deceased leaves three young children, Kenneth, Mur-

The funeral was held this week Friices were also held in the Shirley Con-Woodman, a former pastor of the Con ers were Harry A. Morse and Frank A. Cash of Ayer, and Arthur Jubb and Edwin Pomfret of Shirley. The interment took place in the Shirley Vil-

Girls' Club Dance.

The Unitarian Girls' club held the most successful and enjoyable dance of recent years in the town hall, Wednesday evening. About three hundred including townspeople, soldiers from camp, and many young people from

the surrounding towns were present. The Base Hospital orchestra furnished the music. These excellent and well-known musicians outdid themselves and contributed a very great deal to making the spirit of the oc-casion so enjoyable. Befreshments in bountiful supply were served during the intermission. Sergt, Lincoln Hick-the intermission. Sergt, Lincoln Hick-thousand and the served state of the explosion. A short time before they arrived the terrific explosion took place. The Woman's Alliance are invited made the coffee for the club. Miss that the officers were favored with Evelyn Sanderson, as a committee of good luck. Officer Pirone suggested

Sunday, January 19, at 3.00 p. m Sunday, January 19, at 3.00 p. in.
There will be a rehearsal of the oratorio, "Creation." More singers are
needed. At 7.30 p. m., religious service with address by Chaplain E. L.
Mills, and music by Miss Ruth Mitchell, contralto.

Tuesday, January 21, Game night, free to soldiers and their friends.

yer Ma-He was The Federated Church.

The Ladies' Benevolent society met Tuesday afternoon and worked on amp Devens.

Mrs. Gilson's life in Ayer, large as i has been, is wholly secondary to the intimate, personal, helpfulness of her daily contact with her fellow workers,

and with the soldiers.

Her cheerfulness, her ready sympathy, her keen wisdom, her patience with individual idiosyncrasies, and her spontaneous readiness for every emer-gency, has endeared her to all who have been privileged to come into the closer circle of influence. She leaves Ayer under about the only condition that she would be allowed to leave with any hearty farewell, for she goe to continue her ministry where it ma henceforth be more greatly needed The reception on Wednesday even ing was a heartfelt and genuine tribut

Mrs. Gilson's long service at the

District Court. George Sideleau, of Shirley, was ar, aigned Monday morning on a charge

ederation House.

of assault and battery. He was found guilty and sentenced to the house of correction for two months. Sideleau according to the evidence given, is a bud man to have at large. He has been in court before for bad conduct. ed the war Mr. Briggs went to Eng-land with the idea of enisting as a chauseur in the transport service, but changed his mind. He was finally as-igned to the Virtise Constitution of the vidently failed to make much pression upon him so far at reference. but his experiences on those occasion pression upon him so far as reform signed to the Marine Corps training ing him is concerned. Sideleau got in school at Paris Island, S. C., where he died. Since being assigned at this note that the house of Harold Westover, a point he was an instructor in the neighbor, and demanded of Mrs rifle range.

Westover, his wife, who has been

stopping there since her separation from Sideleau some time ago. leau became abusive toward Mrs Westoyer and shook his fist menacing ly at her. Sideleau testified for him-self. The witnesses for the govern-ment were Chief of Police Sawin and Mr. and Mrs. Westover.

Conditions mainly arising from the sorrow by the townspeople, who held entirely eliminated this class of of-the young man in high esteem. The fenders for the past few weeks, and remains reached here on the 12.43 it is hoped that such riddance will be train from Boston this week Friday permanent. Those doing a public litney business in town are all properly licensed, which means that they are Mrs. Florence N. Clark, wife of form of license fees. A minor reason.

George H. B. Clark, died at her home given for the removal of the undesirables from town is that the "riding" sirables from town is that the "riding" with a contributors to the town coffers in the Clark was taken sick with a cold last heavy patronage the persistent offenweek Wednesday, the cold developing ders were willing to "take a chance into pneumonia last Sunday. She was of being caught, in the knowledge that born in Shirley on October 6, 1882. and always lived there with the ex- could easily pay the fines imposed

The appealed case of Frank Angelo, charged with keeping and exposing for sale intoxicating liquors, was settled in the superior court in Cambridge on ray and Florence Clark; a sister, and a Thursday morning. Angelo, through niece, Miss Dorothy Jubb; of Shirley, his attorney, pleaded guilty to the complaints with the understanding that he made her home with Mrs. the Soldiers' club on West street for the treatment of influenza patients.

An extra good program is promised day afternoon with services at the hore. He signed an affidavit to this Married in Aver. January 8 by Rev. Monday. Mary Pickford in her letter to be seen in Page's hall next week—house performed by Rev. John R. effect. Angelo was found guilty and effect. Angelo was found guilty and fined in the local court several weeks ago. He has since left town.

The appealed case of Robert H. Keating, of Cambridge, for driving his authorities and the accussed officer automobile in Aver at a speed greater than was reasonable and proper, was also set for Thursday. The case was continued because of the illness of the defendant, who is sick with influenza. defendant, who is sick with influenza.

Viewed Scene of Disaster.

Chief of Police Beatty and Officers T. J. Pirone and George F. Hubbard vere eye witnesses to the great explo sion of the huge molasses tank which caused so much damage to life and property in Boston Wednesday. The three officers had been attending the session of the superior criminal court at Cambridge as witnesses in the appealed liquor case of Frank Angelo of Ayer and one for overspeeding an au-tomobile by Robert H. Keating of Cambridge. After the officers had finished their court duties they went to lunch in a restraurant near the scene of the explosion. A short time

Passenger train No. 7, west bound, leaving here at 12.54 p. m., ran into an automobile in which five soldiers and the driver were riding at Harris crossing, near Mitchelville, last week Friday afternoon, severely injuring Ralph Dickenson, of Worcester, and slightly injuring his four companions. This Friday evening the Boy Scouts, troop I, will give a supper to the Mohawk and Nonaicoicus Camp Fire organizations at the church.

Sunday at 10.30 the pastor will preach; subject, "Out into the large place," Sunday school at noon. Herbert J. Webb will lead the Men's class and Mrs. Osborne the Women's class and Mrs. Osborne the bert J. Webb will lead the Men's class at Mrs. Osborne the Women's class, At 6.15 the Young People's meeting will be held, opened by the installation of the new officers: leader, Warren A. Winslow. At 7.20 the congresation meets at the Federation House, where Lieut, Ernest L. Mills preaches.

Thursday at 7.30 mid-week service.

Thursday at 7.30 mid-week service. his injuries would prove tatal, out ton, Charles later reports showed that he would Bowerie e.F. recover.

Dickensor was discharged the day in the Source of the accident from the military erville service at the camp, and together with

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proescution is conducted by Capt. J. Beckwith, trial judge advocate.

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whereby the latter could get coal from

arguments became so heated that the

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religious leader brings him invitations

tist Community in Boston forms a

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AYER, MASS.

Lane, proprietor of the Hotel Brew ster, Boston, and committed smaller crimes in the Copley-Plaza hotel, final ly came to grief at the Boylston street police station when he tried to hold up Policemen Mattey and Brett with his revolver. Judge Creed ordered

will be the preacher next Sunday evening at the First Unitarian Parish Chapman badly, said a lieutenant who church. The community is fortunate in this opportunity to have for impersonating an officer and for whose international reputation as a absence without leave. But in this case, for the first time practically to speak as far west as the Pacific since the war, the police refused t coast and in various European cities, The Mission of which the Vedan-Police Michael Crowley, who person-Police Michael Crowley, who person ally entered into the discussion, inti mated that nobody was going to draw

and dispensaries at Benares and four The heatenant said that Chapman other cities in India, where every year thousands of helpless poor are given medical aid. Besides these, extensive relief work is carried on where one, managed all the details of the party with clean-cut efficiency and dinner, but Chief Beatty suggested that the flowt family family family for the flowt family dinner, but Chief Beatty suggested that er flood, famine, fire, or plague has vation as to his sanity, and had dethey walk, which they did. To this brought distress. All help is given sected and went to Boston. When he fact the three were probably saved without regard to caste, creed or na-saw the lase going addist him the

Federation House Notes.

Friday, January 17, at 7.30 p. m., there will, be an entertainment, with refreshments, given free to soldiers and their friends, by the Centralville M. E. church of Lowell.

Saturday, January 18, at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m., moving pictures; "Wildflower"; also, Pathe ite Clarke, in one of her most popular pictures, "Wildflower"; also, Pathe Sews.

Sunday, January 19, at 3.00 p. m., closure and had a good change to see information also conducts industrial schools, training farms, girls' schools, students' homes and many such industrial schools, training farms, girls' industrial schools, training farms, girls' schools, students' homes and many other educational institutions for both boys and girls, besides numerous reading rooms and libraries. It maintains monasteries at Benares. Made the section of the serious offense was a serious one. Crowley saying that Chapman ought to be punished in Boston. He had his wish and the lieutenant appeared feet within a tit was first proposed to take was wrecked by the force of the explosion of the educational institutions for both boys and girls, besides numerous reading rooms and libraries. It maintains monasteries at Benares. Made of the head of the end of the explosion of the educational institutions for both boys and girls, besides numerous reading rooms and libraries. It maintains monasteries at Benares. Made of the head of the educational institutions for both boys and girls, besides numerous reading rooms and libraries. It maintains monasteries at Benares. Made of the end of the educational institutions for both boys and girls, besides numerous reading rooms and libraries. It maintains monasteries at Benares. Made of the end of the educational institutions for both industrial schools, training farms, girls industrial schools, training farms, girls industrial

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A Home Economics club has been organized by the boys and girls of the Center and West Townsend schools, and any between the ages of ten and eighteen years are eligible for mem-tiership. Mr. Trask, of the Middlesex Farm Bureau, has offered as prize for the best club work in cooking, canning, gardening and pig-raising, a two-days' outing at the Amherst camp next July. Miss Alberta D. Bar-ber has been chosen supervisor of the Center club, and Miss Myllykangas of the West Village club. The club leadment in the right channels. ers are planning to attend the meet-

this week Friday evening. The meeting is to be held at 7.30 in the vestry.

.Harold McLane has received an honorable discharge from the students' army and has returned to his position in the B. & A. D. Fessenden Company's He is rooming with Albert

Miss Fannie Derby, of Leominster, is the guest this week at the home of her nephew, Frank M. Warren.

At the meeting of the Grange on evening the officers-elect were duly installed by W. N. Howard, State Grange secretary, assisted by Miss Ella Wilson of the local Grange, acting a marshal. After the installation a collation was served by the feast committee, Mrs. Hattie Misner, chairman, was entertained at the home of T. E. Flarity, State Grange

Roswell Lancey attended the funera of his niece, Mrs. Henry A. Moulton, held in Lunenburg, Thursday, and was one of the bearers.

Mrs. Arthur Barber, of Townsend to visiting her sister, Mrs. Ette Rockwood, in South Brookline, N. H., this week.

Word has been received by Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers that their young-est son, Francis, who is first radio electrician on the U. S. Submarine R-15, is on a 3500-mile trip from the canal zone to the Pacific coast.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon subject will be "Carry on."

The fine coasting of late has been enjoyed by the adults as well as the youth of our village during the fine, bright moonlight evenings. The fine sleighing has also been enjoyed by those from the surrounding towns, Landlord Farrar entertaining at the hotel two sleighing parties from Park hotel two slessman back-Enchburg, serving an oyster and chicken supper.

At the Parent-Teacher association eting, held in the high school room on Tuesday evening, the subject of Athletics" was discussed by Supt. Knight, Principal Altman, Mrs. Irving Seaver, Mrs. A. L. Struthers, Mrs. Bray and others, the talk being along the of thought of the need and advantage of having more athletic train-ing in our grade schools as well as in the high school. A pleasing feature of the evening was the singing of the "songs of the trenches" by the company present, under the direction of Miss Southwick, the school supervisor of music. This feature brought to the minds of some the old-time singing Light refreshments of cocoa and cookies were served by the

The members of the Monday club meet on Monday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock in the pastor's room of the Congregational church to sew needy families in town, and anyone who is interested to join the "sewing bee" on that day will receive a cor-dial welcome from the club and their services appreciated.

At the Methodist church on Sunday morning Rev. John Long will preach on "The world's greatest question." At on the world's greatest question. At the evening service the subject will be "The pearl of great price."

burg and her friend, Miss Marlon the program was in charge of Mrs. Holcomb, of Brookline, N. H. Miss Elizabeth Copeland Hartford, Inter-Holcomb remained for the week-end

At the regular meeting of the Red Cross branch held this week the following were chosen as trustees of the Emergency hospital: Robert G. Fessenden, chairman, Mrs. Louise Tenney, sec.; Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren, Rev. A. L. Struthers and George L.

It is of interest to know that Miss Ellis, the U. S. Public Health nurse, who came to town to assist at the first breaking out of the influenza epidemic, very generously gave her services for which the townspeople give grateacknowledgmet.t. Mass Ellis is to be the U. S. Public Health nurse, Va. who will visit the schools in town form time to time throughout the West. school year.

Mrs. Leon Going and her two chil-Mrs. Leon Golde to dren, who have been at the Emer-dren, who have been at the Emer-gency hospital ill with influenza, were has wired that she is detained for sev-able to leave the hospital Saturday read days, as Mr. Sherwin has to unfor their hoem on School street

friends in town of the death. France of Joseph R. Heff of a tree control of the fer high school provided, who was Y. M. C. A. sociotaxia Action 6. You have a few for a collection of the few provided at the few provided at the few for a collection of the few for a collection of the few for a collection of the few for the few for a collection of the few for th day. Juntitive 7. In 1998 in order to Assembly Resident to a relife disputed sent to The Hollow west a second operation in a high Hollow for insistency of the Universal treatment to state hims potential to use the Church of Williams for the continuous work of the C. A. worker in France 1998. Here's no soon to consume his work of the A. wother in France Mr. Heffen. who was principal or the Wadbash school at the time of his going Prance last April was accompanied A-rby, and goes this week to Nest and Schuyler F. Herror speciatends N. H. to assist in caring for Mison of public schools it. Winchester, Charles Stickney, who is quite if all later they were joined by Rev. J her home in that city. Metcalf and the three had been closely associated ever since it relief work

Mr. Hefflon went over to France on the steamer Oronsa, which was tor-pedoed. After his arrival he had charge of a supply depot and did res-cue work among children at Neuilly. He had also been active at various points on the front and at Chateau Thierry.

Mr. Hefflon was born at Saybrook, lonn., fifty years ago. He was a raduate of Wesleyan academy and Illinois Wesleyan university. He hegan teaching school at Chester, Conn., when nineteen years old. For seven years he was supervising principal of the grammar school in Cochituate. 1900 he became principal of the monia. high school and supervising principal of the Center grammar school in baby, from Worcester, are visitin, M Townsend, and in 1906 he became Clark's mother, Mrs. W. T. Cook.

superintendent of the schools in Saco Me., ten years ago he became princi-pal of the Wadleigh school, the largst of Winchester's public schools. Mr est of Winchester's puone schools. The Hefflon was a member of the Winchester Congregational church and Meridan lodge of Masons. In 1895 Arizona, recently returned from Engineering of the Masons. he was married to Miss Bertha Stiles land, has been his furlough at

While in Townsend, Mr. Hefflon Mrs. John Clark. was a very tactful and successful teacher and principal and very popular with his pupils, always entering into their games and sports with zeal and enthusiasm and at the same time

He was a public spirited citizer while residing in our town, active in Waltham, under the auspices of the Social and church work. January, M. C. F. B., when state leaders and 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Heffion united others will speak on Home Economies with the Townsend Congregational He was a fathiful teacher

> Wesleyan university in Middletown, Conn. He was admitted to the Massa-chusetts bar, but was never active in the practice of law. The deceased is aid to rest in the American cemeter; in France.

The deepest sympathy of Townsend friends is extended to his bereaved wife and daughter Anna, who is a enior at Simmons.college. He is also survived by a brother, Rev. George H. Hefflon, of Hartford, Conn. Another brother, Mark L. Hefflon, lost his life some years ago in the Indian Ocean.

Spaulding-Going Wedding.

At the wedding of Ex-Gov. Rolland H. Spaulding and Miss Vera Adelaide Going of North Rochester, N. H., which took place at the home of Hunt ey N. Spaulding at Brookline, Dec. 18, the ceremony was performed by Rev. 1 J. Roy Dinsmore of East Rochester, the vestries on account of the illness ish of Lawrence. The bride wore a Miss Doris Tenney presided at the traveling suit of dark red velvet and plano. In the evening the pastor dethe bridesmaid, Miss Sarah Twombly livered a eulogy on 'The life and info Milton, N. H., was dressed in navy fluence of the late Theodore Roose-

ture hat. Spaulding, brother of the groom.

Guests were present from New
York, Bpston, Berwick, Ma., Binghampton, N. Y., Brookline, El Paso, him "one who will go down in history H. Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding left for New York and will visit Washington,

D. C., and Hot Springs, Va.

The newly weds take with them the est wishes of their many Townsend and other friends, who wish for them only prosperity and happiness along

life's journey.

Mrs. Agnes Going, formerly of this town and mother of the bride, left the first of January for St. Petersburg, Fla., where she plans to spend the winter with her sister.

Club Meetings.

The January meeting of the Birthday club was held on Tuesday after-noon at the home of Mrs. Mary Sherrin. A large number were in attend thirty-three of the thirty-eight members being present. At the business meeting the following officers were elected for the new year: Mrs. Lila Hayward, pres.; Mrs. Emma Seaver, v. p.; Mrs. Mabel Brackett, sec. and treas.; Mrs. Fannie Meade, Mrs. Emma Clarke and Mrs. Helen Jefts, executive committee. The afternoon's entertainment program was in charge of Mrs. Grace Wright and consisted of musical selections from the Victrola, reading by Mrs. Mary Spring, and interesting facts gleaned from the life of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, given ov Mrs. Irving Seaver. At the calling of the roll the members responded with humorous quotations. During the social hour refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Sherrin, Mrs. Alice Marshail and Mrs. Gertrude Hodeman. The February meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Davis.

The Monday club met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Albert S. Howard. The meeting opened with appropriate remarks by Mr. Howard appropriate remarks by Mr. Howard Mr. and Mrs. Conneghaun from Lynn, in memory of Col. Roosevelt and a who have been assisting in the home Hill entertained last week Friday in memory of Col. Roosevelt and a who have been assisting in the home honor of her birthday anniversary, subject of the afternoon was "The to their home, accompanied by their horder father, John Walker, of Fitch." esting readings were given by Mrs. A. L. Struthers on "Switzerland," and Mrs. Hartford on "Czecho-Slovaks."

Miss Alberta Barber, who was to have spoken on the country of Italy, was unable to be present. Miss Ellen N. Haynes gave a paper on "The Kaiser, responsible for the world war," as seen by Mr. Morganthau and David Hill, our ambassadors. At the close of the pro-gram a second hour was enjoyed, with the serving of refreshments by the hostess, who was aided in serving by the teachers. Misses Copp. Sim and Mrs Irbine. The club was honored during the social hour by the presence of Mrs. Irbine's husband, 2nd Lieut. James Irbine from Camp Humphrey

Mrs. R. S. El), who accompanied the party to the bedside of her brother. Ablen A Sherwin, at Camp Dix. N. J. less another operation and she was sense until the outcome is definite

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Mrs. Winchester, who was called t Newton before Christmas by the fate illness of her sister, has returned to the Squannicook Inn, accompanied a her mother, Mrs. Caswell, who will re-

main with her for the present. Miss Myrtle Hobart, from Waverley as been a recent visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Robbins

Mr. Ensor, overseer at the fown farm, is quite ill with the influenze and G. M. Streeter is assisting at the farm during his illness.

Mrs. Aleaxnder Reed has return from Somerville, accompanied by be son Kenneth, who has been very ously ill at the Peter Brent hospital in Boston with double ;

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Class

Wagoner Alden A. Sherwin, who as rived at the debarkation hospital in ow York several weeks ago, has been transferred to Camp Dix, N. J.,

spending a portion of his furlough at the home of Mr. and

Owing to the illness of several memhers and other unfavorable conditions, it has been decided to omit further meetings of the Ladies' Study club un til further notice.

Mrs. Tibbetts, at Mrs. Susan Morgan's, has received word that both her youngest daughter and her daughter's husband have been taken to a hospital suffering from the prevailing epidemic.

Mrs. Herman L. Stickney and her The Congregational church parish and worker in the Sunday school and influenza at their home, and her moeting, which was to have been held last Saturday afternoon, has been post poned; to this work work work to the most bear post. little son Ralph are suffering from the Joseph Hefflon received his early education in Wilbraham academy, Wilbraham, and was later graduated from Wisleyon university to Middenny and was later graduated from the following the illness of his parents, has been taken back to his home

Mrs. Fred A. Patch left on last week Friday for the home of her son, Ed ward Patch, of Brookline, where she will assist in caring for her daughterin-law, who is recovering from a se vere attack of pheumonia

Albert Wyman, who has been ill with the influenza at Camp Mills, where he was stationed, has received his discharge and returned to his home at Frank Boutelle's, Bayberry hill, Alexander Reed is spending a few days at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Dwinell, of Somerville.

Word has been received that Edward Bell, of this village, is danger-ously ill in Marlboro.

Rev. Joseph McKean preached Sun day morning on the topic "Who are he saved?" the service being held in H.; assisted by Rev. Donald Ger-of Lawrence. The bride wore a Miss Doris Tenney presided at the blue georgette crepe and wore a pic-ture hat. The best man was H. N. christian character as a man, his marvellous versatility and force Texas, and Rochester and Milton, N. as one of the greatest men the world has ever know

Miss Annie Murphy, who has been ssisting for a number of weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reed, has returned to Springfield.

Miss Gladys Rawson, who has been confined to her home for several days vith influenza, is able to about again, and her mother and little brother, who have been reported as on the sick list, are improving.

Mrs. Ellen Pratt is stopping for a lew days with her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. Z. Sherwin.

Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin received elegram Saturday morning announcing the severe illness of her husband with pleurisy at Camp Dix, N. J., where he was transferred last week from the New York hospital, and taking her two little children, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. R. S. companied by Ely, and his father, Wilbur Z. Sher win, left Saturday night for New Jersey, arriving Sunday forenoon. A despatch from them Sunday afternoon stated that they found him in a very weak condition, but he rallied

somewhat after their arrival. The reading-room opened on Sat urday with the custodian, Miss Alice Seaver, in charge, and Joshua Gray is acting as janitor on account of the illness of Mrs. Daniel Coffey. Miss Myllykangas, the grammar

school teacher, who has been board-ing at Alexander Reed's, is stopping Squannacook Inn, owing to illness in Mrs. Reed's family. Henry B. Hathaway was called t

Kittery, Me., on Saturday night by he severe iliness of his only remaining sister.

Mrs. Daniel Coffey has returne his home with his sister, Mrs. Coffey. The sad news reached here Wednes-

eighty-five years of age, a former well-Fellows' home in Worcester after briof illness of influenza, and whose ody was interred in the family lot a he Center, Wednesday morning. Lawton, for many years a resident o this village and the Center, and faithful member of the Baptist church re, leaves a host of friends in both mong them with pleasure and her de oted and earnest christian character nd many deeds of kindness are among he treasured memories of many of the residents. She spent some months in this village three years age the home of her grandniece, Mrs haries Hodgman, going from there at the advanced age of eighty-two years the Odd Fellows' home in Worceswhere she was cared for during

remainder of her life. A little son arrived at the home of nd Mrs. Roy Brown, Mondas The little fellow is doing well. he mother is threatened with in-24, which has been prevailing in on chold for several weeks. Mrs. Webster is caring for the moth

trask, from the radio school ige, is visiting his parents, M:

Duncan Rusk. ladies' Mission circle met or sday afternoon at the home of Turles Hodgman with a good atthe president, Mrs. Hodg-presiding. Miss Alice Seaver was and secretary pro tem in the about Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence. the next meeting will be held at ome of Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence.

A. D. Winship, who has been sing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. an L. Stickney during the illness veral members of the family, has med to her home in Ayer. New Advertisements

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The blouse shown in the sketch is one of the very smart little panel effects being developed in great numbers for the season. This blouse is a slipover. The neck is sufficiently wide to make it possible to slip the blouse very easily over the head, and it is held in at the waist by a narrow clastic band, which is in turn concealed by the ribbon belt run through openings in the panel, back and front. This is very smart as a suit blouse, or it may be worn with one of the lovely silk or satin skirts, the two forming a very satisfactory afternoon dress for informal occasions.

If women come to realize that the blouse, which comes well below the valstline is unquestionably the smartest and most becoming, except for distinctly sport wear, the separate blouse

will come into wider use.

The model sketched, as originally designed, was made of navy georgette, with beading in navy and red, the large beads used to outline the panel, neck and wrist being in a vivid red. The ribbon belt may be of navy faille or black velvet. A red belt would be striking but not advisable, as sharply dividing the figure at the waistline is not becoming to the average figure. The collarless blouse will almost un-

questionably continue to be the most



Panel Blouse of Georgette.

popular selection during the season. although a large number of blouses are being shown with moderately high collars. Regardless of becomingness, the collarless blouse is certainly more comfortable, and in these busy days that is a very important consideration.

EASY TO MAKE A LAMPSHADE

Throw a Square Material in Studied Carelessness Over Lined Wire Frame and Start Is Made.

One of the simplest and at the same time most effective lampshades is made by throwing a square material in studied carelessness over a lined wire frame. For the floor lamp this is especially artistic. The frame should square of handsome silk, brocade, Jap- the incident. Afterwards, whenever of the death of Mrs. Kate Lawton; clently valuable to suggest that it remain uncut is thrown over the shade known and respected resident of this so that the points fall evenly. Heavy illage, who died Monday at the Odd fringe may weight the edge, or tassels at the corners will perform the same office. A small hole in the center may have to be worked through the material so that the tip of the electric fixture which holds the shade may tacked very lightly here and there to the lined frame to keep it from slip- an indefinite period. ping out of place.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Very lovely is a frock of taffeta and elvet combination, trimmed with silk fringe, the sleeves of which are elbow length and cut kimono fashion in one with the bodice.

Chenille embroidery, combined with bends, is the charmingly effective trimming seen on some lovely frocks of satin.

In millinery the color combination of French blue and black is exceedingly popular, and to a less degree is noted seal brown and henna—the color formerly known as terra cotta.

Frocks of panne velvet trimmed with silk braid are very smart; in fact, velvet frocks, both plain and trimmed in many ways, are a delightfully attractive mode of the moment.

Formless Blouses and Coats. Cheruit makes extremely wide and formless blouses and coats, and she, like Lanvin, uses these long loops, which are really slings. Undoubtedly they were suggested by the sight of the wounded in Paris, and the fact that the dressmaking houses in France turned out so much of the essentials for the hospitals.

Barbara Frietchie and Young China The same of Whittier's poem, "Barbara Frietchie," has swept to China, where school children in Hongkong are interested in the native town of the heroine of the poem. . The Chinese boys have read the poem and now desire information and a picture of the town. Reverend Mr. Bird of the Ellis Kadooric school, Hongkong, has written to Mayor Lewis H. Fraley asking for a picture postal card of the town. The mayor has sent one of the centennial memorial books Baltimore

RICHARD'S" BIRTHDAY

Government Has Pictures Ready for Every Member in the Family. Benjamin Franklin Gaye Us Gifts We Shall Never Cease Using.

Benjamin Franklin, whose picture dorns the 1919 or Franklin issue of War Savings Stamps, receives unique recognition from the country which gave him birth and which he, in turn, relped to make a nation.

Born in Boston on January 17, two hundred and thirteen years ago, he began his career at the age of ten in his father's trade of tailow chandler and soap boiler. Dissatisfied, he later became an apprentice in his brother's printing office and such was his character that he quickly rose to influenced position and subsean quently became one of the most illustrious figures of all times. He not only amassed wealth through wise spending, sane saving

and secure investment, but saved time to give himself a complete education, developing his gifts to the utmost as a writer, philosopher, scientist and statesman. He founded the Philadelphia : library, the American Philosophical Society and the University of Pennsylvania; he discovared that lightning is a discharge of electricity; he was Postmaster of Philadelphia and later on Deputy Postmaster General of the British Colonies in America; a signer of the Declaration of Independence and Minister Plenipotentiary from United States to France. All this when there were no typewriters, no telephones and few facilities for trav-

Franklin always ascribed his achievements to careful saving and spending of money, of time, of engreat part of his writings were devoted to the happiness and other benefits resulting from thrift, and he took pains to make clear the distinction between miserliness and sane saving, just as he did the difference between leisure and laziness. In Franklin's day the almanac was

the most popular form of literature and for many years Franklin was the author of an almanac signed by one Richard Saunders, in which information regarding the weather, etc., was mingled with wisdom emanating from Poor Richard." These sayings are familiar to every American.
For instance, "Poor Richard" said,

'Time is money. Lost time is never found again. He that waits upon fortune is never sure of a dinner Look before or you'll find yourself behind. Beware if small expenses; a small leak will sink a great ship." So, on Franklin's birthday anniver-

sary, the United States pays to its great counsellor the fine compliment f putting his teachings into practice. Judicious buying, wise saving and safe investment are to be the watchwords for individuals and the nation during 1919. And that they nay not be mere words the government is issuing another series of Savings Stamps, as a stimulus to saving and an absolutely safe and profitable nvestment. On each stamp appears the picture of Benjamin Franklin.

RE YOU PAYING TOO MUCH FOR YOUR WHISTLE? BEN FRANK LIN DID ONCE,

When Franklin was a child of seven he was given a lot of pennies one holiday. Hastening into a nearby toyshop he voluntarily gave all he had for a whistle. A little later he discovered that he had paid four from the hospital at the Center and be lined with silk, either plain or times too much for his toy. Realiz-Mr. and Mrs. Conneghaun from Lynn. shirred on, exactly as if it were to be covered with shirred silk or plain have had in addition, he wept with panels in the approved impshade vexation and got no more pleasure manner of the moment. After that a from thew histle. He never forgot anese embroidery or anything suffi- he was tempted to make too great an outlay in time, or money, or ergy, he would say ti himself. "Don't pay too much for the whistle. Lots of folks are using up all their

energy on some showy thing that them no comfort. lavishing valuable time on a few unimportant tasks. Others willingly "blow in" an entire week's salary on work through. The silk could be one evening of frivolity, robbing themselves of all manner of pleasure for

Others sacrifice the best of their talents in pursuing some fruitless ambition. Still others forego the simrle, natural joys of life in worship ping a snobbish ideal.

They are all paying too much for their whistle. How is it with you?

Are you paying too much for you whistle? Or are there some 1919 War Savings Stamps in your life? Franklin's picture is on them; his ideas are back of them.

A THRIFTY PAIR.

Ben Franklin was a thrifty man. To smooth the way, to help along Instead of squandering what he got He used frugality.

His wealth increased from year to year. He won fame and position, But not alone did he succeed

In gaining his ambition.

To smooth the way, ti help along There stood his saving wife, And 'twas this partnership of thrift Gave them a happy life.

Some folks attribute wealth to luck 'Tis fortune's known foundation His luck to find a thrifty mate Was Ben's interpretation.

Helped Burn Emperor's Effigy. During the celebration of victor at Genon, Italy, a characteristic epi sode occurred in front of the Garibaldi monument. A group of English sailors surrounded by an immense crowd held a mock trial about the effigy of Emperor Charles of Austria. They condemned him to death and hanged the effigy on a pole, afterward applying the torch. The pole and the effigy were consumed. The Americans and the English took part in all the Italian celebrations with great enthusiasm.

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FATE'S WEB BY AGNES G. BROGAN.

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Fate has a mysterious way of weaving her web and enmeshing within it the most unsuspecting. Thus, Polly Wintergreen, planning in her village home a trip to the city to buy a nev hat, and big John Brand, home for the first time in many years from the West, little knew in their hearts that Fate was slyly drawing them to-

gether. Perhaps if Polly had known, she might have remained in Fairville. For her knowledge of love and its ways had been gained entirely from certain books, first censored by Aunt Electa. From these tales Polly learned that ideal lovers approached their fair ones always in an attitude of reverent homage: Foreknowledge of John Brand's confident manner of claiming his own might therefore have deterred frightened Polly from visiting the city

John himself, fresh from the life of the great outdoors, would have scoffed at being drawn under any circum stances into the scented atmosphere of a ladies' millinery parlor—yet here they both were, with Fate preparing to fling her net. .

In Polly's sheltered life, the buying of a hat was an adventure. So, her cheeks flushed with excitement and her eves sparkled in pleasure as wandered from table to table, selecting those to be tried on. Big John, waiting frowningly on

a satin-covered sofa, was overlooked. With the memory of those perfect heroes stamped upon her mind, there was nothing in the Westerner's appear ance to arouse Polly's interest. She selected a velvet turban from a stand at his side, and proceeded to

draw it down over her fluffy hair. The effect was charming. The Westerner, who had been regarding half-contemptuously the girl's frail daintiness, sat up suddenly with new attention. There was an expression in the dewy eyes beneath the turban's brim which he had never seen before. Half shy was the look, and wholly appealing. John Brand had known many wom

en-efficient, good and clever. But their eyes had not shone with that self-sacrificing womanly light, or so the Westerner thought, for fate, you see, was holding the mirror. He was obliged to see the manager of this great department store upon a matter of business; his impatience

led him in the chase to the millinery department, where it was said that worthy could be found. His impatience vanished as he leaned back, watching Polly as she sur-

veyed her own reflected face. "I like this shape very much," she said. "It is great!" the Westerner genial-

ly commented. Polly wheeled about, flushing rosily; she had fancled herself speaking to the saleswoman, who was not now

"I've got a picture of my mother," he went on, "with a little velvet thing like that on her head; it was taken years ago. She died before I was old enough to remember her. But you make me think of that picture some vay—the hat, the look in your eyes."

Polly stared. strange big man finished musingly, as though he had forgotten

her presence "I would like to have this same shape covered in blue," Polly said. "I made the trip in town today because it is necessary to have the hat for a special occasion. Could you promise It surely for the day after tomorrow?" "Impossible!" the woman answered, "We are swamped with wearily. Twelve hats promised for a work. big society wedding tomorrow; more day after. It is an unusually busy season. Could you not take this pur-

ple shape?" "The hat must match my blue suit,"

Polly Inmented. John Brand, upon his own side of the mirror, could not know of the disappointment through which the

blue-eyed girl was passing. Polly had dreamed of the blue suit and hat she would wear; simple they would have to be, but of a late fash ion. No other hat of suitable price or appearance was available in her limited search. The train for Fairwould leave soon. She would have to go back and wear again among them all her old and faded felt.

"I suppose," the saleswoman sug-gested presently, "that I could persunde one of the trimmers to thke the hat home and make it up for you af ter hours. But they've been working o hard they are pretty tired—"
Now, though John Brand could not ealize in his experience of the hig things of life, how very real to Polly

stance, he did realize the unselfish mess of her prompt response. "Oh! I would not think of adding to the girl's work," said Polly. "I will come in again at a later time."

was her disappointment in this in

Around the Westerner's heart crept a comforting glow. It was as though after long search he had come upon that which he most desired.

ror he was talking to the manager, who listened with deference. The manager turned to shake hands with his customer, Miss Wintergreen, and the Westerner, whose great suc

And as Polly came around the mir-

cess had been achieved through recognizing opportunity, immediately be sought the manager for an introduc So-Fate cast her net! And neither Polly, John Brand, her husband, or

Aunt Electa, the censor, have had

cause to question Fate's wisdom. Active Voicano.

The most active volcano in the world

is Mount Sangay. It is 17,190 feet high, situated on the eastern chain of the Andes, South America. It has been in constant eruption since 1728. November the Holiday Month.

November is the popular holiday month, 26 of the 30 being held as hold-days by some of the different countries. May comes next with 25 holiday

FIRST CLEAN UP THE MESS

British Major's Attitude on the War Typical of Most of the Soldiers "Over There."

Generalship, I heard a chief of staff at the front once say, is three-quarters a knowledge of the mood, the condition and the character of your men. For a week I traveled the British front with a grizzled major of a Highland regiment, who had been in the game since 1914. We lunched one day with a mingled group of field and intelligence officers, a Belgian on linison work, and a visiting French captain. The talk, which was chiefly upon specialties beyond the range of war, made one fact evident—the world of civillan life was more interesting than ever before to these men. They were passionately desirous to get back, to "clean up the mess" there, to go on

with their broken careers. "How do you stay so keen on your job here." I asked the major, afterward, "when you are more weary of var than they are at home?" He flushed a little, British fashion.

"Have to clean up this mess, first," he answered. week later one of the most lovable boys I have ever known (he was killed a week later) stood by his Nieuport on the American front, talking

to me before a fight. "I don't think much of the danger," he said, "though I don't forget it. It's all part of the game."—Harper's Magazine.

GERMANY WITHOUT A FRIEND

Nation Stands Alone in the World, Seemingly With No One to Mourn for Her.

One cannot help wondering what could have been the emotions of the German agents in Spain when they read the dispatch sent by King Alfonso to President Poincare. Those agents have worked hard through all these years of the war and spent money lavishly to make and keep Spain the friend of Germany. They can claim with some show of truth to have kept her neutral, but now, in the day of Germany's humiliation, she gets no sympathy from the Spanish king. Instead, he telegraphs to the French president enthusiastic congratulations on the victory of the allies, and calls the result achieved the reaching of "the end of this glorious epic of the French army and nation, which have shown us all," he adds, "what bravery

and patriotism mean." Alfonso says "us all," and no Span iard protests, so they must join not only in the king's felicitation of Germany's enemy but also in the implied denial that Germany has shown anybody what bravery and patriotism

mean. Another failure, therefore, must be scored against German diplomacy and propaganda. Is it the hundredth or the thousandth?-New York Times.

America's Tin Industry. While the United States has, attained a commanding position in the tin plate export trade, it by no means equals that which England had before the war. Data show that while our exports of tin plate have grown from 57,800 tons in 1913 to more than 233,-000 tons in 1917, they even now are less than 50 per cent of England's before the war, and only 35 per cent

ports. Will this country ever have a tin industry of its own? asks the Philadelphia Inquirer. The American tin-melting industry is still in the childhood stage. Ore supplies in Bolivia, in South America, are believed to be large, but Bolivian producers are finding conditions here unsatisfactory for doing business. Only the future can tell whether any relief is possible from this source.

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Impress Left by Romans

The old Romans and still older Celts have left their traces thickly strewn in the place-names of the country through which the victorious allied armies advanced during the latter part of the war. Valenciennes was named after the Roman emperor, Valentinian, just as Orleans was named after Emperor Aurelian. The mark of the Celt is seen in the dun, or fortress, of the ever-famous Verdun, and, though now contracted out of existence, in the towering old city of Laon, the stronghold of the Merovingians. The River Meuse, perhaps the river most connected with war, has the most peaceful of names, Meuse being Celtic for the River of Meadows.

Sounding Tube Replaces Bells. A modern substitute for the times nonored but cumbersome bell chimes consists of sets of accurately tuned tubes or pipes, which can be installed in any belfry and occupy small space, Popular Mechanics Magazine. Electric hammers, mounted at the up per end of the pipes, strike them with quick, sharp blows through the operation of projecting and recoiling nets. The magnets are controlled by a simple keyboard which can be intalled in any part of the building desired and which can be played by any, person having a rudimentary knowledge of the plano. Chimes of this

Walking the Channel.

by the meter.

sort require so little current to op-

erate them that it is scarcely recorded

Men walked from Dublin to Paris, once. This was, it is figured out, in Neolithic times, when, geologically, Ireland was connected by land with Britain just as Britain was connected with Europe. And today the depres-sion of the channel coasts is again and rapidly going on.-Ladies' Home Jour-

To Climb a Fence One of the modern conveniences for

farmers is a wooden stairway built on both sides of a fence. This inexpensive provision does away with injury to fence and to careless fence climbers, but in no wise interferes with the purpose of the fence as a barrier to



Lero Weather!

Though the mercury outside falls far below freezing, time. and water pipes are bursting o'clock, we looked out and found we had in Concord, N. H., in quanty, o'clock, we looked out and found we had in Concord, N. H., in quanty, in every house, you can be small town in Canada, for breakfast packs and marched about two miles, we have a started of the carrier of the comfortable if you have a

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PEPPERELL

The following is a letter from Ar thur Leary, former express agent here, who went across last July from Camp Devens in the 76th Division, The account of his trip, which so many of our Pepperell boys took with him, is of special interest, now that the censorship allows the writer to order in the afternoon

of the most dangerous places in those waters, sure did hit the right spot. We went by The Weirs fust before dark, and it was a wonderful scene, with the lake, and at the station hundreds of vacationists cheering. After leaving there we went over a railroad up through the mountains, where there must have tionists cheering. After leaving there we went over a railroad up through the mountains, where there must have

or "mess," About 9.30 we started again and crossed the St. Lawrence river on a bridge that seemed to me river on a bridge that seemed to me the boat and they made it real inter-to be a mile above the water. We esting for us many times when we went through Montreal out to the docks, where we were again treated

We stayed here two days and got all with coffee and buns by the Red Cross, after which we boarded the boat.

As we passed down the gangplank what section of the boat it was in. I boat. It was here we saw the first was on the first deck and our bunks real wounded from the war. The hos vere about eighteen inches wide, made above you. In one section of the ship survivors were brought in on the same the bunks were made three high. Be, dock we were on. Such a sight as I

was not a first-class carpenter, either.
The boat and everything on it was camouflaged to look almost anything but what it really was. The name of the ship was "Ajana" and she flew the nurses who were on the boat when ed into the transport game it was a cattle boat and made trips between Liverpool, England, and Australia.

At three o'clock the next morning she hoisted anchor and started down the St. Lawrence river. It was a wonderful sight for all of us. We passed posts, because the current was very swift, and we were under full steam and making about eighteen knots per We passed under the international bridge, which has the largest span of any bridge in the world, and which was swung into place by Ameri can engineers after others had failed twice. Farther down the river we passed the famous cliffs of Quebec and then the city itself, and it must be a fine place. Villages, towns and cities the mouth of the river was smooth, but during the night we got out into the bay, and Oh, boy! how those waves

tossed the boat.

We crossed the bay and passed Prince Edward Island on the right and making tractors. three days making the 800 miles by beached on the rocks, and farther off ve saw the Belgium refugee supply ship that caused the great explosion and fire. We saw the part of the city that suffered the most, and as it is on a side hill, facing the harbor, we could see the remains of what was once houses and streets and trees.

We stayed three days in the harbor and spent the time practicing with the life boats, etc. Many a "rookie" had the skin all off the paint of his hands from sliding down the ropes. Every time we got the boats away from the ship O. K., they let us go for a boat ride about the harbor, visiting other ships and getting practice rowing. We also saw our first submarines here, but they had the "Stars and Stripes" on the stern end. Every little while a new transport would show up and it

ras here we saw Carroll Milan.

After staying three days in the haror we started out with twenty-one ransports, and a large British battle-ship in the lead. We also had about hirty small boats with mine-sweepers out ahead of us and on both sides. We will never forget how every whistle and bell in Halifax blew and rung as

About three o'clock in the afternoor all the mine-sweepers and U. S. sub-marine chasers turned back and left us with only the one English battle-ship for protection. All the transports had guns mounted at the stern and were always ready for any kind of a target. At a signal from the battleship all the boats would turn right or

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons intorested in the estate of SPOFFORD ROBBINS late of Acton in said County, decased, intestate.
Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said decased to FRANK A. PATCH of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without glwing a surety on his bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of January A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock in the forenon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, this second day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

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**Styles of Acton in said Court, the second day of January in the year one thousand of the part of the p sea porpoise. Sometimes we would Mr. Murphy, the Hollis station hit a fog so heavy it was impossible to agent, has started a Sunday school in

loads of money. . loads of money.

One day we passed a large number of ships which we were told was a slow convoy of freighters. We were all day passing—that is losing them from sight. Another day a ship did not give a satisfactory answer to the battleship's signals and was stopped by a shot across the box. by a shot across the bow. Then the ent over and examined her. Another day the battleship dropped some depth bombs away off to one side of us, and the captain told us we had got our

The day before twelve U. S. torpedo boat destroyers had met us, and were all around us for protection. It made us feel good to see so many boats Virginia. Warren A. Colburn is suffering with guarding us, but then we also shew that we were in the danger zon. We lood poisoning in his left hand. also knew that if we got bumped by

a Hun torpedo we stood a good enamed of being picked up, and we all knew which boat we were to go to

ful farms, and passed through the been speed regulations, as we did not go over ten miles per hour for some Leicester and were given confec and rolls, but they were far from the ones The next morning, about five we had in Concord, N. H., in quality. all up hill, to a camp. No, we did not get the cooties here; we had them on the boat and they made it real inter-esting for us many times when we

cleaned up, and made a trip to the famous Winchester cathedral and Winchester castle. From here we we were handed a slip of paper with went to Southampton, where we stay pital ship Warilda had been bumped of wood, with another bunk right by a sub in the channel and all the lieve me, the guy who made the bunks saw there I will never forget. Men

she went down, and had been in the water for hours, were working, trying to help the women ambulance drivers get the wounded to the hospitals. Just think of it-after being torpedoed, in the water and dripping wet, they

what must be a hell upon earth.
That night we boarded the ship "Archangel" and at 2.30 the next morning were in Cherbourg, France. From Cherbourg we marched to Tourlaville, about four miles to Rest Camp No. 1. We stayed there bout a week, and then we started toward the front, in box cars, with flat spots on the wheels.

We went through Versailles, which

then the city itself, and it must be a fine place. Villages, towns and cities all had church steeples towering far above all other buildings, making them very noticeable. The water in the mouth of the river was smooth, From Dijon we went to Is-sur-Tille. months, and I was in the blacksmith shop making and tempering wrenches and then went down the coast of pany was split in two, and half were Nova Scotia to Halifax. We were sent to Vavaincourt, with three repair sent to Vavaincourt, with three repair trucks, to repair small arms, and the up the harbor at Halifax. The place was full of mines and submarine nets, and only had narrow passage in any later and we have been very later and submarine nets. and only had narrow passage in and out of the harbor. At Halifax we saw a large hospital ship, wrecked and heached on the realty of the large hospital ship, where he was the same that front, and know every back road here almost as well as we do at home

I think, perhaps, this is enough for once, and as paper is scarce I will have to quit. As we are attached to the first army I might get home be

spring. Wilfred and I are in the best of health and work seven days a week. and sometimes overtime. As it is long early in the morning, I will close with love to all.

Ordnance Repair Shop, Tours, France.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Barney Follen, who has worked in the family of the late Oliver P. Eastman for many years, died there early
Tuesday morning. Barney as he was

and girls, are again enjoying basket, and in some in the late Oliver P. Eastman for many years, died there early
town hall last Tuesday evening.

A correction of the King's familiarly known to everybody, has been failing for sometime and just bebeen failing for sometime and just before Christmas suffered a shock of also a veteran in the service of the paralysis which was the cause of his town, has been appointed by the sedeath. He has a brother and several lectmen as town clerk to fill the vacancousins, one of whom is Ex-Mayor Barry of Nashua. Services were held the Eastman home Thursday afternoon, Rev. E. M. French officiating. Smith as his assistant, and it is ex-Burial will be in the Eastman home. Thursday afternoon, Rev. E. M. French officiating. Burial will be in the Eastman lot in the South cemetery.

Judge C. H. Hoitt of Nashua has sold his farm known as the Bowditch acted in that capacity ever since her place in East Hollis to the Nashua Manufacturing Company,

Proctor Bros. have a crew of men and teams cutting and hauling logs off

The Nashua Mfr Co have a num-

teams to Nashun.

the Tolles district. Miss Hazel Lougee, who has been Two of the editing's favorite young very ill with juffuenza at Plymouth ladies met these death on last week

M. C., stationed on board the Neyada, spent a few days of his fifteen days' leave of absence with friends in town. The Neyada was one of the ships that took part in the naval parade off New York!

The Mary Erest who has been in Carey only child of Edward M. and

Edward A. Hills.

the captain told us we had got our . Mr. and Mrs. Judson Dincklee refirst, submarine, but we, did not see
anything of it.

The twelfth day out things got more
Inst. About noon we started to ziglively. About noon we started to zigand we knew something was up, ten December 5. The weather then lending and Leominster, where she

The day, died at the nome of the

Their other son Osceola is in camp in

Raymond Flanders is doing night ork in the local telephone exchange. Miss Gladys Sanderson and suite of Milford installed the officers of the Aurora lodge of Rebekahs here Mon-

end visitor in Milford with her cousin, Mrs. William Gaugloff and family. Mrs. Etta Patch is taking Mrs. Margaret Simpson's place at the local telephone exchange.

The funeral of Mrs. Henry Leslie took place at the vestry Monday af-ternoon. Mrs. Leslie has been in feeble health for a long time and had gone to Center Harbor to spend the winter with her son Robert, who had a position there. Her only daughter Charlotte was also there with her. She is survived by them and two other sons, James and Henry. Her husband died only a few months ago. Rev. Robert M. French officiated and Mrs. Robert M. French ometated and area. C. Anderson Colburn and Miss Bertha Hayden rendered two songs, "My homeland" and "Lead, kindly light."

Interment was in the East cemètery. Last Saturday afternoon several adies met at the parsonage with Rev. and Mrs. French and formed a Study club to meet every other Saturday af-ternoon. They will take up South America and nature study. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ralph Her-

Rev. Robert M. French preaches in South Merrimack every Sunday after-

Mrs. George Hale was called to Cambridge last Saturday by the death of her mother.

Mrs. Samuel Worcester is confined to the house by illness.

Mrs. William S. Proctor has gone to her sister's in Groton, Mr. Proctor who fell and broke his hip last would not quit until every patient was was taken to a hospital in Nashua. in the hospital. Then, and only then, He is doing as well as can be expected, did we realize we were really going to but will be obliged to remain there for quite a time.

Miss Sarah Bell is at home this week, her school in Groton having been closed on account of the influen-

Miss Bertha Clinton received a ter from the war department Wed nesday saying her brother. Charles K. Clinton, was invalided to a hospital in Rinecourt, France, October 4. Whether from wounds or malady they did known, but presumably from wounds.

Mrs. Gilman P. Huff will close her house this week and go to West Somrville, Mass., to spend the remainder of the winter with her sister.

Albert Cherette, formerly of Hollis is ill at a hospital in Nashua with double pneumonia, following a relapse

George Cleasby, who has been car-ing for his wife, who has had a shock, has collapsed from getting over tired and is at the home of his sister, Mrs. Locke, who is caring for him. Mrs. Francis Lovejoy is caring for Mrs. Cleasby and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Locke re caring for the house.

Word has been received from the Robert Babson's, summer residents, that Mr. Babson's father has died. He was eighty-five years old.

LUNENBURG

with only about one-half of the town to draw from. At Whalom and on the rural delivery routes, and by Lunchburg people in Fitchburg and Leominburg people in Fitchburg people in Fitchburg and Leominburg people in Fitchburg and Leominburg people in Fitchburg and Leominburg people in Fitchburg people in that sum,

The young people in town, both boys drop Sunday morning, four below zero, and girls, are again enjoying basket- and in some places in re than that be-

Capt. Stillman Stone, a veteran of pected she will perform the duties pertaining to the office until the annual town meeting in March. She was ap-

of Uncle Sam and life at Camp Devens. The firm which has long been known and teams cutting and hauling logs off of the Read farm, which they lately dissolved by matthal consent on Saturbeught of Mrs. C. A. Read.

day night, Mr. Lewis having sold out his part as an active member, but ber of men trimming the little pines and cutting out the underbrush on their land near Hollis depot.

C. H. Knights of Nashua is working for C. J. Bell running one of his milk teams to Nashua. easis to Nashua.

Fred Pollock, who has been working time ago as clerk and delivery man. on the railread, is now in the employ. The new firm took possession and en-of the Nashua Min Co. tered upon the distress on Monday morntered upon resisting on Monday morn-

very ill with influenza at Plymouth
Normal school, is reported as a little
better.

Carrol Reed, who was recently discharged from the U.S. army aviation corps, has resumed his studies at the
Maine university in Orono, Me.

Cant Sidney W. Westmooth T. S.

Two of Lore lorg's favorite young ladden me there death on last week favorite young ladden and the feather than the fact of the care falled and Rena (Grinday of the late falled and the late falled and

Capt. Sidney W. Wentworth, U. S. M. C., stationed on board the Neyada.

Miss Mary Frost, who has been in Corey, only child of Edward M. and Littleton, has returned to her home at Lottle (Smith) Corey, aged 15 years, 9 month 10 days, dled at the home of

was about like April in New England. had been employed for several months. The funerals of both these young la-dies were held at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon and were necessaril private. For Miss Chase, Rev. O. Munson conducted brief service at the grave, and for Miss Corey, Rev. L. A Whiston, at her home, followed by prayer and committal service at the grave, and both interments were in the North cemetery. Much sympathy is felt for the parents and other friends

m, is of special accessions and we consorship allows the writer to ve the full account. The letter is ated Doulaincourt La Haute, Marne, Tance, November 24:

Dear. Mother and Father—How is three rods, but the Saxema, which was just ahead of us, made a perfect shot and hit the periscope and then dropped a whole lot better now that he war is over; that is, the actual how war is over; that is, the actual of the most and the "thin fish" was no more. We must have run into a dozen of them be ause the destroyers and a letter written by a Wellesley girl from a Red Cross hospital in own where we were going to embark. The train went through Peprlarell, and we stopped a short time in perceil, and we stopped a short time of the most dangerous places in those where we were treat
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The train went through Peprlarell A. H., where we were treat
The woman.

The pro
T Brown, of Ayer, and a granddaughter Burial was in the South cemetery.

Memorial Meeting.

A very entertaining memorial service n honor and memory of Col. Theodore Roosevelt was held in the upper town hall on Sunday afternoon. tors of both churches had a part in the program. Rev. O. L. Munson, of the Methodist church, read from the elev enth chapter of Hebrews and offered prayer. James L. Harrington then took the chair and for a few moments spoke of some of the more prominen features in Roosevelt's life and career The proclamation of Governor Coolidge was read by David Harley, and Stanley Brown read an editorial from the Boston Globe, followed by Senator Hiram Johnson's tribute, read by Elof the high school read extracts from one of Roosevelt's speeches, proving a statement he made to the effect that Mr. Roosevelt was a man of thought as well as action. President Wilson's pro Whiston, and newspaper extracts by Rev. O. L. Munson. Capt. Stillman Stone, a veteran of the civil war, and a G. A. R. man, followed by Flint H. Boutwell, each made short speeches and the service closed with aH joining

in singing "America. In the presidential election of 1912 Lunenburg gave Roosevelt one of the largest votes of any town in the state in proportion to its population, giving early 58 percent of the total vote of the town. thought more fitting to hold a special service in his honor than to make it a part of the Sunday morning service. The large audience at the town hall in he afternoon showed their approval of "How firm a foundation" was Col.

Roosevelt's favorite hymn and was sung at the service.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Letters sent to the correspondent bearing no signature will be thrown into the waste basket. Anyone who refuses to sign his or her own name wil e regarded as a suspicious character son will be ignored. Furthermore, we wish for no items that might give of fence to any person.

The Odd Ladies will run a whis party in the Odd Fellows' room on Friday evening, January 24. Tickets at popular prices. There will be refreshments.

news about Mrs. Newcombe. reports are that she continues to convalesce.

Rev. F. W. Lambertson's theme for his Sunday morning sermon will be The quest of power."

There was a big caucus Tuesday evening and the following nominations were reported: For selectmen and were reported: For selectmen and overseer of the poor, 1 year, Frank W. Moore: for 3 years, Fred O. Sules town clerk, Rev. O. J. Fairfield; asses 3 years, N. B. Conant: treasure: News Items.

Last year war saving stamps amounting to \$5612.81 were sold from the postoffice—about one stamp to the postoffice postoffice and the postoffice postoffice

The thermometer took a decided

A correction of the King's Daughters for 1918, we wish to say that the 700 articles men-Cross work. The number included lectmen as town clerk to fill the vacan much done for the Special Aid and

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Saturday, January 18, 1919.

PEPPERELL

News Items. The Patriotic Helpers held their first food sale on Friday of last week at the store of Mrs. Butler, making about thirteen dollars. The sale was in chaige of a committee, com-posed of Mrs. Prescott, Mrs. Sylvester and Mrs. Hill, and they were assisted by Mrs. Bartiett and others connected with this new organization, which was started by Mrs. B. W. Rust, who is the president, to enlist some of the younger married women of the church, who had never joined in the Ladies' Aid

Douglas Deware is expected home from Newport, R. I., on Saturday, for a short furlough, if he does not receive his discharge before that time.

Everyone will be interested in the ouncement that a concert of unusual excellence is being planned to take place at the Methodist church on Friday evening, January 31. Much of the talent is to be professional, rarely heard in a town of this size. Full details will be given next week.

Ralph Buck, who has recently received his discharge from the service, returned home last week and is to open his former home on Pleasant street. He will return to his former employ-ment as plumber with his uncle, D. E.

Joseph Cunniff arrived at Camp Devens from Camp Hancock on Mon day and has received his discharge from the service and returned home.

In the list of names of soldiers published last week those of Irving Church, Edward Duffey, Walter O'Neil, Frank Riley and Robert M. Smellie were inadvertently omitted.

Waldo Morgan, who recently re turned from England, where he was in the Aero Squadron, receiving his discharge from the service at the camp at Garden City, has accepted a position in an office in New York, in The Woman' the line of civil engineer, and left for that city on Wednesday.

At the annual meeting of the stock holders of the First National bank, Popperell, held on Tuesday afternoon the following officers were elected: A. A. Shattuck, pres.; C. H. Miller, v. p.; A. A. Shattuck, C. H. Miller, Henry Tarbell, T. F. Graham, A. P. Wright and I. J. Rowell, directors; Henry F. Tarbell, cashier; Miss Hazel Phinney, assistant cashier.

The Ladles' Benevolent society the Congregational church have invited the Ladies' Social circle of the Unitarian church to meet with them at the ladies' room of the Congregational vestry on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, to consider forming a union of the two societies.

Mrs. C. M. Bolles has been confined to her home on Nashua street last calling an ecclesiastical council to act upon the resignation.

Mrs. Gertrude Tarbell, district dep president, and suite, went to Townsend on Wednesday evening to install the officers of the E. A. Spauld-ing Rebekab lodge. It was a joint installation of this lodge with the North Star lodge, I. O. O. F.

Dr. N. S. Wood returned from Springfield last week Friday, some what improved in health, and is at tending to his dental office work.

The Mt. Lebanon Community Associates held their last two meetings with Mrs. Anna Bancroft, Townsend street. The work on last week Wednesday was women's dress skirts, and veek on garments for children. both being on the order recently received by the local branch of the Red Cross for the refugees. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. D. Walker.

Ladies' Aid society on Thursday, January 23. This was voted upon at the meeting of the society held with Mrs. Elmer Weston on Wednesday after-

the jury and has been in attendance in Cambridge this week.

The Lend-a-hand club will hold a dance in Prescott hall on Friday evening, January 24, with music by the orchestra of the 212th Field Signal Battalion at Camp Devens. A concert program will precede the dance, commencing at eight o'clock. In this the club will be favored by the best of our local talent, and it is very much hoped also that Miss Curry, of Boston, the soloist, who sang so pleasingly before an audience last summer will be pres-The proceeds from the evening will be devoted to local charities. club of young ladies were organized about a month ago, and under the direction of their leader, Mrs. E. D. Walker, have already accomplished good results, especially at Christmas

Installation of the officers of Acoma Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., will occur last week with the Lunenburg team on the evening of January 28, the indid not materialize, owing to the "flu" Blanche Brown, district deputy president, and suite, of Groton.

Mrs. John Fiske has been under the the one to be played this Saturday ev care of a physician this week with a nine of the Opera House, P. H. pronounced office, of influence. Mr. its. the Nashua High sele-Piske had a slight settlek last week Dancing will follow until which kept him at home a short time, with Miss Doris Durant, play is harber raoms being closed.

The schedule calls for a schedule calls f his barber rooms being closed.

tives of Miss Helen Greenhalth of her manuel as the illness from the influenza and pneu-team" organized there for illness from the influenza and pneu-monia. She was filling her new posi-tion as instructor of music in the Gardiner (Maine) schools when taken ill, but reached her home in Paw-ler at home on January [1]. tucket, R. I., before the disease he- probable the Milford team will came critical. She is now reported as to Pepperell the second week in Fel

The Woman's club will meet at the Congregational vestry on Tuesday.

January 21. A special board meeting is William Blood: Leon Winch, capt is called by the president at 2.30. The The line-up is Leon Winch and Franprogram, at 2.45, will be in charge of cis Pendergast, forward, Leo Breen the past presidents of the club. Lucy Dow Cushing will speak on the old Copp, center. subject, "New opportunities for wom-

Miss Mildred McDonald, of Boston is a guest at the home of her uncle, P. J. McDonald, Nashua street.

At the meeting of Prescott Grange held on last week Friday evening, there wits a small attendance, although enough for a quorum, and considerable haislness was transacted. This was followed by a short program, during which Rev. J. B. Lewis reproduced a week Friday evening, with a supper, see the light of a lighthouse lantern, rangement.

ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS followed by the public installation of officers by Frank T. Marston, past deputy of the State Grange. At a meeting of the Girl Scouts

held at the home of their captain, Miss Comunt & Co......Littleten Comme W. Elldreth Townsend tain and will act as lieutenant as soon as the new captain is elected, which ing. may be done at the next meeting at her home next Wednesday afternoon. now planning for the purchase of the 1919 thrift stamps. A knitted afghan, made and presented by them to the chapter, Red Cross, will be placed either at the base hospital at Camp Devens or at the Hostess House, wherever it is found to be most needed.

The latest reports available on the funds collected on Tag day by the Special Aid Workers is about \$145 and a few subscriptions are yet expected from out-of-town parties, who were written to at the time of the project. Other Pepperell matter will be found on pages one and seven.

Annual Meeting of the Church.

The 173d annual business meeting of the Evangelical Congregational church was held Thursday afternoon, January 16. The pastor, Rev. J. B. Lewis, read the warrant and offered prayer. Dr. L. R. Qua was chosen moderator. The clerk, L. C. Blood, reported 214 members, 11 additions to

ported 214 members, 11 additions to the church, 6 baptisms and 6 deaths.

The treasurer, M. C. Lane, reported all bills paid and \$33.00 balance. Given to benevolences, \$256; which is \$25 more than the apportionate plan calls for. Also, \$50 has been raised for Armenian relief.

West Main street, crashed into the two plate glass windows in the front part of the store, shattering the glass and sashes. The opening was temporare than the apportionate plan calls for. Also, \$50 has been raised for Armenian relief. Armenian relief.

A. F. Parker reported for the trustees, showing amounts raised from voluntary offerings, pew rentals, gifts and interest. The Ladies' Benevolent and interest. The Ladies Benevolers, society, through its secretary, Mrs. Turbell, reported a good year. Aside from suppers and entertainments \$40 was given to relief work, \$5 to District Nurse association, \$10 to French bables' fund, and \$125 to the church. The society holds two liberty bonds and reported nearly \$100 in the organ

Supt. C. A. McGraw reported a Sun-day school membership of 167, which includes 50 in the primary department, but does not include the 43 in the cradle roll and 68 in the home department. The Sunday school has increas-ed in attendance and offerings, and in

The Woman's Missionary society have raised \$163. Rev. J. B. Lewis reported officiating at 2 weddings and 28 funerals, 7 of which were out of town; 227 families are on the parish list, and he has made 600 calls.

and he has made 600 calls.

The following were elected: Lyman C. Blood, clerk; M. C. Lane, treas.; A. F. Parker, H. N. Tower, C. H. Jewett, trustees; J. L. Boynton, auditor; Marshall Merlam, deacon; deacons, clerk, Sunday school superintendent, but Boyle and Miss Clara Shat-Mrs. Mary Pond and Miss Clara Shat-tuck, church com.; Miss Mary L. P. Shattuck, Mrs. Josephine Lawrence

At the M. E. church the pastor will preach Sunday at 10.45 and 7.30. The morning theme will be, "Counting the cost"; the evening theme, "Where art thou?" Sunday school will be held at noon and the Epworth League devo-

ng and hold the fourth quarterly conference. Those who heard him last for their spring when he spoke on the war work Brigade. will be glad to hear him at this time. The Scouts will meet on Thursday

In assuming their duties the coon. newly elected officers are entering in upon the work of the new year with good enthusiasm.

At the Congregational church Sunday the regular service will be held long friend. at 10,45 and at seven p. m. Sunday chool at noon. On Monday afternoon at 2.30 the

Noman's Missionary society will meet

at the parsonage with Mrs. Lewis. The Pilgrim Training class will mee n the vestry on Tuesday evening a 30 o'clock. Last Sunday Rev. R. G. Woodbridge

ecently of Vergennes, Vt., preached. P. H. S. Basket Ball Team.

The high school basketball team

getting organized for the winter sport, although the game scheduled for to be performed by Mrs. making its appearance among the The first came of the season will

mary and other dates will be an nounced later.

The manager of the Pepporell tear Mrs. and Carroll Whalon, guards, and Har

ITEMS OF INTEREST Persia has no distilleries, brewerie

public houses, and native wine is the only intoxicating brevage used. A street in Lyons—the Rue de la per Republique—is paved with glass. The to between the interstices.

number of postcards with his radiop tected with highthouses that it a ship der in any way such a circuit can be ticon. Readings were given, also, by sailed right round England, Scotland cut out without shutting off the power meeting of the Grange was held this casions would it be where it could not be necessary under the former armsek Friday evening, with a supper, see the light of a lighthouse lantern transcript.

AYER

News Items.

A meeting of the board of regis-trars of voters will be held in the vote at the coming annual town meet-

Those who desire to become candimay be done at the next meeting at her home next Wednesday afternoon, the Girl Scouts have been most energetic in 1918, and from their funds have purchased thrift stamps, given \$50 lot, must have their nomination part to the Federation House in Ayer and purchased a liberty bond. They are now planning for the purchase of the uary 23, at five o'clock p. m., which 1919 thrift stamps. A knitted afghan, date for office at the town meeting a small proportion of her allotment their names printed on the official ballot, must have their nomination part of the town clerk not later than Thursday, January 23, at five o'clock p. m., which way. The work committee of the later than the latest that Ayer will be alter to only her allotment as small proportion of her allotment as mall proportion of her allotment willing to help. At present the work consists of sirls' garments, layettes, boys' drawgers. uary 23, at five o'clock p. m., which date is set by law as the latest that such papers can be filed.

Way. The work committee of the Ayer branch appeal for more helpers, such papers can be filed.

These garments, with full instructions, An automobile bus, owned and driven by Edward Honeyman, and con-taining a load of soldiers, skidded

near the Vesper Preserve Company near the Vesper Preserve Company building, West Main street, last week Friday afternoon, striking the corner of the building. A rear wheel was torn off and the bus otherwise slight-ly damaged. No one was hut. On the same day an automobile owned and driven by Edward A. Whitney skidded on West Main street, on the west slide of the overhead bridge, near west side of the overhead bridge, near the Federation House, breaking through the board fence and running down the short, steep embankment, into the meadow. The machine escaped without damage. Mr. Whitney was unhurt. Monday, a large army mail truck, in turning around in front of Esterbrook & Eaton's cigar store, West Main street, crashed into the

fined to the bed by a serious fall on the ice near her home. A fire with slight damage occurred

in the Ayer Electric Light plant on Lawton street, Monday evening, shortly after six o'clock. The firemen were confused as to the location of the fire for a time, as the alarm sounded as though from box 24, when box 6 was the proper one to pull in.

Ayer Council, K. of C., is planning to have a detailed record of all members of the council who have been or who are now in the military service of the country during the world war. Additional stars will be added to the to \$17.50. service flag to make up the number of those who have entered the service since the flag was first obtained. Twenty-five members of the council have served in the military and naval forces in the world conflict. These include strictly Ayer boys and not those who belong to the council and live elsewhere. Adding the last number the total will be seventy-five members living here and other places who have answered the call to arms.

Officers from Claremont, N. H. have been in town looking after Joseph Chamberlain, who is charged with murder in that town. The fugitive was arrested in Hartford, Conn., last week after a chase through New Hampshire, New York, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

The resignation of the sented at a meeting in December, was acted upon and accepted. A committee was appointed to draw up fitting resolutions and the moderator was named to confer with the pastor as to calling an ecclesiastical council to act calling an ecclesiastical council to act

Three trainloads of Massachusetts soldiers, coming from Camp Mills, Mineola, L. I., arrived at Camp Devens Tuesday night. Since their arrival they have undergone the usual physical examination before being retired Rev. John R. Chaffee, Ph. D., will discharged this Saturday. The numspeak at the church on Tuesday evenler of those who arrived are 1300 enlisted men and 60 officers. Barracks for their occupancy were in the Depot

Simon B. Harris, a prominent business man, of Lowell, gave a very inner worthy of our heroic dead. The was a life-long friend of the famous

Prof Alfred B. Hart, of Harvard university, a well-known instructor and publicist, was the speaker at the memorial meeting for the late ex-President Roosevelt at Camp Devens, Thursday. Prof. Hart was a classmate of the former president and a life-

The Ayer Machine Tool Company shop is shut down for the present, owing to a temporary depression of busi-

Five applications for membership were received by Ayer Council, K. of C., at its meeting on Tuesday evening. The council is to make efforts to increase its membership in accordance with a request made by the supreme council in its nation-wide plan to more than double the membership in the order in the United States during this

Miss Nellie McGovern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGovern, has accepted a position as teacher in the Cameron school, Forge Village. Miss McGovern is a graduate of the Fitch-Leslie Herrick, a parole boy from

the Shirley Industrial school, was arrested at the railroad station on Monday night and returned to that institution. Herrick's home is in Salem. The Peace and Unity club will hold nother ball in the town hall on Wed

evening, February 12--Lincoin's birthday. New Fire Alarm/

The new fire alarm system will be eady for use at the end of this week. according to present indications. The LeBaron Co., of Arlington, is the con having the work in charge, the installation of the storage tanks being sub-let to L. W. Bills, of Lexington. The new system will be operated by compressed air, for which there are three storage tanks, each 42 inches wide and 8 % feet high. There is also a five-horse power compresser, with switchboard, and a fire alarm switchboard. The apparatus is installed in a room on the ground floor in the rear of the town hall, next to the chemical, which were formerly the headquarters of the Hartwell hose company. It is expected that the new system will be perfectly satisfactory, as it has proved blocks are eight inches square and so further move in the right direction in closely fitted that water cannot pass closely fitted that water canno pass the safeguarding of property from fire the town has been divided into three circuits, so that if either is out of ornumber of postcards with his radiop- tected with lighthouses that if a ship der in any way such a circuit can be bit of work during the period of Mi

James Jackson of the New England

livision, has issued an appeal to al New England women to sew refuge garments. These garments, if they are to be of any use to the refugees Marguerite Deware, two lieutenants, selectmen's room, town hall building, are to be of any use to the refugees, Misses Lillian Dunton and Marguerite this week Saturday evening from sev-Donnelly, resigned their office. Miss en to nine, o'clock for registering Deware also resigned her office as capthose who are otherwise qualified to stupendous task of supplying thousands of these garments, and the work is being allotted to chapters and to chapters and branches. Ayer will be able to do only may be had from Mrs. John Traquai and can be sewn at home. It is also suggestive that women's organizations work on Red Cross sewing during the present rush.

On Monday afternoon, at 2.30, in Hardy's hall, Miss L. H. Newell, director of women's work, will speak. An invitation is extended to every woman in town to be present. Sewing will be provided.

A. W. C.

One of the most successful meetings of the season was held on Wednesday afternoon at the Soldiers' club, when the club members were the guests of the War Camp Community Service The speakers were Mrs. Claude U Gilson, Miss Mary A. Steer and R K. Atkinson of the W. C. C. S. Mrs Clison is about to leave for overseas in the capacity of a supervisor of the furlough huts. Perhaps it is worthy to mention that the money for these furlough huts was raised by the Wom an's clubs of this country, and that Massachusetts stood second in the list of subscribers. Miss Steer and Mr. Atkinson spoke of their work here in relation to the soldier and the com-munity, emphasizing the need of recreation and entertainment. Miss Helen Hardy played two piano selections.

An informal reception was held after the meeting, during which the or-chestra of the 212th Engineers fur-Refreshments were served by the W. C. C. S., and their hospitality was much appreciated by the large audience present.

A collection was taken for the Armenian relief fund, which amounted able that Major-General H. P. McCain.

Guest night will be held on Feb ruary 5 in the town hall and a two-act ing him and the order for their as-sistance during those trying times. Numerous letters also came from comedy by local talent will be pre-sented. Tickets can be procured of Mrs. Jennie Chaffin, Pleasant street. friends and relatives of the sick sol diers whom the secretaries assisted. on January 22, 23, 29, 30; February 3 and 4, and any forenoon

Club notices—Annual conference of Massachusetts Society for Mental Hyvided by members of the "Jack o' Lantern" Company, Tuesday. The group of players, headed by Fred Stone himself, left for Ayer on a spe-cial car attached to the ten o'clock giene in Tremont Temple, Boston, on January 16; public invited. Red Cross meeting on January 20 in Hardy's hall. Miss L. H. Newell, speaker. All club women are requested to be presenta

Camp Notes.

William E. Kerrish, who is publicity secretary to the Knights of Columbus at Camp Devens, has been apart the skating exhibition. Shattuck, Mrs. Josephine Lawrence and Mrs. J. L. Boynton, library com. A special meeting of the Ladies' pointed editorial writer on reconstruction. The resignation of the pastor, presented at a meeting in December, was sented at a meeting in December, was acted upon and accepted. A committance of the church on Tuesday afternoon, and accepted. A committance of the church on Tuesday afternoon, subjects at 2 30 clock. All mem-subjects, entitled "Reconstruction." reads in part as follows:

tional life outspread bearing the bur "It is true that a new era has dawned for mankind. It is true that the restrictions made necessary by operaden of a mighty and noble labor, what tions of a gigantic scale—are now beng lifted-but it is not entirely true that the mighty work of making the world safe for democracy has been and beautiful by the sufferings and by completed. In the period of reconthy sacrifices. thy sacrifices.

The world of freemen knows you struction now before all the nations involved, it will be required for every France - daughter, of the Gods man, woman and child in the national America feels you close, sister of libnousehold to stand supremely loyal to erty—she has sent her sons, and the the great principles that have guided have stood with yours against a cont-the free nations through the crucial mon foe—our flags have been carried hours of Armageddon. Everyone must through to victory together. gain a full and true conception of the In the halls of the free and the brave—you stand in the place of honvital needs of the hour, so that an ad-The Scouts will meet on Thursday ness man, of Lowell, gave a very increment of our nervice dead. The later evening and they are asked to bring teresting talk on the life of the late their flashlights if the weather is fine. A supper will be served by the Ladies' Aid society on Thursday, Jan-Ladies' Aid soc fore the great God whose hand guides the nations of men—across the cenmust be put into practice now. The ives of those devoted to liberty have turies thy name will ring-France re us these things-those lessons of fortitude, of patience-of everlasting loyalty to friends—by those heroes who, with single heart and simple

purpose, paid the supreme sacrifice.' Under the direct supervision of Capt. E. Hall, camp morale officer, an educational exhibition is planned for the near future to be held in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. Welfare agencies operating in camp will be repreented, and vocational and reconstructional activities will be featured. Knights of Columbus, Y. M. C. A., Jewish Welfare Board and others will

The catholic chaplains at Camp Devens are very grateful to Corp. Antonio DeMeo, of the camp personnel office, who has acted as server at the military masses celebrated in camp during the last nine months. Corp. Delien was in attendance at the field masses celebrated by the Jesuit fathers from Boston college, and Holy cross. Worcester, during the summer.

participate.

In order to develop the Knights of Columbus reconstruction work in Springfield and Western Massachuetts along lines never before attemped, Daniel J. Sullivan, director of the Knights of Columbus war activities or the Eastern-Northeastern department, has asked James C. Keefe, general secretary of the K. of C. war activities at Camp Devens for the past ix months, to go to that city and the up the work. Mr. Keefe will be succeeded at this camp by William O'Brien, of Northampton, who

harge of the order's activities. As Mr. Keefe's home is in Spring field, it was Mr. Sullivan's belief that he would best be able to handle the gigantic project which the Knights o olumbus have in hand there. The employment proposition which the order has undertaken has assumed great proportions there and it will be Mr Keefe's task to organize the work in such a way that every returning sol-dier will go back to a position as good if not better than he left when he went to war. Establishment of a per-

manent home for the council in that

Johnston, Fla., where he was in

city is another movement soon to be under way there. During his six months at Camp Dev ens Mr. Keefe has made a host of friends among the officers and men of this cantonment who wish him well in his new undertaking. The biggest Keefe's charge in camp was the worl of his organization during the influ enza epidemic which swept through the camp. So great was the work

A. A. LAWRENCE, Auctioneer

done by the limited staff of Knights

commander of the 12th Division, sent a personal letter to Mr. Keefe, thank-

Entertainment for the war-wound

ed soldiers at Camp Devens was pro

train. The company gave concerts at the coffee hut and at the Red Cross

hut, and also gave a skating exhibi

tion on Robbins' pond. Fred Stone

FRANCE

By William E. Kerrish

inights of Columbus, Camp Devens

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France-our glorious ally in the

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Doing Well,

turned out a very rough piece of land.

A policeman, looking over the gate,

inquired whether he would get any po-

plied Pat, rather cheerfully. "I have

Clocks That Speak.

Clocks without hands or faces ar

now common in Switzerland. The time-

piece stands in the hall, and, when a

button is pressed, by means of phono-

graphic arrangements it calls out

"Half-past five" or "Five minutes to

Versatile Nut Tree.

tionery the Indian cashew tree yields

an insect-repelling gum, a fulce that

makes an indelible ink and three kinds

of oil, one edible and the others used

to tan fishing nets and preserve wood.

Golden Deed.

Phillips Brooks said: "He who helps

child helps humanity with a distinct-

ness, an immediateness, which no oth-

er help given in any other stage of hu-

Fish to Combat Mosquitoes.

An agent of the bureau of fisheries,

s. F. Hildebrand, who has been con-

ducting experiments in the vicinity of

Camp Hancock, near Augusta, Ga., has

met with noteworthy success in con-

trolling the breeding of mosquitoes by

the use of fish. Public health service

officials have given strong indorse-

ment to the services thus rendered for

the protection of the health of soldiers

And That's Plenty.

There is only one day in the year

n which the inhabitants of Monte

Carlo are allowed to gamble at the

Casino tables—The prince of Monaço's

man life can possibly give."

and civilians.

birthday.

In addition to nuts used in confec-

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Pat was digging at his field, which

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was the headliner

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found which when alive were 14 to 15 feet in height. Testing a Bee's Speed. An experiment was once made to see

how fast a bee could fly. The hive was attached to the roof of a train which attained a speed of 30 miles an hour before the bee was left behind. Building Stalwart Character,

Stalwart character, that invaluable ssession which, partly because it is an invisible possession, often is hard to understand, is just the net result of daily devotion to duty. Strength in Truth.

We think that we shall win truth

by striving after strength, instead of

knowing that we shall gain strength

just in the degree that we become true.

-Phillips Brooks. Two Classes of Women. In this country the women are divided into two main classes—those vho don't believe all their husbands tell them and those who haven't any

husbands.—Indianapolis News.

Taking a Nap. Nan was sitting on one of the smallest first-grade chairs with her legs crossed. After a while she extended them gingerly and exclaimed to the teacher: "Oh, my feet have gone to

Say It and Prove It. Anybody can say a thing "can't be done," and then demonstrate it by simply remaining inactive; but it takes real man to say concerning a hard task. "It can be done," and then proceed to demonstrate it in terms of successful finality.

Avoid Bad Temper and Live Long. Every time a person gives way, to bad temper they put poison into their system which has to be worked off at the expense of their general health. Every time one laughs heartily they add to the length of their own life and add to the happiness of the lives of others. Nature kills off the right ones.

Too Much White in Maita. The houses, streets and roads in Malta are built of nearly white stone, and during the summer months these reflect the sun's rays so strongly that colored glasses are largely wor both the native population and for-eigners. Many sizes and forms of frames and many different colors of

glass are used.

Still She Complains. "I don't 'old with this 'ere vaccination, Mrs. Green. What's vaccination done for my little Tommy. Since 'ad 'im done 'e's 'ad whooping cough chicken pox, measles-in fact, every thing but smallpox."

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