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LITTLETON

News Items.
The Back-Log club will hold its annual Thanksgiving ball in the town hall Thursday evening, November 24. Pool & Brigham's famous orchestra will furnish the music.
A pleasant evening was furnished the soldiers at Groton hospital recently on what was called Littleton night, when Mrs. Gardner W. Prouty, not together a company of young people in town who like to play games and H. F. Prouty, S. F. Conant, George Tucker and Mrs. J. D. Christie fur-

nished the conveyance. With Mrs. Prouty and Mrs. V. T. Esten, who represents the King's Daughters in helping furnish happiness for the soldier boys, there were few more than twenty to join the party that went to Groton and spent a very pleasant evening under the direction of Mrs. Everaole. Games, dancing and refreshments constituted the entertainment, all of which was enjoyed by Littleton people as well as by soldiers. There will be another Littleton night at Groton later and it would help Mrs. Prouty if some of our people would volunteer in the good cause of entertaining for a few hours. Judging from

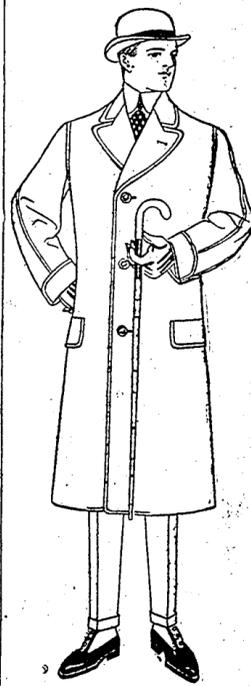
reports it would not be easy to decide whether soldiers or entertainers had the better time.
Mrs. George Bonnell is spending a week with relatives in Danvers and Miss Oceana Bonnell is assuming responsibilities in the home during her absence.
LeRoy Jewett will take a leave of absence for six months, and with his family, will motor to Florida for the winter.
An ice-storm, very destructive to apple trees, went on record Wednesday night, adding to the discouraging features in orcharding for those whose

fruit crop this year was defeated by the late frosts of the year 1921.
The Woman's club will hold the next regular meeting next Monday afternoon, when Miss Margaret Cummings of Waltham will give the first of a series of talks on current events, and Mrs. Alice Prouty will furnish music.
Deacon John W. Thacher pleasantly observed his ninety-second birthday last week Friday. He was generally surrounded by his family. His wife, Mrs. Estelle Thacher, and his daughter, Miss Emma Locke of Boston, was present to help celebrate the occasion Friday and other friends came on Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Estelle Thacher of Bedford was a guest on Monday. Dea. Thacher was able and very happy to receive all these attentions, which will furnish pleasant memories that will accompany him as he enters with his usual abundance of hope and good-cheer upon his ninety-third year.
Rev. and Mrs. Carl G. Horst last Sunday entertained Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ham of Wollaston and Mr. and Mrs. John Stoyke of Whitman.

Baptist Church Notes.
Next Sunday our church will cooperate with the Baptist churches in our association and state in an evangelistic service. The sermon will be "What is my life worth?"
The every-member canvass was taken last Sunday, and if you were not visited by a member of the committee see the collector, George A. Kimball, and sooth your disappointment.
The Sunday school officers are doing their work in earnest. Superintendent of the primary department, Mrs. George A. Kimball is making her department the best in the school. If you have children who are not in the school give them a chance to learn with the other children some of the best things in life.
Have you been to church since the new heater has been installed? If you haven't, come to church next Sunday and get warm.
The C. E. meeting was led by Mr. Goddard last week. There was a very satisfactory attendance.
Rev. Mr. Dunbar preached at the Old Ladies' Home in Ayer last Sunday afternoon. The church quartet accompanied and sang.
The weather was unfavorable for a large attendance at the church fair Wednesday. But the sales were very good, notwithstanding, and the very fine supper was well-appreciated by all who had the good fortune to be present. An appreciative audience listened with pleasure to the music and the clever little reader, Miss Doris York, all from Forge Village. It is hoped that the net receipts will amply repay those who worked so hard to help the worthy cause.
The Ladies' Missionary society will meet with Mrs. W. H. Brown at three o'clock next Sunday.
Troop 1 of the Boy Scouts of America had a very enjoyable evening last Saturday. Games followed the short business meeting, after which there was a marshmallow toast.

Wedding.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Woodbury of King street was the scene of a pretty wedding last Saturday evening when Miss Maria Bonnell, daughter of Mrs. Florence B. Wilcox, and Raymond Landon of Somerville were united in marriage by Rev. Carl G. Horst, who used the double ring service.
The house was very attractively decorated by Miss Charlotte Woodbury and assistants with autumn leaves, laurel and chrysanthemums, yellow prevailing.
The bride was gowned in white satin and George and wore a tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of sweet peas. Accompanying her as maid of honor was Miss Evelyn Woodbury, dressed in light blue taffeta and carrying an arm bouquet of orchid chrysanthemums. The groom was attended by Theodore Coburn of Woburn. Miss Katherine Proctor played the

Lohegrin and Mendelssohn wedding marches.
Only the nearest relatives and a few of the most intimate friends attended the ceremony and reception that followed. Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Landon in receiving were the parents of the groom and Mrs. Wilcox. The bride graduated from Littleton high school and continued her studies at the College of Secretarial Science in Boston university. The groom was in service overseas, a member of the 101st engineers, 26th division. Mr. and Mrs. Landon were recipients of many beautiful gifts that will adorn their home at 100 Queensbury street, Boston. The hearty good wishes of Littleton friends attend them in their wedded life.



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WESTFORD

Grantville. The Abbot Worsted Company Soccer club defeated the American Woolen Company team of Lawrence in the second round of the National Cup series at Forge Village on last Saturday, 2 to 0. The play was rather difficult at times owing to the high wind that prevailed all through the contest. This Saturday the local team will play the Methuen team in Methuen in a contest for the state cup.

Mrs. Herbert Crockett has been quite ill for the past few days, but at last reports was feeling much improved.

The mills and shops were closed here on Friday, Armistice day.

Many of the overseers of the Abbot Worsted Company mill attended the textile exposition that was held in Boston last week.

M. J. Rafferty, of Cambridge, has been a recent visitor here.

The new sewing club met here at Abbot's hall on Wednesday evening, when instruction in plain sewing was given by Mrs. W. W. Sargent. At the close of the session light refreshments were served.

Mrs. Ruth Sawyer Woodworth was the soloist at the morning services of the Methodist church last Sunday.

Many from here attended the social dance held in Westford town hall on last Saturday evening.

Business here appears to be fairly good at present.

Forge Village. The first meeting of the Social club of St. Andrew's mission was held on last week Thursday evening with twenty-three members present.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett recently enjoyed a week with their daughter, Mrs. Laura Jones, in Worcester.

The new school building, which will accommodate a large number of pupils, is now complete. A new furnace has been installed which will make the rooms comfortable through the cold weather.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. William MacDonald in the loss of their infant son.

PEPPERELL

News Items.

Mrs. Halbert Dwight Stevens recently came from Malone, N. Y., as a delegate from the New York conference of the missionary society of that city to Providence, R. I. While in this part of New England she paid a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Emma Gillespie, South road, and with her visited her other aunt, Miss Minerva Miller, at the Groton hospital.

Fourteen thieves visited the premises of E. R. Merrill on Thursday evening of last week, taking a half-dozen of his finest Rhode Island Red pullets. About this time last year they visited him, taking twice as many.

It was about time for another call from the hen thieves, Mr. Merrill had made arrangements to better identify his annual callers. This was done in a short time in which to return the hens.

Mrs. R. H. Lawson spent a few days the early part of this week at Wakefield, going on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Marchant and children spent the week-end with relatives in Leominster. Mrs. Marchant and the children going on Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. H. C. Brown, and her small infant daughter.

Two dogs belonging to J. Orin Williams, Brookline street, have recently been killed by shooting by some unknown parties. One of these was a small house dog, rarely leaving the home. The incident is regarded as a warning to look out for hen thieves which seem to be large in that section, and to gather in the fowls under lock and key, and keep a watchful eye in the small hours of the night.

Canal street is now open to traffic, at the risk of the parties, as the grading on the hillside is nearly completed and filling and graveling will be done this week. There is very little cold added. Many teams and autos from Groton way took advantage of the permission on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Beckett moved into their new rooms on Pleasant street on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Warren, formerly occupying the same, moved last week on Friday into their new apartment in the Tremholm house on Tarbell street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pilcher are leaving town this week Saturday for the winter. Their home on Elm street is to be occupied during the winter by a relative of Mrs. Pilcher's.

The many friends of Miss Esther Robbins of this town are glad to hear that she is enjoying her new duties in Orangeburg, S. C., where she went the first of October to take the position of music teacher in the Clafian university. Miss Robbins writes very interestingly of the delights of the mild climate, roses and other flowers being now in bloom, and everything like summer. There is very little cold weather over experienced there, and no snow during the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. A. E. Elkins recently made an auto trip to Barnstable, Mass. to call on Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Parkey, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fessenden and William Bailey, who resides with them. A large place has been purchased recently on the highest point of that section of the country, and it is proving very beneficial to the health of two of the members of the families who were not well in Brookline, N. H., where they moved from.

Mrs. Julia Fletcher of Ayer, who, with her daughter, Miss Semina Swan, passed some weeks last summer at the D. W. Fletcher place on the Hollis road, left Ayer the first of the week for Atlanta, Ga., where they will pass the winter. Mrs. Fletcher was in poor health while in town, and had previously wintered in Florida.

The new drawing teacher for the public schools is Miss Regina McNair, formerly Chelmsford, who assumed her duties here on Wednesday, and is to be here each week, hereafter, on the same day. She teaches also in the high school.

Armistice day was observed in town this Friday by a holiday, the appropriate exercises being carried out in the schools on Thursday.

The Pepperell high school are to have their thirty year anniversary of thirty-eight as formerly, this being in

accordance with state law. It is probable that the extra weeks will be made up by having one week's vacation at Christmas, instead of two, and the spring vacation will also be shortened one week.

It has also been stated that in order to make up the week at the Clara M. Hollis school, which was lost last September by reason of the school's Christmas vacation will be but one week, the school session commencing January 2 instead of January 3.

Mrs. Maude Dowry returned to Woburn with Mrs. Lucy Perry last week on Saturday for a week-end visit with her daughter, Mrs. Frederic Morse. Mrs. Dowry was rather difficult to get away to bring back her sons, Oliver and Lindsay Perry, and their families, for a week-end stay here, all returning on Monday in her auto. Oliver Perry and family are expected here again this week for the 11th, the holiday.

Mrs. Carrie Davis, with her mother, and two children, Ruth Fitman and Grace Davis, took an auto trip to North Scituate on the holiday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Willoughby were recently visited in their new home at Leominster, having recently exchanged their property on Exchange street for a large house on Pleasant street. Mrs. Willoughby is in rather poor health, as the result of a nervous breakdown.

Community Church Notes. Morning service on Sunday at 10.30, with sermon by the pastor. The decorations will be furnished and arranged by the Junior Community club. Church school at noon.

Conference of church school officers and teachers in the ladies' parlor on Tuesday evening, November 22, at 7.30. Reports of the state Sunday school convention and the Ayer district will be given.

Regular motion picture service on Friday evening, November 18, at eight o'clock with the co-starring of 'Miss Standish' and a two-reel comedy.

Methodist Church Notes. On Tuesday evening an important meeting was held at this church, when the members of the official board met for a business session following a supper. The supper served at 7.30 was in charge of Mrs. Andrews, Miss Lawrence and Mrs. Prescott. Later reports were given from all the church departments and they showed the church to be in a flourishing condition, the treasurer reporting all bills paid to date in full. It was voted to recommend to the trustees of the church to increase the insurance on the edifice. It was also voted to observe the last Sunday in November as 'visiting day.' Various committees were appointed to call on Sunday afternoon on every member of the parish.

Discussion followed on various branches of church work. The subject of installing a new pipe organ was brought up, and considerable enthusiasm manifested, and it was also under discussion to erect a gymnasium in the basement of the church. Each matter received due consideration and may be acted upon in the future.

On last Sunday morning communion was observed, and one adult and one child received the rite of baptism. The service was ably assisted by the pastor, who was most impressive.

On Sunday morning there will be the regular preaching service at 10.45, followed by Sunday school at noon. At 8.30 the Wesleyan class will meet with the pastor, their leader, in his study, at the Methodist parsonage, and at the same hour the Hope Circle girls will meet with their leader, Miss McNay, in the chapel. On Sunday evening there will be the regular meeting at 7.30, with preaching by the pastor.

During the week the meetings will be the regular prayer meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.30.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet in their rooms at the vestry on next Thursday afternoon at 2.30.

There will be a meeting of the Boy Scouts, Troop 2, with their scoutmaster, Mr. Taylor, on Thursday evening at 7.45 in the vestry.

Friday evening, November 18, will be Epworth League night.

The members of the new vestry choir will meet for rehearsal in the church on Saturday evening, November 19.

Birthday Party.

The little ten-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bailey, Mildred, will celebrate her birthday anniversary on Saturday. Given permission to invite her associates she selected about thirty-five little girls, and a list of names responded to the invitation. Among them was Alberta Elliott of Brookline, N. H., who spent the day. Although the high temperature at afternoon not so desirable for out-door sports, the children indulged in a few before settling down in the house. Indoors they sang some songs, and as there were a few of the pupils of elocution of Mrs. Attridge's class present, a very creditable entertainment was given by Katherine and Ellen Parker, Phyllis Soule, Mildred Bailey and Verna Robbins, which the younger people enjoyed as much as the older ones.

Little Miss Mildred had many gifts from her friends, by mail and otherwise, and some gifts of money.

Mrs. Bailey had the assistance of her friend, Mrs. Frances Burke, during the games, and in serving the refreshments of ice cream, cake, wafers and candy. One entertainment should not be omitted, this being 'The Bill,' who accompanied Mrs. Burke to the party and did his best to sustain the party in a canny reputation. He sat up and greeted everyone by shaking hands, and showed great pleasure in the attention he was given, especially a lunch time of about thirty.

The hours of the party were from three to five, and shortly after, every child was safely at her home, with happy recollections of a fine afternoon.

Home Wedding.

The marriage of Miss Effie Louise Winship to Irwin S. Sanborn, both of this town, took place on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of the bride, Lowell street, Rev. Harry Taylor performing the ceremony in the presence of about thirty of the most intimate friends and the relatives of the bride. The single ring service was performed, the ring being a very handsome piece of workmanship of white gold engraved with orange blossoms.

The rooms of the home were prettily decorated with blue and white streamers and festoons of crepe paper, and an arch of the same colors, with white wedding bell suspended, under which the couple took their places for the ceremony, entering the room to the strains of the march from Lohengrin, played by the sister of the bride, Miss Arthur.

The bride was gowned in blue organdy, trimmed with cherries, and carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums.

Following the ceremony the young couple received the congratulations of friends and the mother of the bride, assisted by Mrs. A. S. Prescott and Mrs. Lyman Crockett, served ice cream and cake. The wedding cake was cut by the bride and distributed as souvenirs among the guests.

The bride couple left their departure by auto for Worcester, well-showered by confetti and the proverbial 'old shoe for luck,' and followed also by the good wishes of all their friends. From Worcester they are to take a trip to New York, and on their return will reside on Lowell street at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. M. Morrison.

The groom has been an employee at the Nashua River Paper Co. for some time past, being formerly a resident of Bridgeport, Conn.

Death. Mrs. Elizabeth J. (Shattuck) Sprague, wife of Herbert M. Sprague, Hollis street, died at her home last Sunday afternoon after only three days of illness. Although not in good health she had been about her home up to the Wednesday preceding her death. She had been a sufferer from erysipelas for many years, being under treatment for the same during the life time of the late Dr. Fletcher. The disease had undermined her health and a sudden cold last week affected her badly, causing heart difficulty and trouble in breathing. Mrs. Sprague had been a resident here for over twenty years, coming here with her husband from Connecticut. She was a native of Plainfield, N. H., where her early life was passed, and was fifty-two years of age on her last birthday, in March. Her marriage to Mr. Sprague took place in 1888 in New York state, and the couple resided there for some years. Afterwards they lived in different towns and cities of Connecticut, their only child dying there in infancy. Of her immediate family her husband only survives her.

Mrs. Sprague is spoken of by those who knew her as most kindhearted, and helpful to her neighbors around her in her health.

Many friends gathered at the home on Tuesday afternoon at the funeral services, which were conducted by Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, of the First Sprague, a relative of Mr. Sprague, attended from Waltham.

The interment was in Woodlawn, the bearers being Arthur Walker, J. G. Willey and Waldo Parker.

Branch Alliance Meeting. The meeting of the Woman's Branch Alliance of the Unitarian church held at the home of Mrs. Robert Gay on Thursday of last week was well attended and a most interesting and profitable one.

Warded by the fine educational address of the afternoon, Mrs. Clara Bancroft Beasley was the speaker and it was a privilege to hear her. 'What religious education should mean to us,' was treated in the broadest way, and with an eloquence which held the closest attention of all her audience. Mrs. Beasley is connected with the work of the Church of the Disciples in Boston, and speaks from a thoroughly practical standpoint. Her wonderful memory was shown by the many apt quotations from the poets and best-known authors. The entire hour of her talk was one of great educational value and appreciated.

The chairman of the Cheerful Letter circle, Miss Jordan, rendered a paper on the success of the circle as having from the letters and messages sent from Kentucky, where the circle was sending letters and packages. Special acknowledgment has been received for the leaflets sent recently from the Community Sunday schools. The section taken up by the circle are the Pine Mt. and Dirk county, Kentucky.

The committee on the small sale for the afternoon, Mrs. Merrill and Mrs. Woodward, were successful.

Pepperell Man to be Ordained. The unanimous call of the New Old South church of Boston, read to Rev. Boynton Merrill September 29, has been formally accepted by him, and he preached his farewell sermon before his congregation at the Congregational church at Putnam, Conn., last Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Merrill are to remove immediately to Boston, and his ordination as the associate pastor of the Boston church, under Dr. George Gordon, the pastor of the same, will take place with the usual ceremonies next week Tuesday. On Sunday delegates from the Community church of this town were appointed to attend the same, these being Rev. R. W. Drawbridge, and the father of the young preacher, Otis A. Merrill.

This honor for so young a preacher is appreciated by the congregation, and in this, the place in which he was reared, and his parents, who represent the patriotic element on the paternal side, and on the maternal side of his family, one of the best-known old-time families of the town, have the heartiest congratulations of all.

At the same time it is felt that distinction is but his just deserts in partial acknowledgment for his service in the last war.

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How the American Red Cross guides thousands of persons to health is shown in a summary of the society's activities in the health field based upon the annual report for the last fiscal year. Through its Nursing Service, its Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick courses, nutrition classes, First Aid classes, Life-Saving classes and Health Centers and in numerous other ways designed to acquaint masses of citizens with proper methods of living, the Red Cross carried its message of health into all parts of the country.

The work of the Red Cross during the war in its traditional field of nursing, furnishing the military and naval establishments of the nation with 19,877 nurses, is well known. And there are today 37,787 nurses registered with the American Red Cross and subject to call in emergency. During the fiscal year, 1,551 Red Cross nurses were accepted for assignment to Government service, 888 by the Army and Navy and 1,163 by the United States Public Health Service.

In addition to the nurses enrolled by the Red Cross for Government service, the Red Cross itself employed a total of 1,848 public health nurses in the United States and Europe. By far the greatest number was employed in the United States, 1,257, while 81 were in foreign service.

Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick classes, giving thorough instruction in the proper care of the sick in instances where the illness is not so serious as to require professional nursing care, during the fiscal year numbered 5,178. A statistical picture of the Red Cross operations in this field follows:

New classes formed during year 5,179 Classes completed during year 6,299 New students enrolled 101,068 Students completing course 73,432

What the Red Cross accomplished in giving proper instruction through its Nutrition Service is indicated by the following table:

New classes formed during year 142 Classes completed during year 156 New students enrolled 2,241 Students completing course 2,013

In addition to the above, a total of 22,006 children were given instruction in the proper selection and preparation of foods.

Through its 260 Health Centers, the Red Cross reached 90,252 persons. In these Health Centers, 4,015 health lectures were given and 780 health exhibits held.

In the United States last year, 75,432 persons were killed and 3,500,000 injured in industrial accidents. To prevent this enormous waste the Red Cross held 5,100 first aid classes with a total of 104,000 students enrolled.

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Through the wide relief operations thus made possible it is estimated that more than 600,000 famine sufferers were saved from starvation.

To the end that similar prompt relief measures by the organization may always be possible the Red Cross is asking continued support by the American people by universal renewal of membership at the Annual Red Cross Roll Call, November 11 to 24.

The method of relief employed by the American Red Cross in its operations in China was particularly effective, for in addition to saving hundreds of thousands of lives it provided China with more than 900 miles of permanent roads that are sorely needed to prevent a recurrence of famine. At one time the Red Cross employed 74,000 Chinese workmen, paying them in food for themselves and dependents. This food being brought in from Manchuria and elsewhere.

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TOWNSEND

HARVARD

Center. Mrs. Victor Miller of Quincy has been a recent visitor of her mother, Mrs. Thirza Fessenden. Mrs. Miller returned to her home Saturday accompanied by her mother.

The annual Red Cross roll call is from November 11 to November 24. Solicitors will call at each house to get the membership dues. If anyone is omitted with their names leave their dues with Mrs. Irving Seaver at her home on Elm street.

Herman Knight and family have taken a furnished house for the winter in Littleton, where Mr. Knight is superintendent of schools. He is on a two-weeks' visit in Vermont.

Rev. Leroy A. Lyon's subject for his Sunday morning sermon at the M. E. church will be "Sheep outside the fold." In the evening there will be a stereopticon lecture, "Field of the rural church."

At the congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers, subject for the children's sermon will be "Crusades" and for the regular sermon "Dedicated walls."

Fred Powell and comrades had a very successful con on last Monday night when they brought home five coons and two hedge-hogs.

Members of Franz Waldo Miller post, A. L., are requested to report in uniform at Memorial hall at eleven o'clock this Friday forenoon.

The L. B. S. of the Methodist church held an all-day meeting last week Wednesday for the purpose of tying comforters for the fair to be Dec. 7. Dinner was served at noon.

Mrs. Angie Lang, who has been in the New England Baptist hospital for treatment for several weeks, left the hospital and gone to Nashua, N. H., where she is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George French.

The store of the E. & A. D. Fessenden Co. was broken into about one o'clock last week Friday morning. Some \$200 or \$250 worth of cigars, cigarettes and overalls being stolen.

John J. Piper, the manager, discovered the break when opening up the store the next morning. Entrance was gained by prying the lock on the door.

The Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economics gave a motion picture show in the Memorial hall last week Wednesday evening. The pictures were of a pleasing variety as well as instructive.

Next Thursday afternoon the Farm Bureau will hold a meeting in the selectmen's room at 2.30. The meeting is for the purpose of consulting with the men and women of the town in regard to what shall be carried on by the home demonstration agent during the coming year. It is important to have a good attendance of representative farmers and house-wives at this meeting.

Frederick Provost of North Loomis has recently accepted the position of station agent to fill the vacancy made by the death of the late George Van Etten. Mr. Provost has moved his family here, having purchased the Walter Wilder place on Main street. Wilder and family have moved to Loomis.

Miss Eva Stearns, who teaches in Harvard, and Miss Lou Stearns of Nashua, N. H., spent the week-end at their home on Highland street.

Mrs. Hayden and two children are visiting at the home of Mrs. William Hesilton. Mrs. Evans will be remembered as Miss Amy Rexford.

Mrs. Emma Spencer has returned from a visit to friends in Boston and Lowell.

The Country club, which was to have met this week at the home of Mrs. Frank Greenleaf, is postponed until next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Seaver have closed their farm and are at their home on Elm street for the winter.

Armed Day Program. The program in observance of Armistice day this Friday will be conducted by Franz Waldo Miller post, A. L. Townsend, the former member of the Grand Army and the local units of the women's auxiliary, A. L. Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans, the school children and other organizations who wish to take part, are invited to participate.

The time schedule is as follows: 11.45. First call for the program at 11.45. Assembly (each organization to assemble in the vicinity of the common). 11.55. Adjutant's call (line will be formed facing north on playground at north end of common). 12.05. Presentation of post banner to Franz Waldo Miller post, A. L. Henry J. Miller. Acceptance of post banner by John H. Batchelder. 12.20. Star Spangled Banner. 12.25. Town Band. 12.30. Parade. 12.45. Recital.

In case of rain, this program will be changed and observed in the Memorial hall, beginning promptly at 11.30 a. m.

At 2.30 p. m. there will be a football game between Pepperell high school and Townsend high school at Athletic field and at eight o'clock a concert in Memorial hall by Townsend band, six selections; this to be followed by dancing. Music by the Townsend orchestra.

SOUTH BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pace and little daughter Jane are spending a few days at "Woods" with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Shattuck.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fessenden and son are making an extended visit with friends in Newton, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. John Flitton, of Groton, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Gilmore.

The social club's fifth annual banquet was held in the banquet hall of Daniel Academy on Thursday evening of last week. Covers were laid for fifty. The president, Mrs. Elsie Shattuck, in behalf of the club, gave a most cordial welcome to all. Guests were present from Groton, Shirley, Groton and Nashua, besides friends in town. Fred Rockwood acted as toastmaster and the after-dinner speaking and story-telling was very entertaining. Mrs. Attridge, elocutionist from Pepperell, was engaged for the evening and her numbers were very pleasing and much appreciated by all. The entertainment closed with singing "America," and all felt it was one of our most successful gatherings.

Mrs. David Marsh, of Shirley, was a guest of Mrs. Elsie Shattuck on Thursday of last week.

NEWS ITEMS.

Next Saturday at the town hall the feature picture will be Contance Binney in "The magic cup," by E. Lloyd Sheldon. "The magic cup" is brimming over with entertainment for every one who sees it. Fables and News.

Among the books lately received at the public library are The Gay Cockade by Temple Bailey, In Chancery Boarding-School, Adele Doring by Kyne, New Era in America, Poetry by Louis Untermeyer, and Let'er Eudwig by C. W. Furlong. This last-named book is a story of the passing of the old west; its author is a great traveler and a Fellow of the Royal Geographic society. The library has again been the recipient of a large box of books, the gift of Frank E. Abbott.

Roland B. Dixon, of this town, professor of ethnology, Harvard university, director of Peabody museum, born in Worcester in 1875, was among the list of birthdays published in the Boston Traveler of November 6.

H. W. C. The regular meeting of the Woman's club was held in the town hall Monday afternoon. At the business meeting invitations were read for the president and two members to visit Littleton and West Acton clubs. Mrs. E. Haynes read some interesting articles on current events. Miss George, accompanied by Mrs. Henry H. Gale, rendered two solos in a very pleasing manner. Mrs. Alice W. Cleaves, president, gave out information regarding the observance of better speech week, and also read Gov. Cox's proclamation for Armistice day on November 11. Miss Agnes Hissett, of Boston, spoke on "Woman and finance," a rare treat indeed for everyone who was privileged to hear her. Refreshments were served.

A meeting of the executive board will be held at Hapgood Memorial hall on Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Important business is to be transacted. Every member is asked to be present.

Applications for membership in the club should be in the hands of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Carolyn Frost, on or before the second Monday in each month.

PEPPERELL

News Items. A. M. Morrison has opened a first-class shoe repairing shop in the old Prescott house, opposite the bank, where prices will be very reasonable for this line of work. His advertisement appears in another column of this issue.

The woman's auxiliary to the Legion held a meeting at the Legion rooms on Main street last Monday evening. After the usual business of their meetings at some other place in the future. Said place to be decided upon at their next meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Whiting, who have been at their summer home, Twin Valley farm, returned to Boston for the winter on Monday. Miss Isabelle Whiting is an instructor in a school in Ohio.

Mrs. V. Guerrier, who holds an important position at the Riverside Press, Cambridge, has recently asked for a leave of absence, and will spend the winter in Austin, Texas. Mrs. Guerrier has been a frequent visitor here at the home of the Misses Tucker at Head's pond over holidays and week-ends, and has several friends and acquaintances in town.

Mrs. E. F. Harmon returned last week on Friday from Ipswich, where she was the guest of Miss Whipple and her brother.

The Ames place of Jewett street has been closed and Mrs. Harriet Ames will pass the winter in town at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shattuck.

Chalmers Shattuck, who was in town last week looking around for a place which he might purchase, was disappointed in finding real estate higher than when he formerly lived here. His mother, Mrs. Alden Shattuck, has recently sold her place in Wincheadon. Mr. Shattuck returned there on Sunday, without making any trade. He had in mind some of the East Village property, but was disappointed in obtaining them.

A vocal solo by Mrs. Elsie Copp is to be a part of the program at the meeting of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange, to be held at Groton November 21. A number of Prescott Grange patrons are planning to attend.

Henry Delano and John Madden from Medfield were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Parker over Sunday.

Perley Pierce and wife of Brookline, N. H., visited his brother, George W. Pierce, and his wife at Woodside on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall motored here from Townsend for a call during the day.

George B. Clarke of this town, superintendent of schools of this district, was elected president of the North-Townsend Teachers' association held at Ayer last week.

Mrs. Nellie Harrison of this town is spending the winter at Newtonville and her sister, Miss Smith, is at present at Ayer last week.

Miss Margaret Blood entertained Miss Hattie Kendall from Pitchburg over Sunday.

Mrs. Irene Attridge is one of the cast in the play to be given by the Groton Women's club this week Friday evening, on Guest night.

Mrs. Jasper Shattuck and Mrs. Maude Heber were week-end guests at Manchester, N. H.

An evening frolic to keep All-Hallow's eve, was held last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Shattuck, about thirty youngsters making things lively for a while. There were typical All-Hallow's games, and refreshments and a general good time, ending up with an auto ride to their home, given by Adney Gray of Townsend, who, with Mrs. Gray, came over to assist Mrs. Shattuck in the entertainment of the gay party.

Walter H. Sullivan from Boston spent the week-end at his home in town.

Daniel T. Sullivan is installing a new, one-pipe heating system at his home on Nashua street.

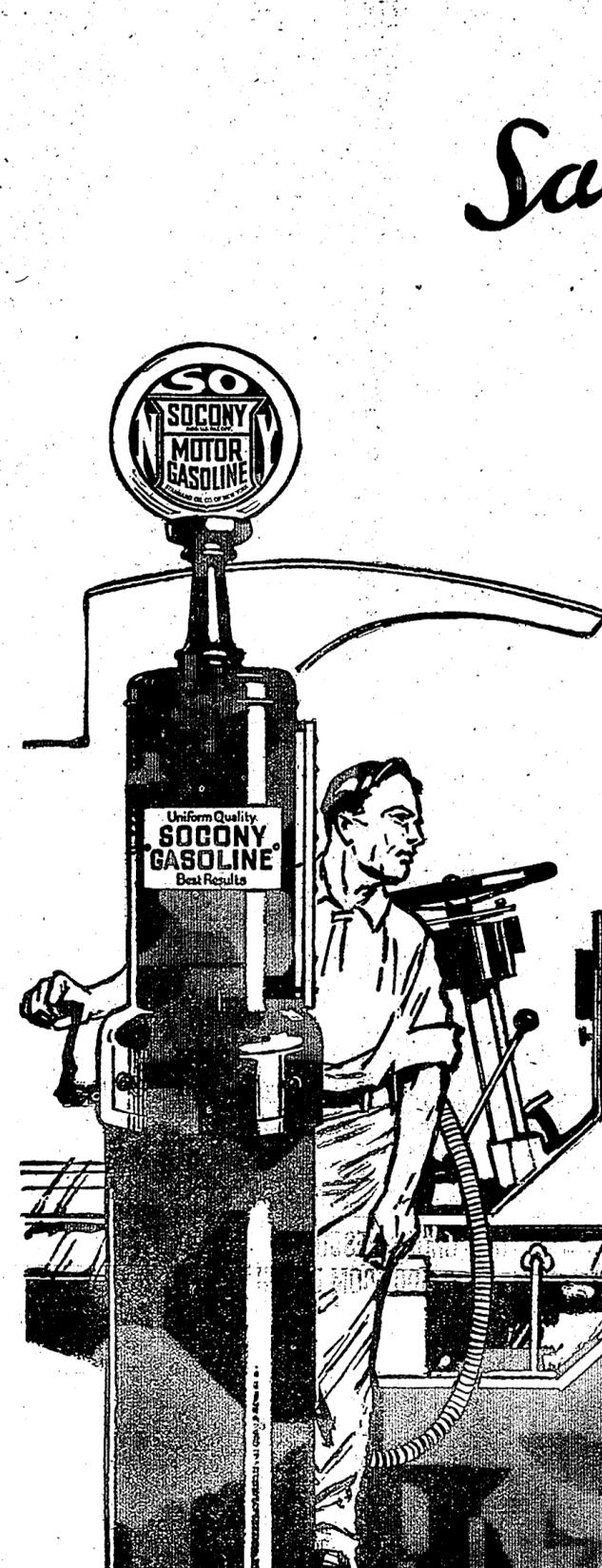
A flock of wild geese were seen on Thursday of last week going southward, but the weather is still warm for the season.

Football Game. Last Saturday afternoon the P. H. S. football team played Groton School third team, the score being 7 to 7. The Pepperell boys played a fine game, and except for a misplay which gave Groton their chance to score, Pepperell had the Groton team outplayed all though the game. Many enthusiastic Pepperell people attended the game on the Groton team's grounds and cheered on the players. Thomas Halley acted as coach and Donald Jacobs as umpire.

The lineup is as follows: Jacklin re, Reagan rt, Dunbar rg, Lynch re, Parker c, Hill lg, Rogers lg, Murphy lt, Cullinan lc, Colbert lb, Gagnon qb, Tarbell qb, Anderson qb, Stratton lb, Sullivan fb, Dunbar fb, Lineup of the Groton team: Morris c, Hurd qb, Robinson fb, Lawrence fb, Tenney lb, Roberts rg, Driggs lg, Cushing rt, Norton lt, Lovejoy re, Cunningham le.

Time, eight and ten-minute periods; touchdowns Anderson and Robinson. Goals from touchdowns, Stratton and Hurd.

The manager of the P. H. S. team, Leo Murphy, has arranged a game on Armistice day at Elliptica with the Howe School team.

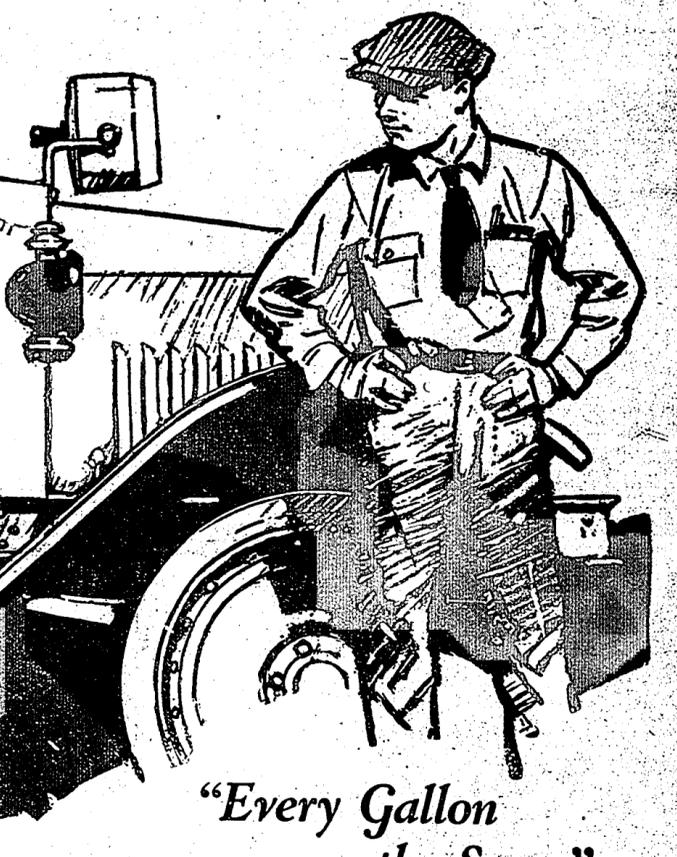


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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM HENRY WOODS, late of Pepperell in said County, deceased. Whereas, PARKER J. KEMP, late of Groton in said County, has presented for allowance upon the estate of said deceased, a certain account of his administration upon the same, and has petitioned for the same to be allowed. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the fourteenth day of November, A. D. 1921, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed. And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, one last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing a copy paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court. Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of October, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one. F. M. ESTY, Register.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Notice to Property Owners. You are hereby required on or before January 1, 1922, to destroy the gypsy and brown tail moths on your property in this town.

This notification is in accordance with Chapter 268, Acts of 1905, as amended by Chapter 268, Acts of 1906, which requires cities and towns to destroy the eggs, caterpillars, pupae and nests of the gypsy and brown tail moths under heavy penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of the law.

If a property owner fails to destroy such eggs, caterpillars, pupae and nests, then the city or town is required to destroy the same, and the cost of the work in whole or in part according to the value of the land, is assessed upon and becomes a lien on the land. (See Section 6, Chapter 381, below.)

The selectmen ask owners and tenants to co-operate with the town in its work on highways and other public grounds by doing effective work on their premises. Citizens who have cleaned their premises of the moths, but find their trees endangered by the neglect of owners of adjoining estates should make complaint to the selectmen. The infestation of a residential neighborhood by the neglect of a few will not be tolerated.

The eggs of the gypsy moth should be destroyed at once with crescent. They should never be scraped off the object on which they are laid. Careful search should be made for gypsy moth egg clusters, not only on trees but also on house walls, stone walls, fences and in rubbish heaps, etc. Trees in which cavities occur, and which is not desirable to cut should have the cavities filled or cemented. This is important. The present and future cost of combating this insect can be greatly reduced by cutting and burning worthless brush, hollow trees, etc. A few trees well cared for are more valuable to the property owner and the community than a large number of neglected trees.

The nests of the brown tail moth should be cut from the trees, carefully collected, and burned in a stove or furnace. Full instructions as to best methods of work against the moths may be obtained from the Local Superintendent, George C. Maynard, or from the State Forester, State House, Boston.

Work done by contractors should be inspected and approved by the Local Superintendent before payment for the same is made. JOHN E. MAYNARD, PERLEY BEARD, E. F. COREY, Selectmen.

Harvard, October 21, 1921. (Chapter 381, Acts of 1905, as amended by Chapter 268, Acts of 1906, and Chapter 268, Acts of 1906, as amended by Chapter 268, Acts of 1906, which requires cities and towns to destroy the eggs, caterpillars, pupae and nests of the gypsy and brown tail moths under heavy penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of the law. Section 6. The mayor or selectmen of any city or town shall, on or before the first day of November in each year, and at such other times as he or she may deem necessary, cause notice to be sent to the owner or owners of all land in such city or town, which is infested with said moths, or is susceptible to infestation, by posting such notice on said parcels of land, requiring that the eggs, caterpillars, pupae and nests of said moths shall be destroyed within a time specified in the notice. 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LITTLETON

News Items

Mrs. Jonathan H. Harwood, of Littleton and Providence, R. I., are receiving congratulations on the birth of their second child, Elizabeth Sharpley Harwood, November 4, at the Faulkner hospital, Boston.

Efficiency. The Littleton Clothing Efficiency Group held its first fall meeting at the home of their leader, Mrs. Agnes Sheed, November first. Following the resignation of Mrs. Alfred Bates, Mrs. Margaret McDonald was chosen secretary.

The following is a brief sketch of the purpose and underlying principle of this most popular project. First it is not mere "dress making." It is an educational piece of work. However, be it noted that the student who thoroughly masters the course and has time to apply it need never ask the services of a dress-maker; her clothing problem is solved for all time. When she has a set of foundation patterns absolutely correct she can make anything that any conservative woman might want to make.

But why draft a pattern when you can buy one? 1. Because a commercial pattern seldom is exactly wasted in making allowance for changes; 2. it has to be tried out once before one knows whether or not it is going to be successful; 3. it necessitates so much trying on and fitting.

Women of Middlesex county who are engaged in the clothing efficiency project have recently organized a county committee, of which Mrs. Sheed is chairman. This committee meets once a month at central places. At these meetings the leaders and several members of each group are present and Mrs. Ruth Stevens Reed, assistant state home demonstration agent, fills the day to overflowing with helpful instruction and inspiration.

The following is an extract from a letter written by the committee to the H. D. A.:

We feel that the clothing efficiency work in our county must be continued for these reasons:

1. It meets a real and universal need as nothing else has done and we believe nothing else can do so effectively.

2. Home makers cannot go to vocational schools; nor could they find in any mere dressmaking class the help this course has brought home.

3. The work is not only educational, but fundamental and therefore of permanent value.

4. It is helping our women to form habits which will necessarily carry over the county.

5. It is applicable not only to the clothing problem which necessarily occupy a large place in the thought and work of the average home maker, but also to every phase of her home-making work.

6. It has been and is training the women who are following the prescribed course not only in principles but in habits of work in every department of their work, of thrift along all lines of buying and using material and of economy in general.

7. The women of one group in its second year report a saving of from twenty-five to fifty percent in material, time and money, in their clothing work.

8. The mothers among us are giving the valuable training they are now receiving along all these lines to their daughters as well as to friends and neighbors, and therefore it is growing in ways which cannot be tabulated for reports.

9. It is bringing back to many of our women of all ages, long lost mental alertness.

SHIRLEY

News Items

Mrs. Michael Cotter received word last week of the death of her brother, J. J. Casey, at his home in Superior, Wis. Mr. Casey and wife visited his sister in Littleton, E. Mass., in the latter part of the past year and had retired from his work, which was that of an engineer on the Omaha division of the Great Northern railroad. The funeral took place at his home on Sunday.

The item in last week's paper, which read George W. Hume had been found guilty of reckless driving of an automobile, should have been George W. Hurn.

Miss Esther Amsden, a former stenographer in the office of the Samson Cordage Works in Littleton, is in the Boston office of that concern. Miss Amsden and her mother are living in North Abington for the winter.

The strong wind of last Saturday morning blew the express trucks at the depot onto the tracks, where an early morning train hit them, causing some damage. The wind continued throughout the day, scattering leaves and branches of trees.

Mrs. Eudora Burnham and her daughters, Winnie and Marion, entertained a party of friends and relatives at their summer home over the week-end. The guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Wallace A. Ripley and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Ames. There were sixteen present and a fine time is reported. The two couples left Sunday afternoon for their respective homes.

Many have inquired during the past week why they did not hear anything about the state election, forgetting that Massachusetts had adopted the alternate year plan—all state officers being elected for two years.

Harry E. Hamel, of Manchester, N. H., was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knowles.

A very small number attended the social dance held on last Saturday by the local post. The second one will be held this week and it is hoped a good number will attend.

A daughter was born on Tuesday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Corn.

The first degree was conferred on four candidates at the meeting of the Froonian lodge, I. O. O. F., last week. The second will be conferred on November 17.

Eighteen parents and friends of the freshmen at Pithsburg high school attended the classes and exercises of freshmen night last week Friday evening. After attending regular classes lunch was served in the home rooms and the parents had an opportunity to consult with the teachers if there was any need. In the assembly room the children sang under the leadership of Gullym Miles. Principal Woodbury, Mrs. Judson Cross and Mrs. E. M. Nathan made earnest appeals for closer cooperation between parents and teachers, and between home and the school. These meetings are a great help in many ways as parents who cannot visit school at its regular session can in this way get an insight into their daily work. It is hoped that the public schools during the winter work and talk with the teachers much misunderstanding would be saved.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items

Chauncey B. Robbins went Tuesday to the Massachusetts General hospital.

Mrs. Ada Durkee is at her brother Edwin's in Acton for awhile.

Mrs. Lewis W. Richardson is seriously ill. Mrs. Ferguson has come to help care for her.

Mrs. W. H. Furbush has returned home from her visit and her sister, Mrs. Clark, is her guest.

Mrs. Hibbard Graves has been sick in bed three weeks.

Miss Mary Hager has gone to Clinton and Leonard plans to attend the Woman's Board annual

meeting at New Haven this week as one of the delegates of the North Middlesex branch.

The November meeting of the woman's Missionary auxiliary will be held at 8:30 next Wednesday at the parsonage.

Boxborough A. A.

On November 2 the subscribers interested in the Athletic field met at the new town hall. Rev. C. N. Burrows, temporary chairman, and Miss Hazel Morse, temporary secretary, and it was voted to organize as the Boxborough Athletic association. The following officers were elected by ballot: Rev. C. N. Burrows, president; G. Wendell Burroughs, vice president; Mrs. G. W. Livermore, secretary; Mrs. R. E. Whitcomb, treasurer; Burpee C. Steele, Albert Sargent and G. Wall C. Livermore.

The trustees were appointed a committee to investigate fields and report at a meeting Monday, November 7. The association met Monday evening and after discussion of committee's report on fields, it was voted that the committee add two additional members to their number and further investigate fields and report at a meeting to be held at the town hall this Saturday evening.

All subscribers are asked to attend as it is important to decide on the field as soon as possible. The amount subscribed to the field at present is \$30.

FAVOR CONTINUING FIGHT ON EUROPEAN CORN BORER

Continuance of the government's fight against the European corn borer along the present lines was unanimously favored by representatives of agricultural associations and state commissioners of agriculture and entomologists at the hearings held by the Federal Horticulture board, United States Department of Agriculture at Washington, October 11. Decided opposition was expressed to the proposal to abandon the quarantine of infested areas and wage the war against a regional basis.

After the conclusion of the hearing a resolution was adopted by the state representatives attending the hearing authorizing Commissioner of Agriculture Gilbert, of Massachusetts, to appoint a committee of five members representing the infested areas to draw up recommendations and present them to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.

It was also voted as being the sense of the delegates that the Federal government should appropriate \$275,000 for conducting the work against the borer in the various states affected by new infestations.

Assurances were given by delegates from most of the states that government money spent in their states would be matched by an equal amount in state funds.

The board indicated that it was in substantial agreement on the plan to continue the quarantine of the European corn borer along the present lines, the quarantine to be extended to include the new areas of infestation; and that it would recommend such action to Secretary Wallace, together with the recommendation that congress be asked for funds adequate to administer such quarantine.

The experts of Entomology indicated that such quarantine control of all known areas of infestation could probably be adequately taken care of on an appropriation of \$275,000, the same amount that was provided for the current fiscal year.

The hearing was called by the board as a result of new infestations of the pest recently found along the southern shore of Lake Erie and extending westward to within sixty miles of the Indiana border. With the pest so menacingly near the country's corn belt, the board was forced by lack of funds to consider the abandonment of its present method of quarantining infested areas and resort to a regional system. Under this method the movement of possible carriers of the pest would be permitted within the state, but not to place outside of it.

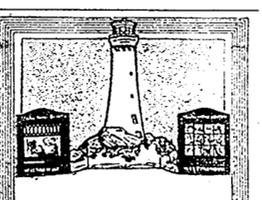
This, however, met with opposition from all factions present at the hearing.

Among the organizations represented at the hearing were: The American Farm Bureau Federation, the State Grange of Connecticut, the Grain Dealers' association, the National Farmers' association, the Boston Market Gardeners' association, and the North-eastern Seedsmen's association. Commissioners of agriculture of Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine were also present, and in addition officials and other representatives from the states of Connecticut, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin. The states of Illinois, Missouri and Rhode Island were represented by letter.

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RED CROSS GIVES ANNUAL BUDGET

\$19,361,657 Allotted for Current Program of Relief and Service.

MILLIONS FOR VETERAN AID

Medical Aid for European Children Will Cost \$6,000,000 This Year.

Washington.—Expenditures totaling \$19,361,657 for carrying through its program of relief and services in the United States and overseas are outlined in the budget of the American Red Cross for the current fiscal year. This total is more than \$5,000,000 lower than the expenditure during the last fiscal year, when the disbursements reached \$24,492,741. It is announced at National Headquarters in a statement calling attention to the necessity of continued support of the organization by response to the Annual Roll Call, November 11 to 24, if the vital work of the society is to be effectively carried on.

Outstanding among the items of the domestic budget is the appropriation of \$3,669,256 for work in behalf of the disabled ex-service man and his family. This appropriation represents the amount allotted to this work from National Headquarters only and does not take into consideration the millions being spent in chapters for relief of the World War veteran. It is in the chapter that the greater amount is spent in meeting this obligation of the Red Cross, the announcement continues, as manifested by figures of the fiscal year 1920-1921 when the total was approximately \$9,000,000, of which \$2,692,094 represented the disbursement of National Headquarters while the remainder was the chapters' contribution to this field of Red Cross service.

Vast Work for Disabled. Chief among the sub-divisions of the appropriation for work with veterans is that which concerns itself with assistance to disabled men and women in government hospitals. This item of \$1,700,000, an increase of more than \$500,000 over the appropriation for the same work in last year's budget, will provide those personal services for the disabled and their families which are indispensable to supplement those provided by the government. The director of the Veterans' Bureau has recently expressed his desire that the Red Cross should continue and extend these "humanizing services." Other items of the appropriation for veterans' relief are proportionately increased. An additional appropriation of \$469,600 has been made for Red Cross work in connection with regular Army and Navy hospitals and with the regular Army and Navy. For disaster relief, the Red Cross has set aside for the current twelve months an appropriation of \$543,976, virtually doubling the appropriation for the same purpose for the fiscal year 1920-1921.

More than \$2,000,000 is provided for service and assistance to the 3,600 Red Cross chapters by the national organization.

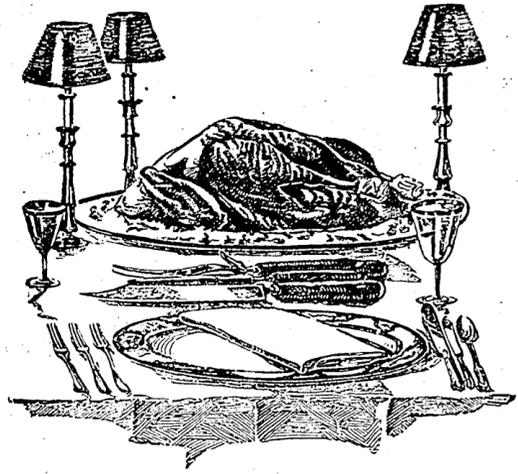
Helping Destitute Children. Other items of the domestic budget include \$498,546 for miscellaneous activities, including contributions restricted for special purposes and \$768,600 for management. Each of these items represents large reductions over similar appropriations of the previous year.

From a fund of \$10,000,000, \$5,000,000 of which was contributed through the European Relief Council campaign and \$5,000,000 allotted by the Red Cross for child welfare work in Europe, there remains \$8,765,108 still available, of which it is estimated that \$6,000,000 will be required for this work during the current year.

For Red Cross participation in the joint effort to relieve famine conditions in Russia, for final work in the China famine, for Junior Red Cross and other overseas activities including the closing of the old general relief program in Europe \$4,978,000 is made available.

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A Celebrated London Doctor Used the Above
to Emphasize the Danger of Overeating.
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Nature could not devise a way to
feed and repair the body without the
production of considerable waste
matter. But Nature provided for
the regular, thorough elimination of
such waste by the action of the
intestines. In the case of many
people, however, the action of the
intestines is so slow that the waste
matter accumulates in the system
and acts as a powerful poison.
Whether you help Nature by wise
or foolish means is left to your own
judgment. To simply force bowel
movement is unwise, unnatural and
ineffective. You can choose harsh,
drastic, violently acting drugs or
take such without caring what their
action or effect is, or you can select
some old, time-proven, trial-tested
remedy, that has been used for 70
years or more by thousands of people
all over the world, with the result
that it has won an enviable reputation
as a reliable household remedy.
Take Beecbam's for example. All
the world knows Beecbam's; a goodly
part of the world uses Beecbam's,
has been using it for years, handing
it down from father to son,
from mother to daughter, for gen-
eration after generation, recom-
mending it to others. In spite of such
extensive and general use, who ever
heard complaint or criticism of
Beecbam's? That in itself is a
powerful recommendation.
Don't take anything for granted.
Reason it out. All druggists sell
Beecbam's—are glad to sell them.
Beecbam's reputation has been
made by its users not by its sellers.

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PILLS**
FOR
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**RAILROAD PLAN 1
GET RATES DOWN**

**Propose to Reduce Wages and
Return All the Saving by
Reduction in Charges.**

FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSAL
Statement by Thomas de Witt Cuyler,
Chairman of the Association of
Railway Executives on
the Situation.

Following a meeting in Chicago,
October 14, 1921, of the presidents of
nearly all the leading railroads in the
country, Mr. Thomas de Witt Cuyler,
Chairman of the Association of
Railway Executives, made the following
statement:

At a meeting of the Association of
Railway Executives today, it was de-
termined by the railroads of the United
States, to seek to bring about a
reduction in rates, and as a means to
that end to seek a reduction in present
railroad wages which have compelled
maintenance of the present rates.

An application will be made im-
mediately to the United States Railroad
Labor Board for a reduction in wages of
train service employees sufficient to
remove the remainder of the increases
made by the Labor Board's decision of
July 20, 1920 (which would involve
further reduction of approximately ten
per cent), and for a reduction in the
wages of all other classes of railroad
labor to the going rate for such labor
in several territories where the carriers
operate.

To Reduce Rates as Wages Go Down
The foregoing action is upon the un-
derstanding that concurrently with
such reduction in wages the benefit of
the reduction thus obtained shall, with
the concurrence of the Interstate Com-
merce Commission, be passed on to
the public in the reduction of existing
railroad rates, except in so far as this
reduction shall have been made in the
meantime.

The managements have decided upon
this course in view of their realiza-
tion of the fact that the present state
of industrial activity has been slowed
down to a point which brings depression
and distress to the entire public, and
that something must be done to start
them again in operation.

The situation which confronts the
railroads is extremely critical. The
railroads in 1920 realized a net rail-
way operating income of about \$22,
000,000, upon a property investment
of over \$19,000,000,000, and even this
amount of \$2 millions included back
pay for prior years received from
the government of approximately \$4,
000,000, and the prices of basic com-
modities, resulting in a very serious
falling off in the volume of traffic.

**Roads Forced to Suffer Maintenance
Work**
In this situation a policy of the most
rigid economy and of postponing and
cutting to the bone the upkeep of the
properties was adopted by the railroads.
This was at the price of neglecting
and for the time deferring work
which must heretofore and in the
near future be done and paid for. This
is illustrated by the fact that, as of
September 15, 1921, over 16 per cent
or 374,431 in number, of the freight
cars of the carriers were in bad order
and needing repairs, as against a normal
of bad order cars of not more
than 100,000, as is further illustrated
by the deferred and inadequate main-
tenance of other equipment and of
roadway and structures.

Even under those conditions, and
with this large bill charged up against
the future,—which must soon be pro-
vided for and paid if the carriers are
to perform successfully their transpor-
tation duties,—the result of operations
for the first eight months of this year,
the latest available figures, has been
at a rate of net railway operating in-
come, before providing for interest or
dividends, amounting to only 2.6 per
cent, per annum on the valuation of
the carrier properties made by the
Interstate Commerce Commission in
the recent rate case, an amount not
sufficient to pay the interest on their
outstanding bonds.

**Roads' Earnings Far Below Reason-
able Return**
It is manifest, from this showing,
that the rate of return of 5 1/2 or 6 per
cent for the first two years after
March 1, 1920, fixed in the Transporta-
tion Act as a minimum reasonable re-
turn upon railroad investment, has
not been even approximated,—much
less reached; and that the present
high rates accordingly are not due to
any statutory guarantee of earnings
for there is no such guarantee.

In analyzing the expenses which
have largely brought about this situa-
tion, it becomes evident that by far
the largest contributing cause is the
labor cost.

Today the railroads pay out to labor
approximately 60c on the dollar they
receive for transportation services
whereas in 1916, 40c on the dollar
went to labor.

On the first day of January, 1917
when the government took charge of
wages through the Adamson Act, the
labor cost of the railroads had not
exceeded the sum of about \$1,468,000,
900 annually. In 1920, when govern-
ment authority made the last wage
increase, the labor cost of the rail-
roads was about \$3,998,000,000 annual-
ly, or, if continued throughout the

year instead of for the eight months
during which the wage increases were
in effect, the labor cost, on an annual
basis, would have been largely in ex-
cess of \$3,900,000,000—an increase
since the government took charge of
railroad wages in the Adamson Act,
of approximately \$2,450,000,000 an-
nually.

In the light of these figures, it is
manifest that the recent reduction of
wages authorized by the Labor Board,
estimated at from 10 to 12 per cent
in no sense meets or solves the prob-
lem of labor costs and in no way
makes it possible for the railroads to
afford a reduction in their revenues.

Thousands of Rates Already Reduced
Indeed, during the past year there
have been between four and five thou-
sand individual reductions in freight
rates. On some of the lines the reduc-
tions in rates have amounted to more
than the reductions in wages so far
made, and on many other railroads the
reductions in wages allowed no net re-
turn on operations, but merely pro-
vided against the further accumulation
of a deficit.

The point is often made that agri-
culture and other industries are also
suffering the same immediate difficul-
ties as the railroads, why, therefore,
do not the railroads take their medi-
cine like anybody else? The answer
lies in several facts:

1. The railroads were not permit-
ted, as were other industries, to make
charges during the years of prosperity,
making possible the accumulation of a
surplus to tide them over the present
extreme adversity. According to the
reports of the Interstate Com-
merce Commission, the rate of return
on property investment of the rail-
roads of the United States for the
past several years has been as fol-
lows:

**RATE OF RETURN EARNED BY
RAILROADS OF THE UNITED
STATES ON THEIR PROP-
ERTY INVESTMENT.**

1912	4.84%
1913	5.15%
1914	4.17%
1915	4.20%
1916 (fiscal year)	5.90%
1916 (calendar year)	6.16%
1917	5.26%
1918	3.51%
1919	2.46%
1920	0.32%

It will thus be noted that during
the years when other industries were
making very large profits, when the
prices of farm products and the wages
of labor were soaring to unheard-of
heights, the rate of return on railroad
investment in the United States were
held within very narrow limits, so
that they have during the past four
years progressively declined.

**Roads Handicapped More Than Other
Business**
2. The railroads are responsible to
the public for providing adequate
transportation. Their charges are lim-
ited by public authority, and they are
in very large respects (notably for labor)
compelled to spend money on a
basis fixed by public authority. The
margin within which they are permit-
ted to earn a return upon their invest-
ment or to offer inducements to at-
tract new capital for extensions and
betterments is extremely limited.
However much the railroads might
desire, therefore, to reduce their
charges in times of depression, it will
be perceived that the limitations sur-
rounding their action do not permit
them to give effect to broad and elastic
policies which might very properly
govern other lines of business not
thus restricted.

It has been urged upon the railroads
that a reduction in rates will stimu-
late traffic and that increased traffic
will protect the carriers from the loss
incident to a reduction in rates. The
railroad managements cannot disguise
from themselves that this suggestion
is merely conjectural and that an ad-
verse result of the experiment would
be disastrous not only to the carriers,
but to the public, whose super-
pre need is adequate transportation.
Consequently the railroad man-
agements cannot feel justified in plac-
ing the public welfare, so essen-
tial to the public welfare, at the haz-
ard of such an experiment based solely
upon such a conjecture.

Farmers Especially Need Lower Rates.
It is evident, however, that existing
transportation charges bear a dispropor-
tionate relationship to the prices at
which commodities can be sold in
the market and that existing labor
and other costs of transportation im-
pose upon industry and agriculture
generally a burden greater than they
should bear. This is especially true
of agriculture. The railroad managements
are feeling sensitive to and sympathetic
with the distressing situation and de-
sire to do everything to assist in reliev-
ing it that is consistent with their duty
to furnish the transportation which the
public must have.

At the moment railroads in many cases
are paying 40c an hour for unskilled
labor when similar labor in working along-
side the railroads and in working along-
side them at 20c an hour. The railroads
of the country paid in 1920 a total
of considerably over \$1,300,000,000 to
unskilled labor alone. However desirable
it may be to pay this or that schedule
of wages, it is obvious that it cannot be
paid unless the railroad earnings unless the
industries which use the railroads are
capable of meeting such charges.

The railroads, and through them the
people generally, are also hampered in
their efforts to economize by a schedule
of working rules now in force as a
heritage from the period of Federal
control and upheld by the Rail-
road Labor Board. These conditions are
expensive, uneconomic and unnecessary
from the point of view of railroad opera-
tion and extremely burdensome upon
the public which pays the bill. This sched-
ule of wages and of working conditions
prevents the railroads from dealing
equitably with their labor costs in ac-
cordance with rapidly changing condi-
tions and the great variety of local con-
siderations which exist in different
parts of the country. The railroads
are seeking to have these rules and
working conditions abrogated.

The railroads will seek a reduction in
wages now proposed by the Interstate
Commerce Commission. The Railroad Labor
Board will proceed with all possible
dispatch, and as soon as the Railroad
Labor Board shall have given its assent
to the reduction of wages the proposed
reduction in rates will be put into effect.

Watching the garden grow is a fine
outdoor sport these evenings:
The army worm seems to be in fa-
vor of universal military education.

"Early to bed and early to rise" has
outlived its usefulness. Everything is
up.

Bolshevik propagandists in France
are now being dealt with severely,
France not having forgotten its ex-
perience with the commune in 1871.

HOLLIS, N. H.
News Items.
There was a good attendance at the
community sing last week Friday
night. Benja's choir sang the chorus.
There was a piano solo by Mrs. Harry D.
Verder; vocal solo, Mrs. Evelyn Brown
Verder; and a recitation by Mrs. Sar-
gent. The next sing will be on
short selections. The next sing will
be a part of the entertainment at the
next church supper some time the
first of December.

Charles Colburn was a Belmont vis-
itor Sunday.

Mrs. Ellen H. Lovejoy has closed
her apartment in the village and is
visiting her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth
Worcester, before going to Cambridge
for the winter.

At a meeting of the Red Cross last
week the members voted to pay for the
school lunches to give twenty-five
dollars to the fund for community
singing.

The Woman's club will meet with
Miss M. Louise Stratton next Wednes-
day.

At the meeting of the Ladies' Read-
ing and Charitable society, last week
a letter was read from Mrs. May T.
Worcester, who has resigned the presi-
dency of the society, resigning the
office. Mrs. Emerson, vice president,
will act as president for the present.

St. Pauline writes from
St. Pauline, Minn., that they are
very pleasantly located for the winter.
She also speaks of the great damage
done by the storm there two weeks
ago.

Miss Hazel Lougee, who has been
at home for two weeks suffering from
an attack of the mumps, has returned
to her teaching in Antrim.

Dr. William E. Soucher of Hartford
was the guest of Rodney P. Hardy of
Arlington at his bungalow from last
week Thursday until Sunday. Mr.
Hardy's son, Rodney C., and three
friends, Seton Dripps, James Noble
and Boynton Wilson, came up from
Cambridge Saturday and camped over
with Dr. Soucher and Mr.
Hardy Sunday afternoon.

Alfred F. Eaton of Manchester spent
the week-end with his mother, Mrs.
R. S. Eaton.

Mrs. Augusta Sweetser of Nashua
was in town for the day, November 3.

Mrs. George W. Hardy was a week-
end visitor in Boston and Lynn.

The local chapter of the D. A. R.
will entertain Mrs. William Canavan
this Saturday afternoon.

Lawrence Hardy, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Charles Hardy, is ill with typhoid
fever. It is a light case and the young
man is expected to recover.

Miss Adelle Eastman went to Bel-
mont, Mass., Sunday for a two-weeks'
visit with her sister, Mrs. Walter L.
Frost, and family.

John L. Woods passed away
on October 29 after a short illness
from heart disease at the age of
years, 4 months, 11 days. She leaves
behind her husband, a daughter, Mrs.
C. F. Mead of the city, two sons,
John V. of Ardmore, Pa., G. H.
Homan, of Hudson, and Winifred H., of
Cambridge, Mass.; also, five grand-
children. Mrs. Woods was a member
of the late Hon. Daniel W. Hayden.
She leaves also two brothers, Samuel
F. and Daniel W. Hayden, of this
city. The funeral will be at her home
on Tuesday, November first.
There was a large attendance of rela-
tives and friends and many beautiful
floral offerings. The services were
at rest in the family lot at Laurel
Hill cemetery.

Clipping.
The following clipping was taken
from The Washington Evening Post
and will be of interest to the many
friends of Dr. Fox, who have known
him since he was a boy. He was born
with his mother, spent their summer
at Mrs. Fox's cottage here, which is
now owned by Miss Lotta Clark of
Boston.

Dr. William Henry Fox, eye spe-
cialist, and a lifelong resident of Wash-
ington, died at his home, 1326 Jetter
street, yesterday, November 3, after
a short illness.

Dr. Fox would have celebrated his
sixty-fourth birthday had he lived
until today. He was the son
of John L. Fox, a surgeon in the
United States navy, and Mrs. Eliza-
beth Amory Morris Fox.

His education was at St.
Mark's School at Southboro, Mass.,
and he received preparatory training
at the De Vaux college. Suspension
of the Yale University, and the
Sheffield Scientific school and took
his natural history course at Yale.
He received his degree of M. D. at Col-
lege of the City of New York in 1888.
Afterward he spent two years in the New York Post-
graduate school and at the Manhattan
Eye and Ear hospital.

Dr. Fox was one of the founders of
the Episcopal Eye, Ear and Throat
hospital of this city and one of its
chief eye surgeons since its founda-
tion in 1897. He was its executive
officer from 1907 to 1920.

Natural history was one of his fa-
vorite studies. After completing the
course at Yale, he was elected a presi-
dent of the Yale Society of National
History. His fine collection of birds
is now owned by Jonathan Dwight
of New York and his collection of
plants was purchased by Cornell university.
He held membership in the Nuttall
Ornithological club in the American
Ornithological society, the American
societies of this city, in the
Medical society of this city, in the
Ophthalmological society and the So-
ciety of Ophthalmologists and Otolaryn-
gists of this city, and was also a fel-
low of the American Medical associa-
tion.

For more than twenty years he
was the historian of the K. F. R. society
here. In 1920 he was elected a mem-
ber of the Nashville, Tenn.
Funeral services will be conducted
at the family residence on Jefferson
street this Saturday afternoon at two
o'clock. Interment will be at the
home of his wife in Nashville, Tenn.

MASON, N. H.
News Items.
The Synthetic minstrel show given
in the town hall last week Friday
evening pleased a large and appreci-
ative audience and once again pro-
ved to the satisfaction of the producers
shows on a par with towns a good
deal larger. After the entertainment
dancing and a social good time fol-
lowed. The orchestra was furnished by
a trio composed of Minnie Collins
as pianist, Samuel H. Davis,
drum section, and Louis M.
Smith, solo and mandolin. Sand-
wiches, doughnuts and coffee were
sold. The proceeds were given to
Fruitdale Grange.

At the Parent-Teacher association
meeting held in the school house last
week Friday afternoon, Rev. C. F.
Hill Crater gave an able talk on
the Gary system of conducting
schools. He urged that a dental
clinic as most of the children's
teeth need attention.

Work on the state road in Sunny
Valley is progressing, and when fin-
ished will be one of the best roads
in town.

The Congregational church is being
painted under the direction of
Alexander M. Main and when finished
will make an imposing looking build-
ing. To brighten up the inside a
large attendance is desired each
Sunday by the pastor.

F. O. Reed has presented several
fine photographs to the No. 6 school
of Governor Brown, Ex-Gov. Keyes,
now senator, Senator George Moses
and Congressman Sherman Bur-
roughs. Mr. Reed has also in his
possession a fine picture of Dr. John-
son, who built the parsonage at the
corner, and a picture of what is
now the library in his office.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robichaud,
of West Groton, were in town this week
with their children, Emerson and Charles
Smith. They were at C. E.
Emerson's last Sunday.

Announcement has been made of
the annual meeting of the Hillsboro
County Farm Bureau in Milford on
November 19. The members are urged
to be present and help further a
work which has obtained a strong
foothold in the country and which is
receiving more consideration from
the administration in Washington
than in former years. Co-operation
is surely coming, all that is necessary
is to pull together.

Katherine Warren spent the week-
end with her parents at the Center.
Mrs. Sherman has presented the
town with a large map of Hillsboro
county.

A mill has been put up on the Tar-
bell lot and cutting the timber will
commence next week under the di-
rection of George Whittier.

Several persons from this town at-
tended the motion picture show pre-
sented in the town hall in Townsend
on last Wednesday evening under the
auspices of the Middlesex County
Bureau of Agriculture and Home
Economics.

The windstorm of last Saturday
caused considerable damage in this
town blowing over telephone poles
and uprooting trees. The first snow
of the season fell here Monday.

The old fence in front of the house
of Mrs. Sarah Farbell has been torn
down and the lawn has been graded,
which adds greatly to the appearance
of this fine place.

Hunters are out in force this fall
and several raccoons have
been shot. Stanley Fitch and James
Bell are the expert cove hunters of
this locality, having bagged several
fine specimens this fall.

It is stated on good authority that
the regular morning passenger train
will be restored in the very near fu-
ture instead of the combination
freight and passenger train. Lack of
patronage brought this change of
feeling toward the public.

It is said that Mr. and Mrs. Harold
Miller, who have been living at the
Mary Childs house, will occupy the
Fred Jackson farm house for the
winter.

Mabel Wheeler, of New Ipswich,
spent the week-end with Miss Minnie
Collins.

Mrs. Strout, who has been visiting
her brother, J. O. Reed, has returned
to her home in Townsend Harbor.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thorne and grand-
daughter, Etta Cravell, are at Fred
Hill's for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Sutherland, of
Lawrence, Mass., has been visiting
Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Eaton.

Florence Mavis, of Sheboygan, Wis.,
who is employed by Roger Babson,
the statistician, spent the week-end
with Dorothy Heald at W. I. Heald's.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Calkins, of
Rutland, Mass., spent Sunday at the
Heald farm and brought up with
them two purebred registered Hol-
stein calves. One of the calves, which
has also added to the stock of his
stock and has also purchased a horse
of Orvan Elliot.

Harlan N. Hill, general rural mail
carrier, is a week's vacation.

A daughter was born to Mr. and
Mrs. Elmer Robbins on Monday even-
ing at the home of Mrs. Robbins' par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Emerson,
with whom they are staying for the
winter.

Guests last Sunday at the Maples
were G. F. Morrill, the photographer,
Mrs. F. G. Fitch, and Miss Nellie Bidwell,
of the same city; Frank Harper and
Fred Reardon, of Billerica, Mass.
Walter Burke, of Billerica, who has
been boarding at this place, has re-
turned home. Mr. and Mrs. N. F.
Blaney, of Marblehead, visited for
a few days last week at this farm.

Sunday visitors at the Adams farm
were Miss Anna Snoworth and
Miss Amelia Hall, of Adams; Mr.
and Mrs. George Adams and son
Bruce, of Leominster; Emma Butler,
of Adams; Mrs. and Mrs. Alice
Morse, of Peterboro, and Mrs. Leon-
ard Welch, of Greenfield. Mr. and
Mrs. Fitch, of Greenfield, were in
Fitchburg, and Mrs. Westover re-
turned with them to Fitchburg for a
few days' visit.

Mrs. Annie Churchill and two sons,
George and Edward, have been visit-
ing relatives in Newton, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tarbell, of
Townsend, and Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge
Farrar, of Greenfield, were at C. C.
Barnes' last Sunday.

Clarence Beck, nephew of Mr. and
Mrs. John Beck, who has been threat-
ened with pneumonia at the Beck
farm, is very much improved in
health and able to be out again.

Tracy Eaton attended a meeting of
the Farm Bureau in Milford last Sat-
urday.

Mrs. John Dow, who formerly lived
here and still owns the Dow farm,
above Stanley Flagg's, has passed
through a successful operation in the
hospital in Claremont, where she is
now resting comfortably.

BROOKLINE, N. H.
News Items.
Miss Katherine Pennelly from Med-
field has been a recent guest of Mrs.
Florence Barnaby.

Rev. Raymond Elliott will observe
Armistice Sunday at the M. E. church
on Sunday. His subject will be "Lim-
itators of armaments." There will be
Sunday school at the same time and
the prayer meeting every Friday evening.

Mrs. Hazel Davis recently entertain-
ed Mrs. Gilpatrick of Wilton.

Miss Mary Dodge is at her home in
Bradford.

A. A. Hall is having extensive re-
pairs made in his home.

Mrs. Emma Dunbar has had run-
ning water installed in her home.

Mrs. Elma Rockwood is spending a
few days in Wilton.

Helen Rockwood has been a recent
visitor in Boston.

John Andrews has returned from
his visit to Lowell.

The third and fourth degrees were
conferred on a large class in the
Grange on Wednesday evening.

Miss Helen Rockwood had the mis-
fortune to lose his dog, Texas, when
he fell from a woodpile and broke
his back last week.

Mrs. Elvina Eddy, who has been
staying with her daughter, Mrs. Myr-
tle Rockwood, has gone to Nashua to
spend the winter with her daughter,
Mrs. Minnie Hooker.

On next Wednesday under the di-
rection of the Parent Teachers' asso-
ciation Dr. E. W. Butterfield, com-
missioner of education in New Hamp-
shire, will speak in the school house
building. His subject will be "Brook-
line school problems." The teachers,
with their scholars, will demonstrate
some of their newer teaching meth-
ods. At the close of the meeting Dr.
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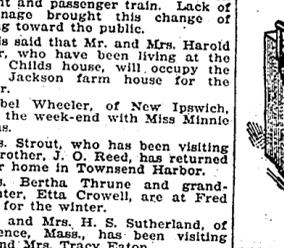
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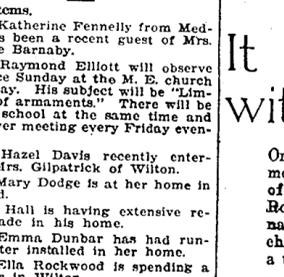
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PEPPERELL

Arrangements are nearly complete for the annual concert and ball of the Peppercorn Club...

The meeting of the East Village club was postponed on Wednesday, owing to the storm...

Miss Molly Frazer spent two days in town this week, going from here to Boston on Wednesday...

The body of Mrs. Laura (Kimball) Dudley was taken to the Peppercorn Club for interment...

Other Peppercorn matter on pages 2 and 3.

The following account taken from a recent Worcester paper concerns the Peppercorn Club...

The Holy Cross Debating team, which will meet Fordham college at New York soon...

Miss Mabel P. Warner of Somerville has been spending a few days in town...

The Girl Scouts made \$22.70 from their traveling food sale last Saturday afternoon...

Miss Blanche Baldwin of Malden and Miss Isabel Ewins of Reading spent the week-end with Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin...

summer home here, spent Sunday at Squannacott Inn.

Mrs. Carrie Williams, who has been visiting Mrs. George Adams, has returned to her home in Winchendon.

Three of the Tumbler boys with their brother-in-law, Earl Welch, left here last week to go to Florida by auto...

Mrs. William W. Webster of West Gorton visited relatives in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brayton from Providence, R. I., spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. George Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wilson, who recently purchased the Austin house, Boston, took possession of their new home...

Mrs. Fred Prescott has been called to Athol by the illness of one of her relatives.

George Willard of Brookline and Ralph Willard of Belmont spent the week-end in town.

Mrs. Grace Gorow and daughter of Somerville spent a few days with Mrs. Maria Piper.

The Dorcas class held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Margaret Wilson Tuesday afternoon.

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It was voted to adjourn until Monday evening, November 21. During this vacation each one can constitute his or herself a missionary of two to do something for the cause.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

Mrs. Eva Marsh and Mr. and Mrs. George Woodward of Federal Hill, Mass., were in town Sunday calling on friends.

At a meeting of the society held on Tuesday night it was voted to call Rev. Charles Hill Crathorn to be pastor of the Congregational church in Hollis, N. H., to do last week.

The local W. R. C. held its regular meeting Tuesday evening and had as its guests the families of its members.

Harry D. Verder has been spending the week-end in Worcester, Mass., during his absence Mrs. Verder and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Simonds.

Mrs. Merleau Spaulding returned last Saturday from two weeks' visit with her son, Fred Spaulding and family, in Athol, Mass.

Miss Florence Muzey is visiting her sister in Penacook this week.

LITTLETON

Miss Hope Fletcher spent last week-end with Miss Beulah Kimball at New London, Conn.

Miss Florence Bartlett was in town last week Saturday.

The Nakrat greeting cards have arrived at the Bandbox. See ad. next week.

Hon. Charles W. Tobey of Manchester, N. H., was greeted by a large and appreciative audience last Tuesday evening, who were most enthusiastic over the very wide-awake, stimulating address that had the approved forward look.

Mrs. C. K. Houghton and her young son, Richard, have arrived home from the hospital.

Miss Mary Kimball spent the week-end in Framingham, and attended a reunion of her class at Normal school.

HARVARD

At a special meeting of the Grange on Wednesday evening the first and second degrees were worked on a class of candidates to the number of fifteen.

Services will be resumed at the white church on Sunday morning at the usual hour.

At the meeting of the Unitarian Men's club on last Sunday evening the members and invited guests held the pleasure of listening to Rev. Arthur L. Weatherly, of Rosindale, who was a passenger aboard the Ford pence ship, which crossed to Sweden.

At a meeting of officers at the Grange next Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hardy attended the banquet of the New England Horticultural and Fruit Show at Concord held in the new parish house, Friday evening, November 4.

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TOWNSEND

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Mrs. R. H. Willard, who is stopping with her mother, Mrs. G. A. Seaver, spent Tuesday, Belmont.

Mrs. Hattie Blood, who has been assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jenkins, has returned to her home on the cross road.

Mr. Ashley of Boston, who has returned from the hospital.

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