William A. Drummey of Pepperell.

Mrs. Richard A. Douglas, of New York, and her daughter, Miss Clara Douglas, came last week Thursday to visit Miss Ida Shattuck. Before her

had a merry time.

W. H. Annis, who is eighty-eight

years old, who tell at the Foster street engine house last week and broke his right hip, is getting along much bet-ter than it was feared he could.

Mrs. M. A. Gutterson was called the first of the week from Worcester to care for Amos Saunders, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Joseph Saunders, High street

took Miss Jewell to see her cousins in

Ashburnham, and on September ... there was another noto party planned

would wait a day or so before any

A meeting of the Pepperell Men's

lub will be held in Saunders' hall on

at Center for soldiers and sailors," and Welcome signs on main roads lead-The usual services will be held at the Congregational church on Sunday with a stereopticon lecture in the evening on "The great destroyer."

.The Ladies" Benevolent society of

the Congregational church will serve

a supper on Thursday evening at 6.30 o'clock, followed by an entertainment.

Sunday, September 29, will be ob-

Sunday school at the Congregational church. A committee is arranging an interesting program.

Elmer F. Rice, who recently enter-

ed the service, has been transferred from Camp Greenleaf, Chickamauga Park, Ga., to Camp Sheridan, Mont-

gomery, Ala., where he has joined the

Harold and Roscoe Hayes have been at their home on brief visits. Roscoe entered the service this week.

Rev. Robert W., Drawbridge about to sail for France for Y. M. C. A. work. Many friends have sent him

Friends of Res Boynton Merrill

were pleased to so an article by Dr. Howard A. Briden in in the last Con-

His wife is visiting with Mrs.

pase hospital uni:

William 'H. Merri

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in church and

more auto trips. •

Miss Ann Jewell, Townsend street had a birthday party on September 6 and she will remember it pleasantly

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Clint Baker, of Shepley hill, is with the Ambulance Corps at Salonica, Greece, and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was Mary Abby Lawrence, daughter of Appleton Lawrence, and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years to the farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years to the farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years to the farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is farm on Jewett street. Mrs. Douglas was far years and it is supposed that he is supposed that 4-ounce bottle of polish

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PRIMARIES:

Tuesday, Sept. 24

EDWARD W. BLODGETT, 9 Walnut Street Framingham, Mass.

PEPPERELL

Miss Edith Baker, Shepiev hill, went last Monday to teach in the primary department of the public schools in Townsend Center.

Roger Wetherbee, Shepley hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wetherbee, is attending school in Townsend, alternative in Pennandi States have though living in Pepperell, going back and forth by auto.

Any person desiring patterns for us n making over children's garments from waste material, may get patterns free from Mrs. Appleton.

against the Central Powers in that and cemetery and various places part of the battleground.

her childhood memorles. She was the manager of the Brooklyn Seaside Home for Children at Coney Island, N. Y. Miss Ida Shattuck was her assistant for a couple of years, and after The Special Aid will meet in their rooms at 2.30 on Monday afternoon. There is an appeal for more comfort bags, and the size liked best is 12x14 nches, with double draw string. Mrs. Miss Shattuck became a nurse Appleton saw the cutest little shirts again went with Mrs. Bouglas. Mrs. made in Boston from ladies' white Douglas left on Monday after a time silk stockings, and in beauty they filled with memories, chair and travel. could not be excelled by new goods in the expensive stores. White silk stockings are wanted; also, more ma-terial of all kinds. Mrs. Appleton heard of 409 little refugee children who had no change of clothes for three weeks and their little below three weeks, and their little backs were sore. Several people can club together to fill a comfort bag.

Mrs. Walter Lunt returned Thurs. day from her enforced stay at Ocean Park. Miss Mildred Lunt and Mrs. A. R. Paull are expected to come home next Monday by auto with Mr. Paull. John Toomey was called to Groton on last Tuesday to attend the funera of a relative.

The Boston Globe of September 18 two sisters, Mrs. Cakes, of Fitchburg, reports the death of Prof. Westingarde of Harvard college at the age of forty-seven years. It may come to the minds of some that Prof. Westingarde and wife and young son spent a summer in Pepperell at the farm of C. C. of Harvard college at the age of forty-seven years. It may come to the minds of some that Prof. Westingarde and wife and young son spent a summer in Pepperell at the farm of C. C. Tucker, Heald street. He had been advisor to the king of Slam, and at the time of his death had been chosen to meet in the peace conference when he present world war would end.

Rev. B. W. Rust of the Methodis thurch will take for his morning topic on Sunday, "Waiting for the Lord." Spworth league devotional meeting a 6.45; topic, "Stewardship of money eader, Mrs. Raiph Buck.

One of the government committees brough Mrs. Nellie Appleton, wishes to inform the public that owing to the need of conservation in transportation and everything else, would suggest that all Christmas presents should h bought in October, November and De cember, according to the distance the presents have to be sent. Also, that all money be conserved as far as possible, and to make useful presents, and that toys be used only for small children.

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Mrs. Dorchiemer was expected hom from her two weeks visit in Lynn and Swampscott the last of this week.

for Miss Jewell, but she concluded she Mrs. Mary Tumpney died Sunday night at eleven o'clock. She was born in Ireland about seventy-five years ago and came to Pepperell about thirty years ago. For the most part she en-joyed good health, but the last two Monday evening at eight o'clock. An address will be given by F. E. Webster, of Waltham, followed by open discussion on "Sanitation," "Public roads," "Fourth liberty lean," "Service board of Courte for will be a service board of Courte for will be a service board.

years have been painful; added to this stregationalist, describing his visit on him to the hearts of officers and gailshe fell about two weeks ago and was the U. S. S. Pennsylvania—After bebadly injured. She has buried two ing shown over the ship he has this was nothing more nor less than the back home. But the Sunday service
ounters where the sailors eat and to say. children in the last three years and now follows them. The funeral service was held on Wednesday morning in St. Joseph's church, where hikh mass was celebrated. The bearers were her four nephews, Maurice A. Drummey of Tilton, N. H.; Patrick H. Drummey of Natick, Thomas J. Drummey and William A. Drummey and

winning way that quickly admits advantage is a little calendar entitled does.

It can youch that for this ship at least the work of the chaplain is appreciated, and influential. He is a deft use of flags while he preaches the preciated and influential. He is a truths that feed the better life. One young man just out of the seminary, truths that feed the better life. One and benefits his great parish not sim-with an old and wise head on him and device this chaplain employs to good ply by what he says, but by what he

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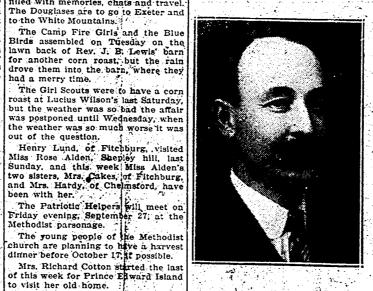
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erable commendation from various sources, I am assuming that my service has been fairly satisfactory. As Chairman of the Joint Committee on Agriculture, and a member of the Committees on Roads and Bridges, as well as on Fisheries and Game, many important matters have been considered and disposed of; and as Chairman of a commission to consider agricultural matters and report to the next General Court, as asked for in a special message by Gov. McCall, there is more important work aheads I respectfully solicit your support in the Primaries next

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Saturday, September 21, 1918

WESTFORD

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Hildreth and baby son, who have been spending the summer in the Hamlin house, have returned to their home, in Mun-

The Frank E. Millers, who recently sold their farm, are moving this week to Lowell.

Miss Harriet M. Hodgman, who has been spending a number of months with Mrs. Augusta Prescott, goes to Waltham to be with friends. During an interim of a few days she has been visiting with her long-time friend, Miss Emily F. Fletcher, going together to Springfield for a short trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright and daughters, Frances and Alice, move next week to Cambridge for the winter, where they have taken an apart-ment. They will be much missed in the community, but the change makes it much more convenient for Mr. Wright's business.

There have been one or two cases resembling the epidemic of Spanish influenza reported in town, but noth-ing so serious as Miss Marjorie Seavey reports. Her cousin, Howard Mitchell, of Newton, has just died from ar attack of this influenza—a promising young man of twenty-one years, hold-ing a good position with the Needham ing a good position with the ? Trust Company in Needham. The floors at the J. V. Fletcher l

brary are being done over under the careful supervision of Mr. Pickering, and other cleaning done.

The opening meeting of the Tadmuck club will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 8.

The annual church fair of the Congregational church, with its various sales tables, supper and entertainment. will take place on Friday afternoon and evening of next week.

Robert Prescott has recently purchased a new Buick automobile. Company L. M. S. G., held their usual drill on Tuesday evening with Capt. Charles W. Robinson in charge.

Many interested townspeople watch the progress of the work on Granitewille road in charge of Contractor Greenough. It is an interesting piece of work and will be much appreciated of work, and will be men approximately when it is done. One report has it that it will be open to traffic in about three weeks; another, that it may not be finished this season. Probably a result between the two will be more

There were 331 men registered in town last week Thursday. This latest development brings the war more nearly home to many than it has ever

short visit in town. This shape is suwarked Fowler as Suwarked Fowler

the teaching staff at the Frost school for two years, were married in West for two years, were married in West Pembroke, Me., Wednesday, September 11, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Clive Dunn. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Walter Cass of the Methodist church in West business meeting recently at the park mony was performed by Rev. Walter Cass, of the Methodist church in West Pembroke. It was a quiet, pretty home wedding, with pretty decorations, refreshments and pretty gifts. The bride were a gown of old rose voile. Mr. and Mrs. Blodgett will go to housekeeping in the so-called Merisson place, near Mr. Blodgett's home farm, and they have the sincerest good wishes of their many friends for hope wishes of their many friends for hope in the work and was elected to be prevamed and more discovered and the pressure of the cause designed as president and fine without a country' as the most in demand and most highly fine work and has given unsparing in the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and fine without a country' as the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and fine without a country' as the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and fine without a country' as the motion of the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and creaty in the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and creaty in the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and creaty in the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and creaty in the most in demand and most highly recommended by the American Detroit of the cause designed as president and creaty in the most wishes of their many friends for happiness and prosperity.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning William H. Londs, of Lowell, came to attend the services He brought with him Mr. Roberts who

added to the musical next of the service with his excellent corner playing the certific rest with the certific rest with "Less from the playing." Next Sunday and my "Hymns and hymn melters." ning "Hymns and hymn writers the subject

Mrs William R Carver made Mrs. William R. Carver made eighth hirthday anniversary of her tile da ighter Il izabeth a happy event for her. Welmesday afternoon, by inviting informally alternoon by inviting informally alternoon. Games and dainty refreshments a nutrited to the effective of the control of the comments of the control of the comments of the control o

After much predding be and war-time self defense recessity nad war-time self defense recessity. Frank Banister is very in New England is coming he says her home, suffering much pain. The clutter own head. Here are some of indeed the symptoms. The United States between the symptoms. The United States between the symptoms. The United States her the symptoms. The United States her the symptoms. the symptoms. The United States he-partment of Agriculture reports that the wheat crop this year in New Emr-land is estimated at 1,629,825 bushels, credited by states as follows. Maine 449,925 bushels, New Hampshire 96, 400, Vermont 289,000, Massachusetts 37,400, Connecticut 63,767, Rhode Island 2160. This hegins to look like the olden days when flour mills were

We will bring our own bark urday. with us; also, other peace scenes. This occasion ought to prove a live clearance house for the too continuous association with our littleness, which is cry large sometimes.

Amos Polly, on the Prairie farm, is emodeling his corn barn so it wil. ess of a rat and mouse center. drew G. Anderson is doing the carrer ter-stone work.

Thirteen passenger cars as an extra train passed over the Stony Brook raid on Tuesday, coming from somewhere and going somewhere. As the government wishes some things kept a profound secret this comes very near beng protound.

Every so often we are urged by agricultural papers and institute speakers to build a silo, as well as by other folks who are anxious to have us prosfolks who are anxious to have us ploper. A ton of ensilage corn after you have tugged it into the silo at its highest value is worth five dollars, and you can raise by piling on the plant food an average of ten tons per here, or fifty dollars grass valuation expenses out. In far-down Maine some arc raising 100 bushels of shelled corr por acre, which at present price of corn is close up to \$200 per acre; the fodder pays for the labor. Where does the silo come in as a temptation. Store or stack the green corn fodder in the field and let the wind whistle the water man lugging.

The Prairie farm and the Old Oaken Bucket farm have sowed an acreage of winter wheat apiece.

Oliver Desjardens has bought the standing grass on the John H. Kecte place on Francis hill and has commenced haying.

who at 1999 percent. This of itself would not necessarily mean a large acreage. New Hampshire, once flourishing with wheat fields and flour mills, has dropnot necessarily mean a large acreage. New Hampshire, once flourishing with wheat fields and flour mills, has dropped within five years to fifteen acres ped within nive years to fitteen acres of wheat in the whole state, and Westford, which once sported a flour mili at Brookside, has within 100 years on a gradual sliding scale scaled down to one-fourth of an acre, and that in the Stany Brook walley. Stony Brook valley.

Brookside precinct registered thirty-gight candidates for the office of soldier, or over one-half of the voting list of the precinct. The adjoining preof the precinct. The adjoining pre-cinct in West Chelmsford registered 140. Among those registering was an Italian from Carlisle, who insisted on italian from Carlisle, who insisted on being registered at this precinct, and they took his picture as he requested for a to be-soldier. Fred Snow and Fred L. Fictcher were the authorized committee on military affairs at this

On registration day we found we had 331 men in the town from eight-een to forty-six years of age who had not previously registered. The town was divided into precincts, as follows: Precinct 1, town hall, Charles L. Hilregistrar, registration dreth, registrar, registration 93;
Brookside Precinct, Moore's mill, W.
R. Taylor and Alfred Tuttle, registrars, registration 38; Graniteville Precinct, Healy's hall, Robert McCarty
and Alfred T. W. Prinn, registrars,
registration 114; Forge Village, Abhot's hall, Edward T. Handey and John bot's hall, Edward T. Hanley and John Edwards, registrars, registration 96. Out of the total tabulation of 331 men 132 were aliens

We know there must have been many peculiar names to record on registration day. We should like to give just one which came to our notice. mearly nome to many than it has ever done before.

There was a good attendance of Red Cross workers present at Library hall on Wednesday afternoon. Present with Miss Elizabeth Kittredge was Miss Lillian Draper, who is making a short visit in town. Miss Draper has precently returned from France, where

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Blodgett returned to Westford from their wed ding trip on Wednesday. Mr. Blodgett and Miss Lettie L. Dunn, who was of the teaching staff at the Frost school for two years, were married in West unusual privilege of being shown News Items.

faithful secreta: ears, also resigned wanthat she was wh. Mrs. Myers was An armound M the annual conver

Burney County W. C. " 1 september 24 in 15. gregational church. It was to d the regular meetingreday of each month.

old Brown, the well-ki the ter, who resides in West too has a very interesting personal pursue generations. His mother to pussed her nicetieth births. a splendid picture was taken of her son, Fred Brown, her Kin Chester Brown and her greater

sen. Fred Brown, tour years Before his marriage Chester enlisted in the navy and servecomment | years for Uncle Sam.

Frank Banister is very ill

Mrs. Houghton G. Osgood tery ill for a week with act.

The Red Cross circle at the smith's corner, which did suwork before the summer so, resumed its meetings on Frida

It is of passing interest to

Medfield, were in town on Monday calling upon some of their old-time friends. They motored over in their

The many friends of our former beloved Congregational pastor, Rev. Charles H. Rowley, will be interested to hear about one of his boys. Dr. Alfred Rowley, who has been a spe-cialist in the Hartford hospital in Connecticut, is in the medical department overseas. He was accompanied by his wife, who was in a Hartford hospital before her marriage. She was among the first, it is said, to administer ether after arriving overseas. Dr. Rowley is the second son of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Rowley, who now reside in North Craftsbury, Vt.

Miss Mary Cameron is returning t miss Mary Cameron is the market of the preparatory schol. Bradford academy. Donald F. Cameron, who proved himself such a nne scholar in his preparatory work, has entered Harvard university. He will have full military training there.

Pleasantly Entertained.

On last week Thursday afternoon Mrs. Donald Cameron delightfully tertained in honor of her mother, Mrs. Fiske, whose birthday anniversary was observed on that day. For a number of years Mrs. Cameron has made this date an occasion for having a reunion of the women who are young in out of it and then let the cattle lug come oftener than in childhood days. The kuests brought their knitting and come oftener than in childhood days. The guests brought their knitting and thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon of gracious hospitality. There was an impromptu entertainment. Mrs. John Burbeck, whose eighty years rest lightly on her, played from memory on the plane a charming little piece on the plane a charming little piece winch she had composed before her marriage. Miss Emily Fletcher recited age of wheat this year over 400 percent; Westford increased its acreage of wheat 999 percent. This of treatment of the state of the sta

gion. Ice cream and cake and tea were served by the hostess and her charming daughter, and there was a wonderful birthday cake, the kind that everybody likes, made by Mrs. Cameron herself.

Graniteville,

Mrs. Murr, of Boston, has been a recent guest of Miss Stella Shattuck. George Hanson, who is employed in the ordnance department of the war department, has been spending the past few days at his home here.

Mrs. William Peters has recently re turned from a visit spent with friends n New Bedford. Mr. and Mrs. George Gilson, of this

village, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice Mae, to Rev. P. A. Kilminster, of West Lebanon, N. H. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Decker, .: Lowell, announce the engagement of their daughter Anna to Ralph W. Farnbam, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fartham, of North Westford.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson G. Boynton have been recent visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Hawkes, of Melrose, and Henry Wood, of Wickford. R. I., have been recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hawkes. Mr. Wood is a cousin of Mr.

The war gardens have yielded bountiful crops here this season, the potato crop being unusually heavy.

The Graniteville baseball club finished the season in a blaze of glory on last Saturday afternoon when they defeated their old-time rivals, the Westford club, in the third and decisive game of the series by the score of 5 to 2. It was a clean and well-played game. Private John Carney, from recently returned from France, where she has been doing secretarial work for about a year. With the aid of posters, posture postcards and snapshots M - Draper had much of insterest to tell.

Perley E. Wright and his men are doing a record tracking business this season. One might recently four heavily loaded tracks went over the read and even then were not wholly aderage.

Bolla Wielkoi Wis Szynkauary.

It is an unusual circumstance that father and son should register at the same time on September 12 for the same time on September 12 for the scleentive draft. Such was the case when Donald Cameron and his son, when Donald Cameron and his son, when Donald Cameron, answered the government questions.

Mr. and Mrs. Abiel J. Abbet, who hind the bat by Webber, who caught derive so much pleasure out of the well. Westford refusing to take any were second in the technique are bringing good prices in the markets.

Mr. and Mrs. Ablel J. Abbot, who hind the bat by Webber, who caught well well. Westford refusing to take any chances on the bases. Both of Westford refusing to take any chances on the bases. Both of Westford refusing to take any chances on the bases. Both of Westford refusing to take any chances on the bases. Both of Westford refusing to take any chances on the bases. Both of well, well, westford refusing to take any chances on the bases. Both of well well well well and they never had a chance after that. Graniteville's runs were secred in the tecond and seventh the beginning of the fall term of the schools to her teaching in Dracut. Miss Jennie Ferguson to Springfield and Miss Ruth Tuttle to Winthrop.

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A letter under date of September 1, sames in this last series arranged, the ville has defeated both Westford and Forge Village two out of three of the cames in this last series arranged, the local club still retains the champlor-

LITTLETON

By a happy turn of events the lyer um committee was able to secure "The The W. C. T. U. held its annual man without a country" as the motivation proparatulated. This change in the proparatulated announced last week completes the course for this year, and hose in charge consider the program one of exceptional merit and such a

as they believe the Littleton will like to attend during the line times of a great war. The as for the sale of tickets will be-

Mrs. Mary Brower, of Waltham, was rs Mary Brower, of Waltham, was sonday guest of her parents, Mr and the solution of the soluti

Edna Hartweil and Margorie the women's berty loan committee.

L. H. S. 1918, entered Sim. Hosten, after September 23, and will college this week. Miss Mar added the hidder to a seat if used be annual returned to Mt. Holyoke for Title clock. After that the unser sophomore year, and Miss a good seats will be available to the Brown returned to Wellers the middle without tickets. her sophomore year.

hieves have been busy lately their midnight plunder re-their midnight plunde says 100 birds.

Misses Lucy and Emily Adams were

son Conant.

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her home on King street. Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Robbins, of

Newton, spent Sunday at Mrs. P. Whitcomb's. Mr. and Mrs Walter Titcomb spor

two days of this week in Boston. Mrs. J. M. Hartwell will have work party for the worten of latter and vicinity at her home Trursday, September 26, from the to two o'clock. Any kind of work

coder. A program of interest was feature. A subscription of tree be a feature. A subscription of twobenefit of the Girl Scouts. man is most cordially invited to at

er J. Smith is having his annual Boster. This is under the auspices n, which he is devoting to his the liberty loan committee. Unusuaand the improvement of his we good speakers are expected to be present Tickets may be had from Edna Hartwell and Marjoric the women's liberty loan committee Tickets may be had from

F. Moore returned to Peter and the up her residence in Greton hit hopes to be home again Acres hospital, Monday, for treat-

ment for a few weeks. The of the Unitarian society October 25 as the date

Mrs Bowman returned to her erning service of the Congregation in Cambridge last week, and church last Sunday. the Albert Shedd, of Nashua, No. C. Fletchers companion during Mr. recently visited her nicce, Mrs. and Mrs. Titcomb's absence from home

Mrs Baremore, of Medford, has

er Sunday guests of their sister, been Mrs P L. Brown's guest this Proctor, Miss Marion Flags, N. A

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Taft of yer are receiving congratulations of the birth of a son, September 18.

Miss Katherine Kimball, Miss Em ... E. Tenney and Mrs. Maud K. Caul kirs were chosen last Sunday as dele-gates to the Wachusett Baptist association in Fitchburg on October first The crime of harboring evil achts' is to be the theme of Rev.
W. Lambertson's sermon Sunday,

Mrs. Ada Ireland has charge o birthdays to be remembered by King's Daughters in September

The Congregational club will begin season of 1918-19 entertainments of the First Universalist vening.

Mrs A. H. McDonald's mother is th her daughter on King street for

We are requested to remind the again to save peach, plum, and other fruit stones and the she is of nuts, Mrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Househton, or Mrs. Hartwell will be ad to receive them.

Mrs Edward Gardner of Jamaica .a.h .s visiting Mrs. A. P. Gardner

John E. Gardner accompanied his son, A. P. Gardner, on a business trip by a remobile to Portsmouth, where he spent three days this week with friends and visited haunts in his former home city.

The liberty lean drive starts Saturday, September 28, Buy your bonds early and help out the committee-nothing to be gained by delay. The following will canvass the town as in the previous campaign: E. G. Prouty F. B. Priest, E. H. Priest, Mrs. H. F Where.

Some of us are already heading to ward the dog show and other shows in ward the dog show and other shows in Groton on next week Friday and Sat
Nathan Hartwell, of Norwell, visit-day not Norwell, visit-day not Nathan Hartwell, of Norwell, visit-dend and Sanday guest.

A son, George Hugh, of nine lbs. days recently.

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On the Culebra Cut in the Parameter who has George Fullerion, Thion, N. H., Aug-charge. George A. Cook is chairman of the committee.

Taylor, F. H. Hill, N. H. Whitcomb, Langdon Prouty. Applications can also be made at either postoffice, with A. H. McDonald, C. K. Houghton in Charge. George A. Cook is chairman of the committee.



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AYER, MASS.

News Items Rev. Elbridge Whitney of South Sudbury, will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church each Sunday until the arrival of the newly-called pastor, Rev. F. S. Goodheart.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Harkins are entertaining a daughter, born on Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. F. S. Goodheart, of Milton, N. H., has accepted a call to become the pastor of the Shirley Congregational pastor of the Shirley Congregational church and will commence his pastor-ate about the middle of October. Mr. Goodheart's family consists of wife and a daughter who is about ten years

There will be a dance in Odd Fellows' hall next week Friday evening for the benefit of the local Red Cross.

Mrs. Rebecca B. Towle, of Woburn, formerly of Shirley, is in town for a stay of several weeks.

Alexander Clemenzi has moved from the Longley house to the house he re-cently purchased on Harvard road. Mr. Clemenzi has made many improvements and will also let the upper flat as a tenement.

deNiff, who has been suffering from influenza.

Mrs. Harry Heausler left on Monjoin her husband at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.

Miss Agnes H. Lynch has returned to her studies at St. Lawrence university, Canton, N. Y.

On registration day last week Thursday, 230 men registered for military service in Shirley—32 in Precinct A and 198 in Precinct B. Shirley—32 in Precinct B.

on Mill street, comprising a store, pool room and four to from Pepperell. and four tenements, to a party om Pepperell:

ddy afternoon. Mr. Bumpus also
The Ladies circle of the Congregapreached at the First Parish church.

tional church met on Wednesday in the ladies parlor. Owing to the rainy weather there was a small attendance. enjoying a trip through the White

Ruth Coddington, who has been ill the last week with influenza, and thought to be improving, is now theretened with pressured with threatened with pneumonia.

The Boy Scouts held a successful ance in Odd Fellows' hall last week Thursday evening. Henault's orchestra, of Fitchburg, furnished music.

Auto Recovered.

The sequel to the alleged theft of ne automobile of Miss Florence Gates of Ashby, a week ago, was written Monday, when a Ford auto owned by Fred G. Carpenter, station agent in Groton, who traded his car for Miss Gates' car, believing that he was doing a soldier a favor, was recovered in a garage in Princeton.

Miss Gates lost her car last week Wedding.
Tuesday. Someone said a soldier had been seen driving it away. Finally, of Mr. and the police traced the car and found Mr. Carpenter had swapped his Ford for the nice car of Miss Gates, giving Miss Gates got her car back, so that Mr. Carpenter was out both a car and \$100 until he found his ma-

Chief Riley arrested Private J. J. Cheek and took him to camp on Sun-

The military police from Camp Devens, who had been scouting on motor-cycles in search of Cheek, ran across him near Leominster and Cheek agreed to return to camp, telling the military police to skip along and he would follow. He did follow for some distance, but when he reached a turn in the road he turned around and went in the opposite direction.

When he reached Sterling the car Princeton garage, where it was found.

Conter.

John Hough, a former resident as the North, was a guest on Tuesday of the home of Mrs. J. W. Evans. H He has been in service in France and is back to act as an instructor in one of the training camps.

Miss Elleen Farrell, of Fitchburg, teacher at the Center grammar school is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard.

A letter has been received from Henry Crowe, of Woodsville, who has been in training for several months indicating that he has arrived safely in France.

The officer's family, who have been occupying the house of Mrs. David B. Marsh on Center road, have left town.

by a soldier from Camp Devens, was burned on the state road, Monday, near the Lunenburg line. The blaze started from back-firing and destroyed the major part of the machine splte the efforts of the two soldiers who were in it.

On account of the rain last week Friday the sessions at the Center school were omitted. The high school scholars found the same to be true at the Fitchburg high school.

At the meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening the lecturer's hour was in the hands of the past lecturers the committee being Mrs. Bessie Buxton, Mrs. Horace C. Harris and Mrs. Arthur Cummings. The program conof readings by Arthur Cummings and William Jubb: plane selec-

Holbower's subject was "Home eco-nomics," and she gave a very instructive and valuable talk on the saving of sugar, meat, fats, etc., and other subjects which are of interest at the

present time. Many of the guide posts around the enter present a changed appearance. The military authorities who have charge of the rifle range have taken down the guide boards which point to down the guide boards which point to their children and Miss Mabel Weth- officers of this mystic club are Roland nuts or Brazil Ayer and have substituted their own erbee, spent a pleasant day at the Lancey, pres.; Edward Field, v. p.; are asked to save boards, and in one case, at least, have

entirely changed the location of the

the Center, at the head of Horsepond

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Woodward, of Fitchburg, have been spending a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford. Mrs. Maria Going, of Worcester, has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Charles Longley.

Ernest Blanchard, of New Bedford. was a visitor on Sunday at the home of Miss Mary Hobbs. Mrs. Blanchard, when young; lived at the Center for a called to the army on Thurshort time in the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Harris. He is now in training at Camp Devens.

his Overland runabout for a new Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen leave in their auto the latter part of this week for a two-weeks' vacation, which will be spent in Maine and New York.

There will be Chandler chummy roadster.

last Saturday after spending the week with relatives in Randolph, Vt. She was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Seorge Taylor, of Lunenburg.

Miss Helen Bradford, of Boston, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford

Norman R. Graves finished filling his silo this week, using Howard M. Longley's engine.

Mrs. Robert L. O'Brien and family, The fifth and sixth grade school has been closed since Monday, owing to the illness of the teacher, Miss Nellie ed last week to Boston. They expect to return to Shirley again for a shor ime later in the season.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur L. Bumpus and daughter Theodora, who have been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ayers, went to Quincy this week for a short visit before return-

two children, are spending the week number admitted to the Massachu-at the home of William Dadmun.

and 198 in Precinct B.

Plain, has been spending a few days

Edward Foster has sold his property

at the home of Mrs. Sara Longley. Rev. Arthur L. Bumpus conducted the service at Trinity chapel last Sun-

in the morning. The draft registration last week eather there was a small attendance.

Thursday for the Center and vicinity
Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Pratt is
was very quiet, only thirty-two being registered during the day. Of this number twenty-seven were native born citizens and one was a naturalized citizen. The registrars who gave their services were Robert H. J. chief registrar, and Miss Carrie

G. Bradford, assistant. Shirley Grange neighbored with Pepperell Grange last week Friday evening. On account of the unsettled weather the attendance from Shirley The Boston and Maine railroad has granted the petition of the board of selectmen to install gates at the Mitchellville railroad crossing.

weather the attendance from Shirley was small. Those who went were thomas A. Manktelow, A. A. Adams, William Jubb, George Hewes, Miss Midred Evans. The Shirley delega-Mildred Evans. The Shirley delegation gave a short program of readings,

> Miss Hazel Cummings, who has een visiting in Maine, returned home this week.

Carlton Decatur, who has been spending the summer at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snow, has return ed to school

Miss Margaret Goodspeed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Goodspeed, of Wollaston, and Wellen Hubbard Colburn, of Athol, were married last for the nice car of Miss Gates, giving Saturday afternoon. The wedding the soldier \$100 to boot. The soldier took place in the First Baptist church said he wanted to trade or sell the of Wollaston, Rev. Mr. Walther ofcar, as he expected to go overseas, and ficiating. The church was beautifully he wouldn't mind leaving an old car decorated with hydrangeas, climatis behind him. He had made a getaway and gladiolus. Miss Miriam Goodbefore Mr. Carpenter discovered he speed, the bride's sister, led the wedwas the victim of an alleged auto ding procession. She wore a dress of pink organdie, with pink roses. The bride was dressed in ered satin with a white veil, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses bride was given away by her father Charles E. Goodspeed. were David Balley, Norman Hall and Red Cross Tearoom; price, \$1.35,
Arthur Sparrow, of Wollaston.

Ambassador Gerard's "My fo

The bride is a graduate of Wellesley college, class of 1918. The groom is a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and has a position as an electrical engineer at the Victory plant at Squantum.

was stalled and he had it towed to the friends and relatives. On account of rant he will add to this number. the illness of the groom the couple dld not leave on their wedding trip.

BOXBOROUGH

Charles Sherry has gone to work in Baltimore. For the present his family is living in the Hayward tenement Emil Swanson, who broke his leg recently, is having serious trouble He was taken to a hospital in Boston for an operation and his friends are hoping to hear favorable results.

Zenos Lovelace, who went to Ard- News Items, gay, Scotland, with the forestry unit a year ago last June, arrived home last week Thursday. His wife did not Munson having returncome with him, as she was unable to secure a passport at the time he sall-evening Albert Brown A Chalmers racing machine, owned ed, but she will join him here as soon

> Miss Bertha Livermore is enjoying two-weeks' vacation, one of which she is spending with friends in Am-Percy Morton and family, of Water-

own, are guests of the Livermores. Mrs. Charles E. Ray, of Mariboro, is spending the week with Mrs. C. B. Robbins The Spanish influenza has made its

appearance in several families in own. George Lovelace is quite sick and under the doctor's care. The last of the neighborhood meet-

tions, Mrs. Gertrude Farnsworth, and seen at church for the most part. As to contain veretables Hoverized 10 draftees on ica a talk by Miss Holbower, of the Mid- of the meeting, refreshments of cof- mallows were played, marsh structions to this diesex County Farm Bureau. Miss of the meeting, refreshments of cof- mallows were toasted before the open to all captiers at the containing the meeting of the meeting refreshments of cof- mallows were toasted before the open to all captiers at the containing the meeting refreshments of cof- mallows were toasted before the open to all captiers at the containing the meeting refreshments of cof- mallows were toasted before the open to all captiers at the containing the meeting refreshments of coffee and cake were served and he was grate fire and a general good time enpresented with a wrist watch by those joyed by all. A club was organized ments and embar-living in that section of the town. from the class last Sunday to be sons for this ac-His departure from town is regretted by those outside his church as much and initials K. R. T. Mrs. Whistor as by his own people, and his career by the many friends he has made

> Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Salmon 3d. with beach last Saturday.

Miss Rosa Schram, who has spent whole guide post. In addition to this several weeks at the Cunningham guards are maintained in several farm, returned to her home in Atlanplaces on the state road and also at tic City last Saturday.

The Hager family have returned to them attended church. neighborhood.

Another urgent call has clothing for the Releians generous lot before and have well this time. Please sen-Robbins' home on or before ber 28. If unable to bring phone 103-5 and it will be Another boy, Carl Swans

went to Burlington, Vt. Rev. Mr. Missirian.

The council meeting he Robert H. J. Holden has exchanged the universal regret in losing in cellent pastor from the town and the

> offers a delightful home to a minister for the winter, which will make who desires and can appreciate a rural parish. Its people in this instance, as ley to get to his work. in others, have shown themselves loyal, kind and true.

A very interesting part of the testi monies given related to what Mr. Missirian had done for the soldiers. Boxborough is said to stand very near "the top" as regards enlistments in proportion to the men population. And the minister has given the great est heart help to those who have gone

Mr. Missirian, after a voutliful ministry of two and a haif years of in-valuable service, goes to New Britain, Conn., in response to a very impor-tant call to parish service, was serv-ice and missionary service in an Armenian population. The best wisho her studies at St. Lawrence uni-ersity, Canton, N. Y. week for a short visit before return-ersity, Canton, N. Y. week for a short visit before return-ing to their home in New York. Tribute was paid to Rev. Mr. Pea-body and Rev. Mr. Thompson, former pastors, both of whom died in 1917.

> Church Notes Sunday services—Morning worship at eleven o'clock. Preacher, Rev. G. M. Missirian, the minister. Subject, "Universal and eternal communion."
> Sunday school at 12.15. C. E. meeting and evening service at seven o'clock. Topic, "Lessons from Bible characters." Leader, R. Y. Nelson.

The Holy Communion will be administered at the Sunday morning service by the pastor before he leaves the parish by October 1. All the members of the church, as well as the bridge to prepare for a college course members of sister denominations are at Radcliffe; Carl W. Proctor is at ery cordially invited to join in fellowship on this significant occasion.

A corn supper was held under the auspices of the Ladies' Social Circle on the evening of September 12. In spite of the stormy weather the en-tertainment consisted of several new and interesting Scotch war songs rendered by S. D. Salmon 3d, accompaned by Mrs. Salmon: a vocal solo b Maria Steele; an elaborate series of puzzling and interesting magic games by J. Stanley Duckers of New York and a few appreciative remarks by the pastor, who also presented his own photograph to the church and community as a token of his contin-uous presence in friendship with the people in town.

HARVARD

News Items.

Rev. and Mrs. John R. Chaffee, of Ayer, and Rev. Charles E. Spaulding, D. D., of Worcester, superintendent of the Worcester district of Methodist churches, were visitors at the Crossways last Saturday.

At the motion picture show this Saturday evening Viola Dana will be seen in

out this week a new book called. "The Bell-ringer," by Clara Endicott Sears, author of "Bronson Alcott's Fruitauthor of "Bronson Alcott's Fruit-lands," "Gleanings from old Shaker journals," and the widely sung patriotic hymn, "The unfurling of the flag." Orders for the book can be flag."

years in Germany," is a book that of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wright was every American should read now, in appreciated. Visitors were present order the better to understand passing events as well as to judge of what is likely to happen in our future re-Squantum.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of C. E. Goodfour copies of this book and says been ordered to camp Dix as instruction for a few of the should the demand of readers war
should the demand of readers warlations with Germany. Alfred C. Ful-ler has presented to the public library has been in active service. He has

Beginning Tuesday, September of the Read of Rock and Sport and the Red Cross Surgical Dressings Mrs. Read in Rock and Sport and return Mrs. Read will accompany return Mrs. Read will accompany them and spend the winter here. Beginning Tuesday, September 24 to five p. m. From September 23 to 30, clothing for men, women and chilceived in the rear room of the Harvard Red Cross Tearount; c'othing to be in good repair and no firery. De not forget this appeal.

LUNENBURG

Both churches had th order of services last Sunday Otis L is in the Fitchburg. nied by seven members of burg Reform club, severth of whom spoke very interestingly mean the sub-The saloon ject under considerat. power and how to overthrow it." of them have lived where they have had ample opportunity to see and work abroad know "the power of the saloon" and more costly the its effect upon markind, and all will admission be truly thankful when prohibition is usual. All proceeds ablished.

. Mrs. L. A. Whiston entertained her Sunday school class at the parsonage on last week Friday evening. Prizes were offered and won by Richard Ton-The last of the neighborhood meetings under Mr. Missirian was held at Cornwell. The prizes created lots of The barry hall on Tuesday evening tun for the youngsters. Daintily The war indicated by those not often which upon being opened, were found the giving locally the strength of the known hereafter by the mystic name the will meet them every Sunday for work will be watched, with much interest by the many friends he has made here.

will be watched, with much interest and study and their gatherings will be Fire Girls will be the many friends he has made held in the ladies parior in the Cross to collect a church. Once a month they will have a social evening at the parsonage. The

> Alfred Glichrest, sec.; Lawrence Cornwell, treas. Edwin C. Smith, Ralph E. Emerson and Ralph W. Emerson and four oth- carbon for gas n ers were in town on Sunday. Five of Miss Elizabeth Hughton has visit.

Edwin Smith has been transferred to the machine gun company and promote to the position of supply sergeans the company. All of these boys looking fine and have goined sevpounds in weight.

It was expected that were w he 135 or 140 registrant atweet and 46 years of ase on registrary day. Instead there were 133 register ed before five o'clock, and enmore before nine o'clock to bring th number up to 180.

Manager R. E. Lovejo: has ten be ed his resignation, and at the last tember 13 was held accorded to the meeting of the electric light commus notice in this paper. It was a very sion it was accepted, and A. G. Smith interesting occasion, notworstanding of the commission was elected tem porary manager. F. W. Worthley and family, we

The formal "result" of the council the South cemetery, which they have gave great praise to both the people and the minister. Boxhorough is only a sparsely settled town, but it a house on Crescent street, Fitchberg

> Herman W. Bruce, who was bor: a well for Warren Lewis, near to store, found water at a depth of sixty eight feet. He is now driving a we for Louis Damon at his new house Cunningham avenue, near the hous of Henry L. Cass.

Ralph W. Emerson, of Camp Dev ens, was in town last Saturday on thirty-six hour furlough, and called o friends. All were glad to see him looking so well. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodrich and

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Goodrich, of Benson, Vt., stopped at Mrs. Longley's over night last week Thursday. They were taking their annual vacation, touring through the country in a very comfortable manner. The men were cousins. William A. Copeland, of Boston,

with his chauffeur, visited his nephew, A. B. Wood and wife last week, and on Tuesday afternoon took them in his limousine on a pleasure trip, their objective point being Mt. Washington and vicinity with its many places of interest. They returned on Saturday, having spent a very pleasant vacation.

The four graduates from the high school are now located in the fol-lowing places: Harold Goodnow has found employment at the Simonds shops in Fitchburg; Minnle Martin has entered the Latin school in Cam-Phillips-Exeter academy, to prepare to enter Harvard next year: Rosamond Grant goes to a finishing school for young ladies.

LITTLETON

Yews Items.

The state primaries occur on next Tuesday evening from seven to nine o'clock, and in preparation for it the poard of registrars meet Saturday evening in the selectmen's room to en-

Capt. Brunson has received his promotion to the rank of major.

A reminder: The ladies of the Baptist society will hold a vegetable and fruit sale and will also have roils, coffee and ice cream at the Baptist vestry on Saturday afternoon, September 21, from three to five o'clock. Dr. Cross, who has a farm in New own, moved back to Bedford this week. He has purchased the town farm in that town. Frank. Healy moved his goods on his auto truck.

Mrs. J. H. Kimball and Mrs. C. A. Kimball attended the Pomona Grange in Pepperell on Thursday.

The publishing company of Houghton, Mifflin & Co. of Boston are bring but this week a new book called to the state of the publishing company of Houghton, Mifflin & Co. of Boston are bring but this week a new book called to the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the publishing company of Houghton, and the state of the sta Ayer Grange was expected to neigh-

bor with Littleton Grange on Wednesday evening, but owing to inclemency of the weather and sickness only five members came, and as some who were to have taken part in the Red Cross Tearoom: price, \$1.35.

Ambassador Gerard's "My four Red Cross Tearoom: price, \$1.35.

Lowell. William Sewali has returned from

Mr. and Mrs. L. C Gillett are making an extended visit with her mother, Dressings Mrs. Read, in Rock and. Upon their

> The first session of the Baptist W. man's Missionary seliety was well at tended, notwithstan ing the downpour of rain on Welnes president, Mrs. Mac siding. Being were press other churches. M.s. ball rendered a vi acceptance, and a v ly sung by Mrs. Emspecial feature was a G. M. Missinger, of

the Boxborou-n wider service w: Motion pictures will be show Wednesday ever eight o'clock. Pershing's no All the western : peal" and other

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ed her brother John and Mrs. Houghton in Gardner four days this week

BROOKLINE, N. H. 🚕

Mrs. Mary Hobart is visiting her ce in Leominster, Mass. Burns Marshall, of Newport, R. L. at the home of his parents on a ent vacation.

Mr and Mrs. Charles Boulton, of enouth, visited friends in town on er Sunday. Mrs. Harry Smith and family re-

street to their home in Newton, Mass., The frame work of the new mill

erected near the cehouse is searly completed. Mrs. Edna Hall was a visitor in owell, Mass., last week Wednesday. Mrs. Anna Bryant, of Manchester

s visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Nancy Daniels. Mrs. George Falc nor, of Milford, sited at the home of her mother, Carrie Whitcomb, last week

Mrs. Mamie Abbott, who has spent summer in town, returned to her ome in Stanstead, Quebec, last Saturday

Miss Eva Corey returned to her chool duties in Tliton last Saturday. The Grange held its regular meeting on last week Wednesday evening. The program was in charge of the Hoicombe family, as follows: Duet, Mrs. D. W. Jenness and George Standley; reading, Mrs. Charles Dunbar song, Myra Standley; reading, Free-man Wright; poem, Mrs. Mary Barber; h letter was read from Jame Gilson by Mrs. Clara Russell; roll call. "Verse or fact concerning some wild lower"; debate, Resolved, "That the schools of fifty years ago produced stronger character than the schools of today.'

There were 47 men between the ages of 18 and 46 who registered at the home of H. Arthur Brown, who is chief registrar for Brookline, on last week Thursday. There were 26 citi zens, 21 native born, 4 naturalized and 1 by father's naturalization before The aliens registrant's majority numbered 21—14 British subjects, 1 from Ireland, 1 from Scotland, and 2 from Canada, 1 declarant and 1 nondeclarant; 13 subjects from Russia, 1 declarant and 12 non-declarant; 2 from Norway, 1 declarant and 1 non declarant, I from Sweden and 1 from Miss Bessie Marshall, a former

teacher at the village primary school died at her home in Provincetown, Mass., September 4. The Ladies' Aid will meet at the

Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown and son Harold were visitors at the home of George Dodge, West Groton, last Saturday.

nome of Mrs. Adella Whitcomb on

Charles Dana, youngest son of Samuel and Abigail (Belcher) Talbot, died Thursday, September 12, in Concord. He was born in Brookline in 1849, and is survived by two brothers, Sylvanus and Leroy, and a sister, Mrs. Daniel Hayden, of Hollis. Funeral services were held the Congregational vestry on Savurday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. C. W. Dockrill officiating. and Mrs. Minnie Holcombe and Mrs. Bertha Brown sang. Burial was in the West cemetery.

Mrs. Sarah Brown has been a guest of Mrs. Luther Lawrence Mrs, Ralph Greeley and little sons

Leon and Olin, and Miss Ethel Taylor are visiting relatives in Dover. Miss M. Lizzie Whitcomb, of Townsend, has been spending a few days a the home of Mrs. Adella Whitcomb.

Finest New Year Celebration. The finest New Year celebration in the world is in Japan and China, where before the clock strikes New Year's eve, every debt and account must be paid. No good Chinaman or Jap ever thinks of entering the new year with an unpaid bill. Would that we might emulate that form of celebration !- Ladies' Home Journal.

Food Value of Peanut.

The peanut is a substantial food, six ounces of shelled peanuts being said to possess a food value of 2.3 ounces of round steak, five ounces codfish, one ounce rice, 2.2 ounces rve bread, 35.5 ounces spinach, 5.6 ounces apples or six ounces bacon. The peanut is rich in fat and also has mineral saits important in the diet, such as phosphorus, lime, sulphur and iron.

Remembered Diagnosis. When Sophie was nine years old she was not feeling well and had what she thought a great deal of pain. The doctor was called and he said: you're all right; those pains are just growing pains." A few days later a friend of the family called and inquir-ed of Sophia how she was feeling. "Oh," she said, "I am better, but still growing."

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Simplicity Should Rule Even in Garments for "Dress-Up" Occasions-Wartime Economy Necessary.

For "dress-up" occasions the girls will require two or more sets of lingerie underwenr, notes a correspond ent. This should be simply made to save time in making and laundering Trimmings may be simple homemade edgings, feather stitching, rick-rack braid or one of the durable torchon or cluny edges. Sunday frocks will be of white and may be of poplin or gaberdine in the severer one-piece styles, or of muslin in a softer design showing

gathers and frills. The "dress-up" needs of the boy of seven and over are fully met by a twopiece suit of Canadian tweed, with hat or cap to match. Shirt waists or shirts of striped madras are worn with this sult. The younger boy's "Sunday" sult can be a shirt-waist one, the pantaloons, which button to the water he ing made of either washable material or serge. He will need a separate coat Wartime economy will suggest that

as many as possible of these garments made from second-hand material. The indispensable sweatercoat may be fashioned from a discarded grown-up one by redying and cutting it over. Boys' shirt waists may be made from the best parts of men's discarded shirts, which are usually of excellent material. A woman's cloth skirt will make knickers for the small boy or bloomers or skirt for the girl.

In buying new materials avoid loose colors. Lavenders, greens and blues cannot be relied upon.

FROCKS FOR LITTLE MISSES

Old-Fashioned Calico and Cretonne Is Being Used to Good Advantage for Girls' Apparel.

Frocks and the most interesting little aprons for little girls are being shown in the shops developed in oldfashioned callco and flowered cretonne. Dresses for the older generation were shown in calico some time ago, but it seems a material which is particularly well suited to the small-girl because of its strength and the brilliant colors in which it appears. One dress, for example, is shown in bright yellow with a red dot. The round neck is bound with plain red and finished with a stiff pump bow. several of which are set in a row down the side of the blouse. There is no other trimming. An odd frock also in calico appears

in a deep shade of blue figured in white. It has a full skirt and a little white repp sleeveless jumper bound with the calico, is decorated with little old-fashioned ladies cut out and appliqued on. The figured voile dress is the big

seller at present and all sorts of beau tiful models in organdie are coming in for a great deal of attention The newest thing shown in this fabric is a frock for a very little girl. It is of white organdle with a wide round collar and turned back cuffs of the same material in lavender, hand

SILK JERSEY FOR SUMMER

feather stitched in royal purple, and

tied with perky little bows of purple

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It is a wise woman who provides herself with a suit similar to this silk Jersey and duvetyn. The skirt and short lacket are of Mediterranean blue silk Jersey. The collar, plastron front, cuffs and belt are of putty-colored duvetyn. A buckle fastens the belt.

4 IN FASHION LAND.

Percale frocks are fashionable. Parasols have large person dots. Small birds appear on saffor hats. The new ribbons are very elaborate. Navy blue serge is smartly combined with blue tulle.

hats are noticed. Silk jersey skirts are atmosg the prettiest of the season. When you choose your per ale dress choose a dotted one

As the season advances more large

Poney coats are in high favor for the summer suit of slik. Braided binck satin gowns always have a certain distinction. A gray silk frock is made attractive

with a girdle of green.

more and more in demand.

Meaning of White Spots on Nails. One who has white spots on th "nails should not become alarmed These do not point to an early death, but are rather due to inferior nutrition and may be regarded as a warning that poor health, mental or physical, may be expected unless it be guarded against.

Low heels for women's shoes are

May Be Only Washing the Cans. Headline in New York paper: "Milk-Men in Pool." Suspicious place for milkmen.—Boston Transcript.

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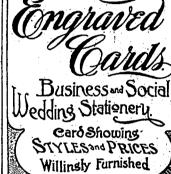
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"The daily labors of the Bee, Awake my soul to industry; Who can observe the careful Ant. And not provide for future want?"

Saturday, September 21, 1918

GROTON

News Items.

The postoffice closes now at 7.30 in the evening.

Everett Warren, son of Mrs. Ardelle Warren, was at home last week to register. His home is in New Ro-

Robert Mulcahy, a former student at Lawrence academy, who is employed in the income tax department at the state house, Boston, was in town last Saturday.

. We are sorry to learn that the name of Corp. Frank Toomey, of Groton, appeared among the severely wounded list in Monday's paper.

Charles H. Chapman and family, Winchester, with their niece, Miss Hazel Chapman, and Mr. and Mrs. King, of Everett, spent the week-end at the Chapman cottage on Chicopee

Mrs. Jennie Barr, of Willowdale, has been enjoying a few days' visit from her niece, Mrs. Fifield, of Rend-

Edward Aitken left town on Tues-day morning for Hanover, N. H. where he will continue his course a college with additional military training.

George Mason is in Jamesburg, N visiting his mother, who is conva lescing from a severe illness.

The early frost of last week came as sudden shock to many.

Mrs. Arthur G. Kilbourn is enjoying visit from her mother, Mrs. Rogers, of Toronto, who came to Groton Tues day for a number of weeks.

Miss Jennie Thayer, of Boston, has been enjoying her annual vacation at Miss Rebecca Torrey's on the Ayer road. During her stay she has been having repairs made on her house on Powder House road.

Cadet Claude Farwell spent Sunday at his home on School street. The season opened, September 16 to December 31, inclusive, on ducks, geese and brant. Black ducks, limit

fifteen in one day. Loons not to be S. C. hunted on fresh water. Jerry Harrington was in town on last Wednesday on his way to Concord, N. H., where he registered last week Thursday.

Leslie Blood, who tried to enlist in the service some months ago but fail-ed, has since been drafted and has been called to enter the Vermont university at Burlington, where he will receive special training in plumbing. He left Groton last week. Thursday

. S. W. Sturgis and family returned to Groton last Saturday evening. The members of the Wright family,

who have all been sick with the pre-vailing epidemic, are improving, with the exception of Mr. Wright, who still remains quite ill.

Mrs. Odber Folkins received a let-ter from her son William, recently, in which he stated that he was well and in a rest camp in France. A. G. Worrall, who came to Boston

on a business trip, arrived in Groten last Sunday morning, remaining at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hodgman, until Mon-

The Y. M. C. A. is doing a won-The Y. M. C. A. is doing a won-derfully good work in the army and navy. It maintains 91 hostess houses in army, navy and aviation camps, 13 of which are for colored troops. It makes a "bit of home within the off hours for the men, visiting days for mothers, friends and babies: 93 Girls' clubs and recreation centers make men in uniform wel-come to home-like social events. Hostess houses are building for the girls of the U. S. Signal Corps, who tend the wires for the army in

Ralph Howe, of Lewiston, Me., son of Rev. George M. Howe, has enlisted in the Y. M. C. A. work and is now in training in New York city.

Mrs. Warren Wetherbee, of Pepperell, has been a recent visitor at home of Mr. and Mrs. George Boyn-

The change of time backward for an hour will be made next month. watchmaker points out, by the way, to avoid injuring striking should be stopped for an hour, or the hands should be moved forward eleven hours—not back one hour—waiting each time for the clock to strike.

Miss Doris Peabody, of Cambridge has enjoyed a pleasant, restful vaca-tion with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Peabody.

The Misses Mildred, and Ruth Smonds, daughters of Gardner Simonds, of this town, are stationed in Washington, D. C., where they are working for the government.

Harold Miller, who has been working at the Groton Inn, was taken very slek last week with the Spanish inflabut is now able to be about although in a weak condition.

Harold Wilkins is another of the lifes. They are especially to Groton boys who has suffered a man forcewor, to spread their should attack. He is in a hospital in Figure 1997, and the proportion of the proportio Mrs. Frazee of Elm street, hard -

enjoyed a month's visit with relatives! in Nova Scotia, returned to her! last Saturday evening.

The Groton School boys returned c Tuesday to resume their school duties

Raymond Handfield, who is sta-tioned at Camp Green, S. C., enjoyed a few days fur such at Joseph Mesa few days off out of a soreph of senger's last week. Mrs. Handfield and three months old baby started for Chairman Public Safety Con. her, last Thursday, where they will propably live during N. E. M. P. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Eventh of Williams E. Milk Producers' association and Mr. and Mrs. Birth a liyder enjoyed a delightful autom ble trip to Groton recently, from their home in Fitch Bay, P. Q., Canada They started back Monday morning, going by the way of the Mohawk trail Mr. will Mrs. Williams will short the wins a started to floris of the present and Mrs. Williams will short the wins a started will comprise to determine the determined of the present will comprise to determine the determined of the present will comprise to determine the determined of the present will comprise to determine the determined of the present will comprise to determine the determined of the present will comprise to determine the determined of the present at the manufacturer. ter this year in Canada, where Mr. Williams will assist in the grocery store of his son-in-law, Mr. Ryder.

August and September prices

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown and cents f. o. b. Boston, is based of their daughter Mildred, accompanied 2,000 answers received to 14,000 by Mrs. Fred Bishop and a friend of thomaires sent out to produce through this Brown's from New York, made a trip to Springvale, Me., Monday in a trip to Springvale, Me., Monday in the sent out to produce through this region. In fivetheir automobile, leaving Mise Brown to recognize the differentials of and her friend, who hold positions half and one cent, which had gethere as teachers. The rest of the ly been in force in the case of rearry returned Tuesday night. The distance covered was about 225 miles.

Captain Herbert B. Priest, who has proved himself a successful physician in Groton and Ayer, has been transerred from the Philippines to Siberia Mrs. Priest and son Houghton hope to return on a September boat and doubtless will make her home with he parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel G. Houghton, in Littleton.

with bronchitis and a bad stomach, is reported as comfortable but still confined to his bed. Members of the Maitland Johnson family on Chicopee row have been sick

David Gibson, who has been sick

with severe colds, requiring the attention of a physician. The Bible talk at the Congregation al church last week was largely attended and wonderful lessons of Gods plan of redemption was taught by Mrs. E. L. Zelss, of Brooklyn and Bos-ton. It was with regret that was learned Mrs. Zeiss could not remain in Groton another week. In The ch-cles she is spoken of as one of the

best students in New England. Mrs. Zeiss will endeavor to speak to the Groton people again in the near fu-Mr. and Mrs. Silas Northrup have returned from Pride's Crossing, where they spent a delightful summer,

Miss Hazel Gibson left town Mon day for Ashburnham, where she has accepted a position as teacher in one

of the public schools. William Fallon has been busy this week taking examinations for en-trance into the aviation corps in con-nection with the M. I. T.

Mrs. Frank D. Lewis spend the da Thursday with her mother, Mrs.-Hill,

F. A. Thomas and baby son enjoyed very pleasant week at the summer nome of Mrs. A. Bunn of Falmouth Heights, also stopping at Cambridge with relatives.

Sergt. Charles Allen Bowles, who has lived in town nearly a year, has been transferred from the quarter master's corps at Camp Devens to the school for artillery officers at Zachary Taylor at Louisville, Ky., and was to report there Monday.

Gat a crowd and come to Pepperell town hall on September 27.

The next meeting of the Red Cross Auction club will be held at the home of Mrs. Southfird on Tuesday, September 24, at 2.30 o'clock. The proceeds of the last meeting was \$8.25.

A telegram was received on Thursday stating that William C. B. Gilson, son of Dr. and Mrs. F. Earland Gilson, had been taken sick with pneumonta "at Camp Jackson," Columbia,

On account of the heavy rain on Wednesday only two ladies were pres-ent for work on the Red Cross surrical dressings. The next meeting will be neld on Wednesday evening, September 25, at the Baptist church at eight a clock. It is earnestly hoped that as ladies as can will avail themselves of this opportunity to do this necessary work for our boys.

John M. Crowley, night brakeman in Ayer, fell from a car early Monday norning, bruising his left side. He is resting comfortably at last reports.

Groton Fair.

Each day sees a rapidly increasing nterest in the coming Groton fair. At the meeting of the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club on Tuesday eve-ning Dr. Murray, of Littleton, super-intendent of the dog show, reported sufficient entries to insure the success of this feature. He also reported the plans of many Littleton farmers to make exhibits of livestock, fruits and vegetables. Plans are under way to stage a competitive drill by the Camp Fire Girls and Girl Scouts of Groton

and surrounding towns.
Dr. F. Earland Gilson, always an indefatigable worker for the cause of agriculture, announces that the New England Fruit Growers' association and the Hampden Country league will be represented at the coming fair. The Middlesex County Farm Bureau will have an exhibit at the fair also.

The grounds committee, under leadership of Joseph Cleary, reported great progress in their work of im roving and beautifying the fair grounds at Hazel Grove park.

ported progress, the selection of a band being delayed as the committee felt the importance of securing the Carpenter, well-known as a cornet soloist, has been practising in an abandoned icehouse at Island pond, with a view to entertaining the crowds wh will throng the dining hall to partake of the old-fashioned country dinner. Henry Johnson, who has charge of the horse racing, reports many entries and every indication of more speed on the track than ever before.

Christmas Shopping.

urges exervone to serve the patitic cause in Christmas shopping. Manufacturers have done their part the out of waste material. reason for densing little children processed other gifts to useful articles. They are especially used a receiver, to spread their shought

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of us, it may seem, could have so large a thing as the prescon of the war, but remember to the bit that counts the enful of sugar, the urne of

Tristmas gift.
W. S. Hinchn

Mr. and Mrs. Everett et Williams E. Milk Producers' association

The and 1, respectively, up to within a

N. E. M. P. A. still insists, and has included them in its schedule of prices in the August Dairyman. It is findin the August Dairyman. ing difficulty in enforcing them, how ever, except in localities where pro-ducers are strongly-organized.

To show what a strong local can accomplish Mr. Davis cited the case of that at Barre Plains, which has se-cured for its members a price four cents per can larger than the regular price.

The speaker expressed the opinion that in the case of the Groton Local itmight be best to await the finding of the regional commission on prices for October, November and December milk, which are expected to be higher than those how prevailing; before takthan those how prevailing; before takthe sixty-seven cents now being paid by most smalf dealers buying in Gro-

ton. As the surplus is likely to practically disappear next month, conditions should then be favorable for producers.

West Groton.

Webster Harrington has been called Webster Harrington has been to service and is now located at Vertos Burlington. His university, Burlington. work will be in the automobile department.

John Robinson, who has been callinto the service, is located at Camp evens. It is understood that Mrs. Robinson will return to the home of her father, Charles Lawrence, during-her husband's absence.

Leon Kane has returned from the hospital and is doing well.

The Spanish influenza has claimed everal victims here. A number of Pepperell men at the paper mill are or have been ill. E. K. Harrington and his son Ralph have had severe attacks, and Alfred Hill, Andrew Blood and George Willett are suffering from the same malady.

Miss Evelyn Fernald, sister of Mrs. George S. Webber, who has taught for some time in Framingham Normal school, has accepted a position in

Allen Sedley was in town on last Saturday.

Mrs. Malley, of Dorchester, and two children, are visiting relatives here. Mrs. Charles Bixby and her daugh-er, Miss Ruth Bixby, have returned Wellesley, where Miss Ruth will

enter on her second college year. Miss Rose Fallon has passed ex-aminations for Tureign service and expects to be overseas before Christ-

The Improvement society, after its summer vacation, met on Tuesday evening. Thirteen dollars was realized from the ice cream sale held some

The Rell Cross tea on Thursday hall, while others sent for sandwiches. A desposition lecture, "The lure of Alaska," will be given at the C. E. meeting on Sunday evening. The Magazine club, which met co

londay evening, voted to discontinue after twenty-five years or more of ac-It is hoped that a new club tivity. It is hoped that a new club will soon be formed, as someone will doubtless accept the office of presilent. Clinton Boutelle was elected custodian of funds.

Word has been received from the naval training station where Walter tines is in service, that he is critically il with typhoid pneumonia, following Spanish influenza.

The sympathy of the community is stended to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cronin in the loss of their little daughter, Alice Lillian, who passed away at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, on: September 15, aged 5 years, 5 months, 22 days. The child had been ill several weeks from Bright's disease and at times suffered intensely. She was a very winning, attractive child, and her loss, the first in a famly of nine children, is a sad blow to all the family. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Spaulding left on Friday for West Virginia.

HARVARD

cups to be awarded as special premiums at the dog show. A unanimous vote of congratulation to F. G. Carpeter on the recovery of his car was passed by the club.

The committee on entertainment reported progress, the selection of a arranging for the training of the page and the catcher. Howard says his company is a jolly bunch and that their day will be supplied from there, and only regret is that they were not at it somer, so that now they might be with the colors in France.

As Groton School opened this week the pulpit at Trinity chapel on Sunday will be supplied from there, and only regret is that they were not at it somer, so that now they might be with the colors in France.

Weeks. The surrounding towns are ported progress, the selection of a arranging for the training of the new the number the catcher. Howard says his company is a jolly bunch and that their day will be supplied from there, and only regret is that they were not at it is expected that Rev. Roscoe Thomas, who conducted the services last year at the chapel, will arranging for the training of the new draftees and this town, having atticipated this movement by some five very best music this year possible. In months, is in a position to give its this connection it is rumored that Mr. registrants an excellent start.

Members of the Woman's club are Members of the woman's challed are reminded that applications for membership should be sent so as to reach the corresponding secretary, Miss Eliza A. Bateman, Still River, not later than the morning of Saturday October 5, that they may be acted usen at the meeting of the executive beard that afternoon. Application

lanks will be furnished upon request-The Council of National Befores who has been for the past four years has eften visited this church and has gathered vegetables, which were given the past as a missionary in India, gave a very many warm friends here. Following to the Harvard Canning club to be as a missionary in India, gave a very interesting account of her life there Mrs Fulton O'Brion was the leader

The Grange have decided to held : fruit show with a domestic depart-

Children, returned this week to her Bost a again on Tuesday evening one ir Pittsburg, Pa. She has been train and it is expected that Mr. Frye - the summer at her father's home

Mes A. F. Ripley spent the week-

Moster. But. J. Earl Arnold, who gradutrom the engineering department

es' Lane has lost its seclusion clectric lights have entered. Reryl Bigelow returned this to her school work at Simmons

ak for the new tub at the library eposit your peach and plum · · there. avard Grangers go to Groton

k to furnish the entertainment for e evening. Mrs. James Barry has been enjoy-r a visit from her niece, Mrs. Bessie Goldsmith, from Braintree.

The bridal cottage on the Harrict Emma Whitney estate is soon to be by another young couple. Paul Jones is reported in New York on his way back from the battlefields of France, where he was quite severe

Miss Clara Endicott Sears opened the Pergolas this week

for the fall months Kent Royal gets into a uniform on October 1 as a regular army man, but will remain at his school work in the Stanley Harvard medica Turner, who ente technic, will also in the military service as a stude

Mrs. Cyrus Firseveral weeks, at prother's resi-Joy, has received shand, Dr. Cyrus dence here. Majo: word from her highlight Field, of New You city, that he has service with a Mrs. Field will entered the milital and return to New-York at-once

thurch on Sunday At the Unitaria: Rev. E. V. Smith, o Chicago, Ill., will September 29, préach. On Sundata Rev. C. A. Henderson of Marblehead will preach. Mr. Shinh is a director of the American Unitarian association. or the American I marian association.
Mr. Henderson, until recently, was
minister of the Unitarian church in
Hopedale. Members of the Unitarian
parish can procure season tickets for
the socials of Mrs. Albert F. Ripley.

SUH River. Mrs. Julia Keyes is visiting her daughter, Mrs, John Holmes, and family, of Leominster.

Mrs. Howard, of Hanover, N. H., b living with Mrs. Abbie Dad-Her husband is a soldier at Camp Devens.

Chester Willard is filling his silos He has five of the interned German prisoners from the prisoners camp in Bolton, with a soldier guard, cutting the corn in the fields. Miss Kate Lawrence is visiting her

sister, Mrs. Annie M. Clark, in Lancaster, this week. Mrs. Fanny Haskell is entertaining in aunt from Maine.

Morrill Sprague has entered Dart mouth college in Hanover, N. H., goring there on Tuesday.

Mrs. Jennie Willard has returned from a visit in Winchester. Mr. and Mrs. Gorham are enter taining his sister, who is a teacher at Spellman seminary, Georgia.

TOWNSEND

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Breath of Chelsea, together with friends, are spending several days at their summer home, Brookside, at the Cape.

Frank Gilchrest, who is in a military camp near Albany, N. Y., has entered on a dourse of study in auto-

Wednesday evening a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Galen A. Proctor. As the anniversary of the father's birthcame on Thursday, he considered it fine birthday present.

the Groton hospital or

On Friday of last week Miss Burdett, Mrs. Charles Noyes and Gilman Conant enjoyed an auto trip to Boston. On their return they were accom-Cornie Keele, who has been ill with pneumonia, is able to sit up for a

short time and to see an occasional Camp Devens orchestra plays at own hall, Pepperell, September 27.

Born at

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Doran have the honor of displaying the first serv-ice flag in the Cape. Two years ago their son Howard, then nineteen, left the old home to try his fortunes in Seattle, Wash, where he has met with well deserved success. A recent letter from young Doran in which he wishes to be remembered to all the neighbors states that he has joined the U. S army; that in every particular he is physically fit, having passed his final examination "like a top." Howard entered Camp Lewis, Seattle, on the sixth of the current month. While in quarantine Company 45, to which he belongs, has had several baseball matches with other companies also in quarantine in which contests Co. 45, of whose team Howard was elected captain, has proved itself the survival of the fittest. In all the games the

The Ladies' Mission Circle met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lucy Lawrence at three o'clock and although the attendance was small on account of the storm a very interesting program was enjoyed. ter the devotional exercises letters from some of the missionaries were read by Mrs. Charles Hodgman and some most interesting letters from a vacation of two weeks. the 104th infantry regiment somewhere in France, were read and interesting to the were especially At the evening meeting last Sunday members, as he is the son of the evan-Katherine Scott, of Lancaster, gelist, Rev. Willard Waterbury, who wisk of Dr. Salliens, read by Mrs.

Ayer Wirren Elliott, after which afternoon tea was served

Mrs. G. M. Frye, formerly employed en the canning club, details of which cepted a position in Boston, where she has been visiting a position of the canning club. the given later.

Mrs. D. Mackay Morris, with her brief return to her home she left for and their little son will join her in a fev. weeks.

James Rusk has resumed his studies ath her aunt, Mrs. Moere, in at the whitary academy in Northfield, Vt. commencing the fall term this

Mrs. Herman L. Stickney has renaval academy at Annapolis on served word that her son, Capt. Fred esday, is a guest this week-end flows on formerly of Honolulu, has Mr. and Mrs. A. T. West. to captain at Camp Dodge, wa, where he is stationed at present. Louis Damon, who recently pursed the former "Webster" Jusse'vnville of Mrs. Hattie Blood. making a number of repairs and

> Mrs. Francella Whitney, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Boutelle, of Bayberry hill, is spending relatives in Dorchester. While there her grandson, Errol Whitney, a former resident here, who is mith the is with the marines on the Governor Dingley, which had a recent enounter with a U-boat and put into fact that the hospitals were so over-they are very happy to welcome Miss crowded, he was sent to his home in Danahy as their new leader.

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Derecter, where he is still quite ill.

W. A Bantwell was cut of town and they are all united in working Monday on a husiness trip to Boston. with all their might for the second

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SHIRLEY

Chester Hooper enters Wentworth Mrs. Lydia R. Binney is confined at home through illness and is under the care of her physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Whitaker are both ill with the grippe. Miss Breen is substituting at the fifth and sixth grades, Miss McNiff being ill with the grippe.

Mrs. Edward Baker is ill with the Mr. Baker, who is at the eye and ear infirmary, is able to sit up little each day.

There will be a dance in I. O. O. F. hall this Saturday evening, held under he auspices of the Shirley Service club.

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will hold their regular meeting and roll call next Friday evening. Members will please come prepared to respond to their names. Mrs. E. H. Palmer of Woonsocket

is spending a week with Mrs

J. L. Frost. The president of the Rebekah as embly, Gertrude M. Riedell, and her marshal, Ina MacFarlen, paid an of hicial viett to Mary A. Livermore Re-bekah lodge. The initiatory degree was exemplified. Refreshments of ico

NOTICE—Owing to the prevailing epidemic of influenza all public gatherings in the town are prohibited unil further notice. Per order Shirley Board of Helath.

cream and wafers were served.

About Town. The Junior patrol of the Shirley

roop of Girl Scouts entertained the Senior patrol at a supper party given on Mrs. Wheeler's lawn, Friday of last week. Games were played and a prize awarded to Oma Wolff for folding napkins most quickly and efficient ly for the Soldlers, club. The proorganization of the troop is as lows: Ruth Hooper, pres.; Kathlyn Miner, 1504; Leah Wheeler, treas.; Senior patrol, Marian Jubb, leader, Ruth Hooper, Leah Wheeler, Ruth Cottington, Ethel Knowles, Lucy Pom-briand, Kathlyn Miner, Oma Wolff; Junior patrol, Alice Cole, leader, Genevieve Cottington, Doris Knowles, Sadie Cutler, Edna Lumer, Alice McDevitt, Harriet Wheeler, Virginia Wheeler.

The Ladies' Circle of the Congrega-ional church held its first meeting of the season on Wednesday afternoon to arrange the program for the coming

Lagrippe, or the more fashionable Spanish influenza has forced its way into several Shirley homes. Among those taken ill are Mrs. Lucy Merri-man, Miss Nellie McNiff, teacher in the grades school, Ruth Cottington, eonard Jubb and Harry Will.

The Shirley Boy Scouts, Troop I gave a dance on Thursday evening in Odd Fellows' hall, Henault's orchestra furnishing the music.

J. Edwin Pomfret and Arthur G. Dunn, registrars of voters for the town of Shirley, have given notice that the poard of registrars of voters will in session at the town hall on Wednesday evening, October 23, from seven to nine o'clock, and at the engine hall on Saturday, October 26, from twelve noon until ten in the evening, for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualifications of persons claim ing a right to vote at the state election held on November 5, and of correcting the list of voters. meeting has already taken place this week Wednesday.

ooms.

The First Parish church being at late hour without a supply last Sunday, Rev. A. L. Bumpus, of New York, who was stopping with his family in Shirley Center, very kindly consented to preach. He delivered an able ser-mon on "Ye have not passed this way heretofore." In the absence of the organist, Mrs. Knox, Miss M. H. Parke presided at the organ. Services as usual on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. A cordial welcome to every

Earl A. Graves has purchased Miss As Groton School opened this week

Robert H. J. Holden and Frederick W. Holden, as representatives of the epublican town committee, attended the campaign meeting held at Fitch burg on Wednesday evening in the itchburg Chamber of Commerce

Horace C. Harris is back in charge of the local R. F. D. route again after

GIRL SCOUTS Harvard At the meeting Friday, September 13, the Girl Scouts went to the Scout garden on Figke Warren's estate and

The girls of Ayer are also busy can-ning and are using vegetables supplied by the Girl Scout Farm Camp. They save used the corn, carrots and chard which they helped cultivate last sum er on the farm.

The Brownies and some of the old; cirls as well are spending their time folding napkins for the Community Service as bir bit of patriotic service.

The postal cards of the Girl Scout Farm Camp are now ready and on sale at the Girls' club house. Groton

Girl Scouts will present Mary

Pickford in the "Poor little rich girl' the town hall at eight o'clock Monday evening, September 30. Por corn made by the Girl Scouts will be during the intermission. In addition to this there will lantern slides depicting Girl Scout activities in England as well as this country; also, pictures of camp life aken this summer at the Girl Scout Farm Camp at Harvard. The ceeds of this entertainment will go

Groton. Littleton

oward uniforming the Girl Scouts of

At the meeting of the Scouts on Monday, Miss Margaret Danahy, the new captain of the Red Rose troop, was present. It is with regret that they accept the resignation of Miss Olive Flagg, their former captain, but Roston harror, contracted a case of they accept the resignation of Miss Spanish induenza and owing to the Olive Flags, their former captain, but

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Shirley The Girl Scouts are still selling

chocolate for the purpose of buying a Scout fing and have been most suc-cessful in their efforts. The juniors held a party in honor of the senior patrol, each junior inviting a senior as her guest. The following letter from Mrs. Woodrow Wilson has just been ceived by the Philadelphia council of Girl Scouts. This council is at pres-

to be used in the extension of Gir Scout work: My dear Miss Cassatt: It gives me great pleasure to signify my whole-hearted approval of the

ent engaged in a campaign for fund

Girl' Scout organization. This movement, which has as its aim the furthering of the highest ideals of citizenship among the wom en of our country and which teaches the right rules of living and thinking, is worthy of the support of every pa-triotic citizen. In these times it is triotic citizen. In these times it is clearly recognized that the future of this country depends as much upon the character of its women as upon

the character of its men.

The campaign to be held in Philadelphia has my best wishes for its success and I hope that you will get the support from the citizens that the cause justly deserves.

Very sincerely yours, (Signed) Edith Bolling Wilson. (Mrs. Woodrow Wilson)

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Saturday, September 21, 1018

AYER

News Items.

John Hooley has returned to his duties at the postoffice after a threeweeks vacation. He has since been forced to give up his duties on account of the prevailing epidemic.

Miss Amy L. Nixon, who for the past two months has been employed at the Howard watch factory in Waltham, has returned to her home on East Main street.

Private Arthur Luddington of the 118th Aero Squadron, San Antonio, Texas, has been at his home on Third street on a short furlough.

Mrs. Mildred, B. Duncklee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bayles, Nashua street, who has been assisting in Homer's store for the past few months, is now with Gathercole, the Miss Rudd has taken her. place at Homer's store.

Mrs. George Moody and son George, of North Andover, spent the Week-end and over Sunday with her cousin, Mrs. Russell M. Cahoon. Russell F. and Elvena F., children of Mr. and Mrs. Cahoon, returned with her on Monday to spend the week in North Andover.

The primaries are to be held in the town hall on Tuesday. September 24. at four o'clock, to vote for the nomination of candidates of political parties for state and national offices.

Bishop William Lawrence will be at Camp Devens on Sunday morning at 8.30 o'clock for confirmation, sermon and holy communion at Y. M. C. A. No. 23; near the postoffice. All members of the Episcopal church are invited to be present and meet Bishop

Malcolm Johnston, Central avenue a printer in the employ of H. S. Tur-ner, is recovering from a severe illness with the Spanish influenza.

one machine ahead suddenly stopped. A grease cup flew off one of the ma-chines from the force of the impact and went through one of Mr. Williams' large windows. Very little damage was done to the cars.

Special communications of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on the following dates: Friday evening September 20, at 6.30 o'clock; work— Master Mason degree; lunch. Monday evening, September 23, at 6.30; work—Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees. Friday evening, September 27, at 6.30 o'clock; work—Master Mason degree; lunch.

Our attention has been called to the fact that early registration morning on last week Thursday, J. Howard Pillman and son Irwin were the first father and son to register on that day

Rev. Charles E. Spaulding, D. D., superintendent of the Worcester dis-trict of Methodist churches, held the quarterly conference at the Federated church on last Saturday evening, and Spaulding preached Sunday morning a very inspiring sermon on "The sacri-fice of Jesus Christ." The Sunday school rally was held at twelve o'clock, Deacon Pollard presiding. The children took part and Dr. Spaulding spoke. At 6.30 Rev. Robert M. Pierce, Methodist camp pastor, spoke at the rally of the young people's society. Miss Amy Nixon presided.

In accordance with the request of the Ayer Board of Health to the churches of Ayer, the parish committee of the Unitarian church has voted to close the church for services on Sunday and until, in their opinion, the danger of spreading the influenza eni-The date for the rededication of the building has been set for Sunday, Oc-

Morris Miller is to open a new store n West Main street, where he will have a complete line of men's and women's clothing, household He is now located in the bank building and intends to open his new store on September 25.

A regular meeting of Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will be held on Wednesday evening, September 25, at five o'clock. Supper served at 6.30. An official visitation will be made by Mrs. Emma B. Folsom, deputy grand matron, assisted by Mrs. Catherine C. Muir, deputy grand marshal, and suite.

A son, Benjamin Flags, weighing 84 pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs.

Benjamin Taft on September 18. Bertha White observed her ninth birthday Thursday afternoon with a party to her little friends at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. White. The children had a merry time with games indoors and out of doors, and enjoyed the refreshments served by Mrs. White. Those present were Rachel Draper, Rachel Turner, Barbara Dickerman, Donald Martin, Margery Gleason, Howard B. White 2d, from Ashby, Dorothy Flags of Littleton, Priscilla Osgood, Dorothy Crafts, Benjamin Normand and Bertha White.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker has as guest her niece, Mrs. Clarence W. Wilson of Utica, N. Y.

The prevailing epidemic of influenza seems to be invading many of the families in town. Among the victims just now are John Hooley, the and one other employee at Harlow & Phrsons, two-from-Dwinell's store, the old-fashioned grippe. Roy Millett, the little son of the proprietor of the Hillside, died from the disease on ednesday. Mrs. John Traquair has had the disease and today her daughter Isobel is ill with the same. The moving picture shows and all the churches are to be closed until furthnotice to prevent the spread of the sease. These are the orders of the of employees who are absent on ac-

count of the epidemic.

Chester Sapborn, a conductor, em-ployed on the Lowell & Fitchburg street railway, was suddenly stricken with the prevailing epidemic the first of the week while on his way to work and was assisted to his room. He and was assisted to his room, me that went to his home in Lancaster to recuperate. This company has been hit hard by the shortage of help and sickness among its employees, compelling the road to run its cars

on hour time most of the past week

A designation of two candidates for midshipmen in the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., and a cadet in the military academy at West Point, N. Y., will be made by Congressman Rogers. An unofficial examination for these positions, with alternates, will be held in the city hall in Lowel naval academy must have reached their sixteenth year, but not have passed their twentieth birthday; regis-trants for the military academy must be seventeen years of age, but not have passed their twenty-second birth-

day. Applications should be made to Congressman John Jacob Rogers before October 12, so that he may be able to forward a card of authorization to take the examination . Any in-

Miss Cora Nelson, national field captain, is leaving Ayer for a short vacation. During her absence she will assist in giving a short intensive course in training Girl Scout captains and lieutenants in New York city and vicinity.

There will be a meeting of the La-dles' Benevolent society of the Federated church at the home of Mrs. John R. Chaffee, Washington street, on Tuesday afternoon, September 24, at 2,30 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

Married in Ayer, September 13, by Rev. J. W. Thomas, Harland R. Sils-by, a soldier, and Margaret M. Boyle, of Lunenburg, Vt.; September 14, Franklin E. Barrett, a soldier, and Carrie L. Barrett, of Rutland, Vt.; September 17, Herman D. Kramer, coldier, and Marie Chapman, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Girl Scouts throughout the Ayer Federation are saving peach stones. A box for that purpose is at the office at the Girls' club house at Ayer and Scouts are busily engaged in gathering material for as many gas masks as possible. Tin foil and tin tubes are also needed by the govern-ment and a box will also be set aside to ho'd a collection for them.

Mr. C. N. Pollard, planist, is re-Two litney cars came together in ceiving pupils on Thursdays in Ayer front of Berton Williams, store on of each week. Special attention to Main street last Saturday forenoon as younger pupils as well as to the more advanced: Address care of this office

We are pleased to note the arrival in our midst of Mr. Benjamin Flagg Taft, who in all probability will make this his permanent home for some time. It is not yet decided just what line of business he will pursue, though some think it will be in the food conversation line until the district is thoroughly familiarized. There is no doubt that with a careful study of the situation he will become a great helpto his country, and especially to the continuance of the perpetuation of the tribe of Taft. We wish him, and his, many long and happy days.

Ensign Raymond Farnsworth of the Annapolis Naval academy is at his home on Washington street on a leave of absence.

The annual union fair of the Bap tist, Federated, Episcopal and Uni-tarian churches will be held in the town hall, December 4 and 5. A list nounced later.

The Federated and Baptist churches will be closed until further notice for

Sunday services. Help the Girl Scouts and come to own hall, Pepperell, September 27. Nelson Cornellier of the Union

Cash Market is away on a two weeks

In addition to placarding homes in which cases of influenza exist, as a means of warning to the public, the quarantine against Camp Devens. applying to all men not engaged in necessary or administrative business of the camp. In the enforcement of this quarantine the cooperation of the camp authorities has been re-It has also been considered advisa-

and places of public entertainment. for the purpose of reducing the number of points of possible contact and so limiting the spread of the epidemic.

Suggestions 1. Sleep and eat regularly. Get plenty of fresh air and sunshine. Keep the bowels open.

2. Spray the nose and throat at least diffy with some simple solution such as boric acid, or even salt and water. Wash hands frequently, the oftener the better.

3. Keep out of crowds. 4. Call physician in case of chilis, bodily pains and "ordinary cold"

symptoms. 5. A person ill with influenza should be kept isolated in the home as much as possible. No one should come in contact with such a case ex cept the one taking-care of the ill

6. Follow any instructions that may be given you by your Public

Girls' Club Dinner.

The annual dinner of the Unitarian Girls' club members occurred last Wednesday evening. The dinner was scheduled to be held in the vestry of the church, but as this could not be conveniently used it was transferred to the residence of Rev. and Mrs. F.

B. Crandall on Nashua street:
The event was proclaimed to the members as a "covered dish dinner," cach member being expected to bring covered-the-dish-that-she-had-pre-Mrs. Warren Winslow, Mrs. Oscar pared for the feast. As the covers Rand and many others. Some of the were lifted delight and consternation physicians have called it the same as were mingled. Those about the board beheld one kind of an attractive salad after another make its bow. The day was saved when it was found that some individual member had brought soup and dessert courses and the other necessary elements of a well-round-

At a business meeting following the dinner the club elected new members and voted the generous gift to the Board of Health. Every weil person church of curtains for the whole is being requisitioned to ... the places building. The curtains for the vestry, building. The curtains for the vestry, to be made up in cretonne, will be made before the dedication. The for the church proper will be of case-ment cloth and will be made later.

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The details, to be announced in ample time, are being worked out and we ask your co-operation.

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District Court.

September 19, 1918

Last Saturday morning Patrick Griffis was found guilty of assault and battery on Frank Bateman, of Pepperell, and paid a fine of ten dollars.

Koski Kalaman was also found guilty of assault on his wife. Annie Kalaman, and was sentenced to three months in the house of correction. On Monday, Athas Karvelas, of Manchester, was found guilty of a violation of the town by-laws regarding

jitneys and was fined ten dollars. Florence Beale, of Maine, charged with a statutory offence, was given a sentence of three months in the hous of correction, which was suspended. Robert Allen, the soldier in the case, was turned over to the military authorities, according to the usual cus-

On Wednesday, the case of Commonwealth vs. Robert E. Weitz, was again continued for a week to Wed-nesday, September 25.

Herbert S. Woods, charged with manslaughter, was found not guilty. The evidence showed that at about 12.30 p. m. on August 31, Woods, who drives a Packard, was starting on a trip with a load of eight soldiers from Depot square in Ayer to Connecticut. As he crossed the railway track and shifted into second speed, he noticed a soldier running toward him. One of his passengers shouted a warning, but too late to prevent a collision. Woods testified that he was traveling about five miles per hour at the time. The soldier was knocked to the ground, but after getting on his feet again claimed that he was uninjured. It is known that later he died at the base hospital at Camp Devens. The evi-dence being insufficient to support a charge of manslaughter, Woods was

found not guilty. On Thursday morning a number of itney drivers were before the court charged with violation of the town by laws. Their cases were disposed of a follows: Charles Dormogian, of Winnooski, Vt., found guilty and fined \$10; Kenneth Skinner, of Boston, found guilty and fined \$10; Arthur Peters of Boston, found guilty and fined \$10; Theodore E. Katramados found guilty and fined \$10: John G. Rabias founguilty and fined \$10; Wesley G. Miller, of Lawrence, pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$5; James Bangs, of Boston, wax found not guilty; Harold C. Hedlum, of Worcester, found guilty and fined \$10; Albert N. David, of Worcester, found guilty and fined \$10.

The case of William Flannigan, of Forge Village, charged with assault and battery on his wife. Agnes Flannigan, was continued for one month.

Roy E. Millett, youngest son of Mrs. J. J. Livingston of the Hillside, died Wednesday, September 18, at his home on Washington street. He was taken sick on Sunday with the grippe, which developed rapidly into bronchial pneumonia. He was born in Sterling, but had lived in Ayer for five years. He was ten years old in January, was in the fifth grade school and was popular among his mates, but having a frail constitution he fell an easy victim to the prevailing grippe.

The funeral was held from his home at the Hillside Friday afternoon at

two o'clock. Rev. John R. Chaffee officiated. The bearers were Walter Smith, Arthur MacDonald, Clarence Crafts, John McAuliffe, Harvey Flagg and Robert Burrill. Interment was n Woodlawn cemetery. A delegation from his class attended the funeral. There were many beautiful floral tok ens showing the love of friends. He is survived by his mother and an older His mother has the sym pathy-of the people-in-her-loss.

The Ministers' Union

The union organization of ministers proposed at Ayer in 1894 held its an nual summer meeting in Boston a few days ago. Rev. Mr. Macdonald, of Concord, presided, and extended In accordance with the request of the board of health St. Andrew's church will hold no service this Sunday next.

In accordance with the request of church's architect, Mr. Swett, has After devotional exercises, conducted furnished the design. The curtains by Rev. Mr. Littlefield, formerly of for the church proper will be of case-day next. very cordial welcome to all present lington, gave a most friendly and just

appreciation of the late Dr. Washing-ton Gladden, of Columbus, Ohio. The impressive story of his life, from boyhood onto more than four score was felicitously told, and much of the secret of his wonderful influence was

the president of this union since 1913, and until his death, succeeding Bishop . W. Hamilton, Bishop Mallolieu Edward Everett Hale and other eminent men in that office. Rev. Charles Wagner, of France, another former president of this union, has also died since the last annual meeting.

brought to view. Dr. Gladden was

Rev. Dr. Patton, of the American Board, by appointment, spoke "The war and world unity." dwelt impressively upon the number of nations, many of them non-chris-tian nations, that are now standing shoulder to shoulder in this gigantic struggle. Even the solidarity of the Mohammedan nations has yielded to this mighty movement toward a world

A memorandum was introduced covering four points. "While primarily concerned for the moral aims of the war, and wishing to make any needful personal sacrifices for the speedy accomplishment of those aims." he memorandum stood for the president's plea against lynching. Also, for his suggestion of all American nations. It also expressed admiration for those Germans, such as Dr. Much-lon, iron master, former Krupp direc-tor and confidant of the Kaiser, and Prince Lichnowsky, diplomat in Lon-don in 1914, who are now suffering obloquy or banishment because of their outspokenness for the truth. It expressed confidence that great gain would come out of all this war if only good men are "resolute and uncom-promising in accepting no other than a righteous conclusion of it.

THE LA GRIPPE OR INFLUENZA This epidemic passed through New England about twenty years ago like devestating scourge, carrying death o thousands in its course. In Boston alone (according to press reports) eleven hundred deaths occurred from its effects. Yet there were two or three physicians who did not lose patient from the many they treated,

whilst scores were dying under the treatment of others. One of these physicians gave a reason of his success. His reply was, every successful physician first endeavors to find the cause of the epidemic, and then and a remedy to re-

move the cause. We find in cases of the la grippe that it is caused by inhaling poisonous germs that float in the atmosphere. and while those that cause fevers and some of the contagious diseases find lodgment in the atestines and secretions, those that cause the la gripp always first find stomach, kenery accompanied by in the head and shoulders. romoved with few days they will the heart causing the lungs causing heart failure. which a large ma-

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Registration will close at 9 P. M. Saturday, September 21, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the ose of registering, or to correct a elerical error or mistake.

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eacher about to greet her pupil; her

hair curied about her cars in a de-

lightful style that reminded one, some-

how, of yellow spring things. And her eyes were altogether too dangerously

blue for a teacher to possess, especially if she wears a blue dress that ac-

centuates their color. Justine was twenty-seven years old, but she looked

about sixteen when she came down into the little boarding house parlor to greet Curtis Pratt, her ex-pupil.

The tall soldier who was seated by

the window rose upon her entrance.

thereby revealing himself to be very

tall indeed, and of much broader pro-

portions than she associated with lit-

"Why, how you have grown!" ex-claimed Justine. "I didn't think-"

And then, with widening eyes, she

saw that this was not her Sunday school pupil at all. He had never

looked like that, with such a straight

nose and such yery brown eyes. He had been a blonde.

"Why, you—you aren't Curtis Pratt!" she accused him breathlessly.

It was the soldier's turn to look sur-

"Yes, I am, begging your pardon

I'm very much indeed Curtis Pratt. I remember you, even if you don't recall

I fished you out of Fairview Creek. Don't you remember that day?"

Justine sat down quite suddenly.

tle Curtis Pratt.

prised.

only-"

'Only what?"

can come next time-"

glad it was you.

never forgotten.

And his name-

come again next Sunday?"

"And the Sunday after?

"Yes," she agreed happily.

"And the Sunday after that?"

Y-yes, if you still want to."

"Want to! I guess by that time I'll

y. I'm sure of it."
"Well," said Justine with a con-

be wanting to come oftener than Sun-

science-stricken little sigh, "I guess I've forgotten all about poor Benny.

Give him my best wishes, won't you?
But—I don't think he would have

cared very much for a card from his

Sunday school teacher, anyway. I'm

horrid, but I'm glad he never got it!"

Soy Bean More Widely Used.

hat have been given prominence dur-

ing the war is the oil obtained from

soy beans. This is largely used for

soap making, also as a salad oil, as

well as edible purposes, such as for

frying. The meal left over after the

extraction of the oil is the richest

cattle-feeding material known. Soy

beans have been grown extensively

in Manchuria, but owing to the pres-

ent and future difficulty of export

from that part of the world its culti-

vation has been abandoned in that

quarter, and preparations are being

made to grow it extensively in the

Removing Stains From Piano Keys.

of soft water (pour the acid slowly

the acid will fly up into your eyes

brush, taking care that no acid gets

water and wipe with a dry cloth. Be-

sides restoring pinno keys, this same

mixture is equally efficacious for clean-

ing the handles of cutlery and other

similar articles. - Popular Science

Too Personal.

Second Barber-Why?

his hat and walked right out.

First Barber-I bet that fellow is a

First Barber-When I asked him if

he wanted an egg shampoo he put on

Rich Lands in Cuba.

Daily Thought.
It is self-evident that if every indi-

vidual would make himself a better in-dividual the nation would take care

of itself.—The Thoroughbreds.

Transvaal.

Monthly.

hum actor.

iards.

Among the numerous

products

laugh.

eyes as he looked at her.

"So am I," sald Curtis Pratt.

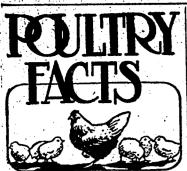
she felt sorry for them, those other girls. For something told her that this

was only the beginning of a great

many other Sindays that were to

"Do you know," said Curtis Pratt, as they walked slowly home to her

boarding-house, that I have never for-gotten you since that day of the picnic



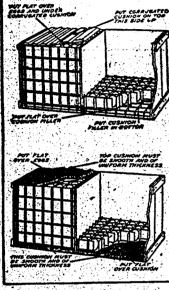
BUILD STANDARD EGG CASES

Railroad Classification Requirement Outlined-Make Compartments of Same Size.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Do you know the railroad classification requirements for a standard egg case? If not, you should; so here they

Standard Egg Case,-3-16-inch veneers; 7-16-inch ends and centers; 7-16 by 1% inch cleats; 7-16-inch center board must be nailed in middle of case.



Right Way to Arrange Strawboard Excelsior, Cork Shavings or Cut Straw for Fillers.

The two compartments must be of the same size. Fillers.-Hard calendered straw-

Set to consist of ten trays and 12 fiats.

Pack top of case with corrugated cushions, excelsior, cork shavings, or cut straw. Pack Battam of case with corrugated

cushion, Kinch cushion fillers, excelfor, cork shavings, or cut straw. Use dat between eggs, both top and Excelsior, cork shavings or cut straw

ushions must be smooth and of uniform thickness. Fillers must weigh three pounds for ten trays and 12 flats.

Nails Third cement-coated, large Fifteen nails for each side—five in

each end; five in center. Fifteen nails for bottom-five in each end; five in center.

Eight nails for top—flush cleat.
Two nails for top—drop cleat. Two nails through cleat into each

nlece of end. Nails through cleats must be linched.

SELECTION OF POULTRY FEED

Reduce Cost by Using Low-Priced Substitute Grains-Oats Are Cheaper Than Corn.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

While farmers, as a rule, have fed their poultry the grain that was cheapmany poultry sp cialists and most small poultry keepers have been accustomed to use their favorite poultry feeds without considering either the quality of the supply or the possibilities of using cheaper substitutes.

Under normal conditions, corn in nearly all parts of the United States is the cheapest poultry feed. At the present time, oats are nearly everywhere cheaper than corn. When corn goes down to \$1.50 a bushel, oats should be 75 cents and barley \$1.20 a bushel to give the same value for the money fed to poultry, as corn.

The common characters and conditions of grain which roughly determine their values as poultry feeds are easily estimated by the eye, or by weight bulk in measure or containers of known capacity.

Good cracked corn is hard, bright, clean, free from soft and chaffy par-Corn that is crushed (not cracked), and shows much soft, chaffy and scaly matter, should be rated proportionately below good cracked corn in feeding value. Cracked corn in which any considerable amount of greenish discoloration appears should

he rejected as unfit for poultry. Oats with the hulls on are at once seen to contain more indigestible matter than corn and wheat. Again, the indigestible hulls covering oats make that grain less palatable to poultry and its feeding value must be discount-

Oats weighing less than the United States standard of 32 pounds to the bushel should be discounted in price according to the shortage in weight. while for weights above the standard the usual discount in price may be reduced.

Daily Thought

Few persons have courage enough to appear as good they really are.— J. C. and A. W. Hare.

For Biblical Students.

What was the sweet cane of the Holy Land. In Isainh it states: "Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices; but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearled me with thine iniquities."

COOL LINEN FROCKS

Gown May Be Developed in 3 White. With Braiding to Suit.

Skirt is Very Narrow; Back of Coat Section Plain; New Fabric Fine for Separate Garment.

Frocks of heavy linen, smartly tailored, are fushionable for warm weather wear. They are expensive when bought ready to wear, and certainly not particularly cheap when made at home, as good linen fabrics are scarce and very high in price. But unless one wishes to wait until the very end of the season, when mark-down sales have brought prices to a reasonable level, making things at home is a less expensive method of dressing than purchasing them ready to wear, and certainly more individuality is possible.

The sketch offers a suggestion for a linen frock, which may be developed in white with soutache braiding in navy, yellow or other color, or the gown may be in color with white braiding. It is a slip-over affair, an



Modish Tailored Frock of Linen.

opening about five inches deep at the side front making this possible. The sash, tied loosely, may be in a color to match either the frock or trim-

The skirt of the dress is very nar row, measuring not more than 11/2 yards in width, and the back of the coat section is entirely plain, with only a short round yoke formed by a continuation of the front panels

braided, to relieve its severity A very interesting and lovely cot-ton fabric brought out this season which is being used in large quantity for separate skirts, migh be selected for this frock.

The material is satin finished and closely simulates silk satin. It launders well and while closely woven and with a firm texture it is not as heavy in weight as the linens usually selected for tailored garments. een is an old-time favorite, but this new material does not show the twill that sateen has.

HAVE SHOES MATCH GOWNS

Oil Paint May Be Successfully Used on Canvas Footgear; Operation is Simple.

It is possible to have pretty shoe at small expense to match light dresses, writes a correspondent. Shoe of delicate colors are hard to find and always expensive. One girl wanted a pair of light gray shoes and this is how she managed: She had a pair of white canvas shoes which were somewhat soiled. She first scrubbed them with good white soap and water, using a small brush, then drying them in the sunshine. She then mixed a little black and white on paint until the desired gray shade was obtained. This she mixed in a cup half full of turpentine.

Very little paint is needed. Just enough to color the canvas. Brush the liquid over the shoes with a small paint brush and you will be surprised to find how nice they look. They dry with no streaks. Match them in ribbon for ties. Of course any colors may be made to match any gown. The artists' paint is not expensive, the black and white are only a few cents a tube each.

About Skirts. Wide silk braid used as a binding outlines the lines of many separate skirts. Any number of new models are made with yokes, with the pockets inserted where the lines of the yoke or belt form a novel cut. There is an absence of applied pockets on the latest akirts

The State and Liberty.

The design of the state is not to transform men into animals or automata from reasonable beings, but rather that citizens may develop their minds and bodies in security.

The true design of the state, then.

is liberty.--Spinoza. Way of Some Wives.

In too many cases, a wife measures her husband merely by his faults.-Cincinnati Enquirer.

Greetings to a Soldier

By HILDA MORRIS

(Copyright, 1918, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.) It was a window full of greeting cards, the sort that people send nowadays for every occasion, apparently, except funerals. Cards for birthdays. cards for weddings, cards to congratu-

late you on all sorts of happenings, cards with patriotic sentiments—and on each a verse, supposedly clever, and a picture of some sort, alluringly color-Justine paused before the window,

attracted by its gay display. It was Saturday afternoon, her day "off," and she had nothing else to do but wander among the shops, looking in on lovely hats and blouses and flowers which she could not afford to buy. This window however, was different. She could buy cards, that is if she had any one to whom to send them. Today most of my face, Once when we were very the cards seemed to be for soldiers, the young we went to the same piculc, and verses told how proud some one was of them, and how somebody longed to see a certain soldier again. Justine looked and most earnestly wished that she knew a soldier to whom she might send o card. She was doing so very little about the war, anyway. She had no time to knit, and no money to give.
It in ght help a very little to send one of these bright cards to some homesick boy in a far-away camp. But the trouble was she did not know any soldiers. Since she had come to the city Justine's days had been too full of work to afford many chances for meet-ing men, and the days back home in O'dport were now so far away. Slie racked her brains trying to think of some one to whom she might send one of these friendly greetings.

There was Mr. Evans, from the office, but she hardly knew him well-enough. And Bert Holmes, troin Oldporr, but he was engaged to another girl; perhaps it would not do. The only soldier whom she could think of who right be pleased to hear from her was the little Pratt boy at horse, who had once been in her Sunday schoo class. Of course, he was not a little boy any longer, he must be twentyone at least. But he would remembe her, she felt sure, and doubtless he would like to receive a card from the big city. So she went in and chose the very prettiest card of all, borrow ed a pen from the stationer and ad-



So She Wrote the Letter.

dressed it. On second thought she found that she was not quite sure what the Pratt boy's first name was. Charles-Clarence-Curtis-that was it, Curtis. Curtis Pratt had a very familiar sound; she wrote the name firmly, addressed it to the Long Island camp, where she had heard that the Pratt boy was stationed, and mailed it. Then she forgot all about it. But two days later, much to her surprise, there came a note to her from Curtis Pratt. He had received the card, and was very much pleased. He thought it was so good of her to remember him. He should very much like to hear from her again, if she had letter telling something about herself.

Justine was quite flattered. It is not often that a boy remembers his Sunday school teachers with such couresy and interest. So she wrote the letter, and a motherly sort of epistle She scarcely expected an answer to it, but a few days later the answer came. He was to have leave ner Sunday; could be come to see her?

this was something that had - infore happened to Justine since time to the city. Her Sundays had lonely days, given over to church books and washing her hair and ry walks in the park. To have a boy call on her was something she had long given up hoping The very thought of it sent a de al sittle thrill through her. She him to come, and Sunday the stayed home from church shed her hair in his honor. She lisgracefully young for an ex-

She's at it Again, "I'm so fond of those delicious cadaar andwiches," enthused old Mrs. Bhunderby.-New Haven Register.

Coffee Cultivation

The British successfully introduced the cultivation of coffee on the island Coylon, where it became the foundaof the prosperity of that island from where it passed to India there it was cultivated with success, specially in the districts of Madras and Malabar.

CENTER OF PRODUCTION

The center of agricultural pro-duction, of the United States, according to the value of crop and animal products for 1917, is in west central Illinois as shown by a diagram just issued by the lepartment of agriculture. The department of agriculture. The states of greatest production are: lowa, \$1,380,000,000; Illinois, \$1,255,000,000; Texas, \$1,045,000,000; Missouri, \$947,000,000; Nebraska, \$774,000,000; Indiana, \$766,000,000; Kansas, \$735,000,000; New York: \$700,000,000; Minnesotn, \$646,000,000; Pennsylvanin, \$636,000,000; Georgia, \$605,-000,000; Wisconsin, \$508,000,000; California, \$575,000,000; Michigan, \$534,000,000, and Kentucky, \$529,000,000.

PLAN OUTLINED FOR HAYING OPERATIONS

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Keep the Crew Busy and Save Maximum Amount of Crop.

"Why, yes," she faltered, "I remem-Fair Day's Work for Loading, Haulber that. I remember you, too, ing and Putting Into-Barn With Horse Fork Is About Five Tons per Man-Haul All Day. "I'd forgotten that your name was Curtis. I guess I got you mixed with

Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture) your younger brother, the one I taught The having season for tame hay in Sunday school. I thought I was writing to him."
"Benny? Benny is out at camp, but about ten days. Sometimes lasts when the weather is unfavorable or he has measles just now. I'm sorry if the acreage is large it takes longer I've disappointed you. Perhaps Benny to get the hay made. The hay grower should plan to get his hay made with-There was a flat note of hurt in his in two weeks at most, if possible. If the amount of hay each machine will voice, a rather wistful something in his handle per hour or per day and the "No, no!" she exclaimed hastily. amount of labor required per ton is known, plans can be made to make a "I'm not at all disappointed. I—I'm

certain amount of hay per day.

It has been found that, under aver-And then she blushed at what she had said, a delightful pink blush that age conditions, mowers, tedders and went very well with her springtime sulky rakes will cover two acres per foot in width of the machine per ten-hour day. That is, a five-foot mower will cut ten acres per day, a They spent the afternoon together in the park, and they had supper toten-foot sulky rake will rake 20 acres gether at a quiet restaurant. More than once Justine felt the envious per day, etc. One man can cock bout five or six acres per day. eyes of some other girl fixed upon her, the eyes of some girl who envied her the company of so fine-looking a sol-dier; just so had she herself felt on so many Sundays past. But now, now fair day's work for loading, hauling and putting into the barn with a horse fork is about five tons per man.

When the having season comes an effort should be made to make as much hay per day as possible. On many farms in the East the best results are not obtained, because hay is hauled only in the afternoon. This practice lengthens the having season and thus increases the chapces of damage to the hay from rain and causes hay to lose its natural "tea color. The hauling crew



Curing Hay In Bunch-Hay Will Cure Out Better When Loosely Bunched Than When in Swath or Windrow, but a Heavy Rain Will Wet It Clear

should work all day, or at least start as soon as the dew is off, unless there is other more important farm work to

be done. Scarcity of labor will sometimes pre vent the hauling crew from working in the morning, if the mowing, tedding and raking are done in the forenoon.

When a crew is kept at the barn for unloading and putting the hay in the mow, the men should be kept busy all of the time, if possible. If a crew cannot stay at the barn without considerable loss of time, the men should all work in the field, pitching, loading or hauling, two or three coming in with each load to help unload.

It is good practice to have only one day's mowing ahead of the crew haulng or cocking. Mowers, tedders and Piano keys, by use, will turn yellow. To restore the original whiteness, put sulky rakes should either be used all day or a full half day, whenever they one ounce of nitric acid in 12 ounces ork. In many methods of making hay, one or more of these machines into the water-do not reverse this or will finish in the middle of the fore noon, and there will be place for the and apply the liquid to the ivory with men operating the machines to at having the remainder of the half on the woodwork. Wash off the acid with a piece of flannel dipped in clean đay. Turkeys Thrive on Insects.

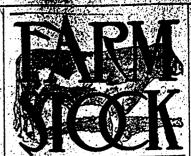
Because of the ruminating disposion of the turkey some are led to elieve that they do a great deal of lamage to growing crops. This is a mistaken idea, as they live very largely on flies, bugs, grasshoppers and the

Skim Milk for Pigs. As soon as the pigs will eat, they should have skim milk in a shallow pan.

Foods Long in Use.

The mountain regions of Cuba in-The following fruits, vegetables, etc., have been in cultivation more than 4,000 years: Almond, apple, apricot, clude many ridges and valleys of extremely fertile land, nearly all untouched, and existing practically as banana, bean, cabbage, cucumber, date, they did before the time of the Spaneggplant, fig, grape, olive, onion, peach, pear, quince, rice, sorghum, turnip, watermelon and wheat.

> Much Demand for Dogwood. Shuttle factories and other manu facturing plants use more than seven and one-half million feet of dogwood annually in this country.



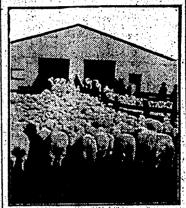
INCREASE OF MUTTON SHEEP

Take Lead Held by Fine Wool Animals Ten Years Ago-Ohlo Is Now Leading State.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Sheep raising primarily for mutton

roduction and secondarily for wool is steadily advancing in this country. At the present time 45 per cent of the sheep belong to those of the mutton blood, 35 per cent to those of fine wool, and 20 per cent to the crossbreeds. Ten years ago the mutton sheep were 35 per cent of all sheep, fine-wool sheep 41 per cent, and crossbreeds 24 per cent, and consequently, during this period one-tenth of the national flock has changed from wool to mutton'as the chief purpose. While mutton sheep have thus increased their percentage of all sheep by 10 during as many years, fine-wool sheep have lost 6% from this percentage and the crossbreeds 31/4.

This revolution of recent years in the sheep industry, which is now presumably continuing, is largely charac terized in the national average by the Western and Pacific states, in which



Sheep Entering Sweating Pens of Bit ter Creek Shearing Shed, Bitter Creek, Mont

more than one-half of the sheep are found mostly on ranges. The fine wool sheep are 45 per cent of all sheep in that group of states, a loss of ? in the percentage in ten years; the rossbred sheep are 22 per cent, a loss of 21/2; and these losses have gone to the mutton sheep, which are 32 per cent of all sheep, a gain of nearly ten in the same number of years.

The greatest advance in this move ment has been made in the North At lantic states, in which farmers markets are near and the people have ar active taste for mutton and lamb. In these states 62 per cent of the sheep are of the mutton bloods, a gain of 20 in the percentage in ten years; only 17 per cent are fine-wool sheep, a loss of 17; and 21 per cent are crossbreeds, a loss of 3.

The least change in percentages has occurred in the South Atlantic states, where the mutton sheep were former ly a high fraction and are now 68 per of 2½ in ten years; the crossbreeds are 2½ per cent, or about the same as ten years ago, while in all other groups of states they have relatively diminished; and the fine-wool sheep are only 7 per cent, a loss of nearly 3 during the period.

At the present time the South Atlantic states have the lowest fraction of fine-wool sheep, 7 per cent, and the North Atlantic states are next with 17 per cent; the highest fraction, 46 per cent, is in the Western and Pacific group, and next below are the South Atlantic states have the South Atlantic states are next with 17 per cent; the highest fraction, 46 per cent, is in the Western and Pacific group, and next below are the South Atlantic states are next with 17 per cent; the highest fraction, 46 per cent, is in the Western and Pacific group, and next below are the South

group, and next below are the South Central states with 30 per cent. Mutton sheep are as high as 68 per cent of the sheep in the South Atlantic

and West North Central states, and as low as 32 per cent in the Western and Pacific states, and 44 per cent in the South Central.

Ohio is by far the leading sheep state outside of the Western and Pacific group, and has 3,000,000 sheep, about one-half of which are now mut ton bloods, while ten years ago the fraction was nearly two-fifths.

CURE SCRATCHES IN HORSES

Trouble is Caused by Mud, Wet or Filth—Clean Affected Part and Apply Poultice.

Scratches in horses are caused by and, wet or filth. Clean the affected part, clip the hair close to the skin and put on a bread and milk poultice for 12 hours. A second poultice applied for another 12 hours will do no harm. Then wash the skin, wipe it dry and remove all scabs. Paint the cracks with tincture of iodine for hree days, then discontinue and use the vaseline. Do not wet the parts if avoidable. Keep the stable clean and dry and apply vaseline to the scratches twice a day when the ani-

Top Price for Lambs. Packers will not pay the top price for lambs, no difference how fat, if they weigh over 80 pounds. The reason is because the best cuts of meat can be obtained from the smaller car-C288,

1900 14 "Spooneriams."

A "spoonerism" is a turned-sround word. For instance, a clergyman reently told his congregation that he wed them a "deep grat of debtitude," and at a wedding a young man asked f-it was "kisstomary-to-cuss the bride." 1.

Hard Part of the Game. Anyone can stand what he likes; it takes a philosopher to stand what he doesn't like.-Doctor Walton.

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Eliot M. Young

Littleton, Mass. 43

Pepperell, Aug. 30, 1918. To the Middlesex County Commis

Rospectfully represent the undersigned inhabitants of the town of Pep-perell in said County, that the River Road or River Street in said town, which runs from its junction Elm Street northerly to Main Street, is in need of relocation and specific

repairs. Wherefore, we pray you will relocate said road and direct specific repairs thereon, particularly from the end of said road as improved by the State, County and town in 1917, northerly.

Alta A. Shattuck, Addison Woodward. L. O. Shattuck.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. At a meeting of the County Com

missioners for the County of Middle-sex, at Lowell, in said County, on the first Tuesday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, to wit, by adjournment at Cambridge in said Counon the fourth day of September. D. 1918. On the foregoing petition, Ordered.

On the foregoing petition, Ordered, that the Sheriff of said County, or his Deputy give notice to all persons and corporations interested therein, that said Commissioners will meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties at the Selectmen's Room in the Town Hall in Pepperell in said County, on Monday, the fourteenth day of October, A.D. 1918, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, by serving the Clerk of the town of Pepperell, with a copy of said petition and of this order thereon, thirty days at least before said view, and by publishing the same in the Pepperell Clarion, a news-paper printed at said Pepperell, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least be-fore said view, and also by posting the same in two public places in the said town of Pepperell, fourteen days before said view; and that he make return of his doings herein, to said Commissioners, at the time and place fixed for said view and hearing.

JOHN R. MacKINNON: Asst. Clerk.

Copy of petition and order thereon JOHN R. MacKINNON,

Asst. Clerk. A true copy of the petition and or-

er thereon. ALBERT A. FILLEBROWN. Deputy Sheriff.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Worcester, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs at law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons inter-ested in the estate of ABBY B. TOOK-ER late of Harvard in said County, de-

for three successive weeks, in the Har-vard Hillside, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court. Witness, William T. Forbes. Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight-een.

cen.

3ti HARRY H. ATWOOD, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of KATHERINE McNAMARA, otherwise known as CATHERINE McNAMARA and KATIE McNAMARA late of Littleton in said County, deceased.

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

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the eighth day of October A. D. 1918, at nine o'clook in the forenoon, to' show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Guidon, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpulu, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, thirty days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first Judge of said Court, this fourth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

3ti F. M. ESTY, Register. 3tl HARRY H. ATWOOD, Register.

thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

3t1 F. M. ESTY, Register.

COMMONWBALTH. OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin,
creditors, and all other porsons interested in the estate of FRED HOWE
WOODS late of Groton in said County,
deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter
of-administration on the astate of said
deceased to ALLEN E. WOODS of Groton in the County of Middlesex, or to
some other suitable person without
giving 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
first day of October A. D. 1918, at nine
o'clock in the foremoon, 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 difficion once in each week,
for three successive weeks, in Turner's
Public Spirit, a newsnaper published in
Ayet, the last publication to be one
day, at least, before said Court,
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this tenth
day of September in the year one
thousand nine hundred and eighteen.
Sep.14,21,23 F. M. ESTY, Register.

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Fighting Fourth Liberty Loan Facts and Figures,

FAMOUS PLAYERS FOR LIBERTY LOAN FILMS

Stars of the opers, the theatrical Stars of the opera, the theatrical world and the movies themselves are hard at work on patriotic Lays to be state banks and 20,423 trust companies, hard at work on patriotic Lays to be state banks and savings banks of the used in motion picture houses of the United States aggregate over six billion dollars more than a year ago and a stream of them in 1915 by some

Exhibitors League, the Famous Play and state banks and an inquiry into the distribution of banking institutions, and other organizations and persons connected with the production or states of the Union. distribution of motion pictures have pledged their full cooperation for the

The title presentation of all the pic-

25, the motion picture industry may be exceed those of state controlled banks said to be given over just now to the roduction of patriotic films, forming Idaho, Illinos, Kentucky, Minnesota a solid phalanx behind the boys in the New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Penn trenches and upholding the hands of the government in its prosecution of the war.

Douglas Fairbanks, William S. banking institutions under state conthe war.

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Hart, William Farnum, Dustin Far nant, William Farnum, Dustin Farnum and many others already have completed their pictures. Upon request of William L. Sherill, president of the Sherman Amusement Corporation, that he write the story for the picture in which Jack Sherill is to be starred. Arthur Brisbane not only wrote the story by the stervies. wrote the story but also a column editorial commending the plans of the Zukor committee.

In addition to separate nictures feat.

In addition to separate pictures featuring Enid Bennet, Dorothy Dalton and Charles Ray, there will be a special picture by Thomas H. Ince in which the director will give his idea of the way to sell Liberty bonds.

Participation in this work by Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew is especially noteworthy as Mr. Drew's son, S. Rankin Drew, was the first member of the motion picture industry to be killed in France in the service of his country. Mr. and Mrs. Drew are now country. Mr. and Mrs. Drew are now appearing on the legitimate stage and wrote that they would be glad to make a picture but owing to the fact that they are not now connected with any producing organization had no studio to work in. The Famous Players-Lasky Corporation offered the use of either of its eastern studios and the Drews have promised to have their contributions ready on time. Willard Mack is making a 1,000 foot picture starring Pauline Frederick. D. W. Griffith is personally directing the picture in which Lillian Gish is to ap-

TRANSPORTATION OF OUR

"A transport miracle", Sir John Maclay, the British controller of shipping, calls the success with which the United States has moved 1,500,000 to buy an artillery (wheel) harness American soldiers from their scattered camps on this side the Atlantic gun to fire the \$1000 shell. to the fighting areas across the seas Although the seas have been beset by the enemy the loss of life in taking the men across has been almost in finitesimally small. This bit of Amer our enemies; we have surprised our friends and even ourselves.

And it isn't all due to the Navy. The railroads have had their share in the achievement. Director General Mc-Adoo seems justified in his statement that while the development of Railroad Administration requ Railroad Administration requires time, progress has been made toward

And it isn't all due to the Navy and the railroads, either. It is the Liberty Bond purchasers who made it possible and back of the purchasers the Lib-erty Bond. If the people respond to the Fighting Fourth as they did to the First. Second and Third, and there is every indication that they will, is no telling what other miracles may be accomplished.

WHAT LIBERTY BONDS ARE

What are Liberty Bonds? Liberty Bonds are promises of the United how many torpedoes or shells can be States Government to pay money at a filled with ammunition by a single future date with interest; for example, Liberty Bond. a \$50 Third Liberty 44% bond is a promise to pay the bearer \$50 on Sept. 15, 1928, with interest in the meantime at 44%, i. e., \$2.12 per year or \$1.08 on every March 15 and September 15

COST OF A SAILOR

The cost of the U.S. Navy per man per day during the first six months of the fiscal year 1918 varied from \$.49 on the fiscal year 1918 varied from \$.49 on Stand for U.S., for God and Right, the larger types of vessels to \$.52 on Keep their home fires burning but the smaller types, A \$50 Liberty Bond Buy a Bond the larger types of vessels to \$.52 on the smaller types, A \$50 Liberty Bond will keep a sailor for 102 days in the larger vessels and for 96 days on the larger vessels and for 96 days on the Help to win the Victory.

Buy a Bond!

Buy a Bond!

Buy a Bond!

Rocking-Chair Depravity. A rocking chair will move about all over the room until it finds a squeaky board in the floor, and there it will stay, immovable as the neighbor whe keeps a pig.

Many Interpretations Possible. Too much silence," says Booth Tarkington, "is open to suspicion. It may be reticence, or it may be a vacuum. It may be dignity, or it may be false teeth."

BANKING POWER

OF AMERICA

Total resources of the 7.688 national used in motion picture houses of the country in connection with the Fighting Fourth Liberty Loan campaign. Under the chairmanship of Adolph Zukor of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry the theatrical forces are being gathered together for the solid support of the United States and the boys "over there".

Mme. Alla Nazimova, Enrico Caruso, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew, Elsie Ferguson, Marguerite Clark, John Barrymore, Billie Burke, Clars Kimball Young, George M. Cohan, and a host of others have taken advantage of the privilege extended them of giving their services in the making of pictures which shall carry a definite message for this country in her time of need.

Peter J. Schaeffer, president of the Motion Picture Exhibitors League, the Famous Player of the New York State Motion Picture Exhibitors League, the Famous Player of the Richard of the States Sur on State Banking institutions under state control has led to a study by The Analist of the relative resources of national exhibitors of banking institution of banking institutions of banking institutions of banking institutions of the distribution of banking institutions of the state banks and an inquiry into

The tremendous increase in banking resources of the United States becomes apparent when refer-

tion to the effect that the picture was made and distributed through the coperation of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry.

The pictures will be booked to the exhibitors free of charge. It is planned to have each exhibitor run a different picture every day of the drive. The handling of the distribution is expected to be a comparatively simple matter as 3000 prints are to be in circulation.

As all of the negatives and one positive print of each picture must be in the hands of the committee by August 25, the motion picture industry may be exceed those of state controlled banks.

banking institutions under state control amounts to \$1.198,583,841, compared with \$1,096,932,000, the combined capital of 7,688 national banks. The surplus of the state banks totals \$1,217,070,794, compared with \$803,143,000 for the national banks, and the undivided profits of the former class of institutions amount to \$236,168,464, compared with \$355,937,000 for the ter; The capital, surplus, and undivided profits of the state institutions total \$2,651,823,100 while the total of the same items for the national banks is \$2,256,012,000. An analysis of these figures shows that the average capital, surplus, and undivided profits of 2tate institutions is \$129,000 while the average for national banks is \$293,000.

EXPENSES OF WAR

When it is realized that one 16-inch shell complete with explosives, packing, etc., costs nearly \$1000 some idea can be formed of what even a slight encounter with the enemy costs in these days of modern warfare. The actual money involved in such an of-fensive as has recently been going on on the western front is almost too much for the average person to imagine. Too few stop to think about it.
They are ready enough to short for
the brave boys who have held back
nothing from their country's call but they do not always stop to think as they should that the shouts should have a strong foundation under them a foundation of Liberty Bonds and Lib-erty Bonds and still more Liberty Bonds. Every dollar counts and ev-ery dollar that can be put into a bond does just so much toward winning the war. One dollar will buy an overseas cap; 80 cents will buy a pair of woolen gloves: 60 cents a summer undershir

COST OF SHIPS OF WAR

What is to be done with all the money that is being asked for on the Fighting Fourth Liberty Loan? Pay for battleships, submarines and a thon sand other things to be used by our boys on the land, on the sea, in the air and under the sea. To complete a single battleship now under construction requires \$23,075,000 and a battle cruis er takes \$24,900,000. A scout cruiser takes \$7,220,000 and a destroyer \$1, 590,000. A coast submarine cubic \$350,000 and a sea-going submarine

COST OF AMMUNITION

The ammunition in each torpedo fired from a ship in the present war costs from \$5000 to \$10,000. One pounder cartridge contains ammunition valued at \$.72 while a six pounder cartridge has ammunition valued at \$1.70. Ammunition in a 3-inch shell is valued at \$3. That in a 4-inch shell is valued at \$8, in a 5-inch shell at \$18 and in a 6-inch shell at \$18. It is a simple problem in mathematics to find

BUY A BOND.

By H. V. Neal. Everett. Mass, Hark, a voice to you appealing, Men of Freedom. Thought and Feel Innocents implore you "neeling," "Buy a Bond."

of Hell are Right defying, Sparing not the sick or dying; Broken hearts to you are crying, "Buy a Bond."

Restores the Balance. Each solitary kind of action that is done, the world over, is working briskly in its own sphere to restore the belance between right and wrong.

The Automobilist.

The man in front drives like mad all day, and the ladies at still and look at the scenery. Man at the wheel has no time for that. When they stop for the night, he's too tired for conversetion.-From the Atlantic.

Center.

At a recent meeting of the school board it was voted that children en. tering the Townsend schools shall be six years of age at the beginning of six years of age as the beddings of caute to Newton, wechesday, on a the fall term; that such children as count of the illness of Mrs. Turne may reach the age of six years by December first, following the opening of Melvin Davis has been substituti schools, may be admitted into the schools at the opening. September first, if the superintendent and schoolcommittee think it advisable. At this same meeting the superintendent of schools, Herman C. Knight, was instructed to secure an assistant in the first grade school at the Center, and has secured the services of Miss Baker. of Pepperell. This action became cessary according to the law relative to a school maintaining a mem bership of fifty and over being entitled to an assistant teacher.

Townsend did its duty last week Thursday in the registration of its man power for military service. All men between eighteen and forty-six years who had not previously registered, responded promptly and cheerfully to the call, the total number be ing 171; 127 of these were native born, 9 naturalized citizens, 9 declarent aliens, 26 non-declarent aliens The following list of the number registered, according to their ages, may be of interest: 12 18 years, 6 19 years, 20 years, 11 33 years, 13 34 years, 35 years, 11 36 years, 7 37 years, 15 38 years, 11 39 years, 9 40 years, 7 41 years, 9 42 years, 13 43 years, 17 45 years. The town clerk, George A. Wilder, was chief registrar, and was assisted by his two daughters, Mrs. Edna Bray and Miss Ella Wilder.

Mrs. J. J. Reynolds and daughter Gertrude, of Somerville; Master Stewart Neill, of South Boston; Miss Bessie Rooney, of Charlestown; Miss M. Lillian Bragan, of Cambridge, and Mrs. D. H. Reynolds, of Waterbury, Conn.. summer boarders at Mrs. W. J Stewart's, Fitchburg road, have returned to their respective homes.

Arthur Blood, formerly of this own, now of Ayer, spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Amos

Mrs. Christie McKenzie, of Pepper ell, is enjoying a visit at the home of her son, Hugh Hill,

O. L. Drake, formerly of this town ow of Ayer, spent Monday in town. Mrs. Charles Fagan and baby daugher Zelma, are visiting relatives in Framingham.

Mrs. Leon Going and two children ave been visiting relatives in Groton. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Going were re-cent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gates in Nashua, N. H.

Mrs. A. L. Fessenden is enjoying a visit with her sister, Mrs. Lucia Hill Hyde, in Somersworth, N. H.

Private Leslie Hurley, of Camp Devens, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mabel Hurley. Private T. Sloan, of Camp Devens vas the Sunday guest of W. J. Stewart

Private Clarence Sherrin, of Camp Devens, was the Sunday visitor of his mother, Mrs. Mary Sherrin. Alfred N. Fessenden and his sons, Masters Stanley and Donald, have left town for California, where they are to spend the winter: Stanley and Donald

are to attend a military school. Misses Hazel and Wilner Marshall spent the week-end and over Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Marshall. Joseph Temple has moved his fam-

ily to Watertown, where he and his son Fred are employed at the Waterown arsenal Mrs. R. G. Fessenden, with Mrs. A.

J. Atwood and Mrs. J. Livingston as auto guests, motored to Worcester to attend the recent Red Cross state convention held in that city. Mrs. Ada-belle C. Harvey, of Danvers, was the mid-week guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs G G Clarke Miss Charlotte Struthers, Townsend

high school 18, left Monday for Mt. Holyoke college, where she enters the freshman class. Rev. A. L. Struthers went to Gard-

. Tuesday, where he officiated mer, Me., Toward, and the funeral of a former parishioner.
Word has been received by Mrs.
George Upham that Rev. and Mrs. Victor Wachs, a former Methodist passor, and wife, now missionaries in Korea, have arrived in Boston, where

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LaFountain \$1.55, Ellis Gray \$1, Howellow and Mrs. Warren Elliott, the ten-year-old daughter of Mr and Mrs. Warren Elliott, Bayberry hill has been taken to the Clark school in Northampton for the Clark school in Northampton for all other persons introcated in the estate of Pepter of the Clark school in Northampton for the Clark school in Strictle. it the funeral of a former parishioner. news that they plan to visit here some

The registrary will meet in the selectmen's room on Saturday evening of this week from 7.30 to 9 o'clock. and Saturday evening, October 26, from 12 to 10 p. m., the first for the primaries and the latter date for the tate election.

Clara Heselton, noble grand: Mrs M. E. Smith, secretary, and Mrs. H. Savage and Mrs. M. Higgins, members of the E. A. Spaulting Rebekah lodge, attended a special meeting of Nemoset Rebekah lodge in Ashby on Monday evening, the occasion being a meeting held in honor of the presence of the president of the Rebekah Assembly, Mrs. Mac Reidell, and her marshal, Mrs. McPhalan. Degrees were conferred a social time enjoyed and refreshments served. The party his automobile.

Mr. and Mrs i sh MacMakin and two daughters from Lancaster, are the guests of Mi and Mrs. Roy Cow-

Dr. M. J

Stimpson, G with Mrs. Martha ing for a few Private G Upham, of Camp Devens, spe-

on Sunday 3 s parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Up received by friends Cards have the engagement in town a field Haynes, form-

of Miss Edne now of Methuen ns Bartlett, D.D.S., and Donald of Maine. M. Haynes is a graduate Simmons college Boston, where she as a teacher. Mr. of a physician in Bartlett is the Maine and a graduate of Philaal college. He exdelphia, Pa for overseas service. pects to sall s Wells, of Malden, is Miss Gertine

Townsend ha Mrs. Sarah To fethen, who has been spending sever weeks with her sis-ters, Mrs. G. D. is and Mrs. J. Sawspending sever yer, has returned to her home in Kitery, Me.

Miss Alma wimeirer, of Chicago. Ilf., is visiting Mass Helen R. Dobson. Miss Nancy Morrison, of Concord, No H., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Mrs. Buck and

Mrs. C. W. Hildreth is visiting her sister in Tiverton, R. I. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Torner were could to Newton, Wednesday, on ac-

Melvin Davis has been substituting as faulter of the Center school building during the enforced absence Levi Richardson, who injured his hip falling from a step-ladder white wash-

ing the schoolhouse windows. The E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge their next regular mering.

According to the Grange programs the conferring of the test and second degrees is scheduled for Monday ning. Announcement is made that the degrees will be omitted and in its; on Townsend hill. place a miscellane as program is being planned by the lecturer.

Wedding.

Miss Flora J. Roberts, of Carnbridge, and Milton W. Wilder, first-class yeoman, U. S. N. R. F., of Townsend, were united in marriage on Tues. day evening at the home of the bride in Cambridge. As Mr. Wilder expects to be called for sea duty very shortly the wedding plans were carried out at an earlier date. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Henry I. Bailey, paster of the Grace M. E. church, cambridge, with only a limited number of guests present, including the immediate families of the couple. Fol-lowing the ceremony a wedding supper was served, after which the couple left the city by auto for a short wed-ding trip. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder will make their home with the bride's parents in Cambridge for the time of war duration. Mrs. Wilder is very prominent in church affairs, being the soprano soloist at the Grace M. E. church of that city. Mr. Wilder is church of that city. Mr. Wilder is also connected with the same church, being a member of the male quartet and choir cornetist. They have the well wishes of all friends and relatives for a long and happy life.

Worlding Anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Leander C. Jefts quietly observed their fifty-sixth wedanniversary on September 14 their elder son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Jefts in Worcester. The occasion was made doubly pleasant, it being the thirtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jefts, Relatives and friends were present during the day and both couples were the recipients of pleasant reminders in honor of the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Le-ander Jests are natives of this town and have always resided here, living at their present home about fifty years. They have always been prominent in church work and are much respected among the townspeople.
Mr. Jefts is a veteran of the civil war and they were married on September 14, 1862, by Rev. George Ryan, pastor of the Baptist church in West Townsend at that time. Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Jests were married in Townsend by a former Congregational pastor, Rev. F. D. Sargent, and most of their married life has been spent in Leom-inster and Worcester. The best wishes of Townsend friends are extended to them for a continued happy journey together along life's pathway.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Woolley, of
East Boston, who spend their summers in our village, observed in a quiet way the fifty-eighth anniversary of their wedding on Monday at their home here. Congratulator; letters and flowers were received from relatives and friends as pleasant reminders of the occasion. They were united in marriage in Pepperell on September 16, 1850, by Rev. Charles Babbidge, pastor of the Unitarian church at that time. Mr. and Mrs. Woolley have been summer residents in our town for a number of years and how gained many friends who express the most cordial wishes for their future happy journey together.

School Garden Prizes.

The following is the list of prize winners of the school war gardegs in town; 330 in mencey was awarded in 1st. 2d, 3d, 4th and Lith prizes. Boys, 6 to 12 years of age.

Mrs. Fred-Howard, from Stoneham, and message at the home of of the marking durch of winners of the section of the unitarian church of the page on the flower committee left value on the flower committee left value.

Mrs. Fred Howard, from Stoneham, as been a recent guest at the home of the mass them home of the cases of kin, seem them of the cases, Mrs. Susan Morgan.

At the annual business meeting of the Baptist church on last week Thursburg, the following officers day evening, the following officers were elected: Perry W. Sawtelle, Fred A. Patch, Clerk; Fred A. Patch, Clerk; Fred A. Patch, Clerk; Fred A. Patch, Clerk; Fred A. Patch, Perry W. Sawtelle, the place on the flower committee left value and the place on the flower committee left value and the place on the flower committee left value on the place on the flower committee left value and the place on the flower committee left value of the place of the place on the flower committee left value of the place of the flower committee left value of the place

and Harvey Sec.; honorable mention, Erwin Baker, Wallo Passell, George Slinger, Charles J. Lafvey, Wilhor Sherry hill, has been laken to the Cark school in Northampton for a course of instruction.

S. M. Tyrir, who has been spending the wall has been spending Lewis Parker, John H. Coffee.

Boys, 12 to 16 years f age. Lerdy Lafvey Lafvey, 10th Salmine, \$2, 10 budley Bagley \$1.55, Crew Swiming, ton \$1, William Russell Sec.; honorable mention, C. Francis Wright, Roy Brown, Arthur Bornerum, John Markham, Earl Bacley, James Richards, Wallace Roiddins, Milard Leeman, Gilbert Richards, Marshall Hi-Lins, Gerdon Bennett, Tripy Johnson, Lemby Johnson.

Girls, 6 to 12 yearsy Gertrude Meade \$2.50, Evely Dastin \$2. Florence Boutels \$1.50, 1 wabell Robbins \$1, Florence Higgs and the Section National Robbins \$1, Florence Higgs and the Section National Robbins \$1, Florence Higgs and the Boston.

Pearl Russell, And J. Sewart \$1, Information of the Section Section of the home by injuries resulting from a fall from her pony, which stepped in the catal court of the help and the probable mention, all devely. Betting Nelson been presented to said court, and by the same and wrist as well as fall the man, the probability of the help and the probable mention. All devely Dastin \$2, Florence Russell, And J. Section Nelson, Pearl Russell, And J. Section Nelson, Pearl Russell, And J. Section Section of the help and the probable mention, Rabb as a factor honorable mention, Rabb as a factor honorable mention, Rabb as a factor honorable mention, Rabb as a honorable mention, Rabb as a factor honorable mention, Rabb as a

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an ideas he had seen is visiting here. children on th dens he had seen some of dier's war gardens bins.

Florence Buck and Mr. Upham, of Mrs. Mabel Brackett, pres.: Mrs. Julia the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Fitchburk, were recent auto guests of Altmiller, sec. and treas.; Mrs. Annie Patch.

Arthur Barber on Townsend hill.

Greenleaf and Mrs. Emma Spencer.

Last Sunday morning the audience

"Making the most of a fowl," Miss Lilla Seaver, and "The many uses of bread," Mrs. Emma Spencer. Mrs. Albert Powell was the guest

of the afternoon. The October meeting is to be held with Mrs. Altmiller

About Town

Mrs. A. L. Dow of Athol and Rev. and Mrs. Sylvester Robertson of Sunderland were visitors in town on Monday and Tuerday. Miss Arlin has been visiting her

sister, Mrs. Roy M. Tuttle, of North Andover, for a few weeks. Joseph Temple has moved his fam-

ly and household goods to Waterown, where he and his son Fred are employed at the arsenal. Their goods H., returning Monday to resume her went by auto last week. They have studies at the high school. went by auto last week. They have closed their house here on Brookline street for the present.

Misses Kathryn and Susie Markham P. Sherwin. spent Sunday at their home in town. Miss Nathalie O'Brien of Fitchburg spent Sunday with her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. William O'Brien. Phabe Weston Farmer tent met on Tuesday evening in Memorial hall. A good number were present. Rehearsals will soon take place for inspection hich comes November 19.

Miss Evelyn Newton is still caring or Miss Havnes, who is ill at the nome of Melvin Davis.

John McElligott and family, who ave been spending their vacation at the Richard McElligott place, returned the latter part of the week to their nome in Boston.

Mrs. A. D. Winship, of Ayer, is assisting at the home of Mrs. Martha Homer, who returned from her sum-mer sojourn at Prout's Neck, Me., last Saturday.

"movies" in Fitchburg on Thursday. Miss Emily Orr has closed her tenement for the present and is visiting in Flichburg.

for their annual outing to be taken in the form of a dinner and party to at-

Herman Clarke, of Worcester, has eturned to the home of his mother. Mrs. W. T. Cook, and is completing some electric lighting work in the vil-

Miss Moore, who has been visiting er nieces, the Misses Addie and Fan-ie Sanders, has returned to her home . Cambridge.

Mrs. C. H. Gerrish and Miss Gerish, from Groton, are guests at the quannicook Inn this week. About twenty from this end of the own were registered for the coming draft from eighteen to forty-six year

eau, and the Spencer, and M: den, from late ... have been retwenty prize cent guests at the s e cock Inn. S. W. T. Cr. Cf. 1 ... s spend. at the hone et to L. Willat . Mr. Sho look and fire Was Ada Clare with them

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cester. Mrs Mary Rob-

Winfield Rec Springfield

Greenleaf and Mrs. Emma Spencer. Last Sunday morning the audience literary committee. It was voted to at the Baptist church greatly enjoyed donate two dollars to the Townsene the able and impressive sermon on Junior Chautaaqua, and also in make "Fruit hearing." by Rev. David F. Junior Chautauqua, and also to make and fill six comfort bags, the same to be donated by the citio and set to the American Func for French Wounded.

"After the businers meeting a delightful luncheonewas served on the veranda, followed by a pleasing literary program of plano solos by Missing program of plano solos by Missing business. The control of the decrease service and introduced the speakers, Mr. Brooks, of Fitchand practical talks on "Prize war union, who gave a very interesting to the decrease of the local and practical talks on "Prize war union, who gave a very interesting to the decrease of the local and practical talks on "Prize war union, who gave a very interesting to the control of the con leabelle. Hayward and three neip, at burg, one of the efficers of the local union, who gave a very interesting bread recipes." Mrs. Lilla Hayward: "Making the most of a fowl," Miss paign, which was much appreclated. He was followed by Rev. Mr. Whiston, of Lunenburg, who delivered a ton, of Lunenburk, who delivered a most enjoyable address on the work of the societies and the need of workers. A duct was the feature of the evening, "In the garden," by Mrs. Ivers P. Sherwin and Mrs. Alice Stick-

> Mrs. C. S. Homer, who has been spending a part of the summer at her beautiful home at Prout's Neck, Me., has returned and opened her residence here for a few weeks, before returning to New York.

Miss Gladys Newell, who is boarding at the home of her grandmother, Mrs Henry B. Hathaway, spent the week-end at her home in New Ipswich, N.

Mrs. Alice Stickney, from Nashua, J. H., is a guest of Mr, and Mrs. Ivers

FOR RENOMINATION

Frederick M. Esty comes up this ear for republican renomination as register of probate, and from all indi-cations his conduct of that important office will be endorsed by his party at the primaries and by the people on election day. Mr. Esty is a citizen of Framingham who has made his way to the top of the registry office by ability and industry. He has been connected with the office for twenty years, and for twelve years was assistant register. By appointment of the governor he was made register to fill out the unexpired term of his predecessor, and two years ago the republicans of Mid-dlesex nominated and elected him for register of probate by a very large

Besides his experience and natural ability Mr. Esty brings to the office a ner sojourn at Prout's Neck, Me., last complete legal training, as he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1882. He is a Mason of high standing and a member of Plymouth Congrega-tional church of Framingham.

The primaries take place next Tuesday, September 24. The vote will necessarily be smaller than usual, for thousands of Middlesex voters are in the army and navy, but the citizens at home have a double responsibility, and when they have the opportunity to continue in office an official with satisfactory record they are likely to

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Saturday, September 21, 1918

PEPPERELL

News Items. Rev. J. B. Lewis was called to Hunton Thursday to attend the funeral of a former parishioner.

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Northwest Middlesex Teachers association will be held in Pepperell on September 27. "History," "House-hold arts and the home," "Nature study," "Education" and "Rural study," "Education" and "Rural schools" will be the subjects of dif-ferent speakers throughout the day, supplemented by a violin solo and solo. Dinner will be served in the Methodist church.

A delightful dancing party was held at the Parker homestead, East Pepperell, last week Friday night, which four young planned-Margaret Nowell. Mary Butler, Dorothy Jacobs and Hester White. The large hall and spacious rooms easily accommodated the thirty-six people present. Danc ing was continued to the same hour of eleven o'clock, and toasted marshmallows were passed. Mrs. Bert Ripley, of Natick, form-

of this town, spent Tuesday and Wednesday, visiting friends here.

Charlotte Nowell has been ill with tonsilitis, but is able to be out now. Charlotte Campbell, of Townsend street, in the grammar grade, enter-tained, the pupils of the school on Tuesday by giving an original play to the great delight of all.

Ralph Shattuck, of River street, had a severe cold early this week, and it was feared that it would develop into the Spanish influenza, but it has not as yet, and he is reported as better

The little Brew boy, who was hurt a couple of weeks ago, while helping peddle milk, is improving at St. Joseph's hospital.

The intelligence of a calf was demonstrated the other day when the women of Maple Shade farm sold their petted five-months-old calf to Mr. Baker on Shepley hill. The calf was taken to the taken to its new home one evening over a road with several turns and cross roads, yet when it got away as it soon did, it appeared the next morning on the lawn for its usual petting from Mrs. Durgin.

Many of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bliss will be delighted to know that a dear little two-and-a-half-year old grandson has come into their home and hearts. His father has to go into the service and little John Bucher will be surrounded by loving hearts during the period of the war.

Word has been received that Gerald Willett has come back from France to Norfolk, Va., but cannot come to Pepperell, as he has to sail immediately for France again. He states that he likes his work.

Word has been received from France that Col. E. R. Massee, who was judge advocate of the 76th division at Camp Devens, has been made judge advocate of an army corps. The appointment did not come as a surprise, as he was regarded as an especially efficient officer. Last winter he was here in Pepperell as speaker for many pro-war meetings and

Mrs. Philip Doyle, who used to live on Tarbell street, and who was taken St. Joseph's hospital a few weeks treatment, has returned to town and her case pronounced incur-

Daniel Fandy, of East Pepperell, who figured in an auto accident some four weeks ago, and taken to St. Joseph's hospital, did not have to have his leg amputated as was at one time feared. He is about on crutches, but is yet a splinter of bone to be removed and then he will be released. Fred Tarbell came from the Carne-

gie hospital to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tarbell, on

Mrs. John R. Shattuck, of Concord. is spending a few days with Miss Mar-

A very nice granite monument has been placed in the Pepperell cemetery we in memory of Harvey Tileston and his sister, Louisa Tileston, on the family lot. The work has been done by C. G. The lot is bounded by four granite posts.

The Acoma lodge has extended are invitation to the members of Beacon lodge and all other Odd Fellows and their wives in town to meet with them in Odd Fellows' hall on Tuesday evening, September 24, to celebrate the sixty-seventh anniversary of the organization of the Rebekah lodge. Past president, Mrs. May H. Gaynor, is expected to speak.

Miss Hazel Phinney, who is at home from her position in Boston on a vacation, has gone into the local bank, where she used to be, in order to allow Gertrude Cherry a chance to have

a vacation also. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Attridge are in a ten-days' visit to friends in New

William Ames, formerly of this town, was operated on at St. Joseph's hospital on Thursday, September 19.
The operation seemed successful and they expect him to make a speedy re-

The Girl Scouts report that they now expect the same music from Camp Devens for their dance at the hall on Friday evening, Septemher 27, that they had for their lawn party, which was greatly enjoyed. They anticipate an orchestra of six or eight pieces.

Pepperell Girl Scouts want danceds the town hall, Pepperell, Septem-

It is a pleasure to report that Mrs. Robert Gay, of Mason stre turned from the hospital with her ye difficulty much better.

Amos Saunders passed the crisis the Spanish influenza on Thursday and is now expected to recover, although still very weak.

Donald Shattuck, who is at Camp Devens, had a horse step on his foot, and Peter Joyal, of this town, at the same camp, is slightly ill with one of he minor diseases.

Mrs. Charles Hamlett, of Willow Dale, returned last week from it and s week's visit with her daughter and with randdaughter in Worcester.

Charles Hamlett bought a package beans last spring and it said on the beans and were planted according to directions, and he is now showing three quarts of good seed beans as the

Miss Maude Saunders, who used to ive in East Pepperell, was a yisitor ast Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ear. Farnsworth in Ayer.

When the farmers of Pepperell wish they were nearer the camp, they better think of some of the disadvantages of being near as well as the advantages. For one thing, the boys all like fruit and when they go out on hikes through the surrounding farms they fill up all pockets and any other re-ceptacles with whatever fruit they can find, as foraging is part of a soldier's training and they are in Ayer for training. One farm belonging to a con-resident, who from a conservative estimate had 100 barrels a few weeks ago, has not got over ten barrels left. Another, who thought he had a plenty, for his own use, found the boys had gathered them all in for him, while a lot of grapes left on the vines to ripen up in order to get as sweet as pos-sible, all went the same way. It is not the individual soldier that does any harm, but like the army worm, it is the great numbers of them that count.

Pepperell has not half a crop of this year, but has grown more theat than for ten years back.

Rainsford Deware has been appointed chairman of the fourth lib-erty loan for the town of Pepperell. Pepperell's quota is \$110,000.

Lesile W. Parker, who has been very sick with influenza for the past two weeks, is improving. The next meeting of the East Vil-

age Social club will be held with Mrs. charles Goff, Pleasant street, Wednesday, September 25.

It is pleasant to learn that Miss Mildred Lunt has been released from the Webber hospital, where she was operated on for appendicitis, and as other complications resulted from this operation she has been confined at the hospital for several weeks. has been able to get as far as the pleasant summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Paull at Ocean Park, where Mrs. Lunt has been awaiting her convalescence It is now expected as soon as Miss Lunt is able that they will all return to Pepperell.

cial club, planning for a trip this week Wednesday through Camp Devens. has had to be postponed because of the sickness at the camp. Next Wednesday evening Prescott Grange will go to Groton for a neigh-

The outing of the East Village So-

bor's meeting and a good program is expected. Miss Elizabeth Shattuck, Nashua road, is teaching this year in Bristol, N. H. She has the fourth and fifth rades and likes the location and po-

sition very well. Mr. and Mrs. Myron Swallow, of Groton, were in town, Monday, calling on friends. The Misses Margaret and Lydia Sul-

were home over the week-end from their school teaching in Wakefield. It is understood that Amos Saun-

is the first Peppereilite to be right up to style—sick with t disease, the Spanish influenza. -sick with the new

Last week Friday evening was the time set for Shirley Grange to neigh-bor with Prescott Grange, but the activities, and was very interesting heavy rain of the evening made many and instructive. ed off. There was not as large a delegation from Shirley as had been arranged for, and five other Granges were represented, two being from New Hampshire. The following program was presented: Reading, Miss Evans, Hampshire. who also responded to an encore; song, Mr. Nash; reading and lecture talk, William B. Jubb; song. Mrs. Elsie Copp; reading. Miss Florence Flynn, with an encore. The refresh-ments consisted of ice cream, sandwiches and cookies, under the supervision of Mrs. Minnie Green.

An Enjoyable Trip.

The autoless Sunday and "What shall we do?" brought out a betting tendency and Louis Tarbell, the popular clerk in A. A. Tarbell's store, and E. S. Grenache got to chaffing, which mrs. Lucia Parker Culium, of Lucienburg, was in town on Thursday and reports that her mother. Mrs. Winslow Parker, is much improved and that she can now do the dishes and sweep the rooms.

A very nice granite measure. the hill by the schoolhouse

by the grass awaiting the ar-of the pedestrian. e perty claim that Louis walked had "lost a leg," but we ring at the town pump put new life into a und he struggled on. After a line hundred miles or less, Louis me women of whom he inquired the a of day and the distance for where, and when a sweet voice med him that it was but a nile

aif to Tyngsboro it so encouram that he stepped off right smit Meanwhile the auto party had m detour and when at last Louis ived at Tyngsboro he found frie: here ready to succor him and and ilm the best of care. The entire ;

were ready to adjourn to Lowe where a hearty meal was enjoyed Louis makes light of the little tramp and says the bet was easily earned. Mr. Grenarhe and party willing to pay again for as much

Pomona Grange

The Middlesex-Worcester Pom Grange met on Thursday with Proceed Grange in Grange hall. to the stormy morning it was thoug that there might be a slim attendan but there was an unusually good was

audience.

The morning session was taken with business connected work of the fifth degree, and afte good dinner and social chat the m ing came to order for the following

program: Saluting the flag; welcome, Miss Ellen Miller, master of Prescott Grange; response, Charles Berry, executive committee, Groton; reading, Mrs. Noyes, Townsend, a historical legend about the town of Heath, becommittee Groton: reading other selections; song, O. M. Nash, and encore; Mr. Tuttle, of Acton, responded to the lecturer's request for two selections and recited war poems; song, "Old Glory," Grange; negro dia-lect reading, "Uncle Moses," Mrs. lect reading, "Unclé Moses," Mrs. Noyes, who responded to an encore. Col. Frank H. Pope was introduced

and spoke on the incidents connected with German, intrigue before the opening of the war, defined the principles of autocracy and democracy, practically making the first a one-man power by divine right to rule, and package to plant but one bean in a man power by divine right to rule, and hill. The package contained but ten the other the ruling of the people, by the people, for their benefit, and the spirit engendered by the two systems. He was listened to with marked attention and a rising vote of thanks, was tendered him. The audience theu

Rev. J. G. Robertson, of Acton, was asked for remarks and he told a story relative to the war. He was enter-taining and spoke feelingly for the oval Germans in this country, saying the Kaiser conquered they knew that they would be the first to suffer from his wrath. Mr. Hall, of Nashua, gave some important Grange dates and all were glad of the events he futurized. O. M. Nash sang a beautiful solo, which concluded the meet-

Union Fair Committees.

The union fair of the Methodist and Unitarian churches is progressing finey and while there may be some slight changes, the following are the committees in charge of the fair of Oc-tober 17: Miss Helen Lawrence, Mrs. Margaret Sylvester, Mrs. Jonas Andrews, Mrs. Harry Hobart, Mrs. T. F. drews, Mrs. Harry Hobart, Mrs. T. F. Graham, Mrs. Effle Robbins, supper; Rey, and Mrs. B. W. Rust, Mrs. E. D. Walker, Miss Helen M. Robbins, entertainment; Mrs. Charles Goff, Mrs. Charles W. Walker, Mrs. Charles Goff, Mrs. . Albert Yeaton, Mrs. Nathaniel Appleton, Miss Marie Jordan, children's table; Mrs. Neilie Gutterson, Mrs. David Weston, Mrs. J. Warren Wetherbee, Miss Bertha Colson, fancy table; in a most graphic and telling manner Mrs. Miss Dertha Colson, lancy diele; Mrs. Mabel Robbins, Miss Margaret Blood, Mrs. Elizabeth Heald, apron table; Mrs. Freeman B. Simmons, Mrs. Thomas H. Bailey, fruit and vegetables; Mrs. Frank A. Robbins, Mrs. Jerry M. Annis, Mrs. Emery J. Dar-Was in the right way. The speaker was listened to with much interest and John Martin, Mrs. James Dunn, Mrs. ling, Mrs. Minnie Green, miscellaneous.

Letter of Appreciation.

The following letter has been reelved by the secretary of the Special

It is with the greatest gratitude that I acknowledge the kit given me by your society before leaving Pepperell, and I can truthfully say, that out of a company of 250 men, mostly "rook-ies," I am equipped better than any other man. There are at least fifty lifferent towns represented in my company, boys coming from Northern Maine, Southern Connecticut, Boston and the East shore towns, and west as far as Buffalo, N. Y., and though I see symptoms of Red Cross gifts and private kits, I see none as complete and still as compact as the one the Special Aid society furnished me, and am proud to acknowledge that fact

I have only been here ten days, but in that time I have found good use for nearly all of the equipment. With many thanks I am

Yours sincerely,
Pyt. Russell Wright,
151st Depot Brigade, Camp Devens

Interesting Session. The Pligrim training class began its fail series of conferences on Tuesday evening with as large a class as could be expected. Dudley L. Whitmarsh nock charge of the class and the sub-ect was "The will," and began with the fundamental principle that "All consciousness is motor." Every idea consciousness is motor. consciousness is motor." Every idea is an impulse to act. This is the natural consequence of the structure of the nervous system; voluntary will is a result of a choice of acting. We often look impulsively. act impulsively—an idea has become action. If conflicting ideas present themselves you will not do the impulsive thing. A man with but one idea does the impulsive thing; a person with more than one idea will do the oluntary thing, the decision is instan aneous, but the will has chosen and

decided. The one idea person is nearly the animal, and objects appeal to the animal instincts. Mr. Whitmarsh thought that he had a glimpse of animal sourcefulness. That the animal does not use the mind to hold two or more ideas and make a similar decision with man-does not possess the self-deter-mining activity of the mind. To cultivate a voluntary will two things are necessary, knowledge and the right feeling. This last is a condition of the mind or soul in regard to things and

A little child is devoid of will. Car be cultivated? The laws of assoion have much to do with this: you or will to do a thing unless you of it, yet the will helps deterwhat things shall come before

-ling-the aiming in good will liness in the soul, as the old les, "Love begets love."

andling a child the atmosphere and envy must be eliminated the home. The parents should people with feelings of doing and love. These elements should left for the teacher to supply much responsibility has been shiffrom the home to the teacher

ten does wrong out of ignor-f how to do right, when one to do right. Here is the value wiedge, the knowing how to do luty. The end of education is in hest pleasure of doing one's The culture of the will is one most delicate of things. Do not the will of a child and ruin it, im obedience through a clean—carry it to a line if need be, wavering authority that contratively has a disastrous effect. A itself has a disastrous effect. hould be neither a despot nor yet must be taught how to yield

how to resist. In obeying others learns to obey his own reason. per himself as a pupil in the high said, "You cannot learn my les-for me," but one's will is deterned by his feelings as truly as by his

wing, feeling and willing. Get all the right feeling in our soul, and hen when a matter comes up for our hoice of action we are ready to ex-There was considerable discussion of

Thus, the summing up of will is

how to bring out the will end the duty.
Mr. Lewis cited the case of an American nurse in a hospital sho had per-

fectly attended to all the wants of a wounded German officer, and who on leaving the hospital, in his thankfulness, extended his hand, but she having done her whole duty in caring for the wounded soldier, refused to take the proffered hand.

On next Tuesday the subject will be "The development of morality."

About Town.

The hext meeting of Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will be held at the chapter house on Monday afternoon, September 23. John Paul Jones Hostesses, Mrs. Bessie F. Allenday. Hostesses, Mrs. Bessie F. Pelcher, Mrs. Julia P. Hobart.

The annual meeting of the L. B. S. of the Congregational church will be held on Thursday afternoon, September 26, in the vestry. There will be a supper in the evening at 6.30, followed. an entertainment, consisting of a tarce.

Other Pepperell matter on first

Alliance Meeting.

The L. S. C. Alliance Branch of the First Parish, Pepperell, had its Sep-tember meeting on last week Thursday at Pinecroft, the bungalow of Mrs. E. B. Heald. The morning was very cloudy and forbidding, but before noon the sun came bravely out and ladies also appeared and the business meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Green, before twelve o'clock. The announcement of the sudden death of Mrs. Otto E. Schnieder minister of the First Parish church, was received with much sorrow; also, the fact of the continued illness Mrs. Gay, whose eyes are seriously af-fected, made her absence as corres-ponding secretary most noticeable and sad. A bountiful and appetizing lunch was served by the committee in was served by the committee in charge, after the arrival of Rev. Manley B. Townsend, of Nashua, N. H.,

about one o'clock. At 2.30 the usual ritual service was conducted by the president, who then introduced Mr. Townsend as the speaker of the afternoon. He gave as the subject for thought, the theme of the day, "Carry on," drawing lessons from the great world struggle now going on, finally impressing upon his hearers their duty as church workers to con tinue to "Carry on" and thus help in-sure the continuance of the "morale" close attention, and received applause

Twenty-eight people were present, ncluding three guests from Hollis and a dear young member of the church and Sunday school of former days, from Mained Mrs. Darling, assisted and Sunday by Mrs. Bailey, rendered valuable assistance in transportation to the com-mittee in charge and all agreed that this "September day" had been a suc-

cess. The October meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Leon P. Richard son; speaker to be announced.

LITTLETON

News Items. Dr. J. D. Christie reports a few case of influenza almong adults. One case of pneumonia has developed, Napol-eon Gagnon, who lives in the Whittier house on King street, is the unfortunate victim. His symptoms on Thursday are rather favorable.

Dominic Napolitano of the South istrict rolled a few stones from a wall on his finger, resulting in a fracure and a bad laceration.

with the Arthur Whitney family in Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Kimbali have returned to their home on Russell street after spending three weeks with her mother. helped care for.

The King's Daughters will their annual reception to the elderly townspeople on Thursday, October 3, at the home of Mrs. J. M. Hartwell, King street. All who are seventy or more are invited to attend and are assured a cordial welcome. There will have no conveyance, if they will notify the transportation committee. Transportation committee—Mrs. Clarence Brown, Mrs. Charles Hartwell, Miss Katherine Kimball, Mrs. Gardner Prouty. Entertainment—Miss Hen-Prouty. Entertainment—Miss Hen-rletta Ewing, Mrs., Elmer Flagg, Miss Elizabeth W. Thacher. Ice cream and cake—Mrs. Harry Hume, Mrs. James

Nixon, Mrs. Walter Kimball, The drive for clothing which was have been held next week, has been postponed on account of influenza.

Give Children Toys That Teach.

Toys which develop the imagination ire better than intricate mechanical toys and elaborately dressed dolls Next to a ball, the very best plaything is a set of blocks, which is capable of being transformed into anything desired, from a train of cars to a pigeon house. Give a boy of five a hammer some nails and a few pieces of wood and see what he can makesults are often surprising. Children love to create, and the toy which they have made themselves will give a more lasting pleasure than the usual elaborate plaything bought ready-made.

Cannot Grow Coffee in Europe. Attempts were made by the Dutch to introduce coffee cultivation in Europe, but without success, as the climatic conditions were not favorable. A number of plants were raised in the hothouses of the botanical gardens at Amsterdam, and the mayor of that city sent some of these plants as a present to King Louis XIV of France, who had them cared for in the hothouses of the "Jardine des Plants" in Paris, where they yielded several crops.

Where Diamonds Come From

In the great diamond fields of South Africa the stones are found in what are called "pipes," round or oval stems of a peculiar sort of rock, several acres in extent at the top and running down to unknown depths. Near the surface this rock, rich in fron, is disintegrated by exposure to the weather and assumes a yellowish color. The precious gems are readily extracted from the friable rock.

Eggs of Reptiles.

Reptiles' eggs are not very attractive objects. In the case of crocodiles and many kinds of tortoises, they are pale-colored or white and resemble those of birds in

OME PENALTY FOR SPIES. fate of Titus, alias Chattion, the associate of Boy-Ed and Von Papen, who has been found in the uniform of a lieutenant of the United States army. It is perfectly plain why he enlisted, and only the accident of discovery prevented disaster. If he had gone to the front he would have been in a position to betray the lives of his comrades. Death is the universal punishment for a military spy, and it should be promptly inflicted in this case, if merely as a warning to others, says Philadelphia Ledger. The magnitude of the peril is again illustrated by the arrest in Atlantic City of a German posing as a Belgian, for the purpose of obtaining in confidence information of value to the enemy. This man is charged with having in his possession maps of Atlantic harbors, sketches of munition plants and a set of marine regulations. If the U-bonts in American waters have been aided by spies on shore, this is precisely the kind of activity to expect. Another allen enemy has been arrest ed in St. Louis who had in his possession a map of the United States with the principal railway bridges marked in red ink. The quickest way to check this method of attack from within is to make death the certain penulty of detection.

there is no war-time meaning in thrift which does not increase the indus trial power at the command of the nation, we shall be in less danger of overlooking the fact that there are conditions in which thrift may defeat its essential purpose. There has been too much of a tendency to regard every dollar saved as an addition to the war resources of the nation, says New Republic. It is true now, as it was true before the war, that much of our working class lacks the means to provide the food, clothing and house room essential for full industrial efficiency. To induce the worker who is already inadequately supplied to cut down the consumption of his family and himself is of doubtful service to the nation. For employers to compel underpaid workers to contribute to government loans is to add despotism to unreason. Thrift at the expense of industrial power represents a sacrifice of the end to the means.

If we keep constantly in mind that

Russian peasants are wise. They will only accept American bank notes in payment for their wheat, says the Fort Worth Record. German buyers are purchasing large quantities of United States notes for shipment to Austria by way of Switzerland to be. used for the purchase o. this year's wheat crops from the Ukraine. Russian peasants know the difference between the central empire's counterfeit money and the real money of the United States. They were betrayed by Lenine and Trotzky into the clutches of the military autocrats of middle Europe, but they are shrewd traders and they demand American Hon. F. A. Patch and sister, Miss money in payment for their products Ewings, hope to spend the week-end before these products pass into the hands of the Prussian overlords.

> American silver dollars now have been transformed into rupees of British India, and other small coins, used to pay Indian soldiers. In exchange, the United States government has obtained a quantity of rupee credit or foreign exchange for use of importers in paying their debts in India. About 62,000,000 silver dollars now have been melted into bullion under a recent silver bill, according ury report, and most of this has been shipped to India.

The man who just loves to work doesn't deserve much credit. It is the boy who knows it is lovelier to fish or sail or snooze in a hammock, but sticks to the job through the heat and turden of the day that we love.

A captured Hun aviator who bombed hospital says he couldn't see the Red Cross sign. The commander of the sub who sank the Lusitania probably couldn't hear the bables cry.

Some men are honest because they are honest, and some men are honest for fear of the law. The first class frequently have to wait till the hereafter for their dividends.

Ecuador has a tree producing berries that can be used as soap. The saponaceous supply is limited and rising in price-can't we have a little soap tree in the home?

Dairymen are trying to find an American name for limburger cheese. After that we hope they'll try to find an American smell for it, too.

affairs for the millennium, we are just beginning to fight. The worst thing that can be said about any man is that he's a good

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they swing from the yards and masts

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