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News Items

All places of business will be open in Thursday afternoon and Friday evening and will be closed all day Saturday, April 19.

Dana Merrill was at his home on Oak hill with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Merrill, over the week-end. He has been connected with the Bureau of Markets in Washington, D. C. Juniog the winter, but was recently during the winter, but was recently transferred to Boston as manager of the office there.

Mrs. Annette Drew, who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Bennett, High street, during most of the winter, has been in ill health for some weeks past, and on Monday, ac-companied by a nurse, who came here from Maine to assist in caring for her returned to her old home in Alfred,

Mrs. Fred Hartwell, who has been out of health for a few weeks, was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, Monday, for treatment and observa-tion. Miss Helen Hartwell, who came home from her school in Ashburnham to assist her mother, and Mrs. Doris Hartwell Bell were at the hospital on Wednesday to see their mother, and found her quite comfortable.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Shattuck, who have been staying with Mrs. Shattuck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stone, in North Pepperell, while the mill has been shut down, returned to their home on Tucker street, Wednesday. Mrs. Shattuck has retery to the street of the stree day. Mr. Shattuck has been assisting Mr. Stone on the White place.

Mrs. Hilding Ebbeson and two children have been staying with relatives of her late husband in Peterboro, N. H., for the past ten days, but are expected here the last of the week to take up their residence in their new rooms on Townsend street.

Chaplain Boynton Merrill, of the U. S. S. Pennsylvania, has been from as far south as the Island of Trinidad, off South America, but is now on his way to northern ports of the United States it is expected.

Mrs. Lucy O'Brien, accompanied by ner daughter, came from Roxbury last week, called here to her former home by the illness and subsequent death of her sister, Mrs. Margaret Breen.

Mrs. Carrie Pitman, who has been staying with her mother, Mrs. Elkins, Brookline street, since her illness last winter, has now gone to Harvard for a few weeks.

Mrs. Frank Kennedy entertained over the week-end at her home at Pinehurst, Orrin Savage, of Boston; Milton Theller, of Burlingame, Cal.; Miss Doris Smiht, of Hollis, and the Misses Helen Hayes and Doris Durant of this town. Frank Kennedy, who has been in

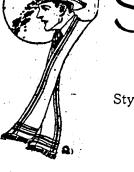
New York on a business trip, is expected home on Saturday.

Leslie Parker made a flying trip home this week, coming from Boston on Tuesday night, and returning on Wednesday morning.

George G. Tarbell has been in attendance this week from Mondar to Thursday upon the 53d annual en-campment of the state department. G. A. R., at Faneuil hall, Boston.

James Dunn has been acting as a member of the jury at the special session of the Superior court at Lowell on the case of the alleged murder of

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ouis Soulis by Francisco Faci in Billerica last October. Although he has been allowed no communication with the family, it is expected the trial may end this week and the jury be dismissed to return home.

Ralph E. Shattuck is out with a new six-cylinder Buick roadster.

The regular meeting of the Pepperell branch, American Red Cross, was held at the rooms on Wednesday af-ternoon. The garments for the ref-ugees did not arrive from headquarters and the work of the afternoon was on property bags for the base hospital at Camp Devens, and knitting on children's stockings and sweater A quantity of yarn has been received for this purpose and will be on hand for the meeting on next week Wednesday afternoon at the Red Cross ooms.

Mrs. M. E. Letender has returne home from Leominster, where she has been making an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Nye, and family,

Miss Carrie Shattuck spent her va cation from her school duties at her home in town, returning to Winthrop Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hobart went to Hudson Sunday to attend church and hear their former pastor, Rev. D. R.

Miss Ruth Hagstrom, who is spending a few months with her aunt. Mrs Frank Kennedy, at Pinehurst, motored to Wakefield and Boston on Sunday as the guest of the Misses Lydia and Gertrude Sullivan, who returned to their school duties at Wakefield after a week's vacation. Messrs. Savage and Theller accomannied them. Mis-Ruth visited Miss. Walton, returning on Monday.

Mrs. Edith Chase has returned to her home on Willow Treet, from Hudson, where she has been assisting Mrs

Miss Gladys Williams came from her duties in Fitchburg for a weekend stay at the home of her parents on Park street.

The selectmen have appointed Per-ley J. Dexter, of Nashua, N. H., chief of police to January 1, 1920. Mr. Dexter is at present on the police force in Nashua, where he has served for about four years, and comes to his new position well recommended. He is a young man of about thirty years and will probably take up his residence here in Pepperell with his family, which consists of a wife and

A double birthday anniversary occurred at the Blood homestead on Oak Mrs. E. H. N. Blood and her son, Edmund S. Blood, having the same natal day. There was a quiet family celebration with a very few of Mrs. Blood's oldest friends, making up a supper party of fourteen. Among the other viands were two birthday cakes, presented to Mrs. Blood and her son, which were first admired, and then served to the guests. A very pleasant social evening was passed.

It is understood that Landlord Graham is making plans to open the New Prescott hotel as soon as a few minor repairs are made and proper

Mrs. Frank Ryan, of Oak hill, is a very little more comfortable at last reports after her goent stack of incipient appendicitis. 🗫

Mrs. M. E. Reed and daughter, Mrs. Leslie Reed, returned the first of the week from a few days' visit with Walter Reed and finily in Dorchester and also in loston. They were brought home to Mr. Reed by auto He is now working on a large contract of road construction in Peabody, and somewhat expense to move there or to

Mrs. Leslie its of supplied for the district nurse have in town, Friday, in the absence of the latter for the day, Mrs. Laura F Ser is taking a much needed rest at home on Townsend Emma Taylor, wh has been stayed, with her sisters, the ring for Mrs. N. E. i**ng her** plass 🦠 Merrill.

Mr. and Mrs. worge F. Martin -pent the week-end return on Monday took back the little daughter. Frances, who has been staying with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. George Shaw

Miss Hazel Some came from Worcester for a work-end stay at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Soule.

Raymond Paul spent Sunday in town, the guest of Miss Mildred Lunt. He is now at the submarine station in New Londor Conn., where he has the position of first-class yeoman, and farm. I farm. man. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Paull came by auto from Winchendon during the war and w afternoon, making a short stay in Laurel afternoon, making a short stay in Laurer town, and taking their son back with caused them, Miss Lunt being on her way to for some Topsfield and Raymond Pauli on his marks on way back to his duties,

A letter received from Charles F. Parker, last Saturday, states that he he was go is recovering from his attack of pneumonia and has been transferred from which he hospital at Coblenz to Beaumont, years 1

and the exceedingly good care he has treaster, of course, depends upon the quickness of his recovery, whether he is sent home invalided or sent back his company on the German border.

Dr. N. S. Wood and George H. Du-Paw were the successful fishermen last week somewhere over the New Hampshire line, as they returned home bringing several brook trout the largest one belonging to Dr. Wood, measuring 16% inches and weighing 11% pounds. Mr. DuPaw weighing 1% pounds. Mr. DuPaw also had one measuring 10% inches, and both were fine specimens.

Mrs. Mary A. Thaver visited old friends and neighbors in town last week from Rochester, N. H., where she is now keeping house for her son William Thayer, station agent there

Leon Whitcomb and family moved on Monday to the bungalow on the Henderson place, Bancroft street where Mr. Whitcomb now has the position of foreman. Mrs. Hilding Ebbeson, who has been occupying the cottage since the death of her hus band, will reside in town for the pres-ent, having taken rooms in the upper tenement of Charles Parker's house on Townsend street,

Street Commissioner Blood commenced work on the roads on Monday with several teams, harrowing, smoothing and scraping. Notwith-standing the mild winter the roads seem in worse condition than usual The newly-made gravel road toward Groton stood the frost well, with the exception of the two sags near the Goodnough place and just beyond the junction of River and Elm streets. both of these places being rutted and muddy. However, the road compares very favorably with the Dunstable and Brookline roads, while it far surpasses the Townsend road, where the road from the Page farm to the Walker place, is to be avoided if posstile, being of considerable depth of muddiness, very much covering the street, so there is no escape but to wallow through. A few drying days and then something will be done upon it and no doubt improve matters

Special Aid Notes.

On Wednesday afternoon quite a large party went to Camp Devens to visit the base hospital as usual. The party included besides Mr. Hamilton, Mrs. John Attridge and her sister, Miss Mary Sliney, who is at present her guest, Mrs. John Martin, Mrs. W. F. Dennen, Mrs. William O'Neal of New York, a guest of Mrs. William Dor-sheimer Tarbell street Mrs. R. H. A. William Deware and Miss Lillian and Miss Ruth Walker as en tertainers.

The party were a bit disappointed.

as they were met with the new

established since the in-coming of so many new inmates at the hospital, that only two general visitors are to be allowed each day in any one ward of the hospital, and all sweets must be left with officials, to be distributed at their discretion. As the Specia Ald society had been assigned three wards, two representatives will still be allowed to visit them each Wed-nesday with fruit and smokes. Misses Walker and Dunton, as soloists and accompanist were given en-thusiastic welcome by the convales-cents. Those who accompanied them noted with surprise how admirably adapted the lug, energy wards seemed to be for conveying the voice, as Miss Walker's vice never seemed more clear or powerful. The young ladies after their visit at the hospital, entertained the convalescent soldiers, who were writh a or amousing themselves at the Re. Cross he se in the camp grounds

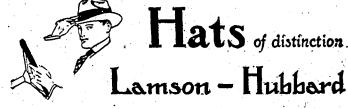
On Saturday it is expected that ten more convides onts will be entertained by the Special Vid committee at the Homes'ea

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WESTFORD

Misses Sarah, Lillian and May At-wood returned last week Friday from a pleasant winter spent in Florida.

Charles H. Pickering has been appointed inspector of water faucets in town and has been attending to this duty this week.

The Arthur E. Days should have been added to the group of Westford people who attended the Symphony orchestra concert in Lowell on last week Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Freda Stiles Prescott and baby, Lowell, are spending a fortnight with her parents in this village.

Help was called Tuesday for a grass on land between Minot's Corner and Arthur E. Wilson's.

the Congregational church on Sunday There is no hard work connected will be "Riding in triumph," and at evening service "The boys come marching home." Preparations are under way for the social and support later in the month, Mrs. S. B. Watson, chairman.

The coming Victory fifth liberty loan for Westford will be in charge of the state guard company, Capt. Charles W. Robinson, chairman. This includes in its membership many of the experienced war drive campaigners in town and a good response with corresponding good result is confidently hoped for.

Walter L Cutter, recently returned from overseas duty and recently re-ceiving his discharge from the service, has been in town this week, visiting his children.

Private Wesley Hawkes, Jr., Company B, 101st Engineers, who recently returned from overseas on the Mt. Vernon, and is at Camp Devens for demobilization, enjoyed a visit from his Westford and Melrose kinspeople Sunday, and on Wednesday he, with two soldier comrades, were visitors at the home of his aunt, Mrs. A. W. Hartford. Wesley is in splendid health recurd as a soldier. He enlisted on his eighteenth birthday, and on his nineteenth birthday had orders to go "over the top," and has seen much active service on the fighting line.

Mrs. Alice M. Wells' two little sons Huntington and Richard, have been spending some time with Mrs. Wells' sister, Mrs. Frank Bailey, in West

About Town.

Daniel H. Sheehan, who has been sawing lumber in Maine all winter, has returned to his farm in Westford, just in time for his usual large

as a matter of "help the cause along," received second prize, the corn testing for germination 96.6%, which was stightly above the average germination test. The ten-ear exhibit and over nine inches long, and purely as Mrs. M. F over nine inches long, and purely as a show exhibit, the Old Oaken Bucket E. W. Cottle, who have spent the winreceived second third prize. that as a believer in raising more corn we were contributors to stimu-late enthusiasm and whether we rein the immaterial class.

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The members of the football to a and and loving son and are planning a minstrel show to the funeral was held on Satisfies morning at nine o'clock given during Easter week. evening a rehearsal was held at the Mary's church, Ayer. He was home of W. (*) Precious.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Hara are rethe birth of a daughter born Tuesday,

John O'Neil, who is attached to the Medical Corps, is expected home soon A cablegram received by his parents stated that he was on his way,

Mrs. Louisa Coley left here Tuesday to spend a few hours with Mrs. Arthur Blodgett, of Medford, before sailing for England, where she will reside with her uncle permanently.

Mrs. Joseph Mason, of Lowell, spent Sunday with her sister, Mis Emily Catchpole,

Interesting Letter.

The following letter, giving an interesting insight into the life led by army, was written to Patrick Elliott, Forge Village, by his brother, James Elliott, of the same place, from Doug las, Ariz., where he is stationed with the 1st U. S. Cavalry. Another broth-er, Matthew Elliott, has just arrived from overseas with the 26th. The let

ter is dated March 29: I am at the soldiers' club tonight and it is a very lively place. Most of the boys are playing pool, some are playing cards, others checkers, a few are writing letters and one lively fel-low is ragging the plano. Soldiering is great! If any of the boys at home re thinking of joining the army tell them that the cavalry is the only branch to enlist in, and then tell them to try to get in the 1st. It is the pride of the army and a nicer bunch of boys would be hard to find. I am proud to be one of them and hear the people ommend us on our good conduct and

now I get along very well, consider-ing all the antics we are put through. We are taught to ride lying on our backs with head to the rear and horse galloping, vaulting to and fro from the saddle at a gallop, and standing on the horse's back at a fast pace. One of the tricks we have learned is picking up something from the ground while we are at a terrific gallop, and by the time I get through I will be some acrobat. We have two hours of the work five days of the week.

Saturday is inspection day; that means that all our equipment must be make the day of the second start of the second start

spick and span, so we spend Friday afternoon cleaning our saddles, bridles, horses and clothes. The lieutenants are very particular about our clothes, in fact we spend most of our time grooming ourselves.

I share a tent with six boys. Three are from Indiana, one from North Dakota and the other from Illinois, so you see we come from all parts of the country.

Most of the people around here are

"greasers." but Douglas is a lively town. There is dancing every even-ing at many places, but I usually spend mine at the soldiers' club or go to the movies in town. It seem strange to me that the weather is s warm at this time of the year. I have been used to frost and ice and it makes it seem like summer here. In-stead of March. We keep cool with ice cream and pop, and sit in the shade whenever possible. Nevertheless I wish we had several degrees of old Forge Village's cold down here.

About Christmas time I was home sick, but I have never had the blues because there is always something going on to divert my mind when I get thinking of home and I get along bet at Amherst to test germination, the average germination was 96%. The Old Oaken Bucket farm who arrests. ter than I expected. Most of the men I hope and expect to be discharged soon and so we will probably meet again in the near future. Jim.

HARVARD

and prize, and popcorn well, we are satisfied toak hill, "The Crossways," Tuesday, for the summer.

The Cutting family, from Lowell, the content of the are to move onto the Amesbury farm Edna, the youngest daughter of Lincon Main street.

The town teams have been hauling united in marriage by Rev. Edward gravel from the John H. Decator farm A. McArthur. The bride, who is a in numbers steadily since its organiza-onto the surplus mud on the Lowell graduate of Colby college and Farming a short time ago, nineteen atonto the surplus mud on the Lowell graduate of Colby college and Farmanda.

A class of five was initiated at the last meeting of the Grange. Deputy Smith, of Barre, was present and advised and congratulated. The next meeting, April 17, the bits beginner will be administered, the first barred process will be administered, the first barred process of 1917. They will make the first barred process will be administered, the first barred process will be administered, the first barred process will be administered. The first barrish Branch Alliance and Mrs. Coddington. Owing to special holy week services at the Community club room, Mrs. G. meeting, Thursday evening, April 11, college, class of 1917. They will make the first barred process will be administered, the from the first barred process will be administered. The first barrish Branch Alliance, and Mrs. Coddington. Owing to special holy week services at the Community club room, Mrs. G. meeting, Thursday evening, April 21, at 7,30, with Mrs. a good atten ance. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. M. J. Johnson, of Boston, E. Associate A lance meeting in Hing-

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Albert Mominy returned from overseas to Camp Devens, Saturday, and is now enjoying a visit with his parents here.

Mark's church, Ayer. He was to sing alleys. The house now occupied spires the reader, it is born of the author, who heart and soil of the author, who heart and soil of the author, who feels the great forces of life surging about hum, and writes with prophetic fret, Mr. Essellonis states, will not be changed for the present. The father, mother and grandmother, also, Mutt and Jeff and Pathé News. ceeds the present valuation.

A vote of thanks was given Mr. Goodheart. Refreshments were servents here.

Church Notes.

Palm Sunday will be observed with appropriate exercises on Sunday. At the Unitarian church Rev. John D. Reid, of Salem, will preach. Miss Elvira Scorgie will sing "Palm Elvira Scorgie will sing "Palm branches." Church school at twelve o'clock.

At the Congregational church Rev. F. C. Kattner will conduct the morning service. Miss Josephine Baker will sing an Easter song and Mr. West will sing "The palms." Sunday school at twelve o'clock.

On Sunday ofternoon first annual personal canvass of the church and parish to secure the pledges for the running expenses of the church. No one will be intentionally overlooked and the men are looking for an "over the top" result.

At seven o'clock in the evening the Men's club will hold their supper, and at eight o'clock the result of their canvass will be reported. If the church is worth anything to you as a citizen show your appreciation of the fact by helping as you are blessed.

On Friday evening, April 17, the ladies of the Unitarian church will hold their last social of the season. There will be suppers at six and seven o'clock, and at eight o'clock an entertainment, consisting of a farce, "No man wanted," with Miss Anna Scorgie, Josephine Baker and Lillian Cleaves as the cast. There will also be an apron sale from four to eight o'clock. Candy will also be on sale during the evening. Miss Madeline Russell has charge of the supper and Mrs. George Gale the entertainment.

Woman's Club.

The bi-monthly meeting of the Woman's club was held on the even-ing of April 7, instead of in the afteroon, as is the custom, and was open to the public. After the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by the audience, accompanied by Miss Helen E. Stone, and the playing of a piano duet by Miss Stone and Mrs. William C. Haskell, the speaker of the evening, Lieut, George W. Forrester, of Clinton, was introduced. Lieut, For-rester has recently returned from active service on the fighting front, and as instructor in the training camp. He described in detail the different types of flying machines used in the war, and how the men were trained to use them, and related some f his experiences. The speaker showed a remarkable knowledge of his subject. In closing he thanked the people for what they had done in supporting the men over there, and told of the inspiriting effect that the news that the third liberty loan had been over subscribed produced on the aviators. The meeting closed with the singing of "The battle hymn of the republic"

SHIRLEY

News Items.

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age. week Friday, fell from a swing and morning.
broke his right arm. This is the second break of his right arm in the day for disposition. Inspector Godsame place within a year.

The Board of Health has appointlanghtering.

Mrs. Howard A. Bridgman, Brookline, and family, arrived at their summer home on Tuesday. Albert Adams and Misses Florence

and Mary Adams arrived on Tuesday at their home at the Center, having spent the winter in Melrose. Mrs. Marshall, who has been for

some time past with her son, Murray Marshall, in Washington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Peabody, Harvard think he was a fit subject for restraint road. Miss Leona Lee, of Someron account of his mental condition so road. Miss Leona Lee, of Somer-ville, is also visiting her aunt, Mrs. the judge revised his original contin-Peabody.

William A. J. Daley, a former well-known resident, is seriously ill at meetings, his home in Medford, his trouble bewe were contributors to stimuenthusiasm and whether we restartished a ribbon or a ring is very much in Williamstown at the hone of a ring is very much in Williamstown at the hone of affected his heart.

A quiet home wedding took place in given varicose veins, which have in writing with varicose veins, which have in Mr. and M. A "welcome home" flag is soaring, fant soon have

bandstand, being placed in position last Saturday by the selectmen.

The Woman's Bible class has grown

101st Engineers, arrived home on the Red Cross. A nominating committee Mt. Vernon after eighteen mouths of of three were hosen to report at the Mt. Vernon after eighteen months of of three were hosen to report at the oversens duty in the 26th Division and the meeting, which will be the accordance to the detection of which the detection of which mow enjoying a three-days' fur such much meeting, which will be the a mow enjoying a three-days' fur such much meeting, the date of which the home of his parents, Mr and Wednesday, April 23. According is John Desmond, of the Shooly custom the annual meeting will be Private William Hutch, a form-hell in the First Parlsh church at officer at the Industrial sets of the first parlsh church at the meeting will be a form-hell in the First Parlsh church at the Industrial sets of the first parlsh church at the is now enjoying a three-days' fur such

Mrs. C. R. White will hold her usu C coing class on Saturday afternoon total Fellows' hall. Special holy week services will be-

and seven in the evening.

services during the week at anday, "Moster or slave Tuesday, "Enemies in dis-Wednesday, "The value of Thursday, "The preciousness Friday, "The symbol of Easter Sunday morning : Christ incident or accident incoevening, "A look ahead orgent and cordial invitation

tended to all. ark Essiglionis has bought from M Sanderson, of Littleton, the bedenty on Mill street, next to the decities Cash Market, consisting of the dwelling houses, with the inten-of building a new block to be the the dwelling houses, with the mean management those of the other articles. A good live Mr. Essiellonis in the near meyor returns type of readers. True Household Furniture:

The Real Estate is of the sort that has a messare that grips and holds and in sale—Two-tenement Household Furniture. The house now occupied

The Brotherhood of the Congregaonal church held ing on Tuesday 🐃 vestry, the president presiding. At the Elmer H. Allen to close of a brief nolease sesnieud discussed under 1300 direction Eugene N. Livermore However, the special feature of the evening was However, the practical talk by Dana B. Somes, of Boston, who served in the Y. M. C. A. in France for over a year. Mr. Somer gave his experiences in the war zone in a manner that held the close at-tention of his audience, citing many humorous and unique situations. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served and a social hour enjoy-ed. The next meeting will be held at the home of Sergt. Coddington.

Mrs. Charles W. Marshall has sold her Hudson sedan and has replaced it with a seven-passenger Hudson limou-sine, and expects its delivery any day Percy Crane, of Littleton, has again been engaged as chauffeur for the coming season,

reopen the church on Easter Sunday morning for services at eleven o'clock with a supply pastor. Miss Cathryn Murnane, the public health nurse, is now boarding at the

The Universalist church society wil

Brookside. Mrs. Woodhead (McMillan) and daughter, of Hopedale, was in town visiting friends last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen, wh

ton, where they have spent the win-ter, are expected to arrive at their home in Shirley the latter part of this Mrs. Percy Gale and baby is spend

nave been at Hotel Brunswick, Bos

ing a few days with friends in Needham, Private Avery G. Rafuse, who arriv

ed last week at Camp Devens with the 26th Division, is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Napoleon Hunt. The committee organized to make plans for a reception and welcome to returning soldiers or others in the service, held a meeting on Wednesday evening in the Church street school-Clinton, was introduced. Lieut. Forrester has recently returned from
France, where he was sixteen months
in the aviation section of the Signal
Service, and where he was engaged in
active service on the fighting front,
active service on the fighting front, nothing definite was decided. It was voted that the selectmen be members ex-officio of all committees. The meet-

The following was taken from the

ing then adjourned to meet again on

Wednesday evening April 23, or at the call of the chairman.

Fitchburg Sentinel, Tuesday: Herbert G. Farnsworth, of Shirley who was characterized as a "high grade crook" in police court, Monday, in Flichburg, was sentenced to the Concord reformatory by Judge Gal-lagher for uttering a forged check on Morrill Brothers, last week Monday Farnsworth was captured by Inspec tor Godley as he was about to board : Wews Items.

William E. Gilmartin, five years of a worthless check for \$20 and pleadige, while playing in his yard last ed sixity in police court the following

morning.
The case was continued until Tuesley told the court that Farnsworth has been in court in Ayer charged Lester G. Holden inspector of with being a stubborn child, assault and battery on his own father and also for uttering a forged check. He has also been at Waverley and Judge Gallagher continued the case until next Monday in order to have City Physician Donovan examine him.

Dr. Donovan examined Farnsworth and then got in touch with Supt. Fernald of the Waverley Institution and was informed that Farnsworth was a "high grade crook," being almost normal mentally. He did not uance and sentenced Farnsworth to Concord on Tuesday, attending no on Tuesday, attending

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Slade and in-A "welcome home" flag is soaring fant son have taken a room at the Slade is a Y. M. C. A. secretary at Camp Devens.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen are expected to acrive at their home the latter part of this week

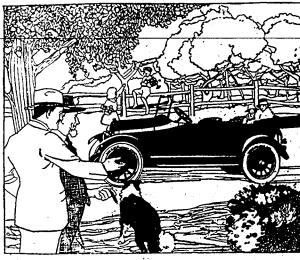
E. Associate A liance meeting in Hingham on April 17. A committee, Mrs. A. W. Linderberg, chairman, was chosen to investigate the matter of the Alliance doing visiting at the base hospital under the auspices of the hell in the First Parish church at the

the officer at the Industrial school, the school of the second on the Mt. Vernon and the Albre address was given by Review to Camp Devens.

Mrs. (19) White will hold her used the school of the schoo . In defining the word culture speaker said that a person might imformed, might be able to Special holy week services will be well at a great many subjects, must be depended April 13-20, inclusive, in the Constructional church—a week of irresponsible in walking encyclopedia and year of and inspiration. The chief is a cultured person in the true in the last week of our of the will be explained and practices of the extent of his reaction to all the extent of the extent of his reaction to all the extent of the extent of his reaction to all the extent of the extent of influences of life. A cultured person has a mind open and sisting of Carriages, Buggles, Gigs, we decorated the extent of the best in nature, artificially the extent of the extent of the best in nature, artificially the extent of well or a great many subjects, mich

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the reader, It is born of the



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PERLEY BEARD. Harvard, Mass., April 8, 1919.

NOTICE

BOARD OF HEALTH Westford, Mass

Westford, Mass.

The Board of Health has appointed the public health nurse. Miss Agnes Wier, R. N., agent and secretary of the board. Physicians and householders must send all communications and notices direct to her. An office has been established at the selectmen's room in the town house for consultation. Office hours every week day except holidars at \$ to \$30 o'clock a. m. and 1 to 2 o'clock p. m. Telephone 41-3. Mothers and children are especially invited.

OSCAR R. SPALDIMA

OSCAR'R, SPALDING, SHERMAN H, FLETCHER, FRANK L, FURBUSH, Board of Health.

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Whereas, at a meeting of the Couny Commissioners for said Count Cambridge on the first Tuesday of January A.D. 1919

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Groton, praying for the relocation and specific regains of Pleasant Street, and the road known as Farmer's Row, also the continuation of said Farmer's Row past the district school and past the residence of James F. Culver, to the Ayer town line, it was adjudged that said relocation and specific repairs are of common convenience and neces

Said Commissioners therefore give notice that they will meet at Town Hall in Greton on the fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1919, at 11.30 of the lock in the forenoon, to relocate and direct specific repairs accordingly.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM April 4, 1919. A true copy. Attest, ALBERT A. FILLEBROWN,

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he ed to people or duties it icksmith Shop, Lumber, Shafts but if we have my kims, Spokes, Patterns, Bolts and Findware; a new Witte 3,h, p. Gaso-· · Engine; a nearly new two-horse in panionship and the characters of a solom built Market Wagon; Used a period of history. We is veles, Bicycle Repairs and Sunlay to day and the cost Carriage Cloth and Trimmings; but these characters. Sowing Machine, etc.; Horse-clipping Sowing Machine, etc.; Horse-clipping

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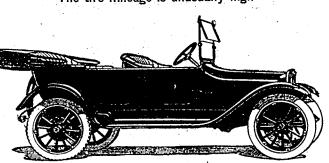
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LITTLETON

News Items

The Unitarian society is entering on campaign to put The Christian Register, their chief denominational pa-per, into every family in the parish. The paper was never so good as under the present management and editorship, and while the subscription price is high, a very low rate has been offered to the Littleton church on the sole condition that it be placed in every family in the parish.

Tomorrow is Palm Sunday observed Tomorrow is raim suniary observed in all our churches in commemoration of the triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the ushering in of Holy Week. At the Unitarian church Rev. O. J. Fairfield will take for his subject, moral courage that brings victory. Make the church a recruiting station and a training camp in response to the new call being sent out to have people band together to love God by serving men. At your church or at the church nearest you.

The Alliance will meet to sew on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. E. Hopkins. A full attendance is desired, as sewing is promised for all.

their popular whist parties in the town hall this week Saturday night at the usual time and price.

David Millett is shingling the Congregational church.

Rev. F. W. Lambertson will take for his Sunday morning theme, "The king of life." The Thursday evening meeting, next week will be held with Mr. and Mrs. Woods at the Common. A. P. Gardner was the soloist at the

Congregational church last Sunday Miss Margaret Brown of the Wheel-

ock Kindergarten Training school, Boston, was at home last week. Nathan Hartwell of Norwell visited the N. H. Whitcomb family a few days

Misses Lucy and Emily Adams were in Newtown over Sunday.

The E. C. Jones family came back to Littleton and opened their house. The yare preparing the soil for their garden.

J. H. Remick, from overseas, arrived last week at Camp Devens and made a brief call on friends in his

Miss Miriam Conant very pleasantly entertained her Sunday school class at her home last week Friday after-noon. Games, refreshments and a little Sunday school work completed the program and the children went home happy and enthusiastic.

Again we are glad to announce to ne public the King's Daughters' fair of April 12. Place—Baptist vestry. Time—two to five o'clock. Tables that you can patronize—fancy, food, candy. parcel post, apron, ice cream and cake. There are all the attractions one can desire and as the organization is one of the most popular in town there is no question as to patron-

We repeat the Grange notice of an open meeting in the town hall the evening of April 16. This is for all in-terested people. Rev. Harry Foster terested people. Rev. Harry Foster Burns of Dorchester is to be the speaker. Probable subject, "The league of nations.". The Grange members are reminded also of teh Pomona meeting in Shirley, April 17. A splendid announced: Address of welcome, mas-

Douglas, who is very ill.

Timothy Denahy has gone away for hospital treatment.

Some of the buildings at the station have been decorated in honor of the Fitchburg Grange; vocal selections return of the Yankee Division. The Miss Alice Leahy; farce, members of troop trains have been a center of attraction. On the Boston-Camp Devise also expected for this meeting. ens road there has been an enormous amount of travel since last week Friday, thousands of handsome touring cars carrying relatives and boxes of goodies to the boys, and trucks loaded with supplies to make the home-coming memorably sweet.

Roland Fletcher has gone back to his pre-war position in Worcester. Sergt. Lester W. Griffiths has returned to his former position in Watertown. He and Mrs. Griffiths are

making their home in Cambridge. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown are

moving into their recently completed house on Great road, Nashobah dis-Corp. Edward Hagan, one of the

recent arrivals from overseas, called on Littleton friends a little while, Wednesday. He wears three service stripes for the twenty months of service. He has been wounded in the back by a shell and gassed once. is looking pretty well, and like his comrades, is glad to be back in the States again.

Mrs. A. P. Gardner went to Bellows Falls on Wednesday to attend the fueral of an aunt.

Referring to the landing of one of the transports loaded with members of the Yankee Division the first of the week, the Boston Herald of Tuesday says: "Standing at the head of Com-monwealth Pier with a four-star service banner spread, were Mr. and Mrs. Elihu G. Loomis, of Bedford, awaiting their second oldest son, Private Hubert H. Loomis, of Battery A. Mr. Loomis, who is a Boston lawyer, explained that his eldest son, Ensign Ralph L. Loomis, of the navy aviation, is still abroad. He says that the boy saw service with the British flyers and took part in bombing at Dunkirk and Loomis, commanding a flying squadron of the army aviators, has one Hun machine to his credit and is the possessor of a French war cross. Before becoming attached to the American army this young man was a fiver with French army, with which he fought for six months. He saw service at Chateau Thierry, St. Miniel and Agonne Woods," The "Mrs. Loomis" a relative mistaken for Judge Loom wife. He remains a widower.

Well Presented,

The Back-Log club play, "The adventures of Grandpa," brought out a good audience both Friday and Saturday evenings. A party of people from Townsend came to see the play one night, taking especial interest because of the presentation of the same comedy in Townsend in the near fu-The cast, made up of young people, many of whom appeared on the stage for the first time, did themrelves great credit and reflected an ah, Fla., widow of the late Charles sidered one of the finest opportuni-

B. Priest and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell. There was certainly good acting, which showed live interest and faithful attendance at rehearsals. An attractive feature of the evening was the music by Miss Rose O'Banyoun, one of the most talented of the young planists in town. The audience enthusiastically praised the entertainment, expressing their conviction that the unqualified success of the evening was due to all who had a share in the program and its preparation.

SHIRLEY

Miss Carrie G. Bradford spent the cek-end with her sister, Miss Vera

Bradford, ir. Everett. Misses Margaret and Christine Longley, of Boston, spent the week-end at the home of their mother, Mrs. M. W. Longley,

S. W. Sturgis, of Groton School, conducted the service at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon. Next Sunday Rev. Roscoe Thomas, of Groton School, will have charge of the service at 3.15,

Miss Helen Bradford, of Boston

"Kultur," a victory film, will be the attraction in the lyceum movie course on Tuesday evening. The chief actor is Gladys. Brockwell. Mutt and Jeff will provide the comedy in two acts and the News weekly will again be the curtain raiser "just as the clock strikes eight."

The Oddfellows will hold another of The Oddfellows will hold another of the Center was well attended. Another dance under the same management is to be held in the town hall on Friday vening, April 18. The proceeds of these dances, which have been held occasionally during the past year. have been given to the Red Cross auxiliary. The proceeds of the dance held last Saturday and of the one to be held on April 18, will be used to purchase a set of drums for use in the town hall.

Arthur R. Holden has accepted position as fireman at the new laundry at Camp Devens, and begins his duties

The Center schools opened on Mon day after a vacation of one week. There will be no further vacations until schools close for the summer, or June 27.

Miss Mildred Evans has returned to her school in Dedham after two weeks spent with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Comstock, a the North, have been entertaining their niece, Miss Marian Bangs, of New Hampshire, for a few days. Mrs. A. A. Adams has been spending a few days in Lunenburg with he

sister, Mrs. Hancock, At the meeting of the Grange on evening, April 15, the third and fourth degrees will be worked. harvest supper will be served under the management of a committee con-sisting of John Farrar, Miss Christine Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Freeman and William Freeman.

Albert Adams and daughters, Misses Florence and Mary, returned last week to their home on Center road

Mrs. C. E. Bradford has been spendfew days in Connecticut, where ing a few days in Connect. Mr. Bradford is employed.

The marriage of Lyman Ellsworth Snow to Miss Ruth Loring Briggs, of Brookline, is to take place on the evening of May 9 at St. Paul's church Brookline. Their engagement was anounced last November.

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange will meet with Shirley Grange on Thursday, April 17, at the town hall. The dinner committee for this meeting consists of Miss Martha Free man, Miss Vangeline Freeman, and Mrs. N. R. Graves, East of Graves. The following program is ter of Shirley Grange; response; piano solo, Mrs. Gertrude Farnsworth; Mrs. Charles H. Yapp went to Mil-ford Sunday to visit her brother "What lessons in thrift has the war

taught us?" George F. Buxton; reading. William Jubb; clarinet solo, J. E. Adams; "Should the United States adopt universal compulsory military training?" Thomas Casey, master of

HOLLIS, N. H.

Baker Co., automobile dealers, in

a ten-days' vacation at home Frank Hardy of Nashua was a

week-end visitor in town. Miss Milded French is at home from Hillsboro for her spring vaca-

Miss Ruth Goodwin was in town

There was no meeting of the Red Cross this week as all the work was finished at the Ladles' Circle last week tham and been transferred to the of-Thursday, but on Wednesday of next fine of the U.S. Stimmen Thursday, but on Wednesday of next fine of the U.S. Stimmen Thursday, but on Wednesday of next fine of the U.S. Stimmen Thursday, but on Wednesday of next fine of the U.S. Stimmen Thursday, but on Wednesday of next fine of the Russell Wright has finished his at it is a very satisfactory. At the aftern of the Russell Wright has finished his as it is a very satisfactory. week there will be the annual meeting the Custom House, Boston. and election of officers. A full attendance is desired.

present were the Misses Helen and kindness of a friend. Elizabeth Worcester, Ruth Hazard.
Elizabeth Worcester, Ruth Hazard.
Mildred French, Hazel Lougee, Evelyn
Parker, Doris Lovejoy, Agnes Turrey.
Louis Brown, Harry Bell, Milton
Wright, Ralph Muzzey, Raymond
Lovejoy, Myron Walch, Willis Spauldling and Lyring Stronds Lights
Mrs Fract fermetly connected with

Mrs Fract fermetly connected with ing and Irving Simonds. Light refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening was passed. Miss pleasant evening was passed. Miss Starke left for her home Monday af-ternoon. She is a violinist of unusual ability and played at the morning service on Sunday.

Miss Hebert, a former teacher here with her brother, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Flagg and family

over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. George Muzzey are oon to move into George H. Hardy's cottage in the center. For a number of years they have lived in Mrs. Sarah Baker's house, but had to vacate as Mrs. Baker and daughter, Mrs. Jame-

on wish to occupy the house Wellington Hardy of Arlington, Mass., has bought the Leonard Lawrence bungalow on the depot road and

two acres of land. Arthur Lund of Dunstable has nur-Leonard Lawrence on the depot road. move there soon.

days at the Worcester form Mrs. Worcester was called north by the death of her sister in Leasur

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Herely Miss Bertha Clinton and Mess Hazel Starke visited Mrs. Hard Conson. Sunday.

The Woman's clab wall meet with Mrs. Nellie C. Hardy Monday after-

The regular meeting of the W. R. C. was held Tuesday afternoon and two new members were initiated

Members of the Avaion Rebekah lodge met at the ladies parlor Wed-nesday afternoon to make their capes and caps for the parade April 16 in Nashua. Mrs. Nellie H F. Hale will act as marshal for the Hollis lodge.

The friends of Mrs. Frederick Worcester, who has a summer home here, will be sorry to hear that she is quite ill at her home in Cambridge, and wish for her a speedy recovery. Miss Clara Smith, formerly of Hol-

lls, has purchased a house in Nashua on Amherst street. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott and ittle son of Attleboro are visiting

Scott's father and mother, Dr and Mrs. George Hazard.

The town is taking care of the gypsy moth nests on the main high-

Frank Hardy of Nashua and his sister, Mrs. Grace Davis, of Keene, were in town the first of the week, getting their house ready for Mr. Muzzey and family to move into.

Burton Clement, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clement, is one of the 26th division that gets into Boston Wednesday on the Mongolia. His sister, Miss Ida Clement, will go out on the transport that meets the boat.

Mrs. George W. Hardy and Miss Bertha Clinton went to New Haven, Conn., last Wednesday to see Miss Clinton's brother, Charles Clinton, who has been a hospital patient there since last January, when he came overseas with some of the sick and wounded of the 26th division. "Charlie" enlisted in the 102d Conn. and is one of the Y. D. veterans. He was in many of the hardest fights. At St. Miniel he was gassed and since then has been in a hospital. He is suf-fering from rheumatism, but his friends found him better than they seas under the Y. M. C. A. The womfriends found him better than the expected and he hopes to be able to go to Boston for the big parade on and 35, of good character, health and personality, and willing to volunteer the second of the personality and willing to volunteer the second of the personality and willing to volunteer the second of the personality. to New York, spending the night with est type. The local branch is urged to Mrs. Flora Ord Walters and reached recruit a unit of six to ten workers, ome last week Friday night.

The whist club met on Tuesday eve the church supper in charge of the men comes on Friday night.

Mrs. Nellie Lougee is substituting in Miss Reed's room until a teacher can be found. The selectmen started out on their

luties last week Tuesday morning and are getting well over the town, Mrs. Nellie C. Hardy entertained her Sunday school class one evening

PEPPERELL

News Items.

last week.

Lawrence library will be closed the week beginning April 14 for inventory work, cleaning and repairing. Books will not be called in, but no books will

Miss Emily Whitney arrived home from a three-weeks' visit with relatives in Nashua, Monday, coming by auto, as she was not in good health. Mrs. Louise Dunton, the nurse, is

convalescing from an attack of rheu-

was read, to take effect May 1, and was accepted with regret.

Mrs. Lucy. Dow Cushing went to New York on Wednesday for a week's stay with her sister, Miss Harriett

Myron Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. John R. Shattuck has been in of cut glass and numerous useful articles. Baker Co., automobile dealers, in Boston.

Clara M. Smith has returned to her return of one of her grandsons from work at New Hampshire college after factors. Charles Parks, who enlisted from Mirnostopis Mirn, and west from the Branch The all-day mering of the Branch. France, Charles Parks, who enlisted from Minnespolis, Minn, and went across in the Harvard unit. He returned in December, and has resumed his position held before the war with brought out the usual good numbers.

L. A. Johnson on last week Thursday, brought out the usual good numbers.

Church Notes.

At the aftern of Thursday, but on Wednesday of next fice of the U.S. Shipping Board at was read by Mis-Mrs. Henry O. Shattuck was the extracts from to

endance is desired.

Mrs. George W. Hardy entertained

Tuesday, and other Pepperell friends, rence by Mrs. a party of young people Saturday for the first time since the cold weath-night in honor of her guest. Miss Hazel Starke of Melrose, Mass. Those Townsend road by auto, through the

Mrs. Pract. formerly connected with the mill bearding house moving from the Chapman house to a tenement on Bartz of th. Leighten street last fall, is now mov-ing back to the terement over the store at the corner of Main and Cross attended the where the family lived some time ago.

The Misses Mae Merriam and Adele Boynton, instructors in music at the Mt. Ida school, Newton, have beer spending a ten-days' vacation at their respective homes, returning on Wed-

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R.

have received through their regent Mrs. L. D. Cushing, an urgent invitation from Mrs. Pratt, regent of the and with his employees, and had the D. A. R. chapter, Fitchburg, to send reputation of house thoroughly hon a representative to attend a meeting orable and straight on all occasions, chased the farm lately owned by Leonard Lawrence on the depot road, trice Ford-Robertson Hale, who is held at the city hall. Saturday even known as the old Fox place, and will move there soon.

Mrs. Charles Worcester of Pomon
"The woman's hour." This is con"The woman's hour." This is con"The woman's hour." The specimental hand pay count share on the coaches, Mrs. F. Worcester, has been spending a few ties to listen to a speaker of note, and God to thee.

good addresses will-be made by other

Special Aid Notes.

The regular meeting of the Special Aid society was held at the rooms on Monday afternoon with a good at-tendance. It was voted to appoint a committee of six to visit Camp Devens this week, and also a committee of six ladies to serve the dinner for the wounded soldiers coming to the Home. stead this week Saturday. It is probable that next week, being holy week, special arrangements will be made and a large attendance is requested at their comrades.

There was the greatest profusion of

Notwithstanding the unpleasant convalescent soldiers from the base hospital were allowed to come to Popperell for the day's outing. They were conveyed in the two contents of the base has been at the funeral of one not an official or dignitary of state or country. All marked the blick actions country. weather of last Saturday eight of the conveyed in the two autos of Fred Bennett and E. S. Grenache. The ladies of the committee, Mrs. Boulia. Simons, Deware, Church and Attridge, with Mrs. Dorsheimer acting as substitute for Mrs. Dunn, served an excellent chicken dinner, with all the accessories, which was heartily appre-ciated by the young men. The fine spacious dining-room at the Homestead seems an ideal place for such a arge gathering, and by being able to be together the boys soon lose any sense of awkwardness in the home at exists between these who have much in common through their present inralid condition.

The afternoon - passed only too quickly, they were so nicely enter-tained. Music was the prominent feature, and is proving a most enjoyable one. Miss Dunton was present as beore to play and accompany the boy singers, and Miss Ruth Walker was also present on Saturday afternoon, rendering several solos, selections from light opera and musical comedy delighting her audience, many of whom are good musicians themselves. Her reception was very flattering, yet sincere, and her kindness in giving the afternoon for their amusement was appreciated by all.

Mention should be made of a letter read by Mrs. Flynn, chairman, at the Special Aid meeting on Monday from the National War Work Council, con-Clinton went from New Haven This is social work service of the high. and their names should be entered for service before April 15.

Pleasant Surprise,

A very agreeable surprise awaited Mrs. W. W. Lunt last week Friday afternoon on her return from down In her absence her house had been taken possession of by her three daughters, Mrs. N. S. Wood, Mrs. Rodman Blake and Miss Mildred Rodman Blake and must but and the spirit of surprise and mustery was in the very air. Mrs. mystery was in the very air. Mrs. Lunt was called upon to remember that the date, April 4, was her birthday anniversary, which was all the explanation offered. She was not allowed in her dining-room until the arrival of Mr. Lunt, and shortly after Dr. Wood and Mr. Blake, who came to add to the festivities planned, and join their good wishes with many other relatives and friends, from whom Mrs. Lunt had received numer-

ous remembrances, letters and cards.
After all had assembled the company was ushered into the diningroom to a charmingly arranged feast of dainties, appetizing salads, fine birthday cakes, ice cream and an make up a well appointed birthday supper. The centerpiece was a beauwell appointed birthday ive board of the District Nursing as- tiful basket of flowers amid a green sociation was held on Monday even-ing, March 31. A special meeting of the board was called for Friday even-though she remarked on its beauty ing, April 4. The resignation of Miss and thanked these who gave it, she Letitia McDonald, the district nurse, was asked to examine it. A short search revealed a half a dozen silver knives and forks cleverly concealed beneath the green, as a present from week's the daughters placining the surprise. which was as pleasant as it was un-expected. She als received articles

a banking company in Chicago. Another grandson, Lieut. Prentice Blood, is still in the aviation service, having recently been transferred from the companies. The control of the church in Hudson. There was a short business session, and a one o'clock the less session. Sunday.

Miss Sarah E. Wilson has returned to her school duties in Adams, Mass. after spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo R. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodward from Federal Hill, Milford, were Holls visitors Monday.

There were meeting from the camp in Texas to Oklahoma.

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At the aftern of session a paper Sinnie Green, on to have Mrs. Heald read week, Unitarian work. in "Zig-zagging." rence by Mrs Th Athns. Greece w so read and enjoyed by all.

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present. the time of his Mr. Gibbons was a Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham, death a conducted and starter for the from Boston, were in town the early Bay State Street Endway. He was part of this week.

Spanish war vegeta and connecte and starter for the with the 15th regiment drum corps band, as the drain major. He was most popular among his associates

and in all positions of trust,
Services were held at St. Mary's on Monday church at ten molock March 31, with soomn high mass b was carried into the church the 15th

The Bay State Street Railway was by Manager Hayes, ex-President Samondson of Local 261, and about 100 employees of the road. In-terment was in the Immaculate Conception cemetery in Lawrence, wher committal services were conducted by Rev. George Loomis, assisted by Rev. M. A. Sullivan. The bring squad from the Spanish War Veterans association were present, and as the body sank into its final resting place comrades held the flag above the lowered casket taps were sounded and a volley of three shots were fired in final salute to

flowers, in most elaborate designs and workmanship, and the largest number deceased was held. There were also about 300 spiritual offerings from the numerous friends.

Although Mr. Gibbons was never former years, during the first years of his marriage with Miss Bartz

This is the second son-in-law of Mr Bartz to pass away within two weeks About March 15 George Parker, the husband of Miss Nettie Bartz, died at his home in Greenfield of Influenza and pneumonia after a short illness. The remains were taken to his former home in Vermont for burial, where his parents reside, and where he formerly lived with his family, until last yea when he moved to Greenfield. Mr Parker survives him, with three chil dren, two sons and a daughter. She accompanied the body to Burlington, Vt., and will remain there with his parents for the present.

On Monday morning, April 7, Mrs. Margaret Breen, wife of James Breen passed away at her home on Crescent street after weeks of failing halth She has suffered from a heart trouble for some years, and her death was due to this with other complications of diseases.

The deceased was born in this town about forty-eight years ago, and was the daughter of James and Eleanor (O'Rourke) Gleason, who came here from Ireland, and lived for years on a small farm in the western part of the town. She was one of a family of nine children, only one of whom Mrs. Lucy O'Brien, of Roxbury, survives her.

Her marriage to James Breen, o this town, occurred nearly twenty-nine years ago. Her life has been marked by many hardships and much real labor, yet she always seemed to keep her courage and ambition for her children, that they should be wel lothed and educated. Her son William, having much of the ambitious spirit of his mother, was working his way through Cornell university when interrupted by the war breaking out, being drafted for service. He is now in the merchant marine and is sup-posed to be either on his way to France or already in port there. The older son. Thomas, enlisted in the beginning of the war and was sent over-seas in 1917. When he received orders to report for duty, and expected to be called across, Mrs. Breen made the prophecy that she should never see him again, which has now come true. In this last sickness, as she felt her end drawing near, her one hope was that he might arrive here so that she could see him once more, a wish that was not to be realized. Her death will be a shock to both of her boys when the news reaches them in the foreign country, as they had a manly spirit of protection of their mother

during the later years. Mrs. Breen leaves a family of nine children, besides her husband—her two older sons referred to in the birthday cakes, ice cream and an abundance of the viands which go to service: two daughters, Lizzle and make up a well appointed birthday Mary, who have cared for their mother in her last illness; three younger sons, Leo, John and Francis, school boys, and two little ones, Isabel and Raymond, the youngest but a frail little boy of eight years. Her death is a great loss to them all, especially the younger ones of the family. Breen was last known to be working him in season for him to see his wife

alive.
Funeral services were held on Wednesday morning from St. Joseph's church, with solemn mass of requiem by Rev. Fr. Barry, and burnal was in the family lat in St. Joseph's cemetory. Many beautiful floral sprays and flowers covered her casket, sent by relatives, friends and neighbors.

At the Methodist church on Sunday corning the past or will preach on the bome, "Agreelt. in prayer." ("hurch will be a meeting for loys at the chapel, and at the same hour, at the personage, a meeting for the girls will be held. The theme for evening wor-There will be special Passion Week services in the chareful of the charch

tor will deliver a liver address on words which our Master was reported to have specific or the day of the At the Cocoorse Kent, of day morrir proach. Sunday school Mr Whitning server e to vestry at the regu-Sunday seven o'c lar mer machine at 6,30, The ST " said its society meeting of A; r i 17, at two Mrs. M. M. Thursday

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Songs of Home Charles E Griffith

Saturday, April 12, 1919

GROTON

News Items. The Woman's club will hold its an-

nual children's day party at the town hall on Saturday afternoon, April 26 The entertainment is in charge of Mrs. Stephen Sabine and will consist of the photo-play, "Jack and the beanstalk." Each member brings her own children and members without a child are entitled o bring one as their guest. Those wishing tickets for more children may btain them from Miss Vickery on o before Wednesday, April 23.

The Groton Cornet band will hold concert and dance in the town hall, laster Monday evening, April 21, concert from eight till nine with dancing from nine till twelve, music by full band of 22 pieces. Refreshments will be served. All turn out and help towards the band's expenses

Miss Marguerite Leonard returned on Friday evening from Chicopee, where she has a position as teacher. Mrs. Grant Shattuck enjoyed a visit last week from her brother, Percy J. Benedict, of West Brookfield.

At a recent meeting of the Congregational church Frank D. Lewis was Shosen trustee to fill the vacancy causby the resignation of Frank H.

Palmer. Fred B. Davis, of Pepperell, who is working at Camp Devens, is moving this week into the Bancroft house, recently vacated by David Murphy.

Mrs. Addie Pierce, of Hyde Park, who was in Groton to attend the fu-neral of her mother, Mrs. Mary Shattuck, which was held on Monday, left town Wednesday morning.

For the past two weeks Mrs. Norman Beers has been a patient at Dr. Ayres' hospital.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the military whist party held in Odd Fellows' hall, Tuesday evening. There were eleven tables. The prize winners were Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Rockwood and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Durant: the consolation prizes fell to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton McKean and Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus.

Corp. Lewis M. Knapp writes that he is enjoying the change from the monotony of regular army life, and finds his course of study at the university very interesting. His present address is American School Detachment, Clermont, Ferraud, France, A. P. O. 723 P. O. 723.

Mrs. Solon R. Dodge has been suf with neuralgia for several weeks and is still under the doctor's

Mrs. Bradford Harrington was taken Tuesday to the Hoisington farm in Lunenburg, where she will receive the best of care. She has been an invalid for several months. Her condition remains about the same. During the winter she was cared for by Mrs. William Boynton on Whiting avenue.

The Community club observed Gentlemen's night Friday evening, April 4. The party was held in the gym-nasium building of the Groton School with about one hundred present. The entertainment consisted of solos and a chorus given by the teachers of the public schools, cornet solos by Mr. Call of the Groton School, musical selec-tions by the boys from Camp Devens and a farce entitled, "Is it raining," by two young ladies, Miss Alice Davis and Miss Ruth Gleason. After the entertainment dancing was enjoyed, the music was furnished by the boys from camp. A bountiful supper was served. next regular meeting of the club will be with Mrs. William Taylor on Wednesday afternoon, April 23.

been appointed chairman for Groton William Folkins, Ralph Lawrence and a committee of Groton women is and John Denahy were three of first being formed to help in this last and Groton boys to arrive at Camp Dev most important drive. Groton's quota has not yet been announced, but whatever the amount may be the spirit that ourns so brightly through the sacrifices of war will shine more brightly still in our day of thanksgiving. Let us week-end. make our homecoming sons feel that spirit; let us show them how well Gro-ton shoulders the burdens of war at home as well as on the battlefield; let us for their sakes make the Victory Loan a victory indeed for Groton pridand patriotism.

Alliance will meet in the church parlor on Thursday afternoon, April 17, at 2.39 o'clock, Mrs. Charles E. Ware, of Fitchburg, director of this Ware, of Fitchburg, director of this section, will be present.

The meeting of the current events department of the Woman's club was postponed from Tuesday to Wednesday afternoon, when a very pleasant afternoon was spent at the home of Mrs.

A delicious salad supper was served at the Unitarian church last week Thuisday evening. The entertainment which followed was greatly enjoyed by

The music section of the Woman's club will meet next Wednesday after-

oon at three delock with Mrs. Chas. The Neighborhood club met Wed-

The Neighborhood calls met Wes-resdux atternoon with Theophilus-Smith A large number were present including several guests. The after-noon was pleasant's spent in sewing and mending, there were also quotiinst menoing. There were also quotiens, readings music and sincing by Stethe members. Refreshvents were Gosserved as usual. The next needing will be held on Welnesday, April 16. Belo. with Mos. Arthur Sargent

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Mr. Miller. Shattack's narse to be a defore her death, is very to the second to Her sickness and to an ite testinal trouble.

Howard Raddin moved on Wedness day into the cottage owned by William drive one of the baker tents. Tyrrell, recently vacated by his son some fifteen years ago, was

Morning worship at the Paprist Miss church, Sunday, the subject will be Center, "The impending sacrifice, and the steadfast purpose." Evening evening

at the Congregational church. Miss Annie Jacomb left town on and one of the most indefatigable

Thursday morning for Montreal, accompanied by her nephew, Edward Jacomb. They will be away for two weeks and anticipate a pleasant visit with relatives.

The board of assessors will be in the selectmen's room every Thursday afternoon from two until five o'clock and every Thursday evening until May 15, and will be in the West Crotor schoolhouse Saturday evenings, April 26, May 3 and May 10, from six to nine o'clock to receive the tax returns.

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange will meet with the Shirley Grange on Thursday, April 17, beginning at 10.45.

There was a book social at the Grange meeting on Tuesday evening, when the titles of books were illustrated by the members in costume. Among the musical numbers were piano solos by Mrs. James Hill. The entertain-ment was in charge of Miss Edith Wright, of West Groton.

The household goods belonging to Mrs. Everett Hudson were sold at private sale on Tuesday to J. E. Adams, as she is to leave town the first of May. Ida M. Farwell, who has been with Mrs. A. B. Farwell for several weeks

returned to her home in Chiremont, N. H., Friday. Clayton Sheedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheedy, is at home on **z** vaca

Roy Culver has accepted a position in Abington. It is understood that he moved there last week.

Mrs. Frank A. Torrey, president of the Woman's club, went to Boston last week Thursday to attend the meeting of the directors of the State Federa-

Mrs. John Bradley spent the week and in Boston, visiting her daughter Ada, who will spend this week-end at her home. Mrs. Bradley's daughter Selina is expected to return Saturday from New Jersey to enjoy a week's vacation. As she has been away since Christmas her return is looked forward to with much pleasure. To make the family reunion complete William Bradley, of Melrose, will also be pres-

ent. The Misses Vickery, of Pleasan street, have recently entertained their Miss Carrie Ferguson, of

At a recent business meeting of the members of the Congregational church towas voted to hold the mid-week prayer meeting at eight o'clock instead of 7.30, during the period covered by the daylight saving plan.

Miss Josephine Smith has accepted a position at the Clinton hospital, where she went last week Monday. Miss Smith has been at Dr. Kilbourn's hospital, where she has been very

popular and will be greatly missed. Everett Hudson, of Hollis street, has purchased a provision market in Philadelphia, Pa., where he expects to move his family the first of May. The new acquaintances of the Hudson family regret to learn of this change, for they will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Charles H. Bartz, of Green field, returned to her home last Mon day after a visitwit h her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Woods.

The provisional program for the The provisional program for the union holy week services is as follows:
Tuesday evening, Rev. Mr. Bangs will be the preacher; Wednesday evening,
Rev. John B. Chaffee, of Ayer; Thursday evening, Rev. Charles B. Ames and Friday evening, Rev. G. M. Howe. These services will be held in the Congregational church.

A birthday dinner party was held at the home of Mrs. Grace Bruce last week Wednesday in honor of her sis-The Victory Loan campaign opens on April 21. Mrs. H. H. Richards has ter. Mrs. Eifle Cunningham. William Folkins, Ralph Lawrence

> Miss Irene Peabody, who teaches in Southbridge, has been enjoying a

week's vacation with her parents. Her sister, Miss Doris, was at home for the Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett are

entertaining Miss Carrie Hartt, of Reading. liev. G. M. Howe was called to

at the funeral of his friend, Algenon Beaman, who was killed in Florida, where he was spending the winter, in an automobile accident. Mrs. William B. Robinson is look

ing forward to a visit from her broth-er, Col. John Bordman, from the Philippine Islands. He is expected to arrive about the first of May and is planning to remain in the states a

Mr and Mrs Frank Patterson enjoyed a week-end visit from their son Howard, who lives in Boston.

pleasant o casion. There were no. tables.

Mrs. Charles J. Wright attended the one call of her aunt, Mrs. Jason Tolles, thich was held in Nashua on Tuesof last week.

The ladies of the Unitarian chur h planning to hold a food sale tino in May.

Miss Viola Hazard, of Wenham test week with her aunt, Mrs .. o. Main street.

t. High and son and family,

returned this week to Gre ere they will make their home "V several of the townspe men greatly disapt unted going to Lowell on Thursday after-noon to find all the stores close! This tem may prevent similar disappeant I are closed every Thursday

Miss Mildred Brown, tea son institute, Springvice, M. enjoving a vicati n ats. Mr. and Mrs. William

is understood that Albert W. erried the cower tenement of e belonging to George Wood, orner of E er and Main street house is ently vacated? s Folkins is soon to be real remodeled and will be owners, the Misses Elec-

Kitt's Denahy, William Patterson, this week, calling on friends

Miss Vangeline Freeman, of Shirles weeks' visit with her parent-

Mrs. James Lawrence sets at seven o'clock; song service and talk; subject. "The source of true strength and its expression." The midweck service on Wednesday, April 16. Morgan of New York is the official week service on Wednesday, April 16. Morgan of New York is the official will be omitted to join in union service head in Paris. Mrs. Lawrence has at the Congregational church.

workers in the Red Cross canteen, and has also been greatly interested in the work of the Devastated France committee in Boston. the language and her executive experience will be of great value to her in this new position.

luken from a French Paper. The following is taken from French paper, under the caption, "The mericans at Pontvallain":

We have received from an American officer of the 103rd regiment of field artillery, at present at Pontvallain, the following communication:

We know he writes that our troops have not ceased receiving at Pontvallain the warmest of welcomes, and he tells us on their part they have beer splendid, religious and patriotic, that by their co-operation they did not fail enhance the brightness of the occasion.

But what we must not forget, is the manifestation, which gave rise Sun-day, Lanuary 26th, the arrival of our 26th division. On our solicitation the priest was kind enough to send our paper the following address, praising

and honoring our troops:

It is, gentlemen, a warm and agreeble satisfaction to me to here greet the officers and soldiers of this great republic, which in a day of national distress, brought so spontaneously its support to the defenders of right and liberty. But if our gratitude must go with full hearts to all America, what do we not owe to this 26th division, who under the ruins of Verdun, the great martyr could by its boldness and bravery force the administration of the world. Composed of volunteers, mostly the pick of the nation, just embarked, your gallant battalions, carried away by the enthusiasm of their chiefs, precipitated themselves in battle with such a contempt of, danger, such a smiling disdain of

That our old chiefs, who kept us ceaselessly in the alert, by the sur-prises and murderous methods of this horrible war, was more than once tempted to say of them, Bravery, yes; temerity, never.

In fact, gentlemen, to see you ad vancing so fearlessly under shell and machine guns, we could think of cru-saders, launching themselves to the conquest of holy ground. Also, I am not surprised if the example of that ancient and famous legion who in other days recovered over the bodies of their heroes the Plains of Marathon; you left 25,000 strong, you return with parely, 11,000.

Since in passing you have seen our provinces systematically ravaged, our cities destroyed, our villages razed, our mills reduced to dust, our mines flooded, our cathedrals, crown fewels of our France, splendid evidences of the faith of our fathers, destroyed by the cannon, or the torch, and since housands of families appeared before you, fugitives without shelter, with-out clothes or food. You were moved by such indignities and horrors. You swore to punish the parparlans, and to wrest from them the victory.

Today, gentlemen, you have the right to contemplate with pride the deed, nobly and gloriously accomplished. The blood of young America, mingled with the old blood of France. has performed marvels, and the result of this union will be a fraternity that nothing can destroy, and now in the sight of the God to whom we pray. we love and adore, that this mutual exchange of our intercourses and our powers be a pledge, for you, of our martial ability, for us, by your example of common love of right and liberty.

In a few moments, a voice all the better understood because not so strange, will be heard, so persuasive, so eloquent is it, still there is one thing in which they cannot surpass us, that is our admiration, for your armies, and for our gratitude to your noble and glorious nation.

After this address Rev. R. Tucker.

atholic chaplain of the 26th division. responded in French.

It is with immeasureable sorrow we mention the death of Mrs. Mary (Henderson) Shattuck, widow of Gilman Shattuck, which occurred on Friday afternoon, April 4, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William F. Armstrong. Mrs. Shattuck had the misfortune two years and a half ago to fall on the steps of the town hall and break her hips. Since that time she has been confined to her bed; for weeks she was in a plaster cast, which caused her so much pain and suffering it was finally removed. She also suffered from complications of rheumatism and acute Bright's disease, which occasioned her death.

Mrs. Shattuck was known and highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and she will be tenderly and pleasantly remembered as a woman of excellent The gentlemen's military whist qualities, a sympathetic friend and party, held in Odd Fellows' hall last neighbor. Mrs. Shattuck, who was 83 week Thursday evening, was a very years, 11 months and 9 days old, was at the time of her death the oldest member of the First Parish church of

The deceased is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. George Pierce, of Hyde Park, and Mrs. William Armstrong, of Maplewood, and a son, Charles Shat-tuck, of this town. She also leaves

seven grandchildren.
The funeral was held at the Unitarior church on Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock, Rev. Charles B. Ames officiating. The bearers were George Cherce, Charles Shattuck, Melbourne erce and Gardner Rockwood. rment was in the family lot in the rot in cemetery.

A. P. P. W. Concert.

oncert will be given on Saturday ng, April 12, at eight o'clock u starian vestry. The proceeds given to the Groton branch of American Fund for French ded for a French tuberculosis at Mr. Griffith is assistant editional for the state of the state o the Silver, Burdett Publishing Roston, and is a remarkably ta-a violinist. The program is as

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Mrs. Charles B. Ames
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Groton is rejoicing over the return of our boys, who have been overseas for such a long time. The first to ar-

rive at Ayer were Capt. Daniel Need-ham, Lieut. Edward Roach and Corp.

irtillery to Sergt. Lawrence Gay of Groton of that company who killed in France in October. He was one of the most popular boys of the battery and distinguished himself in service, winning the croix de guerre Many of the mothers present had re-ceived from their own sons pictures of

the young man's grave in France. Mrs. Grant W., Shattuck and her sister, Mrs. Gage, are both on the sick list having the prevailing cold.

West Groton.

The Ladies' Aid society will give an Easter supper in Squannacook hall on Friday evening, April 18, at 6.45. Mrs. G. G. Harrington, chairman.

A little son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hill on April 2 at Dr Ayers' hospital, Groton.

Mrs. W. V. Bixby attended the funeral of her brother, Willard Rudolph, on Saturday at West Acton. The papermill is running again, which is a good thing for the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mellish visited their daughter Marian in Brookline on Thursday of last week, going from there to Watertown to visit at the home of Mr. Rundlett. They returned on Sunday. Mrs, Ernest Williams of Westbrook.

Me., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawrence. She timed her visit so as to be here when her back in Boston temporarily, one under-brother Ralph returned with the 26th stands, to paint the portrait of Senator division from overseas.

Asel Bates is home on a two weeks leave from his boat, the Aroostook. He expects to leave soon for England. Fred Barrows of Wesleyan college and his friend, Miss Frances Gibson, of New York city, visited Mr. Barows' aunt, Mrs. Joshua Bixby, on

Tuesday. Mrs. Fernald has been visiting he daughter, Mrs. George S. Webber., She

returned to Framingham on Thursday West Groton welcomes Raiph Law rence and Billy Liacos, who returned with the 26th division on Saturday last. Mr. Liacos was the first young man to enlist from Groton and Mr. Lawrence followed very soon after him. Mr. Liacos was decorated for Both young men return without injury.

Mrs. Charles, Bixby of Wellesley Hills has been visiting relatives and friends in town, She returned with her daughter Ruth on Monday,

Charles Blood, who has been in ver poor health for several weeks, is able to go out onto the porch, but not able to do any work. Mr. Blood was injured quite a long time ago and has suffered severe pain. He was taken to Fitchburg for an X-ray picture and it disclosed a broken rib, which had been causing him so much misery.

Mrs. R. H. Burgess spent Tuesday in Ayer with Mrs. F. E. Harrington and her sister, Mrs. Carrie Richards. the scout entertainment on April 21 there will be a minstrel show. Miss Wilson, of the nurses' training schools Camp Devens will give an Indian club exhibition, and Mrs. Sabine and Miss Geraldine Lawrence will play on the violin, besides

several other numbers on the pro-

Card Party. Mrs. F. E. Harrington of Ayer gave a card party on Wednesday afternoon to friends and neighbors of hers when she lived in West Groton. Mrs. Kimball of Stony Brook, Mrs. Roy of Watertown, Mrs. G. H. Bixby, Mrs. E. K. Harrington, Mrs. Oliver Hallett, Mrs. C. E. Bixby, Mrs. G. G. Harring-ton, Mrs. Andrew Blood, Mrs. W. V. Bixby, Mrs. W. F. Lane and Miss Kate Tarbell were present. After a very pleasant afternoon in playing their favorite game, five hundred, they were invited to the dining-room where a delicious supper was served. In the center of the table was a large bunch of beautiful calendulas, at each plate was a little American flag. Escalloped potato, cold ham, rolls, olives, pickles, delicious snow pudding, fancy cakes and coffee were served. During the afternoon the bell rang and Ralph Lawrence was ushered into the room. It was the first time any of the ladies had seen him since his return and he was greeted by one and all.

Letter from Turkey.

A letter was received from Miss Elsie Tarbell on last Saturday from Constantinople, dated February 17, giving an account of her trip from Rome to that city. We quest, from the

letter On Friday evening, February 7, we left Rome for Tarento, where we arrived about noon on Saturday. We tiring one. When we arrived in Ta- Easterly by land now or formerly rento it was bitter cold, and we found the Fitchburg Railroad Compt rento it was bitter cold, and we found that we could not get a boat for Saloniki until the next day. I wrote the plans were changed and we went Saloniki instead. After some

or any place to sit except in one's bare are determined by the Land Court to cold room. I shall never forget my be located as shown on a plan drawn experience in Tarento. However, all by Horace F. Tuttle, Surveyor, dated things have to end some time, and on 1910, as approved by the Court, a Sunday afternoon, about three o'clock. we sailed out of the harbor on a British transport, called the "Maple." The British admiralty said it would take Mrs. Peet and me if we did not froughing it," but there was no to subject it.

Everything was done for our comand I certainly had one glorious
I sat at the captain's table and qually altered the ship's course and see better the temple was which stands on a high rock where along the coast of Greece cenery all along the way was Bach | secutiful beyond description-snow that are told about in the bible and 1615, Page 165. Being the same prem All that are told about in the bible and lists. Page 165. Being the surface with the surface are famous in history. Most of the lises described in certificate commissioners are very, very learned and they knew what happened all along the way. Wednesday afternoon, along the way. Wednesday afternoon about three o'clock, we landed at Sald premises will be sold to unput taxes and all other charles E. Griffith finally were taken to the American consulate. Saloniki is full to over-flowing. I never saw such a mixture of nationalities; England is in control Second FarJoei di Primavera
Mrs. Charles B. Ames.
Miss. Charles B. Ames.
Ellman
Of nationalities; England is in control
of the city, but there are troops there
of all the allied nations. All the of all the allied nations. All the hotels have been burned, so there was no place for us to stay. After much Andantino
Andantino
Mrs. Stephén W. Sabine
Miss Geraldine Lawrence
Spanish Dance

Cor all the allied nations. All the Mozart
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Granados

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the British finally consented to take our party to Constantinople on a troop train leaving that evening.

The railroad between Saloniki and

Constantinople has been in operation less than two weeks (that is, it has only been working that length of time since the war finished), and the cars cedric Hodgman. Others are expected later in the week.

Although there were no members of his family present, many were the tributes given by the mothers of the boys in headquarters company of the 102d artillery to Sergi. Lawrence Gay of the serging accommodations, and so of course we sat up all night. In additional course we sat up all night. tion to a sleepless car, it was heatless waterless and very dirty. We had to take food with us sufficient for the trip. I was never so thoroughly uncomfortable in my life, but the very absence of all ordinary conveniences only made the trip more interesting in many ways, and I enjoyed it.

Much of the route lay through the

Balkan mountains, but the greater part of the scenery was most unattractive. However, everything was new and strange, and I liked it. The trip from Saloniki to Constantinople took from Thursday morning until Saturday afternoon and I was a tired girl when we arrived, having had bu little sleep for three nights.

Painting Exhibited.

A new work by Edmund C. Tar-bell, a native of West Groton, has been placed on view at the guild of Boston Artists. This is one of Mr. Tarbell's masterly productions in his highly individual manner. The sub ject is his youngest daughter, Mary. The Boston Art club is one of the finest places in the country in which to show paintings, and the present exhibition there installed—the work of the members of the Society of Water Color Painters with five invited "guests"—makes à handsome specta cle on the walls:

Mr. Tarbell, of Washington, form erly president of the guild, who is back in Boston temporarily, one under David I. Walsh, has contributed to the members' exhibition in the front room his latest picture, "Mary and the Venus." A dark-haired girl, in gray coat, sits against a background of rich, dark tapestry and under a cast of the Venus of Milo. The work is of low, quiet tone, everything in place in the gracious envelope, the arrange ment so agreeable, the color so unob-trusively sumptuous that you wonder when your eyes have ever enjoyed anything as much. Examine the stresses and suppressions and you realize what sustained effort, what discrimination and selection of em-phases went into the making of so complete a work, one not icily faut less but palpitating everywhere with a real man's artistic enthusiasm. A worthy companion this is of "A girl crocheting" and the glorious "Venetian blind" at Worcester.

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The land in said Littleton with the buildings thereon bounded and re-scribed as follows: Northerly by land had very comfortable sleeping com- now or formerly of Patrick Dorcey two partments and the journey was not a hundred sixty-six and 91/100 feet: about seven hundred and thirty-five feet; Southerly by other land of said Railroad Company, by Reedy Meadov Brook; and Westerly by land now or formerly of James McNiff and the end searching about we finally secured of a right of way about six hundred rooms in a military hotel, where there and forty-five feet. All of said boundways not the slightest speck of heat. copy of a portion of which is filed with the original certificate of title issued by the Land Court. There is appurten int to the above described land a right of way for all purposes over the land

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Something new

Much Wed Soldier Missing.

the camp authorities assert, has

For the past three weeks, during his

tal mates, they agreed to disagree af-ter being refused a divorce.

without leave one night in December,

his story runs, and while in Waltham met Miss Grace Thurston, courted her

n whirlwind fashion and married her

Then he was picked up on charges

of desertion and sent back to camp

were married. A few days later, how

ever, she accused him of having another wife and notified the police

Newberry was arrested in civiliar

clothing on a bigamy charge. Later, it was learned that he was wanted at Camp Devens for desertion and he

For a few days following his man-

employed as a cable splicer in the Boston and Maine freight yards.

While working he sustained a crush

ed finger. When he was returned to

camp he was sent to the base hospital

The camp authorities have notified the police of this town and New England cities to be on the lookout for

Newberry. He is described an medium height, slender, with a small

ng out with palms to meet Jesus."

'7.30-Evening prayer, reading of

the Gospel of the Passion (according to St. Matthew), and sermon. Music Response, "Have mercy, Lord," Stra-

della, Senorita Blanchart; offertory "The palms," Faure, Senorita Blanch-

ert Preacher, Rev. Sister Devamata

subject, "The development of the de-

Palm Sunday is observed as a chil-

dren's day. It is hoped that the parents will make an effort to have all the

children of the parish present at the morning service. They will march in

procession and assist in the distribu-

An unusually good program

been arranged at the Soldiers' club West street, during the coming week

and it is expected that the usual good attendance will be doubled. On this week Saturday Miss Dorothy Ren-

wick, interpretative dancer, will take

part in a program which consists of

many varied features. The Sunday concert will be given by Miss Marie

Nichols, concert violinist, and Mrs. Harthan, soloist of the Chicago Grand

Opera Company. The 161st Infantry band plays at the club on Monday

night. Dancers from Mrs. Wyman's

"Danceshop" in Boston present the entertainment on Tuesday night, and

on Thursday a large group from the

Boston branch of the New England

Telephone Company are coming up

from Boston with an orchestra to entertain the solthers.

A hostess has been secured for the

Enlisted Men's club in the camp dur-ing the stay of the 26th Division. The club has been filled to capacity since

men and it is expected that the same attendance will continue during the remainder of the month.

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Nows Items.

The main attractions at Page's ha next week will be as follows Sunday, Mark Macdermott and Mil-dred Manning in "Mary Jane's pa" Monday, William S. Hart in "Breed of monay, winiam B. Hart in Breed view in "Woman, woman"; Wednesday, May Alison in "In for thirty days"; Thursday, Charles Ray in "The girl dodger"; Friday, beautiful Marion Davies in "The belle of Now York"; Scaunday, Charles Waleh in "The belle of Now York"; Saturday, George Walsh in "I'll say

Every soldier in the YD division at Every soldier in the YD division at away for ten days, returned last week Camp Devens has been ordered to Friday. send his clothing to the camp laundry to be washed. A flat rate of 25 cents a week is charged. As a result of this huge proposition, that of washing for ously ill. 28,000 men, the camp laundry has discontinued its work of washing ordinance and quartermaster supplies structor of printing at the Morrill sent from the Boston depots. It is School of Mechanic Arts press in that hiring every woman laundry worker city, was in town Thursday calling on it can secure. The laundry now has friends. capacity of 40,000 pieces a day and this can be increased to 75,000 pieces by installing extra machines. Army stores are selling shoes to thousands of soldiers. The quartermaster post exchange operating in the rest billets has sold \$25,000 worth within the past few days, it is said by Capt. Richard C. Jacobs of Newton, post exchange

The next regular meeting of the Woman's club will be held April 16 at the home of Miss S. Adelaide Blood on Washington street. The subject of on Washington street. The subjethe program will be "French art" Miss Blood, chairman of the Art class, will preside. The music will be in charge of Miss Caroline C. Brown. is hoped as many members as possible will be present. A committee has been appointed to visit the Base Hosbeen appointed to visit the Base Hospital regularly carrying fruit and sweets to the patients. On Wednesday the first group went to the camp taking contributions from several club members. Mrs. Alta Hollis is chair-the first group with the first group went to the camp taking contributions from several club the fitchburg high school, entered the members. Mrs. Alta man of the committee. Mrs. Alta Hollis is chair-

Happy Jack's Thrift club reports this week fifty-three thrift and four war stamps as the sale.

The Unitarian church school had ar unusually large and pleasant party on Monday night. Supper was served at Monday night. Supper was served at 5.30 p. m. There was an entertainment of story telling and many lively and interesting games filled full the very enjoyable hours. Those in charge were the superintendent, teachers and Mrs. A. C. Perkins, the patrons of the

The Wild Rose troop of Girl Scouts met Tuesday afternoon with their captain. The special work was first aid. Several of the members will begin at the next meeting upon civics and invalid cooking in which they will work for merit badges.

The art class of the Woman's club met Tuesday evening with Miss Esther The program included current art news and a discussion of Birge Harrison's article on color. Refreshments were served.

A regular communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday evening, April 14.

Next Sunday at the Federated church at 10.30 the pastor will preach on a subject in keeping with Palm Sunday, "The service of intercession." Sunday, "The service of intercession."
At twelve the Sunday school meets.
Men's class is to be led by George L.
Osgood. The Women's class meets
at the same time. At 6.30, the Young
People's meeting is held; Dorls Dickerman, leader. At 7.30, evening worship; sermon by the pastor; subject,

"It leads a plant Sunday." "Life's coning tower," a Palm Sunday message. Thursday at 7.30 mid-week service; subject, "Passion week." Easter Sunday, morning service with reception of members. Easter concert in the evening.

Bancroft chapter of Royal Arch Masons will hold their regular conmasons will noid their regular convocation next Tuesday evening. Work—Mark Master Mason degree. It is expected that the district deputy. Fred A. Young, of Leominster, will make an informal visit at this con-

There is to be an exemplification of There is to be an exemplification of the capitular degrees for the eleventh capitular district, consisting of the chapters of Flichburg, Gardner, Clinton, Winchendon and Ayer, at Fitchburg Saturday. Bancroft chapters burg Saturday. Bancroft chapter Saturday. Bancroft chapter Saturday afternoon, April 12, at three o'clock in Lincoln hall, Fitchburg in burg, there will be a conference for the state president, Mrs. Chas. Can burg Saturday. Bancroft chapter Saturday afternoon, April 12, at three o'clock in Lincoln hall, Fitchburg, Gardner, Clinton, Winchendon and Ayer, at Fitchburg in suffragists, at which state officers, including the state president, Mrs. Chas. Chapter in the Grand Army, with their wives, friends and neighbors, gathered at his home on the Harvard road to conhome on the Harvard roa The meeting begins at one o'clock and lunch will be served after the work.

chants has made Main street very attractive. George H. Brown and Mr. Stevenson, manager of Talbot's local store, were the instigators of this plan and it has been well carried out. All of the store fronts as well as the bank building, town hall and others on Main street have been very artistically decorated with American flags and the red, white and blue colors.

F. Vern Pillman, George O. Fillereturning Sunday night.

The meeting of the W. C. T. U., the year. The program, in charge of Mrs. Minta Fay, was successfully carbriefly of her work in the home and at the base hospital among the sick and wounded soldiers. At the close of her remarks a rising vote of thanks was given her, also to the program com-mittee. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee was served by Mrs. Jennie Chaffin, Mrs. H. H. Pillman, Mrs. Maggie Robbins and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Loring A. Carman, who was operated on last week in the Me-morial hospital, Nashua, is now comher tonsils removed and an operation performed on her nose.

Miss Helen Tarbell, teacher of the fifth grade, has been absent from her duties since Wednesday because of ill-

The Mohawk Camp Fire Girls held a meeting at the home of Misses Betty and Mary Cleary, Washington street,

Wednesday evening. The first train bearing members of the famous Yankee or 26th Division, from Boston to Camp Devens, passed

visitors from all over New England and doughnuts and pies, struck the were on hand along the railroad tracks in Ayer and at the camp to welcome the boys back. The sound of all the whistles in Ayer and the number and spirit of the Ayer people must have shown the boys that we are not behind the many other towns along their route in our well wishes for them. After the first train others followed at intervals of from fifteen minutes to half an hour until late in the afternoon. It is estimated that about 5000 men came in on Saturday. All during the week trains have been coming in, and it will be well into next week be-fore the whole division will have been quartered in the camp.

George H. Brown, who has been

J. E. Bulkeley is confined to his

I. G. Dwinell has a new Dodge truck out this week. He procured it from Alfred Yates, agent, and proprietor of Yates' garage.

B. H. Tyrrell has nearly completed the building for his tire business on Park street.

At the Christian Science services on Sunday morning, at 10.30, in Turner's block, the subject will be "Are sin, disease and death real?" Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30. All are welcome.

Miss Grace Butler, who has been living at the home of H. J. Webb, Washington street, for the past three months, and who was a librarian at the base hospital, Camp Devens, has been transferred to Camp Merritt, N J. She left this week Thursday.

Ayer high school this week Monday.

The order of Eastern Star announce that they will hold a ball in the town hall on Thursday evening, April 17. Plans are perfected that will make this one of the social events of the Tickets may be secured from season. Tickets may be secu E. H. Longley, Miss Lucy Mrs. Vern Pillman and Mrs. E. O. Proctor.

Wm. M. Sargent, who has been confined to his home on Pleasant street by illness for a week or more, is reported to be in a much improved

Miss Daisy Sheldon, of Boston, is with her mother, Mrs. Elia Sheldon, Washington street, suffering from a severe nervous breakdown. Miss Sheldon's condition is due to overwork, following a long sickness with influ-enza this winter. It is expected that she will soon go to her summer home in Ashby with her mother for a period

Much credit is due to George Creamer of the Ayer Machine Tool Company and his employees for their good worl in helping to welcome the Yankee Division to Ayer and Camp Devens; also, to the railroad station agent, who arranged with the Littleton agent to notify the machine shop when the troop trains passed through Littleton. When the trains leave Littleton three blasts have been given as a signal to the townspeople for the welcome of

Mrs. Francis Loveloy attended the W. R. C. convention in Boston on Tuesday. Miss N. Mabel Vella, who is com-

pleting a year in war service, is now stationed at Newport, R. I., where she is serving as woman secretary at the Y. M. C. A., of the torpedo station, in Newport harbor. She writes that Newport is looking forward to a busy summer season with the coming of the Atlantic fleet the last of April, in time for the Atlantic fleet the last of April, in time for the Atlantic fleet the last of April, in time for the Archive for the April, in time for the Archive for the the Atlantic fleet the last of April, in chief work, however, is in religious time for the opening of the naval war college the first of May. It will be remembered that Miss Vella substituted for Mrs. Eldredge during the past summer and early fall at the veals a remarkable spiritual quality. White Ribbon House.

On Saturday afternoon, April 12, at cordially invited.

The Ayer Branch Alliance is cordially invited to attend a neighborhood plan meeting in Phillips chapel, Prospect
All street, Fitchburg, on Tuesday, April 15,
bank at three p. m. Address by the national

Thursday evening young Timothy Cleary, son of Timothy P. Cleary of Washington street, was hit by a large ouring car on Main street while riding brown, Walter Blodgett and Howard his bicycle. The boy was coming from Fletcher leave by auto this Saturday for a fishing trip to Alton Bay, N. H., and was going to cross it, but did not returning Sunday wight. see the touring car which was going down Main street and it hit him and The meeting of the W. C. T. U., held in the Baptist vestry last week Friday afternoon, was well attended. Two new names were proposed for membership. Mrs. J. W. Thomas, vice president, consented to fill the president's chair during the remainder of the year. The program in charge of the year. The program in charge of the year. The program in charge of the year. now resting comfortably at his home.

Fred Barrows, who is attending ried out, with readings and vocal and instrumental music. Mrs. Eldredge, of the White Ribbon Home, gave a very interesting talk on her work in the temperance cause, covering a period of many years. She also spoke york city. Mr. Barrows arrived home years are the temperance of the period of many years. She also spoke the period of many years and etc. York city, Mr. Barrows arrived home last week Thursday on account of the sickness of his sister. Mrs. Beers, gife, and for their presence on this of Groton, and expects to return to college next Monday.

> was Capt. John A. O'Keefe, jr., of Lynn, a member of the staff of the 51st artillery brigade headquarters, Camp R, post. The occasion was a delight-Devens. Capt. O'Keefe is a brother-ful one and long to be remembered Devens. Capt. O'Keefe is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Theodore Barry of this

Shay's crossing at Shirley street being replanked. Last fall the rail-road company took up the planking and intended to close the crossing, but the town officials objected and would not allow a fence to be built, so it

will be in use again. D. H. Dickinson goes April 22 to Springfield to attend a convention of the U. O. G. C., as representative of Charles Sumner Commandery of this It will be a three-days' sestown.

Mrs. May F. Downing was the prime leader in welcoming the boys who came in last Saturday, the first of the Y. D. Division to return. Mrs. through Ayer last Saturday morning bowning was at the station with other through and the station with other through and the station with other through and the station with other through a station to the station with other through through the station with other through the station with the station

train. The boys cheered, and then the train passed on its way to camp. Ralph Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eamuel E. Griffin, Steeling Junction, who formerly lived near the town farm, returned with the 26th Division this week and is at Camp Devens.

E. D. Martell and Francis Lovejoy were delegates from George S. Bout-well post from this town who attend-ed the fifty-third annual encampment of the State Department G. A. R., at Fanculi hall, Boston, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Special Town Meeting. There will be a special town meeting held Monday evening, April 21, at 7.30

o'clock, in the town hall to act on the following articles: Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars for the employment of a health nurse, in addition to the appro-priation at the last annual town meet-

ing, said sum to be expended directly the town through its selectmen or under the direction of the board of health when authorized to do so by the selectmen, to take any action hereon or in relation thereto.

Art. 3. To hear and act upon the report of the committee appointed at the last annual town meeting to investigate and report on the fire de-partment, and to raise or borrow and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with the recommendations of this committee, or take any action theren

Art. 4. To borrow or raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money addition to the appropriations of the last annual town meeting, to be ex-pended upon highways and bridges directly by the town, or in conjunction with the Massachusetts Highway Com mission under plans and specifications. furnished by said commission, or take any action thereon.

Baptist Church Notes.

The pastor, having recovered from his illness, will speak Sunday morning at 10.45 on "The palm tree." Sunday school at twelve o'clock, with rehearsal for Easter ocncert. Praise meeting at 7.30, with a short sermon. B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening at 7.30. Mid-week prayer meeting Thursday

Notable Persons to be Here.

Two notable people in the religious world will be in Ayer on Sunday eve ning. One is a distinguished religious woman and the other an opera singer who is devoting her talents to relig Both are to take part in the regular evening service at the Unitar an church.

Senorita Blanchart, who will sing in the service, is the daughter of Ramon Blanchart, a Spanish opera singer, who sang leading parts at La Scala in Milan and also in Russia, Paris, Berlin and London. He was one of the principal singers in the Boston Opera Company during its short career. Senorita Blanchart restrictions from her father ceived vocal training from her father and a thorough training also in instru-mental music in Europe. She sang the leading soprano parts in a recent operatic season in South America.

Rev. Sister Devamata, who is to be

the preacher, is already known in Ayer. Over a year ago she delivered a memorable address before a meeting of the Ayer Branch Alliance Las November she spoke at the conference of Unitarian churches held in Groton Sister Devamata has been identified

with the Vedantist Community for eighteen years. She is now the superior of the sisterhood connected with the community in Boston. She received her training to be a Vedantist nun in India. She is a gifted writteaching. Wherever she has spoken she has made a deep impression, not

Pleasant Gathering.

o'clock the same day at city hall in home on the Harvard road to confitchburg there will be a lecture by Mrs. Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale; score milestone in the journey of life. Mrs. Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale; score milestone in the journey of life. subject, "The woman's hour." All are cordially invited. cessfully carried out by his nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stone, and was a complete surprise to their uncle. The evening was spent in so cial chat with music on the piano and graphophone.

About nine o'clock all were invited into the large dining-room to partake of a bountiful repast. Francis Love-joy invoked the divine blessing. In the center of the well filled table was the center of the well filled table was a large birthday cake arranged in three sections, to represent the three wars—the Spanish, in which the younger Mr. Stone served; the civil war, in which the elder Mr. Stone served, and the world war. This cake was beautifully decorated with American flags, and was called the "vic-tory cake." Comrade Dickinson lit the candles and several blew them The hostess cut the cake and each guest received a generous piece

to carry hom. Mr. Dickinson, with a few fitting remarks, presented Mr. Stone with a purse of gold in behalf of the G. A. R. post, congratulating him on his long and useful life, hoping he might b spared to reach the century mark. Mr.

Mr. Stone has spent a life time in Among the arrivals on the Mongolia this town and is remarkably active vas Capt. John A. O'Keefe, jr., of and well preserved for one of his age. He is commander of the local G. A

Federation House.

This Friday social for the soldiers at 7.30 p. m. Entertainment and re-freshments. The young people of he Centralville church, Lowell, provide the entertainment and refreshments

Saturday at 2.30 and 7.30 p. n moving pictures, free to soldiers lie Burke in "Eva's daughter." Weekly

The house is open with a welcome for rest and comfort on Sunday. Tuesday evening, Game night and

on Wednesday night moving pictures with subject to be announced later. The Federated House is open each day from eight a. m. to ten p. m. The staff are ready for any help they can give to the soldiers and their friends A new welcome sign has been placed

Page's Hall Proctors Strandg Mae Marsh in the Goldwyn production, "Hidden fires," will be the attrac-tion this Saturday. A striking and novel feature of this play is a double Theatre xposure, depicting the meeting of a

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exposure, depicting the measurement of a girl who is masquerading as another and the supposedly dead girl whose place she is usurping. This and the other highly dramatic incidents stamp "Hidden fires" the greatest of all The House with a Long Reputation liner sinking is but one of "Hidden fires" thrills. Gaumont News. Latest George S. Poulius, Manager Matinee Every Day at 2 o'clock Harold Lloyd comedy; one-rell Vod Evenings

An unusually good bill for Sunday

—Mme Petrova in "Daughter of des 2 Performances—6.30 and 8.15 tiny," the story of a great love; Pe trova at her best. Two-reel Bill Parsons comedy; one-reel Glacier Na Two-reel Billy Attractions for the Week

BEGINNING SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Vern Newberry, thirty-eight years of age, alleged bigimist, thrice mar-SUNDAY - MARK MACDERMOT with MILDRED MANNING in "Mary Jane's Pa," taken from ried without the formality of being divorced, and deserter extraordinary, the popular play by Edith Ellis Continuous-6 to 10 P. M. more taken French leave, this time

MONDAY—WILLIAM S. HART clad only in pajamas. It is believed that Newberry was aided this time by a girl who had been seen during the his latest Paramount-Arteraft production, "Breed of Men." Thrills come thick and fast in evening seated in a 'chummy road-ster" near the base hospital where Newberry was confined. this western Hart picture. whirlwind trip to Chicago after his man; a terrible fight in a confinement in the base hospital, where a crushed finger was being treated, Newberry has been entertaincellar; a dozen other hair-raisers and then—"Bill" Hart pro-poses. See it above all things. ing the inmates with his life story, It's a Thos H. Ince production his escapades with women and his TUESDAY - EVELYN NESBIT

DAY — EVELYN NESBIT (THAW) in a William Fox su-per production, "Woman, Wom-an." A drama of the shadows of the Great White Way. army experiences, they say, and took pride in asserting that he could have any woman he wanted. The soldier's first marriage was to Miss Martha Holland, of Bay City, WEDNESDAY-MAY ALISON in her Mich. The couple lived together for a year and a half, and then, according to the story Newberry told his hospi

latest Metro melodrama, "In for 30 Days," Latest News and latest 2-reel Vitagraph comedy. THURSDAY-CHARLES RAY in his Newberry, who had been in the army before, came east and re-enlistlatest Paramount picture, "The Girl Dodger," supervised by Thos. H. Ince. Charles Ray in this picture plays the part of a dreamy young student who is ed. In due course of time he arrived at Camp Devens. He left the camp more interested in philosophy

than in females. But when he gets going—Oh Boy! FRIDAY—Beautiful Marion Davies in her latest, "The Belle of New York," from the wrold-famous where he was placed in the depot brigade guardhouse. He escaped from the guardhouse Stage play by Hugh Morion and Gustave Kerker. See the most beautiful girls in the world—the world-famous Ziegfeld and went to Boston. He took a car to Roxbury, he said, and while there beauty chorus. met Miss Mary Doyle, of Greenville street, Roxbury. He called at her apartment, and the following day they

ATURDAY-GEORGE WALSH in his latest William Fox produc-tion, "I'll Say So." The whirlwind story of a chap who could-n't get in the war and who couldn't stay out-so he does neither and does it well. A surcure for the blues. Lates News and 2-reel farce comedy

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News, Com

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and some of the divisional officers. A the spur leading to camp. A shower large crowd of townspeeple as well as of cigarettes and candy, with fruit in front of the House.

The decorating of the business buildings of the town by the mer-

Miss Dorothy Carman, daughter of pletely recovered. Miss Carman had

ness. She is at her home in Towns

LUNENBURG

Last Sunday morning Rev. F. W Lambertson, paster of the Congregational church, Littleton, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church here in exchange with the pastor, Rev. Lionel A. Whiston. He gave a mos excellent sermon upon "The power of influence." There was no morning service at the Methodist church, as the pastor, Rev. O. L. Monson, was in attendance at the conference in Athol.

At the high school on last week Priday afternoon Miss Harriet Stimson gave the improvement league an informal talk upon her impressions of Madame Breshkooskaya, atherwise known as the "Grandmother of Russian revolution." Miss Stimson met the madame several times in New York recently and had a pretty opportunity to learn something of the Russian revolutionary movements. She defined Bolshevism and talked about it to the school, impressing upon the minds of the pupils that a movement in Russia is of great concern to people here, even in Lanen

Nearly forty ladies of the Woman' lub met with Mrs. Augustus Taylo last week Friday afternoon and listened to an address upon "Americaniza tion" by Mrs. Livingston Stone. It is spoken of as a fitting sequel to Miss Harriet Stimson's address before the high school in the early afternoon. The hostesses for the gathering were Mrs. Augustus Taylor, Mrs. A. C. Ferry and Mrs. Stillman Stone,

The Men's club will observe ladies at the Congregational church Monday evening, April 14. Rev. Howard Pease of the First Unitarian church, Fitchburg, will be the speak

Rev. and Mrs. Goerge R. Moody spent last week Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Eastman. They also called upon Mrs. W. H. Burrage and family. Mr. Moody was formerly the pastor of the Methodist church here. On last week Friday morning they went from here to attend the confer ence in Athol.

It is reported that Rev. and Mrs. Mfred Noon have sailed from the Philippines on their return to the United States. They are expected to arrive in San Francisco on April 25.
Their many friends will be very glad to see them once more and will gladly welcome them home again from a foreign shore.

It is learned that Rev. Otis L. Monson and family will soon remove to Westboro by decree of conference. I was sincerely hoped that they might remain in Lunenburg another year During their short stay in town the have won many friends who would have been very glad if the conference had permitted them to remain here instead of sending them to a new field of labor...

As it is expected that Capt. Perry will soon remove his family to the west. Troop 2 of the Girl Scouts met at the home of Mrs. J. S. Bailey or last Saturday afternoon and presented Miss Clara Perry, their associate, with two books as a souvenir of Lunen burg and a reminder of the pleasure they have had in her society. The classmates of Willis Perry also wished to give him cause to remember his associates and at school last week Friday afternoon presented him with a jackknife and a box of candy.

Rev. L. A. Whiston had the misfortune to injure his right hand while cranking his car last Saturday. He said he did not think it very serious, but it was inconvenient. He now has but it was inconvenient. He now has it on a splint and will wear it bandaged for awhile.

Rev. Francis W. Gibbs, of the First Universalist church, Fitchburg, has been engaged to deliver the address been engaged to on Memorial day.

Edwin A. Hall fell from the top of a load of hay on Monday of last week, across the shafts of his wagon, landing on his shoulder and stunning him. Myron Harvey happened to drive into the yard just in time to assist him and although suffering pain from bruises managed to finish loading the hay. The next day he returned to his home in Cambridge. and on Wednesday called a physician. who prescribed remedies and rest. hopes to cultivate a large part of his farm this summer.

Producers' association was formed at the meeting last Saturday evening and the following officers were elected: James L. Harrington, pres.; William J. Fish, v. p.; Frank B. Carr, sec. and mind," says the secretary, "are those

Fine Concert.

The concert at the Methodist charal last week Friday evening, under the unspices of the Ladies' Aid, was a very time externainment and well worth going a long way to hear. A fine program had been prepared and was most ably rendered, entirely by local talent. Eight members of the military hand were present and may four fine selections and also assisted the chorus in some of the songs. Several numbers were given by the chorus of twenty voices, also solos, duets and prayrets.

Lewis L. Harrington and his sisold-time feverite "When you and I were youther M zele," in a charming manner, and all were delighted to hear B. A mixed quartet, Mr. and Mrs. John Children Hazel and Occupant rate 'Sweet and lew be event to Lewis L. ar ville Martin. Carl Harrington Removed Inches and invite Matter some the solor's wife the Sandar's star shall be tand The sobjets were Mrs John Golfost who can notely entired for a depre by the hear-801 e sutribly rendered. winds. Diserv one Times very Rindly respective Year Deform (Blacks) were able accompace There was an't ma

by all who were there for the concert was a fine one well weath the price of admission, and righty desert ed a house full. Those who did to attend missed a rare treat. The last number on the program was "The Star Spangled Banner," in which the audience Joined.

Mrs. Otis L. Monson was unable to

be present and give her part in the program, much to the disappointment of all, who hoped to hear her beautiful voice in the two solos she haas ill health made it impossible for her to be present,

On this side of the ocean, Nova Scotia was the first country to put the daylight saving system into practice,

ACKNOWLEDGMENT IS MADE OF VALUABLE ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY MOTION PICTURES



SPLENDID RESULTS OF GOVERNMENT INCUBATOR.

In the annual report of the secretary of agriculture acknowledgment is made of the co-operation and valuable assistance given to the government by the motion-picture industry in placing information and appeals of emergency character concerning food production and conservation and other vitally important subjects before patrons of motion-picture theaters. The secretary also refers to the systematic development of the film work of the department under last year's appropriation which carried the first definite allotment made for motion pictures in the department of agriculture.

"The dissemination of information by means of motion pictures," says the secretary, "which hitherto has been conducted only on an experimental basis was, by action of congress, given a definite allotment of ters served by them."

(Prepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.) funds, which enabled the department to undertake the systematic development of this activity. Films prepared in the department's laboratory were used effectively in connection with its efforts to recruit farm labor, encourage the preservation of perishable fruits and vegetables, prevent forest fires and stimulate agricultural production. They were shown, through the extension service, to approximately 500,000 people at demonstration meetings, county and state fairs, schools, churches and municipal gatherings, and, by arrangement with one of the commercial companies, to about 4,000,-000 people at motion-picture theaters. The film companies actively co-operated with the department and rendered valuable assistance by placing information and appeals of an emergency character before the patrons of the thea-

FARM MACHINERY HELPS

1. Learn every adjustment and its purpose.

2. Oil all bearings, gears shafts, etc., where there is friction.

3. Keep all bolts and nuts tight and snug and give each implement a coat of paint at least every two years.

5. Grease all landsides, moldboards, shares, cultivator shovels, and disks when they are to be left out of use for more than

CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT UNION IS ADVOCATED

Handy for Farmer Who is Operating on Small Scale.

Many Know Too Little About Financial Transactions and Do Not Receive Affirmative Attention and Sympathy of Bankers.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

A system of personal-credit unions especially for the benefit of farmers whose financial circumstances and scale of operations make it difficult for them to secure accor A branch of the New England Milk through ordinary channels, is recommended in the annual report of the secretary of agriculture.

"The men I have especially in whose operations are on a small scale and who are not, in most cases, intimately in touch with banking machinery, who know too little about financial operations and whose cases usually do not receive the affirmative attention and sympathy of the banker Such farmers would be much benefited by a membership in co-operative credit associations or unions.

"Of course there are still othe farmers whose standards of living and productive ability are low, who usually cultivate the less satisfactory lands, who might not be received for the present into such associations This class peculiarly excites interest and sympathy, but it is difficult to see how immediately any concrete financial arrangement will reach it. The great things that can be done for this delement of our farming population are the things that agricultural agencies are doing for all classes but must do for it with peculiar zeal. The approach to : · solution of its difficulty is an educational one, involving better farming, many ting, schools, health arr ngements at I more sympathetic all from the more and and the banker.

If the business men of the towns and ofter primarily dependent on the rucostricts realize that the salvation of the communities depends on the devel ament of the back country and their organizing ability to will gree the solution of the problem in support of the plans of the organized agricultu:: agencies responsible for leadersh p much headway will be bene-

made. "The foundation for effective work in this direction is the successful pro

Keep Your Saving System Going. It is poor policy to figure to cut your deposit one week and make up the dedelency next pay day. This course will soon break up your saving system, tou'll find. Get a little money ahead line these days, and we should not unand then you will wonder how you der any circumstances waste a mincould have enjoyed yourself a minute ute unnecessarily. But if we aren't vhile you were living from one pay sure about any phase of our work we lay to the next, constantly putting off cour creditors, and without a cent to it and not rely on chance to help us fall back on should you become ill or where we cannot possibly help ourlose your Job .- Norton Spirit.

motion of co-operative associations among farmers, not only for better finance but also for better production distribution and higher-living conditions. These activities are of primary importance. At the same time, it is recognized that such co-operation cannot be forced upon a community but must be a growth resulting from the volunteer, intelligent effort of the farmers themselves."

The conclusion up to the present says the secretary, seems to be that the field is one primarily for the states to occupy through sound legis-Under laws adopted in five states 125 personal-credit associations have been organized, but the larger percentage of them have been formed by wage earners in urban centers.

"The attempt to develop strictly ru ral credit bodies has met with somewhat more success in North Carolina than elsewhere," the report states. "In this state the work of promoting and supervising such organizations was placed in charge of an official in the division of markets and rural organization of the state college of agriculture. The law of this state was enacted in 1915, and at present 18 credit unions, all of them rural, are in operation. It is noteworthy that the North Carolina law makes special provision for educational and demonstrational activities."

PREPARE FOR ICE HARVEST

Time to Get Out Saws, Tongs, Etc., and inspect Them Carefully

for Winter Use.

(Prepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.) It's time to make final preparations for cutting ice. Get out the ice tools. the saws, tongs and iron bar. Look them over carefully and see that they are in tip-top condition. Sharpen the saws and see that the handles are all right. Repoint the tongs and bar if they need it. Clean them up and be all ready to make the ice slivers fly when the ice is thick.

Did you ever try co-operation in ice harvesting? It works like a charm. Get one or two of your neighbors to go into such a scheme. One pond or stream and one set of tools will answer for all. It's just like a mid-winter picnic, for "many hands make light work.'

Better make sure, also, that you ave on hand plenty of dry, clean sawdust or whatever insulating material you are going to use. Wet sawdust is poor insulator and wastes ice. How bout it; is everything ready?

POISON PLANT KILLS STOCK

Sheep and Cattle Destroyed by Whirled Milkweed in San Juan County, New Mexico.

repared by the United States Departfluindreds of sheep and cattuisers in San Juan coun-M xloo, were explained when agent discovered the ikweed and its poisonous s. The agent pointed out the farmers and stockmen, several were held to plan how to danger, and committees were to inspect every part of La district, which includes 20,000 By helping the stockmen to loof avoid the weed, the agent to s that serious loss will be avoided.

Up to the Standard. People who go in for speed records are not as wise as they think they are; speed without accuracy is of no avail. True, time is at a premium in every must take sufficient time to go into

WHAT THE Y.M.C.A. DID IN FRANCE

Woods Hutchinson, Well-Known Scientist, Praises Welfare Work Overseas.

Two things especially struck me during my year along the western fronts, what the "Y" had done for the war, which was beyond all praise, and second, what the war had for the "Y," which was scarcely less. I should feel ashamed of myself if I didn't speak out and add my mite to clearing up this cloud of superficial criticism which has been allowed to overshadow the magnificent achievement of the Y. M. C. A.

Most of the criticism against the Y" as brought back and written home by our boys in France seems based on comparatively superficial and material meant her annihilation charges. I have not the slightest hesitation in saying that if all the comquently surrendered long before her plaints were true, the balance in favor of the soldier would still be ninety-nine percent of the entire war service performed by the Y. M. C. A. Its work as I saw it from Belgium to the Adriatic, and from the home training camps to the front line trenches was simply magnificent. While, of course, mistakes were made, they were on the whole fewer than those of most other organizations operating under such difficult circumstances, not excepting the military authorities.

In my judgment, it was the and its splendid army of volunteer minister workers that "saved the face" of the earth in this war. It was practical Christianity in action and dd more to humanize the church and relegate creed and rituals to the back shelves than anything that has hap-

poned in fifty years.

These grave, quiet, bravely cheerful and happy, simple-minded boys of curs, who looked like chernhs and fought like devils, had already made the supreme sacrifice, had offered their lives to make the world safe for their loved ones and for the children of the future. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man will lay down his life for his friend." There was no crucifix that could be held before those boys that they had to look up to see.

It was the bravest, gayest, most loyal, justest and kindliest brotherhood I was ever admitted to, and they're going to tear this gray, greedy, selfish old world of ours at home to bits and make it over again and better. And God be with them in their crusade and God help anyone who stands in their way!

Through them a great humanizing process began, by which the Y. M. C. A. has been fairly transformed, with a splendid augury for greater and efficient service in the future than it has ever performed in the rast. Its programme was early recognized as essential to military efficiency and I violate no secrets of the military authorities, not only the American army but also of the French and Italian armies as well, when I say that the "Y" programme could not have been dispensed with except at the cost of prolonging the war and delaying the victory. And I may add that they seriously

considered the possibility of organizing some other force to do this work in the camps, and ended by turning everything over the Y. M. C. A. and giving the Association carte blanche and hearty support. The French looked at it for months askance on account of the "C" in the name, but ended by asking for 1,000 Frenchspeaking American secretaries and their staffs. And although the "Y" supply of fighting men and war mawas already burdened by the service demanded of it in the American Ex- pour across the Atlantic. peditionary Forces, the response was in the affirmative and today the "Y" supervises the operation of 1,500 The Italians did the same and more than 250 American workers are now in Italy, where three times that number of natives have been assigned to which must be assumed by individual that week, on which the initial payassist in the carrying on of the "Y" programme and operate it when the

Americans withdrew I saw the "Y" in operation from Belgium all the way across the western front, on the two fronts in Italy, on the Isonze, and in the mountains of the Trentino. By its casualty list one may estimate the serwe which the workers rendered in the most cangerous sectors. Nine dead by shell fire and gas, a total of 109 cascited for the same honor, 10 given the Distinguished Service Cross,-these

figures tell a story of heroic service. So vitally and pricelessly valuable was its work in keeping up the morale of the troops that the German General Staff declared it a combatant and ordered its front line stations and huts shelled just as it did the dressing stations and field hospitals.

This work at the front was spectacular, the kind that newspaper readers like to read about. But the routine work in the ports, in the training and concentration camps and in the great leave areas was even more pasically important.

The "Y" programme repulsed the greatest enemy of an army, the boredom that settles over fighting forces between battles and over such branches as the S. O. S. and as such was a great war-winning contribu-The "Y" tion. gave the soldier a home, a club, a library, a concert hall, a church, a theatre, and an athletic field and stadium, but first, last, and best of all-a Home.

Health in Outdoor Sports. The great increase in the number of inmates at asylums for the insane is to be taken as a sign of the worry and uncertainty of our times. The re sumption of outdoor play as soon a possible will restore equilibrium. Did an old base ball player ever become insane?

Optimistic Thought. A humble lot in security is better than the dangers that encompass the high and haughty.

LOAN PAYS BILL'S GERMAN HELMETS FUNNY NOTIONS FOR SAVING LIVES PRIZES FOR 5000

soldier.

Director Franklin Shows That It Was America's Great Force of Men and Munitions That Forced German Surrender.

Lewis B. Franklin, director of the Treasury Department, War Loan organization, in an address before 400 Liberty Loan chairmen in Boston, declared that the sacrifice of dollars in great expenditures and the production of war materials had been the salvation of thousands of American lives. He declared that Germany realized

that the vast accumulation of men and material meant her annihilation quently surrendered long before her collapse was expected. Mr. Franklin pointed out that the enormous disbursements involved in maintaining this gigantic war program had already consumed amore

\$6,000,000,000 raised by the Fourth Liberty Loan and made it essential for a successful "Finishing Fifth" victory loan to restore the country to a normal peace basis. "When I think of what New England did in the fourth loan," said Mr. Franklin, "I have no thoughts of fail-

ure for the fifth loan in this federal

reserve. district. "It is a dangerous suggestion that the banks take the burden of this loan. It would hamper industry in every direction. Factories which coming campaign. turned to the government for financial aid in their war material production cannot return to a peacetime basis on government aid, but must look to the banks.

"What can the banks do in such cases if they are already over-hurdened with government securities? The thing to do is to take the loan out of the banks and put it into the hands of the people.

"That is what will relieve unemployment and will result in better wages. It will serve to bind more strongly the community spirit which is the salvation of America." In referring to the need of the Vic-

tory Loan, Mr. Franklin pointed out that the war production of the United States had hardly reached a climax when the armistice was signed. Besides making huge loans to

Italy and Russia, the United States, he said, had developed a gas program never before dreamed of and in one plant was manufacturing three times as much gas as all the other allies combined.

Thousands of rifles manufactured in America and shipped to France had never fired, but this abundance of war material of which there has been no use since the signing of the armistice was together with the steady flow of fighting men by the hundreds of thousands the thing which broke the back of Germany's offense and forced a surrender of the Central Powers and in that way prevented the loss of lives of American soldiers to the numof certainly 200,000 men and possibly

The bills that must be paid by the government with the Victory Liberty Loan are bills of thanksgiving as well as peace, because of the certainty that the early ending of the war saved these gallant American soldiers.

It was not to the American army in the field that the Germans surrendered so soon, but to the immense chinery that was just beginning to

came in November, Decen January. From \$2,060,975,854 in bills ruary dropped to \$1,184,412,438. But patriotic investors.

War Trophies Go Week by Week During Victory Loan To Workers Who Make the "Top"

About five thousand citizens of New England by May 10th will each one have in his possession a helmet which was made to be worn by a German

These helmets were captured by the Allied Troops upon their entry into Coblenz, Germany, and may be captured again by Liberty Loan Workers during the Victory Liberty



UHLAN HELMET.

The five thousand helmets were alotted by the government as the share of this district, to the Liberty Loan committee of New England, by whom hey are to be awarded as prizes for ighest individual accomplishment in the way of selling securities in the



INFANTRY HELMET

The helmets are of six different varieties, viz: Infantry, Garde du Corps, Artillery, Cavalry, Uhlan Regiment and Cuirassiers. They were stored in Coblenz to be issued to the German troops for their victorious ntry into Paris, but they will mark notable work in six different States of New England toward selling \$6,-00,000,000 of Victory Notes.



CUIRASSIER'S HELMET

Two helmets will go to each town and three to each ward of a city in New England and they will be awarded in the town, one to the worker who secures the greatest number of individual subscriptions for the Victory Liberty Loan, and the other to the one who gets subscrip-The peak load of war expenditure tions representing the greatest a-

In the city wards the three hel-Foyers du Soldat in the French army, paid in December the total in Feb mets will be awarded by the local committee; one each week, to the inthe nation has already piled up a dividual worker who secures the floating debt of nearly \$5,000,000,000 greatest number of subscriptions for ments have been made.

Savings Banks to Loan on or Buy Liberty Bonds to Protect Holders

The savings banks and trust com- other has found it necessary to dispanies of New England have interested themselves in the movement to ualties, 54 of whom died, 12 men protect holders of Liberty bonds from awarded the Croix de Guerre, two the loan sharks and dishonest traders loans in the past two years, brought in securities.

> In doing this, they are prepared in practically every part of New Eng-land to loan on the small Liberty meet the debt than in disposing of bonds up to 80 per cent of their value or to buy fully or partly-paid bonds on the basis of the last sale on the Boston Stock Exchange with 25 cents ommission for each \$50 bond, or to refer them to some reputable broker.

This service is directly in line with the action asked of Congress by the Secretary of the Treasury to prevent dealers in questionable securities from seducing Liberty bondholders into exchanging their Liberty bonds for securities of doubtful value. The savings banks and trust companies are cooperating with the Liberty Loan Committee of New England and are giving every day evidence of the extent to which they will go in saving the unsuspecting or hard-pressed Liberty bondholders from the wiles of the promoter of shady transactions. The history of each Liberty Loan has shown that a certain percentage of the buyers from one reason or an-

Daily Thought. Ill can he rule the great that cannot reach the small.—Spencer.

Compliment for Kathleen. Kathleen told some stories to a little piece and nephew. At a family dinner party grandpa referred to these same nursery tales, but not following the exact lines, when Margaret piped up: "No, no, grandpa, that is not the way Kathleen tells the stories and Kathleen is a good knower."

pose of one or more Liberty bonds. It has not infrequently been the case that a man or woman who has put \$50 or \$100 into one of the Liberty face to face with a sudden doctor bill or an emergency call of considmeet the debt than in disposing of a Liberty bond.

The savings banks and trust companies are the places to which the holders of such bonds should go. In going to them, the bondholders can be assured of receiving every dollar of the rate at which the bonds are selling in the financial markets in

case of a sale. If the Liberty bondholder desires to borrow on the bond, instead of selling, he can borrow from eighty to eighty-five percent (80% to 85%) in practically any savings bank or trust company in New England. The making of loans was undertaken originally by several of the largest savings banks in Massachusetts and has now spread practically through all six states. In many cases where the bondholder does not need to use the entire proceeds of the loan, he re-deposits a part in the bank that has made the loan.

Significa Honorary Promotion. Brevet is a French word, meaning

commission or warrant. In military usage it gives an officer higher nominal rank than the one for which he re ceives pay. It is an honorary promo-The first time it was used in the United States army was in 1812, when Capt. Zachary Taylor, who afterward became president, was made major by brevet for his brave defense of Fort Harrison against the Indians, near Terre Haute.

ABOUT Y.M.C.A.

The Canteen Produces a Strange Crop of Fables—Ludicrous Misunderstandings.

The war has brought the Y. M. C. A. into world prominence. Because of this prominence, constant questions have arisen with reference to it in the minds of the uninformed and some most ludicrous statements have been passed about.

For instance, we have it on the word of a good friend, former secretary of the Y. M. C. A., that a soldier in one of the southern camps came to him to express his appreciation of all that the Y had done for him, and said that he was doing all he could to help the "Y." Some one asked him what he was doing, and his reply was that he bought all his postage stamps there, and it developed that he really thought the Y. M. C. A. made a profit from the sale of postage stamps which they sold in such enormous quantities to the soldiers as a matter of convenience.

Another ridiculous assertion on the part of men who have come in contact with the Y. M. C. A. for the first time, emanates from overseas, and we hear the statement, in all seriousness by somebody who professes to know, that the Y. M. C. A. is making a great deal of money from its canteen and is even over-charging the soldiers. Of course, the story would not be complete without inventing some way of utilizing these alleged large earnings from the canteen. In some cases the story goes that the the profits from the canteen, in other cases the story has been solemnly passed about that the Y. M. C. A. was a great stock corporation and that its stock was paying big dividends, on account of the canteen earnings. The inventor of the story did not, of course, understand the difference be-tween a voluntary religious corporation and a stock corporation for busi-

ness purposes.
On the other hand some of the folks back home have contributed to the first Y. M. C. A. drive, expecting that the Y. M. C. A. gave away everything the soldier needed, failing to realize that the sums contributed to Y. M. C. A war work if used in that way would be but a proverbial drop in the bucket. The Y. M. C. A. did give away vast quantities of supplies, such as tobacco, hot cocoa, chocolate, etc.. to men in the front line trenches and those coming back from battle, but the great bulk of the money con-tributed was used for the wonderful

service program of the Y. M. C. A. The canteen received none of this money, that department being hancled entirely for the government on borrowed capital on a flat cost turn over basis, as a convenience to the men who could not get those supplies in any other way.

Another strange statement was to the effect that "Y" secretaries did not brave the dangers of the front line but stayed safely in the rear. Of course they were in the rear, because that was where most of our army was. They were, however, in the front line and went over the top with our boys. Witness the hazards that have overtaken some of our own New England men. Remembar the story of Edward Sherman of West Roxbury, who served in the "Y" outfit of the Second Division, who saw his bunkie, James Birchby, given his orders to go West by a machine gun bullet. Sherman. himself, sampled two kinds of gas, and lay in a hospital for weeks. Harry Chase of South Braintree just returned from France with the marks of exhausting service and exposure to the acids of war in his face. It was arsenic gas that almost finished his career as a "Y" secretary. In the October drive he was driven back by shell fire from taking supplies to another secretary who was killed in the same drive. Voorhees of Hartford came home to die of his wounds. Solon Borglum of Connecticut, and eleven other "Y" men received the Croix de Guerre, and two more were cited for that decoration. Henry Smith of Beverly, Mass., was badly wounded on October 16; Rev. Joel Metcalf of Winchester, Mass., with the 3rd Division, was gassed the same day. We wander where these "Y" secretaries "het up" with the bullets, gas, and shells if not in the danger zone.

Perhaps the funniest part of all these ludicrous misunderstandings is the fact that some of our most intelligent people here at home, hear them; accept them without question and pass them on.

This is a funny world.

THE Y's INFINITE VARIETY.

Paris, February-The many-sidedless of the work of the Y. M. C. A. in France was illustrated recently at conference of forty of its secretaries at Dijon. Those present included one movie expert, seven ministers. five professors, a city water tax collector, a lawyer, four merchants, one conomics expert, a weaver, two athletic directors, a plumbing contractor, an actor, two bookkeepers, two bankers, a corporation treasurer, a doctor, an insurance agent, a church organist, a business analyst and only five "Y" secretaries. And only six "Y" dopartments were represented in this collection.

Annat's All.

In the opinion of most young ladies hare-lip is the only legitimate excuse for a hair-lip.

Water on the brain is seldom due to a thirst for knowledge.—Boston Transcript.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of JULIA F. KILBURN late of Shirley 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 GRACE M. KILBURN who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of April A. D. 1919. at nine o'clock 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 Shirley Oracle, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of April in the Vear one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

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F. M. ESTY, Register.

1.08T HOOK—In accordance with Chapter 590, Section 40 of the Acts of 1908 and amendments thereto, notice is hereby given that Book No. 11880 has been lost and application has been made for the issuance of a duplicate

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Notary Public. (My commission expires Aug. 30, 1923) | overseas.

TOWNSEND

A pleasant surprise gathering of relatives and friends was held Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, the occasion being the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage. Congratulations and best wishes were extended to the happy couple and gifts presented in honor of their crystal wedding. A delight-ful evening was spent with the serv-ing of refreshments which included a prettily decorated wedding cake.

Tuesday morning, while Edward Morse's horse and wagon was tied to the post near the home of George G. Clark, the horse became frightened it is thought, at the flapping of the boot on the wagon. Freeing himself from the post and team the horse an as far as the Valcourt place. where he was stopped by Mrs. Emma Eaton, who was in pursuit of the runaway. Although the wagon was damaged somewhat, it is fortunate to one was hurt.

At the meeting of the Anson D. Fessenden camp, S. of V., Monday evening, the special feature of the evening's program was the welcome greetings extended to their brother member, Corp. Harley Purker, re-cently returned from overseas, and his very interesting talk of his ninecen-months' experiences. Mr. Parker, who has seen much active service, made his talk of unusual interest and spoke in the highest praise of the end and over Sunday with Mr. and noble work of the Salvation army and the Red Cross. This meeting was honored by two of the veterans of the ing her sister, Mrs. Lucretia Martin, civil war, Leander C. Jefts and Ai in Pepperell.

Corp. Schmitt, of Camp Devens, and his wife, Mrs. Freda Hallisey Schmitt,
The regular meeting

Word has been received that Mrs. home the last of this week. Her father, James Misner, joined them about week ago. Her husband, Private Fred G. Tenney, who arrived at Camp Devens, Sunday, expects his discharge from the service the last of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving K. Marshall and their two daughters, Wilner and Myrtle, from town; also, their eldest daughter, Miss Hazel Marshall, of Boston, went to Camp Devens, Monday, to welcome the return from over-seas of the son and brother, Corp. Leon Marshall.

T. Turner Goodwin attended the New England Methodist conference held in Athol, Sunday.

Stephen Gilson, formerly of this

"Dreams of a kingdom." All the reg-ular services are to be held on Sunday, with sermons by the pastor at great men were reared in the coun-10.45, entitled "The triumphant Je-sus" and at seven in the evening, "The As the greater part of the audience golden calf." Mr. Long expects his sister, Miss Ruth Long, from Illinois, early in May, and they are to live in S the parsonage all summer. Miss Long, who is a high school teacher ir Pawnee, Ill., a graduate of Illinois university, will be a great help to her brother in his pastoral work.

a ten-dollar gold piece as an expression of esteem and regard from the students at the high school here.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of DENN JAMESTON JAMES on, Ralph Marshall, Edwin Lancey, declaimers: Misses Donnell and Copp and Principal J. Bachelder, judges. The judges and school voted in favor of the affirmative.

Last week Thursday afternoon an nlarm of fire was sounded which proved to be at Will O'Brien's house. The fire caught from a spark from the chimney, burning quite a hole in the roof. The fire department promptly responded, with chemicals and steamer and the fire quickly exinguished.

Fred Piper, who recently returned rom Florida, where he has been spending the winter, has resumed his ormer position at the Institute of he Blind, Cambridge,

Mr. and Mrs. P. Green were conveyed by auto by Mrs. C. F. Worces-ter, Sunday, to Camp Devens, to welcome the return of their son, Private

The Townsend Hill Dramatic club attended the presentation of the play, The adventures of Grandpa," given n Littleton last Saturday evening.

The food sale held last Saturday

afternoon at the Center school build-ing, under the auspices of the Squaniook Home Economics club, was liberally patronized, the proceeds amounting to \$10.50. The food sold was made by the eight young cooks of the club. Esther Nelson, Helen McDonald and Evelyn Wright were in charge of the food and candy table, and were assisted by Mrs. Herman Knight. The other four members, Gertrude Leeman, Gladys Domina Beatrice Nelson and Rachel Knight assisted by their club director, Miss Alberta D. Barber, were in charge of

Mrs. Fred Tenney went by auto, in company with the Tenney family, from West Townsend, Sunday afternoon, to Camp Devens to welcome the return of Private G. F. Tenney from

the ice cream.

Mrs. Charles Moulton, of Old City, the Massachusetts Geni hospital on Monday.

Mrs. Etta Rockwood is few days with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Barber, Townsend hill.

Friends are glad to learn that little Miss Ruth Cowdry, who was operated upon recently for appendic tis at the Burbank hospital, is doing nicely,

Miss Eleanor Harriman, teacher of the primary school, is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Harriman, of Cambridge, at the home of Mrs. Seaver. Miss Myrtle Swimm, the third and fourth grade teacher, is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Swimm, of Beverly, at the home of Mrs. C. Meade,

Miss Donnell left last Saturday for Spencer, where she is to be first as-sistant teacher in the high school. Miss Wallace, of Boston university, who is to take her place in the high school here, entered upon her duties on Monday morning.

Private Harold Miller and Corp. Emil Wesling, who arrived at Camp Devens with the 26th Division, visited their homes in town on Sunday after-noon and night, returning to camp on Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Miller, of Quincy, were the week-end guests of Mrs. A. D. Fessenden.

Miss Gertrude Higgins, with her classmate, Miss Bertha Thompson, of Framingham Normal, spent the week-end and over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Higgins.

The regular meeting of the Parentand sister, Miss Agnes Hallisey, of Teacher association, April 8, was held Fitchburg, have been the guests of as an all-day meeting with community Mr. and Mrs. John Hallisey. ranged by Rev. A. L. Struthers,

. The morning session was held at the farm of Otto Salmenen, Old City. Ella Tenney, who has been very in in Nova Scotia, where she went a few weeks ago in company with her mother, is much better and is expected who gave a talk to the mothers on who gave a talk to the mothers on the facility of children." Her talk "The feeding of children." Her talk was interpreted by Miss Helmi Myl-lykangas, teacher in West Townsend. Mr. Jenks, horticultural agent, spoke on "Profitable fruit raising," and his talk was interpreted to the Finnish people by Rudolph Immonen. About

thirty were present.

The afternoon session was held in Memorial hall at two o'clock, in charge of Rev. A. L. Struthers. The school children from the three villages were present. The opening numbers were songs by the children, "Battle hymn of the republic" and "Lead me back to old Virginy." Mr. Howard, as president of the Parent-Teacher association, and Mr. Knight, as superintendent of schools, spoke briefly on the subject of community spirit. After the singing of "America the beautiful" and "Keep the home daths conference he was also ordained deacon. This week Friday evening he began his Lenten series on "Dreams of a little." try and city working together, and stated that the biggest percent of the

As the greater part of the audience were school children Mr. Jenks spoke at length on the subject of "Children's gardens," beginning with the choice of seed, then giving directions for making hot beds, preparing soil for the gardens, cultivating, thinning of plants, etc. Mr. Jenks was the inplants, etc. Mr. Jenks was the in-spector of children's gardens for the Before leaving for her new position at the high school in Spencer, Miss N. Maude Donnell was presented with a ten-dellar gold place for the mentioned them are heldlar gold place for the middless Country Farm Bureau last year. He inspected seventy gardens for the middless Country Farm Bureau last year. students at the high school here.

The profits of the drama for the benefit of the Red Cross amounts to \$50.00.

C. W. Hildreth was chosen a delegate from Post 19 of Fitchburg and attended the G. A. R. encampment in Boston this week.

fine manner and was a laugh-producer from the moment of his first appearance to his final visit to the city with his "gentle antelope." Mrs. Moll Buzzer, whose character was finely portrayed by Mrs. Ella K. Wilson. Frank B. Higgins, always a popular actor with Townsend audiences, impersonated the character of Hon. John Enlow, president of the Seacoast Banking Co. Cornelius Keefe acted his part very creditably Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Fillow's private Mrs. Read Mrs. Herman L. Fillow's private Mrs. and Mrs. Herman L. Fillow's private Mrs. Activities and Mrs. Herman L. Fillow's private Mrs. Activities and Mrs. Herman L. Fillow's private Mrs. Herman L. Fillow as Ned Blake, Hon. J. Enlow's private as Ned Blake, Holl, 2. Blins a specific and an Allen an educator of Nan, the ringer of the Miss Edith & lighthouse hell, and finally finding in her his sweetheart, who was Eleanor

L. Harriman. Harriman.
As leading character in the play the mid-w-Miss Harriman deserves special men-tion for her natural talent in acting lowing of her role so perfectly in the several acts. Sir Arthur Choke, a British aristocrat, was Hudson A. Bray, engaged to Hortense Enlow, a city belle, Miss Myrtle Swimm. Sir Arthur's English views of America were exceedingly funny. Hon, Sarah Choke was impersonated by Helen C. Doborgani son, and Richard A. Keefe was seen as "Injun Jim." the four acting their parts most acceptably.

Altogether the play was a grand success and was made especially realistic by the beautiful ocean view scenery. Although it is not known at this writing what the exact figures Perry W are the proceeds were more than pleasing. Dancing followed the play with music by the Watatic orchestra from Ashby.

On Tuesday afternoon the children of the public schools of this village, accompanied by their teachers, atended the Parent-Teachers' associaion meeting and public exercises at gifts from its friends and relatives. the Center, and were conveyed to their Everett Petts was confined to his destination in the large auto truck of home a few days last week from an

president, Mrs. Charles Hodgman. Besides the regular reports of various committees the only special business transacted was to postpone arrange the vestry this month until the first

Mrs. Fred Davis and her two sons, Ralph and Walter, have been on the sick list this week, suffering from severe colds.

Preparations are under way at the laptist Sunday school for the Ra

concert to be given by the school. Little June, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boutwell, met with a pain-ful accident the first of the week While running with the children she tripped and fell upon a broken bottle, cutting a deep gash on her forchead, which while not dangerous, was very painful for several days.

Mrs. James Dodds and daughter Marion, from Pittsfield, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Man-Mrs. Dodds is better known here as Bessie Conway, of Salem.

The regular business meeting of the Squannicook steamer company was held at the engine house on Monday. The business of the evening consiste of the regular reports of officers and committees, and the roll call. Mr. Dix, from the Center, an aged

invalid, is being boarded and cared for at the home of Mrs. Mary Tucker. Rev. Joseph McKean will take for his topic at the Baptist church on Sunday morning, "Cuin's wife." At the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting in the evening the subject will be "How to give God's day to God-like deeds."

The leader will be Mrs. Levenh Me. The leader will be Mrs. Joseph Mc-

The Ladies' Study club will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. A. Seaver, the subject being "The life and work of John Burroughs."

As next Saturday is a holiday the library reading-room will be closed and all books returnable on that date may be carried over another week, according to the stamp inside the book ent from the public library.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivers P. Sherwin and son Roger, who have been spending the winter at Atlantic, passed the week-end at the home of Mr. Sherwin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Arthur Goss attended the Pomona Z. Sherwin, returning to Boston in Grange meeting in Hudson last Tuestheir auto Sunday afternoon, but expect that they will open their home here about the last of the month. Miss Marion Boutelle, a teacher in

Yarmouth, has been enjoying a week's

vacation at her home on Bayberry G. Fred Tenney, who has been across with the 101st Engineers since the commencement of the war, arriv-ed at Camp Devens last Saturday and his family greeted him there Sunday afternoon, finding him in good health and rejoicing to be at home again. Word has been received from his wife, who is seriously ill in Nova Scotia, that she is improving and will

soon be home. Mr. Bradley, of Fitchburg, recently returned from overseas, was a guest of Miss Gladys Rawson at the home of her mother, Mrs. Herman L. Stickney, for the week-end.

Miss Beatrice Newell, of New Ipswich, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway. Mrs. Charles Hodgman entertained her class of boys, the Live Wires, at her home last week Friday evening. The time was passed most enjoyably playing Peter Coddle,

tained an auto party of guests from Worcester at their home on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barrett, from tage, the home of the late Angela Walters, Sunday. Mr. Murdock, from Fitchburg, was

a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Patch for the week-end. Mrs. Amos Jodery and two of her children are visiting in Brockton for

Mrs. Mae Stetson, who is employed in Nashua, N. H., spent the week-end at her home here, returning Monday

o'Brien. Mrs. Mary McMaster and Mrs. Martha Wells.

Miss Catherine O'Brien substituted at the West Townsend school during the absence of Miss Myllykangas;

Mrs. Well Presented.

"Lighthouse Nan," a three-act comedy-drama, was presented on last week Friday evening in Memorial hall by Townsend's talented players, and of the largest audiences ever seen in the hall pronounced the play exist of the his school debated the following ting question last week Friday: Resolved. That a league of nations would be beneficial to the world; Irene McGuire and Ruth Morse, affirmative, and Alice Barnes and Dorothy Bless, negative: Howard Morse, Lucy Reynolds, speakers; Earle Barton, Namey Richards, tellers; Edna Bush, critic: Louise Drake, Chester

rived in town are is to open the vacation cottage at Vinton pond very soon, ma commencing the season much earlier

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Charles Hodgman. Miss Emma Adams, adys Rawson, asst.;

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Damon & Richardson.

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Box 5 Tuesday evening at the home of the was not serious, although painful.

Quite a number from here attended the performance of "Lighthouse Nan" at Memorial hall for the benefit of the Red Cross. The hall was filled to its ments in regard to the food sale and social which was to have been held in the vestry this month until the first much enjoyed as was the dance which realized for the treasury of the local society.

Mr. Sawler and his daughter Eva who have been at their home here are spending a few weeks with rela tives in Providence, R. I.

Roy P. Brown enjoyed a vacation from his duties at the Center on las week Friday and spent the afternoor visiting the public schools, and in the evening attended the play at the Cen ter, accompanied by his friend. John McLean, clerk at the Squannicook Inn

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items

"Go-to-church Sunday" will be ob served at the Congregational church on Sunday, April 13. It is also Palm Frank Davidson, of Auburn-Sunday. dale and Boston, Mass., will speak at both morning and evening services and there will be special music by Miss Linda Marsten, of Boston, consisting of vocal and cornet solos. I s hoped that a large number will be present and everyone is invited.

Mrs. Daniel McKenzie, of Townsend as been a guest of Mrs. Celia Powers Mrs. Ella Rockwood was a visitor in oncord last week.

Mrs. Minnie Holcombe was a gues of her brother in Leominster over the week-end.

Mrs. D. W. Jenness spent the week vith her sister, Mrs. Harry Hall, in

The Ladies' Aid met at the parson-age this week Wednesday afternoon. Little Elma Corey is suffering from relapse and is very ill. Rodney Wright has been on the sick

ist during the past week, George Nye and Mrs. Albert Pierce ittended a Golden Cross meeting in Concord last week Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. John Andrews return

spending the winter at the Sargent cot Mrs. Della Hall, Mrs. Eda Hall and

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Gilkey have

returned to their summer home for the season. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Lawrence are visiting in Athol, Mass. Thomas Bennett, of Ayer, Mass., has been a guest of his daughter, Mrs.

Charlotte Wright. Edward Perrin, who has recently returned from France with the 26th Division, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of L. S. Powers.

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and Mrs. W. O. Hawkes, last Sunday, en route to his home in Melrose.

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cent visitor here.

News Items.

on Tuesday evening.

Plans are now under way here to

Miss Lilley Mae Moran, of Salem, a

The members of Cameron circle, C.

former resident here, has been a re-

of F. of A., held their regular meeting

HARVARD

Miss Ruth Pyrma Whitney, whose wedding is to take place this Saturday, was in town on Sunday with her moth-

er, Mrs. H. F. Whitney, for a short

Saturday evening at the bride's home, Miss Holen Dickson and Fred-

erick Wrangham were united in marriage by Rev. James C. Duncan of Clinton. The decorations were a green

background, before which the bridal pair stood, the bride in white satin with long veil, with a shower bouquet

of bride roses; and valley lilies, was

most charming, Miss Marion Dickson, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid and her brother Herbert, best man.

Guests, including relatives and in-timate friends to the number of 25, made the wedding party. After re-

freshments and the happy greetings, Mr. and Mrs. Wrangham started on

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News Items.

very successful food sale was by the committee of three ladies' Mrs. W. W. Lunt, Mrs. E. E. Handley and Mrs. Fred Dunlap, last week Friday, for the Rebekah lodge, the sum realized being also very satisfactory to the ones in charge.

Mrs. H. A. Pike returned home by auto with her son, A. G. Pike, last Saturday. She stood the trip very well and is reported as gaining, al-though still somewhat weak from his trip of eight weeks, most of the time being passed in New York State. He gives glowing accounts of the section through the Mohawk Valley, of its wonderful fertility and great productive qualities of the soil, and also its fine scenery. Mr. Jewett saw the farmers plowing and sowing oats more than two weeks ago, about March 15. The snowstorm which we had here visited that section even harder, but was of course all gone He became interested in several of the stock farms of that section where raising fine thoroughbred Holstein cattle is carried on extensively, and states that he saw some fancy prices given also for some of this

registered stock when put at auction The paper mill whistle had a most welcome sound early Monday morning after it had been silent for many

Mrs. Mary Jordan has returned to her home on Cross street after a three-weeks' visit with her sisters in

Mrs. George Wills is recovering from an injury of a broken rib which she sustained by a fall at her home on Cross street last week. Dr. Qua has been in attendance,

brought us the sound of the welcome in Ayer given to the boys of the 26th Division from the Mongolia, the whis-tles being softened to a musical tone by the distance of ten miles. Many a epperell heart responded to the ova-

Ray Soule, the only Pepperell boy as far as we can ascertain, arriving on the Mongolia, reached Camp Devens about one o'clock on Thursday in his division, the 102d Field Artillery. His father, E. B. Soule, went down to Ayer at noon, hoping to get a glimpse of him, but his mother here at home received the first message from him. as he called her up on the telephone about as soon as he was off the train He hoped to get home to see them for a few hours on Friday.

Gerald Willett arrived at his home in town on Wednesday from Nev York, having received his honorable discharge from service as quartermaster on board the U.S. Transport. Alaskan. He enlisted in the service in the regular navy more than a year ago, and has made several trips across in this and other transports. He re-lates that they had on board about 100 soldiers of a colored regiment, who went into the thickest of the drive at St. Mihiel, and these were all that came back many of them wounded and mutilated, though still alive,

Mrs. Harris Tarbell has been confined to her home a past of this week with a hard cold and threat trouble This is a rather unusual occurrence, and she has been missed by friends

The Mt. Lebanon Community as sociates held the regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John H. Holt, a though there was no Red Cross work available. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. E D. Walker next week Wednesday af

" Mrs. Arthur Hayes is expected back home this week after a three-weeks" tay with relatives and friends in Waltham and Boston.

Rev. and Mrs. George F. Durgin have arrived for the summer it their farm on Shattuck street. Mr. Durgin may be obliged to return west for time, but Mrs. Durgin has already ar ranged to start early spring planting and has help already engaged.

Pepperell's population has been re celving an unwonted number of additions lately. On Friday, April 4, and Mrs Michael Fitzgerald, Sartelle street; or April 9, a 9½-pound boy to Mr. and David F. Hills, Brookline street, and on April 10, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Edmon Hackett, Prospect street.

Other Pepperell matter on pages

LITTLETON

Herbert F. Prouty has received his nonorable discharge and returned home.

The ladies of the Baptist church did the spring cleaning at the church and vestry on Wednesday, carrying their lunch and enjoying a picnic dinner a noon.

The secretary announces a meetin of the Rifle club in the selectmen's room on Wednesday evening, April 16 at 7.30 o'clock.

Prospects for beginning work on the state road from Littleton Common to Groton in the near future are very favorable. M. W. Leahy, the Littleton highway surveyor, with a member of the state highway force, examined gravel banks in Groton this week to ascertain the best locality for soil necessary for the task. The road is to be made of cement.

Rev. Harry Foster Burns, of Dorchester, who will address the Grange on Wednesday night, is to speak on "International co-operation vs. international competition." ly announced the meeting will be open to the public.

Roy Shepard, recently discharged from the service, has gone to Washington to take his former position. Misses Fannie and Gertrude Sander

son have gone to Chicago to visit Mr. and Mrs. Neilson (Miss Helen Swift) for two weeks. The Merry Go Rounds will meet on Tuesday, April 22, with Mrs. Clarence Brown in her new home in Nashobah

district. Douglas Atkins, youngest boy in the Atkins family who lived at the Com-mon for many years, died Wednesday morning after an illness of many friend among his mates. brave fight against tuberculosis, the cause of his death. In their loss the family have the sympathy of their Littleton friends. The funeral will be

held in Trinity church, Milford, at two o'clock Sunday afternoon, The town farm was sold on Thursday to Mr. Smiley, of West Acton, for \$7025. There were several bidders. It is reported that Mr. Smiley bough or one or more of his sons recently returned from service overseas. Hay sold for \$29 per ton. There was a good number out and much interes

was manifested by the townspeople There was a good number present at the Curtis W. Drew auction on Thursday forenoon. The cattle did not bring high prices;

On April 16 the Ladies' Mission Study class of the Baptist society will neet with Mrs. Emma Henry,

Mrs. Hiram Sauler returned hom om New Brunswick on last Sunday ifter an absence of nine months

Mrs. J. M. Hartwell gave a luncheon and card party last week in honor of Mrs. J. D. Christie, who is leaving town. Mrs. Christie was further honored by the gift of a bunch of violets from a group of young ladies whom she has chaperoned at some of the Camp levens dances

Mrs 'ney Whiteemb en yed pleasant surprise on Thursday when ner daughter, Mrs. Henry Robbits nd granddaughter, Mrs. Mary Hobns Edgarton, spent the day with he tere were other happy reminders of

cre were dider happy reminders. S. Whitcomb's birthday. The in-obration will be on Surday, we is hoped that fall the family would the day with Mrs. Whitcombine with the family would be supported by the family with the fam home.

h will include special anthen story sermon to the childre discourse by the pastor on we find after the resurrect's at the morning service, and in the evening the Easter cantata, "The last trium phant" which is in preparate

y a chorus of young people. The success of the victory campairs of the Baptist church to secure r share of the six million dollars to 1 the Northern Baptist con vention before March 31, was any sune ed from the pulpit on last Sunday morning. Since the first of Laurary \$290 have been contributed for pricely

enevolent purposes. The ladies of the Baptist church and making plans for a salad supper. Wed nesday, April 30,

All persons are cordially invited meet with the Middlesex County Bu reau of Agriculture and Home Economics in the town hall on Monday

which the bureau can be of benefit to Littleton this year. There will be interesting speakers and possibly stere. option views, after which discussions will be held. Everyone interested in the welfare of the town should attend the meeting. Kindly extend this notice to your friends and come prepared to ask questions or make suggestions.

BOXBOROUGH

Mr. Davis, who was hired by Walace Cunningham before his death. and who lived in his house, has moved his family to West Acton, where he is employed by Albert Perkins.

The new teacher in No. 2 district is Miss Thomas, of Quincy. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wetherbee, of Worcester, were week-end guests at

When Mrs. B. C. Steele returned from Clinton on Monday she brought her mother, Mrs. S. P. Dodge, with her. She is the first of our summer residents to arrive and went at once to Grapevine cottage, where she will remain for the summer.

Among the arrivals at Camp Deven this week were Wendell Burroughs and Corp. Robert Poland, of this town. The sum collected for the destitute

people of the Near East was about \$24. This amount was sent to Rev. G. M. Missirian, to be forwarded to the committee on relief. Charles Myers has been quite sick

with threatened pneumonia, but at present seems to be improving. The next meeting of the Pomona Grange will be held here on April 24.

The question for the morning is "Being content (on reconstruction)," Rev. James H. Peardon. Dinner at 12.30. morning after an illness of many weeks. His sister, Mrs. Charles H. The afternoon subject will be "aRising Yapp, will attend the funeral on Sunday. Douglas is remembered as a promising lad and quiet but congenial promising lad and quiet but congenial lad and subject with the promising lad and subject with the promising lad and quiet but congenial lad and subject with the promising lad and subject w

WESTFORD

The assessors have started their pring tour of duty, 'Mr. Rafter, the new member of the board, is doing he center of the town. Miss Sara E. McClure, of Concord

Center.

N. H., has been visiting Mrs. Brown-sey at the Congregational parsonage several days this week

Those having the roads in charge ave been trying out a new plan this pring for leveling the rough places 'erley E. Wright, with one of his heavy teo trucks, with two scraper arrangenents attached, and in addition a heavy brush made of birch trees, goes the roads which combined process fills the ruts and smooths off the surface very well?

Mr. and Mrs. S. B Watson have reently had a new Buick closed car deivered to them.

raniteville.

Both masses in St. Catherine's at Springfield, Vt., Miss Esther Backerch last Sunday morning were celevated by the pastor, Rev. C. P. other week. Heaney, and there was a large number in attendance. After the second mass a neeting of the Holy Name society

meld when further action was in relation to the memorial tabis to be erected at the school of all the boys from the he were in the army or navy g the late war. On Tuesday evethe usual Lenten devotions were and consisted of the recital of to ary by Rev. C. P. Heaney, fol-

Hev. M. E. Doherty, of South Bos-His words made a deep impreson the large congregation pres-The regular choir was in attend-

The members of Court Westford, M. F., held an interesting meeting

Thursday night. The Ladies' Aid society of the M church met with Mrs. Charles E. aton on Thursday afternoon at three

Private Alfred Conture and Eugene raichard, who recently returned from versens duty with the 26th Division, are stationed at Camp Devens and have made frequent visits on relatives and friends here. It seems good to get hem back home again.

Private Wesley Hawkes of the 101st Engineers, 26th Division, who is now at Camp Devens, made a brief visit at evening, April 14, at eight o'clock, for the home of his grandparents. Mr. street ran into one of the his

the purpose of discussing ways in

Alliance of the Harvard Unitarian soeiety, Thursday,

of many friends.

Rev. L. H. Morse, pastor of the Baptist church, will be away on Sun-day and the pulpit will be filled here by a student from the Newton Theo-legical institution ogical institution.

Miss Edna Flanders, of Worcester, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Haskell, Wednesday

Mrs. Howard Stone entertained the

Mrs. Fannie Haskell and Miss Edna Robinson spent Thursday in Worces

Mrs. Luther Willard went to Wor-Tuesday,

caller on Still River friends on Tues-Miss Louisa Dyar, of Harvard, was

Thursday Miss Emma Butterfield, of Ayer, has been a visitor with her cousins this week, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Stone.

TOWNSEND

Harbor.

On Thursday a Chalmers car of the latest model was delivered to Adney Gray.

station was broken into and the public telephone and gum machine robbed. The household furniture of Mr and Mrs. Harry Dustin is being disposed of at private sale. The place is also

Mr. Piper, who with his family has been living in the mill yard at the Center, has been engaged as teamster at the leatherboard mill and is occupying one of the mill tenements.

Miss Jennie Taylor, who has been work consists of furnishing auto rides, pending the winter at the Martha entertaining convalescent patients in Baxter sanatorium, has reopened her homes, bi-weekly visits to the wards, home. Elmbank.

After spending the greater part of the winter in Beverly with her daughter. Mrs. Charles Monroe, Mrs. Helen dations for relatives of sick soldiers. Warner on last week Thursday returned to her home in this village. She full charge of the Medical Social Services was accompanied by Mrs. Galen Proc-lice for patients. The Altrurian club tor and little daughter, who were also guests for a week of Mrs. Monroe, it is earnestly desired that any wom-Mrs. Proctor with little Katherine is an in Shirley who is interested will

ived a birthday post card shower at he As You Like It club.

Hazel Kirk, a Universalist minister, whom several here have met, is in Tokio, Japan, studying the language of that country, where later she in-ends to teach. A most interesting etter from her was recently received y Miss Hester Burdett.

On Tuesday by parcel post, special delivery, B. C. Cummings received an invoice of 800 white leghorn chicks. Lieut, Willard E. Gray reached home Thursday from Texas. The announcement of the marriage

on Tuesday at two o'clock at Upton of i vered to them.

Miss Ballou and Charles Spaulding
The choir of the Congregational has been received. The bridal couple hurch are busily rehearsing a cantata, are spending a part of their honey. The dawn immortal," for Easter, moon with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Spof. moon with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Spof ford.

On Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs Bagley entertained at progressive whist. Mrs. Herman Petterson and James Bennett won the highest scores The prizes for the lowest number of points were awarded to Mrs. T. J. Harvey and J. W. Wetherbee.

After a few days' visit with his nother. Will Spaulding returned to Nashua Wednesday night. Corporal Liddell may remain in the

ervae, as he has been offered an exlent clerical position. Harbor farm has a new foreman; en an invoice of cows has been re-

central Mass Lillian Warner leaves West loyston on Friday for ten days in lew York and Philadelphia.

A sign in the Harbor station states that the station will be closed for reight and express business from four p. in. till seven a m., but the agent will serve anyone during these hours for a small service fee. He may be found in his room over the postoffice Mrs George Jones is visiting her alster-in-law, Mrs. Clara Pond, of

Harry Knight spent the weekend at

On Thursday afternon of last week Mrs. Minnie Knight accompanied by her mother, Mrs., Elizabeth Fletcher, Thile driving her car along Main

that line the thoroughfare on either side, Mrs. Fletcher was thrown from her seat, through the windshield and onto the hood of the machine. The form a fast baseball club this season, to be known as the Abbot Worsted Company team. This club will have a new equipment and will secure a fast semi-pro battery. The rest of the team will be comprised of the best playors from Graniteville, Forge Village and Westford. It is the intention about three feet from it. Although lage and westford. It is the intention to play all the strongest teams in Low-ell, Lawrence and in the surrounding towns. This club will be in charge of an athelotic committee composed of wercome in so short a distance. Be-w. R. Taylor, A. R. Wall, Edward in the nervous shock, a severe shake in the play of the state of the shake in the shake ing up and lameness, no other results have developed. The car is being repaired.

Club Meeting.

The As You Like It club met Tuesday, April 3, with Mrs. Warner, hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Galen Proctor. After the reading of the minutes, there being no business the meeting was given over to Mrs. Proctor, who was in charge of the en-tertainment, and there was not a dull moment. As Mrs. Adams had the misfortune to have a birthday, she was buried under a shower of birthday cards, but emerged later in time to name a number of birds that hovered about the room. Mrs. Conant captured the greatest number. were read by Mrs. Warner and Mrs. Foss. A very interesting letter from Japan was read by Miss Burdett,

The next word from Mrs. Proctor was that the club must right then and there edit a paper called the Townsend Bugle. She gave each one a section to write up and not one of the club ever refuses to do as they are told. Consequently they went to work with a zeal that would do credit to any editor's staff. The hostess gave an intermission to rest their over-worked brains, while she served lunch that just to look at would give new life to the bridal journey, which was to in-clude Washington. For the present they will make their home with Mr. and Mrs. Dickson. Gifts of sliver, cut finish the paper, especially if whipped cream is good for the brain. Finely When the paper was read a surprising glass and gold were numerous, repre-amount of literary ability was display-senting the friendship and good will ed. It consisted of local and foreign news, household departments, ads. fun and poetry. Such a paper as was read cannot be described, but it would sell for a good price.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

The Ladies' circle of the Congregational church met last Wednesday with Miss Bessle M. Dadmun,

The annual meeting of the parish of the Congregational church will be held in the church vestry on Monday even-The Altrurian club observed its

twenty-sixth anniversary on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs Martha J. Conant, thirty members be ing present and three visitors. The president, Mrs. Amy C. Wheeler, presided. It was voted to co-operate with he Shirley Alliance to help the Red cross to carry on the work of giving comfort and pleasure to the wounded and sick soldiers at the base hospital.

Mrs. Amy C. Wheeler and Mrs. Mary E. Lilly was chosen a committee to at tend to the work. Mrs. Althea Lin-denberg spoke on the great need of the work for the soldiers and many of the members volunteered their serv In answer to the roll call the members responded with quotations The program consisted of piano solos by Mrs. Bessie Moulton and readings by Mrs. Martha J. Conant. A social hour followed. A most delictous lunch was served by the social committee and executive board. The meeting adjourned to meet in two weeks, the place of meeting to be announced later.

Soldiers' Comfort and Pleasure.

The Shirley Alliance has organized committee to carry on, under the Red Cross, a line of work for the comfort and pleasure of the wounded and providing flowers, fruit, cigarettes, it is earnestly desired that any wommaking a visit for a week or two at immediately register her name with her mother's, Mrs. Warner. Mrs. R. B. Adams on Tuesday re- named service. The chairman, Mrs. David L. Lindenberg, is in charge of ward visiting; Mrs. Edward M. Davis room registry and registry of autos for ervice; Mrs. Louis Farnsworth and Mrs. Thomas Lilly in charge of supdies: Miss Shirley Lawton and Miss 'arrie Bradford for finding places for intertaining patients for an afternoon nd Mrs. Frank Wheeler in charge of

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Said Commissioners therefore give notice that they will meet at Town Hall in Groton on the fourteenth day May. A. D. 1919, at 11,30 of the clock in the forenoon, to alter and direct specific repairs accordingly. WM. C. DILLINGHAM,

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Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Waters.
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