

Red Cross Benefit Game

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 a few minutes, but they have really slowed down. Elwyn Wood is still greased lightning around the floor, but has lost his eye for the basket. Harold Cook, Lou Shumway, Walt Boyko and Stan Rhodes could also use a little more practice—but that's what the Old Timers didn't dare do was to practice, for fear they would get so stiff that they couldn't play at all.

The only fatality of the evening was Dick Hennemann of the town team, who had Paige Piper's jaw stuck into his eye—nothing serious, just one of those things. The final score was 38 to 32 in favor of the town team.

"General" Roy Shaw of the Old Timers promised a hectic game for this week Wednesday night, the receipts to go to the surgical dressings project, a very needed cause.

The preliminary game was won by the eighth grade over the freshmen, 26 to 24.

Town Team		B	F	P
Noel		2	0	4
Anderson		1	0	2
Bock		6	2	14
Robertson		1	0	2
Gold		0	0	0
R. Hennemann		2	3	7
Ayers		1	0	2
R. Kimball		3	0	6
Boyko		0	1	1
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Old Timers		16	6	38
Old Timers		B	F	P
Piper		4	0	8
Wood		2	0	4
A. Hennemann		6	1	13
Shumway		1	0	2
Allen		0	0	0
S. Rhodes		1	0	2
Dodge		0	0	0
H. Cook		1	0	2
W. Boyko		0	1	1
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Old Timers		15	2	32

Old Timers Turn Tables

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Old Timers		B	F	P
Art Hennemann		5	2	12
Elwyn Wood		1	0	2
Stan Rhodes		2	0	4
Paige Piper		2	1	5
Louis Shumway		1	0	2
Guy Allen, Jr.		0	0	0
Harold Cook		1	0	2
Walt Dodge		0	0	0
H. F. Robbins		0	0	0
Guy Harrington		0	0	0
Walter Boyko		0	0	0
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Old Timers		12	3	27

Town Team		B	F	P
Elwyn Bock		3	1	7
Don Morey		0	0	0
Stuart Robertson		1	1	3
Richard Kimball		6	1	13
Wilfred Noel, Jr.		0	0	0
Sonny Ayers		0	0	0
Stanley Boyko		0	0	0
Frank Gold		1	0	2
Robert Anderson		0	0	0
George Henry		0	0	0
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Town Team		11	3	25

Fire Department Calls

Mar. 24. Chimney fire at Chas. Trainor's.
 Mar. 25. Fire at Turcotte's.

Town Items

Mrs. Eva Webb, who has been in Springfield since January, visited with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Plant, from Saturday to Wednesday.

Mount Vernon chapter, O. E. S., sponsored a public card party Friday night at Masonic hall. Six tables of bridge and seven of whist were in play. Prize winners were: Bridge, high, Roy G. Shaw; low, Mrs. Clarence Morey. Whist, high, Mrs. Harry Plant; low, Mrs. Walter Dodge. The party was in charge of the Ways and Means committee of the chapter, with Mrs. Sophia Pero, chairman.

Miss Kathleen Lapolice, student at Edgewood Park Junior College, Briarcliffe Manor, N. Y., is spending the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lapolice.

Quick work on the part of the Fire department helped save the brooder house on the place of Frank Turcotte of Hannum road Saturday afternoon, but the blaze killed 400 four-days-old chicks. According to Fire Chief Milton C. Baggs, the brooder was set on a wooden base and apparently the shavings, used on the floor, ignited.

Miss Ruby Knight, a former principal of the Center grade school, visited friends here on Tuesday. She is much improved in health.

Mrs. Marjorie Tilton, who has been welfare agent of the town for over two years, has resigned and Mrs. Raymond Menard has been appointed acting welfare agent.

Miss Ruth Spencer, a nurse at the Johnson Memorial hospital in Stamford Springs, has returned, after spending a few days at her home in town.

Amherst—Mrs. Eva Powers of Pelham road announces the engagement of her daughter, Evelyn Louise, to Fred A. Goodrich of Belcher-

FOR SALE—Good stock hay, \$28 delivered at barn.
 Clarence Robinson
 Tel. 3261

M31
 FOR SALE—4 last fall's pigs.
 Lloyd Heath
 Mill Valley
 Tel. 2421

POTATOES — Green Mountains
 For Sale at 40 cents a peck in 100 lb. bag lots.
 Henry Renout
 Robin Farm
 Tel. 2057

Card of Thanks

Mrs. Cornelia Holland wishes to thank her friends for so generously remembering her with birthday congratulations, which helped to make the day a happy one.

Remember Your Date Tonight at 8 with "Sunbonnet Jane of Sycamore Lane"

Girl Scout Notes

Mar. 30, 1944
 Today at the Scout meeting, Ruth Crowther received her membership pin. From now on, we will have our meetings in the parish house of the Congregational church. We celebrated our Scout birthday today. Patrol 2 put on a party. Next week, Patrol 2 is going to put on a skit for the rest of the Scouts. From now on, the meetings will begin at 3.30 instead of 3.15.

The girls who are taking the foot traveler badge and the nature badge worked on them today.

Mrs. Holland inquired about the different Girl Scout camps, and there are some girls who want to go to them.

Barbara Young, Scribe

town road. Miss Powers is a native of Amherst and attended the local schools. Mr. Goodrich is also a native of Amherst and attended the local schools and has recently been given a medical discharge from the navy. He is now employed by the Wico Electric company of West Springfield.

CASINO
 WARE Mat. 2 Eve. 7.15
 FRI., SAT., MAR. 31 - APR. 1
 Margo Denis O'Keefe
"LEOPARD MAN"
 and
 "Oh My Darling, Clementine"
 All Star Radio Cast
 SUN., MON., APR. 2 - 3
 Ann Miller Larry Parks
"HEY ROOKIE"
 Tom Neal Jeanne Bates
"RACKET MAN"
 3 DAYS COM. TUES., APR. 4
 Eddie Bracken Betty Hutton
"The Miracle of Morgan's Creek"
 and
"GIRL FROM MONTEREY"

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 Fire Chief and Forest Warden—Milton C. Baggs.
 Deputy Forest Fire Wardens—Joseph J. Kempkes, Kenneth Bristol, Roy G. Shaw, Louis E. Fuller, Guy C. Allen, Jr., Carl Peterson.
 Moth Superintendent — Harlan Davis.
 Chief of Police—Albert G. Markham.
 Special Police—John J. Cronin, Thomas P. Feeney, Walter Jensen.
 Special Police (limited to service on State School grounds)—Paul T. Austin, Frank E. Farrington, John Moran.
 Dog Officer—Harlan Davis.
 Special Police (to take Street List)—Mrs. Emma D. Loftus, Mrs. Pearl Green, Mrs. Minnie Flaherty.
 Sealer of Weights and Measures—Raymond C. Gay.
 Measurers of Wood and Lumber—Edwin F. Shumway, Raymond C. Gay, Theron V. Pratt.
 Fence Viewers—Edwin F. Shumway, Raymond C. Gay, Kenneth Witt.
 Field Drivers—Edwin F. Shumway, William Snow, Clarence Robinson.
 Public Weighers—Harry L. Ryther, H. Morgan Ryther, Patrick Brown.
 Public Weighers for State School—W. Fred Appleford, John J. Cronin, Forrest A. Nichols, Paul T. Austin, John Davis, Patrick Nagel, Harvey Samson, Eugene Connelly.
 Animal Inspector — Dr. Francis M. Austin.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
 —Congregational Church—
 Rev. Richard F. Maxwell, Pastor
 (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
 Rev. J. P. Maxwell, Interim Pastor
 Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
 "The Corner Stone of the Christian Faith."
 Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.

—Methodist Church—
 Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor
 Church School at 10 a. m.
 Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
 "My Father's House."
 Youth Fellowship at Mrs. Marjorie Plant's at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
 Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
 Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
 Sunday Masses:
 St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
 State School, 8.15 a. m.
 Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY
TUESDAY
 American Legion Meeting.

WEDNESDAY
 O. E. S. Meeting.

THURSDAY
FRIDAY

SATURDAY
 Food Sale under auspices of Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. in the Methodist Vestry at 2 p. m.
 Grange Card Party.

TODAY
 Mass of Pre-Sanctified at Saint Francis Church at 8 a. m.

Lenten Devotions at St. Francis Church at 7.30 p. m.
 Annual Meeting of Park Association in Recreation Room at Memorial Hall at 7.30 p. m.

TOMORROW
 Blessing of the Holy Waters and Mass at St. Francis Church at 8 a. m.

Special Communication of Verity Lodge.

Dates Spoken For
 April 21
 American Legion Dance.

Grand Total \$1,720 in Red Cross Drive

Solicited by	Returns
Mrs. Edith Jenks	\$39.00
Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins	32.20
Mrs. Luther Shattuck	43.00
Mrs. Marjorie Tilton	18.50
Mr. Harold F. Peck	45.00
Mrs. Robert E. Moore	68.75
Mrs. Robert D. Camp	30.00
Miss Janice Gay	61.00
Mrs. Hudson Holland	298.00
Mrs. Gould Ketchen	51.50
Mrs. Stanley Rhodes	28.00
Mrs. Leslie Howland	173.50
Mrs. Carl J. Peterson, Jr.	39.00
Mrs. Frank Farrington, Jr.	24.00
Mrs. Anthony Amico	58.00
Miss Dorothy McKillop	5.00
Mrs. Charles Engel	22.00
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Mrs. Barbara Terry	117.35
Pupils of Franklin School under the direction of Miss Shea and Miss Fitzgerald	
Same as above	33.00
Same as above	47.50
Same as above	49.85
Same as above	221.00
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Belchertown Employees of White Aircraft Corp., Contribution fund	16.00
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One Benefit Basketball game by local teams, arranged by Messrs. A. and R. Hennemann	19.12
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Public Schools	
High School	23.25
Center Grade School	53.61
Liberty School	6.79
Franklin School	4.20
Union School	1.30
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Organizations	
Social Guild	20.00
Double or Nothing Club	5.00
Home Department of Congregational Church	5.00
Youth Fellowship of Congregational Church	2.50
Combined Men's Club of Congregational and Methodist Churches	13.08
Women's Society of Christian Service	5.00
Firemen	5.00
Eastern Star	5.00
Girl Scouts	2.00
Doric Club	25.00
Union Grange	3.00
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Grand Total	\$1,720.00

Dr. Austin on Radio
 It will be of interest to Belchertown people to know that Dr. Francis M. Austin, local veterinarian, will speak on the New England Farm Hour over WBZ on Monday morning, April 10, between 6 and 7 o'clock. Dr. Austin will probably speak sometime between 6.30 and 7 a. m. His talk will relate to equine sleeping sickness.

To Report for Induction
 The following from this town will report for induction in the army on April 26:
 Albert J. Socha So. Liberty St.
 Raymond J. Reece Jabish St.
 William F. Armitage No. Main St.

Senior-Junior Play
 The Senior-Junior play, "Sunbonnet Jane of Sycamore Lane," played to a full house last week Friday night, reminding one of the "good old days," when this annual event never failed to bring out a banner attendance. The play was full of laughs, tending to release one from war-time tension.
 The Seniors cleared \$90 and the Juniors \$40, the Juniors getting the advance sales, while the Seniors paid the expenses and cashed in on the balance. Candy made in the household arts department, was sold between the first and second acts.
 The players entered into the spirit of the play and took their parts well. Dorothy Atkins was Sunbonnet Jane, the heroine with the jaunty, care-free manner; Elsie Cannon was the aunt, always mortified; Cecelia McLean was the latter's "lovely young sister"; Frances Smola was the up and coming forever single school teacher; Barbara Hudson was the one who never gossiped, but always had a "duty to perform"; Wanda Krawiec was the city cousin with plenty of airs; Frank Gold was the well-bred city feller; Elwyn Bock was always playing pranks; Stanley Tribe was the one with a permanent grouch; James Pierce was the young hitchhiker; and Charlotte Dyer, the "gentlewoman."
 Credit goes to Mrs. Sophia Pero for coaching the Seniors, and Miss Irvin the Juniors.

Food Sale Next Week
 The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will sponsor a food sale in the vestry of the Methodist church, Saturday, April 15, at 2 p. m. Orders will be taken until Tuesday night, April 11. Telephone 2551 or 2391. Mrs. Mildred Bock is chairman of the committee in charge.

April 28
 Illustrated Lecture, "Yosemite to Lake Louise," by Dr. James Gordon Gilkey, in Memorial hall, under the auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S.
 May 3
 Rummage Sale in Methodist Vestry at 2 p. m.
 May 5
 Freshmen Dance.
 May 6
 Double or Nothing Club Minstrel.
 June 2
 Youth Fellowship Plays.
 Mrs. Barbara Terry,
 Chairman



Springfield's New Program
For Democratic Citizenship
Part V

In addition to the Adult Education Bureau there is an Adult Education Council composed of citizens representing many of the formal civic groups, whose Executive Secretary is the Director of the Adult Education Bureau. This Council carries on programs of citizenship education to supplement the work of the schools. Foremost among these is a series of Public Forums, ten in number this year, at which such controversial issues as "Can We Solve Our Problems Without Centralization?" are discussed by speakers of international reputation. The Springfield Public Forums are now celebrating their tenth anniversary, Springfield having been the second city in the nation to include them as an essential part of community education. The average attendance is over 1,000.

Among other activities of the Council are summer "pop" concerts and non-partisan political rallies. This winter, it has assisted in presenting a Springfield Symphony to an audience of 3,000.

The base of the membership in this Council is constantly broadening, as it reaches out to include all branches of labor and management, all religions and nationalities. From its beginning, it has had the complete and enthusiastic help of the press. Editors and reporters not only cover the Council's activities and keep the citizens thoroughly informed of its work, but they have been most generous with constructive criticism, and have furnished many ideas for increasing the usefulness of this community-wide agency for adult education. Local radio stations have been equally cooperative.

In these many ways, Springfield is struggling with the problem of the best way to educate its people for citizenship in a democracy, but it has no monopoly on any of the practices which it uses. In fact, the Springfield program might in all fairness be termed "The Springfield Synthesis," for this city has looked everywhere for help and inspiration, and has put into practice much that has been successful in other places. It has certainly not tried to set itself up as an example for any other community to follow blindly. If other cities are interested in what Springfield is doing, and make programs of their own as a result of that interest, then this city has reason to be proud that it is helping the nation-wide effort to prepare America for the years ahead.

The planning here is by no means finished. Much still remains to be inaugurated, many experiments are still far from perfect,

and the rapidly shifting American scene will provide a challenge for the best minds among our supervisors, principals and teachers for a long time to come. Those communities, who feel that they have not "enough money for this sort of thing," must be told that the countless hours of work necessitated by the decision to go "all out" against intolerance and prejudice in Springfield have been cheerfully and enthusiastically given by employees, who already had their regular jobs to do, and at a time when the national emergency was making inroads upon the staff, and unusual demands were daily growing in number. The personnel of the Springfield School System was not increased by the addition of experts or new teachers to put the program into effect.

Neither have the "Three R's" been slighted in the process of putting a new emphasis on citizenship education. Standardized tests in arithmetic and English are given annually throughout the system. The progress of Springfield children is compared with that of other children in other communities. The fundamental skills are looked upon as the basis upon which education for citizenship must be built.

What measure of success has been realized? I can do no better than to quote Superintendent John Granrud, under whose quiet but persistent leadership the program has moved forward:

"Although it is evident that we have but made a start in the great task before us, I am profoundly convinced that significant progress has been achieved. As our experiences and skill grow, even greater advances will be made in developing the type of citizenry, which will not only strive toward, but will achieve the great promise implicit in the democratic way."

End

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Make this thing plain to us, O Lord!

That not the triumph of the sword—

Not that alone—can end the strife,

But reformation of the life—

By full submission to Thy Word!

Not all the stream of blood out-poured

Can Peace—the Long-Desired—afford;

Not tears of Mother, Maid, or Wife...

Make this thing plain!

"We must root out our sins ignored,

By whatsoever name adored;

Our secret sins, that, ever rife,

Shrink from the operating knife;

Then shall we rise, renewed, restored...

Make this thing plain!"

Austin Dobson
—Bob Jackson

Methodist Church Notes

There will be special music and reception of members at the church on Sunday morning.

The Youth Fellowship will meet

at Mrs. Marion Plant's on Sunday evening.

Town Items

Gould Ketchen and family have moved to the home of Mr. Ketchen's grandfather, Henry R. Gould. Mr. and Mrs. William G. Peeso visited Mr. Peeso's sister, Mrs. Ruth Richards at East Leverett on Sunday. Mrs. Richards is 89 years of age and very active. She is able to keep her own home and is planning a visit to her brother's, soon.

Miss Ethel Corliss of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending the Easter vacation at her home in town.

Mrs. Louise Sherman, who has spent the winter with her son, Donald Sherman of Boston, has returned to her home in town.

Miss Dorothea Shattuck is ill with rheumatic fever at the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston.

The annual meeting of the Park Association will be held tonight in the recreation room at Memorial hall at 7.30.

Miss Joyce Spencer, a student at Bangor Theological Seminary, arrived in town yesterday to spend Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer.

High School Notes

HONOR ROLL

First Honors
(Averages of 90 or over)

- Seniors:
Anna Adzima
Frank Gold
Wanda Krawiec
Frances Smola
- Sophomores:
Rita Bouchard
Nancy Farley
Shirley Hazen
Mary McKillop

- Freshmen:
George Jackson
Jane Kimball
- Eighth Grade:
Sophie Jusko
Amelia Smola
Evelyn Squires

Second Honors
(No grade below 85 for an average)

- Seniors:
Dorothy Bigos
Marguerite McKillop

- Juniors:
Dorothy Atkins
Jean Braden
Mavis Dickinson
Florence Fay
Margaret Sullivan

- Sophomores:
Florence Brulotte
Phyllis Cook
Claire Lamoureux
Alice Lofland

- Freshmen:
Frank Antonovitch
Ann Hanifin
Gloria MacKinnon
Helen Oseep
Louise Romaniak

- Eighth Grade:
Phyllis Bigos
Jeanne Bouchard
Lois Chadbourne
William Dickinson
Elinor Heath
Elizabeth Suhm



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Announcement

This is to announce that I will start delivery of ice in Belchertown just as soon as the season opens.

G. T. LYMAN



Camp Livingston, La.
April 1, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer:
For several months, I have been reading about Belchertown's Servicemen in the Sentinel, and now it's my turn to write you a few words.

It has been interesting to read in the Sentinel the many different places to which it is being sent. When I read the words of appreciation from the fellows at these places, I know that they mean just what they write. The Sentinel is a connection with home that becomes important to each of us. It amazes me just how well informed I have kept with my home town's activities by reading your paper.

Camp Livingston is 7 miles from more widely known Camp Claiborne. Although it's far from home and already hot here, I must admit that it is an attractive camp. It has a lot of the grass and well kept wooded areas not found at Benning. The chief is quite anxious for us to see all of the camp's beauty since he never hesitates to lead us all over the place three or four times a week. If he'd go a little slower and not take in quite so much at one time, I'd enjoy it a lot more.

Gas rationing should not bother me any more, anyway. By the time I get home I should be able to run from home up town. It's difficult to tell how long I'll stay at this address. I'd like to believe Henry Ford, but he seems to have crossed his signals somewhere along the line.

Sincerely
Gil Geer

Pvt. G. T. Geer, 31415303
Co. I, 341st Inf.
A. P. O. 450
Camp Livingston, La.

Dear Editor:

I find that my Christmas and birthday cards are arriving here late, the same as they did last year. This is due to the fact that I spent some time in a hospital and have only had a temporary address, which has changed quite a few times since I came out. Although this mail is late in arriving, I want to let all the senders know that it is certainly greatly appreciated, and I want to say, "Thanks a million to one and all."

I received no wounds while in action, and at present am very well and getting along fine. I have been assigned to a new outfit, and I am now somewhere in North Africa. I believe that it is permissible to say that I spent about four months' time in Italy.

I will close for this time with the assuring thought in mind that all of you home folks will keep up the

good work that you have been doing in the past, so that we of the military forces with your fine cooperation, may soon reach that goal for which we are all striving soon to acquire—Victory.

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. Harlan D. Rhodes

Richard Rogers, Mach. Mate 2-C, is home on a well deserved thirty-day leave from the Pacific theatre. He goes south at its expiration for special training in his chosen field.

"Dick" is visiting his folks, Mr. and Mrs. John Boncik of Washington St. He has certainly been through the most tense experiences out of this war of all wars. Dick was with the flagship of our dangerously diminished fleet immediately after the black Dec. 7 at Pearl Harbor. At that time we were in ignorance of the thin thread that separated our fleet from being completely knocked out by the Jap sneak attack. Dick was part of what will most certainly prove to be one of the greatest chapters of U. S. naval history. He was at Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Tarawa and the first stages of the present campaign to neutralize Truk and the rest of the Caroline group. His ship took a leading part in the awesome night engagements in the Bismark Sea, and the bombardment of one Jap island stronghold after another.

He tells of one direct hit on an ammunition dump on Tarawa when the explosion drove some of our high altitude planes four or five thousand feet higher than they already were. He tells of how his ship sunk a battleship of the Congo class that was concealed close to shore around the northern tip of Bougainville. This was a night engagement and the Jap battlewagon had its searchlights to which its guns were synchronized so that they were automatically on target, wherever the beams of light struck.

Dick said that just as the Jap started pouring shells into one of our cruisers, his ship, which had rounded the tip of Bougainville undetected by the Jap, gave it a full salvo of nine sixteen-inch shells at almost point blank range, 1,500 yards, and the Jap battlewagon began to sink almost immediately, as the entire salvo made direct hits. The Jap had been skulking so close in shore that its superstructure was seen partially above water next day by our reconnaissance planes. Their searchlights proved their undoing in spite of the crafty use to which they had been used.

On his campaign insignia Dick has small stars indicating his participation in seven engagements in our navy's most critical war.

Pvt. 1st Class Walter Wadsworth and Mrs. Wadsworth have returned to Great Falls, Montana, following a 16-day furlough.

Lewis Squires of the 334th Bomb Group, 472nd Bomb Squadron, of Greenville, S. C., has been promoted to sergeant.

Cpl. James B. Baker, 31212713 120th General Hospital, Area B Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi

Robert A. White, A. S. Co. 479, F 18 U. S. N. T. S., Sampson, N. Y.

Pfc. Oscar Boyea, of Chanute Field, Illinois, called on friends in town this past week, while on leave.

Corp. Robert Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bertram E. Shaw, is home on a two weeks' furlough, having graduated in the course of publicity photography at the Air Forces' Technical School at Lowry Field, Colorado. Shaw is stationed at the Greenville Army Air Field in Greenville, Miss.

Chaplain Richard Manwell, who is at the Naval Convalescent Hospital in Glenwood Springs, Col., writes that he is very busy, there being 600 patients at the hospital, and he the only chaplain.

Chaplain Richard F. Manwell Naval Convalescent Hospital Glenwood Springs, Col.

Seaman 2nd Class Raymond Kinmonth returned on Wednesday to Sampson, N. Y., after a week's leave at his home in town. Kinmonth reports that Warren Armitage, who is also at Sampson, contacted him before he left, as a result of correspondence in the Sentinel.

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Ten women and 12 men were registered by the board of registrars on Wednesday, as follows:

Lauretta J. Amico, Daisy C. Cartier, Ruthella M. Conkey, Evelyn R. Ewell, Rachel E. Fuller, Alma S. Lindquist, Donella E. Rhodes, Winifred B. Shattuck, Mary S. Smith, Mercedes E. Stone.

Stanley S. Boyko, Gerhom F. Ewell, W. D. Kenney, Henry J. Lindquist, Robert Morey, Stanley Piskor, Frank Smigiel, F. E. Smith, Alexander Stolar, Stephen Stolar, Milton R. Stone, John Wegryzn.

Congregational Church Notes

Those having Easter plants who would be willing to loan them for use at the church on Sunday are asked to notify Mrs. Florence Utley or any member of the flower committee by tomorrow.

Special music on Sunday will include selections by the newly formed Junior choir.

There will be no meeting of the Youth Fellowship Sunday evening.

Eighteen were present at the meeting of the Home Department at Mrs. Myron Shaw's last week.

Friday afternoon. Five dollars was voted for the Red Cross war fund drive. After a literary program including original verses by Mrs. Frances Moore, a supper was served, Mrs. Mary Markham being assistant hostess.

Four tables were in play at the Women's Guild card party at the home of Mrs. H. H. Witt on Wednesday afternoon. Prize winners were: Mrs. Mary E. Spencer, 1st; Mrs. Julia Ward, 2nd; Mrs. Winslow Piper, 3rd.

Due to conflicting events, the Women's Guild meeting scheduled for the 19th, will be held on the 20th; also the Mother and Daughter supper scheduled for the 28th, will be held on the 26th.

No. 18840
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT

To Arthur Courchene, Treffle Beaudoin, John B. Mercier and Noe Demers of Belchertown, in the County of Hampshire and said Commonwealth; The Federal Land Bank of Springfield, a duly existing corporation having an usual place of business in Springfield, in the County of Hampden and said Commonwealth; Edward A. Paquette, of said Springfield; Rho Gagne, of Chicopee, in said County of Hampden; Francois A. Charbonneau, of Montreal, in the Dominion of Canada; and to all whom it may concern.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Walter B. Loring, of Holden, in the County of Worcester and said Commonwealth, to register and confirm his title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Belchertown, bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly by Stebbins Street; Northeasterly by lands now or formerly of Arthur Courchene and Treffle Beaudoin, Northerly by said Beaudoin land; and Easterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, South-easterly, Southwesterly, Northwesterly, and Southwesterly by land now or formerly of John B. Mercier.

Petitioner admits that the above-described land is subject to a reservation in favor of C. Luman Warner, his heirs and assigns, a right of way across said land to said highway, and to a reservation in favor of Mrs. George Caple, her heirs and assigns, a right of way commencing at a stake in wall through said land to said highway.

The above-described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

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Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, John E. Fenton, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and forty-four.
Attest with Seal of said Court.
(Seal)

ROBERT E. FRENCH, Recorder
William H. Martin, Esq., 115 State Street, Springfield, Mass., For the Petitioner.

Apr. 7-14-21



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LET'S WIN THE WAR IN '44 — BUY ANOTHER WAR BOND TODAY

Dwight Items

The annual meeting of the Union Church Society of Dwight Chapel was held on Monday evening at the chapel with nine members present. Two new members, Mrs. Minerva Wright and Mrs. Harriet Archambault, were voted into the society.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk, Mrs. Gladys Jenks, and the treasurer's report was read and accepted. This past year a new worship center was established which included draperies, a cross made and presented by Roland Mossberg, a candle supply by Mrs. Leon Moncrief, candle sticks by Mr. Trombley, linoleum by Raymond Jenks. A piano was presented the chapel by Mrs. John Colton of Pelham and a new organist, Mrs. Elsie Chaffee, was presented with a gown.

New officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows: President, Miss Evelyn Kimball; treasurer and collector, Raymond Jenks; clerk, Gladys Jenks. It was also voted to have Rev. Mr. White find out if the plaque with the date on it was finished and see about its return.

There is a balance of \$203.66 in the treasury, with \$112 to be laid aside to meet the expenses of the coming year.

For the present, services will continue to be at 2.30 p. m., followed by Sunday School, and it is hoped that the congregation, which averaged 40 to 45 all the fall and up to the middle of January, will return now that bad travelling is nearly over and the usual amount of grip, etc., which seems to arrive with the winter months, is past.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Landry and family have moved from Dr. Ives' farm to their new home in North Amherst, which was bequeathed Mr. Landry and the children by Mr. Landry's grandmother, Mrs. Beaman.

Arthur L. Jenks of Lyme, N. H., who has been visiting his son, Raymond, has returned home.

The sum of \$39 was collected in Dwight for the Red Cross.

William Aldrich has had an artesian well dug on his property, water being struck at a depth of 90 feet.

Mrs. Lily Randolph, who recently suffered a stroke, was taken by ambulance to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bessie Steinbeck, of East Pleasant street, Amherst.

Fire Department Calls

Apr. 5. Grass fire at Fenton's.

FOR SALE—A Player Piano with rolls and bench—very reasonable; also a Kitchen Range.
Mrs. Henry Baggs
Phone 3555

Sunrise Service at Pelham

The 8th Annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held at Pelham Hill on Sunday morning, starting promptly at 6.20. The sunrise is scheduled for 6.25. Rev. Harold White will give the Easter message, his subject being "Awake and Sing." Coffee and doughnuts will be served at the town hall, as in other years. Rev. Mr. White hopes that there will be a good sized delegation from this community.

Grange Notes

At the regular meeting of Union Grange on Tuesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dickinson spoke on "Beautifying the Home Grounds," and gave many helpful suggestions.

It was voted to sponsor a card party April 15.

Town Items

Mrs. Elliott Clark and daughter of New York City are visiting Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton C. Baggs.

Guy Harrington, principal of B. H. S., and Belding F. Jackson, acting principal at Classical High school in Springfield, attended on Tuesday night the round table meeting of the principals of this section of the state, at the High School of Commerce.

Miss Eleanor Shaw, who has spent the winter in New York, is spending a three weeks' vacation at her home.

Miss Sara J. Greene has resumed her duties at the State School after spending a month in Florida.

Mrs. Homer Powell of Milton, Vt., is spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Shaw.

News has been received of the recurring illness of Arthur R. Ketchen, who is at the home of his son, Andrew Ketchen, in Wayland.

The American Legion will meet on Tuesday evening at headquarters.

Girl Scout Notes

For the first time, the Girl Scouts held their meeting in the chapel. Esther Dickinson joined at this meeting.

Mrs. Holland held the foot traveler badge, and Mrs. Chaffee took the girls who are working for their second class badge.

After the girls taking the foot traveler badge had finished, we all went outside and played dodge ball.

Barbara Young, Scriber

CASINO

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SUN., MON., APR. 9-10
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"RATIONING"
Frances Langford
"Career Girl"

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Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1 — Fernando Forrest, Frederick Lincoln, Rene Bouchard, Leon Moncrief, Myrtle Rose, Paul Stoughton, Homer Damon, Lloyd Heath (2), Edward Bukowski, Louis Endelson, Harold Pierce, David Fournier (3).

Grade 3 — Monica Lebida, Harvey Lindcourt, John Sansoucy (2), Truck Tires — Alvin Bush (2), Thomas Hanifin.

Tractor Tires — Edward Isaac (2).

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Victory that Overcomes the World."
Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.
Youth Fellowship meeting at 6.30 p. m.
Barbara Hudson, leader.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"The Search for Truth."
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY
Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY
Clean-up Day.
Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss at 7.30 p. m.

THURSDAY
Women's Guild at Congregational parish house at 8 p. m. Prof. Leslie Burgevin of Mount Holyoke College, Guest Speaker.

FRIDAY
American Legion Dance.

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW
Food Sale under auspices of Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. in the Methodist Vestry at 2 p. m.
Grange Card Party in Grange Hall at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

April 28
Annual Meeting of Belchertown Historical Association at Stone House at 3 p. m.
Illustrated Lecture, "Yosemite to Lake Louise," by Dr. James Gordon Gilkey, in Memorial hall, under the auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S.

Further Contributions to the Red Cross

Mrs. Barbara Terry, chairman of the local Red Cross War Fund drive, announces further receipts, as follows:

American Legion	\$5.00
Youth Fellowship of Methodist Church	5.00
Contributor on Jabish St.	1.00

This makes the grand total for the drive, \$1,731.

Rehabilitation Committee Appointed

Recently the board of selectmen, as suggested by Governor Leverett Saltonstall, set up a Veterans' Rehabilitation Committee. This committee consists of five local people who will be ready to advise and assist veterans, both men and women, of World War II.

It has been most gratifying to the local Board to have the following people accept membership on this committee:

Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, Chairman—Superintendent Belchertown State School
Frederick Farley—Commander American Legion, Post 239
Roy Kimball—Agent, Metropolitan Water Commission
Louis Endelson—President, Textile Printing Company
Romeo J. Joyal — Agent, Central Vermont Railroad

This group will meet in the near future to organize and make plans.

Town Team Wins Rubber Game

A full house was on hand at the Town hall last Thursday night to see Roy Shaw's Old Timers go down to defeat, 32-27. This was certainly one of the fastest and hardest games seen here in quite a few years. The Old Timers put up the most stubborn fight throughout the game, but could not overcome a first-quarter deficit of ten points.

A former Belchertown Independent star, George Williams, now coach at Amherst High, and an of—
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Grange Card Party

Union Grange is sponsoring a card party tomorrow night at 8 in Grange hall. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Fannie Morey and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hennemann. Both whist and bridge will be played and prizes will be given. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

Annual Meeting of Park Association

The annual meeting of the Park Association was held last Friday evening at 7.30 in the recreation room at Lawrence Memorial hall. J. J. Kempkes, president, presided.

The report of the secretary, L. H. Blackmer, revealed that four memorial trees had been set out on the common this past year—one designated as the High School tree, paid for by the Association; a tree each in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Witt, donated by their children; and a tree in memory of the Stebbins' family, donated by Miss Nellie Moore of Greenfield.

President Kempkes reported that a number of others had indicated an interest in contributing trees.

Herman C. Knight, Carl Peterson and President Kempkes were appointed a replacement committee, they to draw up a plan of the trees on the common and exact spots where replacements are desirable, so that a definite plan may be followed in the years ahead.

Mr. Atwater of the Atwater Nurseries has expressed an interest in Belchertown's program and a willingness to counsel regarding permanent procedure. The plan is to have copies of this tree location map filed with the Park Association, the town clerk, and the Historical Association, so that the location of the memorial trees may be of permanent record.

In accordance with Mr. Atwater's suggestion, it was voted to have all replacements of rock maple.

Any desiring to contribute memorial trees are invited to contact the above-mentioned committee.

Due to the inability to get anyone to mow the common last year and the not too rosy prospect for this season, the organization went on record as recommending to the town that at the first opportunity it purchase a power lawn mower for use at Parsons' Field and on the common. It was also voted that steps be taken to curb the current use of the common by riders of horses.

It was voted to have Clean-up —continued on page 4—

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Food Sale Tomorrow

Attention is again called to the food sale sponsored by the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S., in the vestry tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 4.

Rakes Wanted

A number of pupils in the 6th and 7th grades and the High School are expecting to give the raking of the common a start on Tuesday, the 18th, the day before the scheduled Clean-up day, which is the 19th.

Last year they raked more than half the common. Had it not been for them, the job could hardly have been completed.

It was found impracticable for the young people living in the outlying sections to bring rakes on the buses, so a call is going out this year for those in the center to place rakes at the pupils' disposal. Those living around the common who would be willing to loan their rakes are asked to give their names at once to Harold F. Peck, so the pupils can call for and return them. Those living on streets farther removed are asked to bring their rakes, tagged with the name of the owner, to Mr. Peck at Phillips' store before the day specified. It would be just too bad to have plenty of help and no tools to use. An early response will enable the committee to know where they are at.

More Workers Wanted

Mrs. Annie Wood, supervisor at the Red Cross surgical dressings room, brought from Northampton on Wednesday, 7,800 surgical dressings to be made up. This calls for a lot of help and it is hoped that any who have ever worked at the rooms and have let their activities lapse, will return to meet this new emergency. Mrs. Wood will also be glad to train any new recruits.

Heretofore there has been only one shipment a month. Now there are two. Not that Belchertown has not turned in a fine record—it is that the demand is increasing.

Continued Hearing Tomorrow

A continued hearing on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad and the Central Vermont Railway, Inc., for the discontinuance of Wilson Road at Dwight will be held at the Court House in Northampton on Saturday, April 15, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

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Clapp Memorial Library



Massachusetts Patriots Still

Clear Roads of Civilization

The fight at the Concord bridge on April 19th, 1775, lasted from two to three minutes. A little while for such a large consequence.

The first man killed at Concord was Isaac Davis; he was captain of the Acton Minutemen, just 30, the father of four children, the youngest about 15 months old.

His words are a command to those of us who fight this war at home. "Take good care of the children," meaning, in this portentous year, 1944, that we keep the heart of the country beating.

In the last war, Thomas Hardy once said: "After two thousand years of Mass we've gone as far as poison gas."

How far we have gone since 1918 may be seen by looking through almost any current magazine. Here is Life (April 10), showing the miracle of hidden hospitals at the battlefield on one page, and explaining, on another, that "what appears to be rice sprinkled on man (Jap) in foreground is actually a colony of maggots."

Never have American armies found it necessary to wage a war of such utter extermination as that which now goes forward in the Pacific. Never has a single decade of world history seen anything like the savagery, the filth, the utter cruelty of man toward man, that has characterized the years since 1933.

What the world will need when peace comes will not be pocket telephones, perfect refrigeration, or a new face cream to remove freckles and renew youth—not "more time to live"—but more strength to live right, to learn unselfishness and

From Isaac Davis, killed at Concord 169 years ago come next Wednesday, to William Armitage of Belchertown, who will be inducted into the U. S. Army on Wednesday, April 26, 1944, our men have gone forth to battle for just causes.

Thank God it has been so. And pray God that soon one of these marches may be the last and that it may end with the furling of the battle flags and with "the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world."

From Trench to Foxhole Marks Spiritual Progress?

A few weeks ago, the science editor of a great national magazine enthralled a nearby Public Forum audience by a look into our future, when recent scientific discoveries will be turned from the uses of war toward making our lives easier and more interesting.

The electric eye, radio-telephone, television, radar, dehydrated food, and many other developments seemed to him to promise a day when existence on this planet will be infinitely easier because more magically mechanized.

For a moment, as I read the glowing story of his address, I felt the thrill of belonging to an age which was to shower miracles like manna. But then I began to wonder. A Voice came to me from the past: "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

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To this end, therefore, and in accordance with the laws of the commonwealth, I, Leverett Saltonstall, governor of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim and set apart as Patriots' day, Wednesday, April 19th, 1944, and do request that by the display of flags, by suitable exercises in our churches, schools, and homes, and by laboring at our several tasks, we may recall this heroic period of our history and be inspired to meet the requirements of our time wholeheartedly and thoroughly.

I do not believe that we have ever quoted a presidential or gubernatorial proclamation in this column. But Governor Saltonstall's words in setting apart next Wednesday as Patriots' Day are worth more than a passing thought.

They link the rich past of this Commonwealth to its eventful present by taking us back to the start of the "cleared road," down which Massachusetts men have long marched to make a better world for their children.

It is tragic indeed that the end of the road is not yet, and that daily more Bay Staters are walking resolutely down it, to do their share of carrying on the tradition built into our souls when "the embattled farmers stood, and fired the shot heard round the world."

kindness, to practice tolerance, to work for the good of the community and not for 40 hours a week. There is as yet no real evidence to show that our soul-growth has progressed in proportion to our science growth.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Fear not that thy life shall come to an end, but rather fear that it shall never have a beginning.—Cardinal Newman

—Bob Jackson

Fire Department Calls

Apr. 12. Chimney fire at Sutherland's.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—George Shea, Stanley Rhodes, Theron Pratt (2), Thomas Hanifin (2).

Grade 3—Guy C. Allen, Jr., Richard Squires (2).

Truck Tire—Thomas Hanifin.



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Congregational Church Notes

The annual Every-Parishioner canvass will take place during the week of April 23, with George A. Poole in charge.

Prices for the minstrel show on May 6, to be put on by the Double or Nothing club, are 60 cents for adults, and 30 cents for children under twelve—tax included.

The Women's Guild will meet in the parish house next week Thursday evening at 8.

There was a large attendance at the Easter service on Sunday, when the Junior choir of some thirty voices made its initial appearance, attired in white robes and red collars.

All those in the Youth Fellowship plays are asked to try to attend the meeting Sunday night.

Town Items

The American Legion will sponsor a dance April 21st, with "Corky" Calkins' orchestra.

Mrs. Roy Adams and Miss Lillian Swerk of Dorchester spent Tuesday with Mrs. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hubbard.

Mrs. Octavia Shirlcliff of Hartford, Conn., and Springfield, Mass., is the guest of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Howard C. Shirlcliff of Maple street.

Mrs. James B. Baker and daughter, Penelope Ann, have moved to the Beach tenement on Maple street.

Gerald D. Jones of Amherst announces his candidacy for senator from the Franklin-Hampshire Senatorial District, comprising about 45 towns in these counties, and Ludlow in Hampden county.

The body of Robert A. Davis was brought here from Chelsea on Tuesday for burial in Mount Hope cemetery. The committal service was at 2, with Rev. John P. Manwell officiating.

Miss Rachel Fuller, a nurse at the Newton hospital, spent Easter with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Fuller.

Mrs. Raymond Menard turned from Memphis, Tenn., she visited her husband, who is a seaman 2nd class, stationed in place.

Advertisement for Long Distance calls featuring a woman's face and the text: "There are more Long Distance calls every day" and "And more of a hurry than ever before..."

Spring, 1944
Methodist Church Notes
Sixteen joined the church last Sunday morning. Three children were baptized.



Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. April 4, 1944

Note change in address. I surely do appreciate the Sentinel. It keeps me in such close touch with Belchertown.

Georgia Lee

Pfc. Georgia Lee, A115208 Co. 1, Det. 1 3rd WAC Training Center Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga.

Ensign Martin J. Reilly, USNR W V 32, Room 151 Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Reilly's assignments are a military secret, but he will appreciate letters from his friends.

Camp Murphy, Fla., April 3, 1944—Tech. Corporal Harold D. Kimball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Kimball of Cottage Street, Belchertown, Mass., has been enrolled in a special course of instruction at the Southern Signal Corps School at Camp Murphy, Florida.

Sgt. Arthur Vincent Hdqtrs. Battery, 786 FABN Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri

Memphis, Tennessee April 2, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer: I am finally getting around to dropping you a line, which I have been wanting to do for some time now.

I just want you to know how glad I am to get the Sentinel every week, and how much closer to home it brings me.

The third and fourth grades of the Center school have organized a bird study club. The president is Norman Loftus. David Dawley was chosen vice-president, and Betty Snow is secretary.

Mrs. Howard Dickinson is spending a few days with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Taft and two daughters of Sterling.

Rev. Edmund F. Blackmer of Mill Valley road was guest preacher Sunday morning at the Second Congregational church, Amherst.

Mrs. Nina Drake Munsell, 65, wife of Ernest Munsell, who died last Friday morning at Wing Memorial hospital, Palmer, was buried here Monday afternoon at South cemetery. She was born in Worthington, and married Ernest Munsell of this town. The funeral was at the Beers funeral home in Palmer.

LAND COURT

To Arthur Courchene, Treffe Beaudoin, John B. Mercier and Noe Demers of Belchertown, in the County of Hampshire and said Commonwealth; The Federal Land Bank of Springfield, a duly existing corporation having an usual place of business in Springfield, in the County of Hampden and said Commonwealth; Edward A. Paquette, of said Springfield; Rheo Gagne, of Chicopee, in said County of Hampden; Francois A. Charbonneau, of Montreal, in the Dominion of Canada; and to all whom it may concern.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Walter B. Loring, of Holden, in the County of Worcester and said Commonwealth, to register and confirm his title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Belchertown, bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly by Stebbins Street; Northeasterly by lands now or formerly of Arthur Courchene and Treffe Beaudoin, Northerly by said Beaudoin land; and Easterly, Southerly, Southwesterly, Northwesterly, and Southwesterly by land now or formerly of John B. Mercier.

Petitioner admits that the above-described land is subject to a reservation in favor of C. Luman Warner, his heirs and assigns, a right of way across said land to said highway, and to a reservation in favor of Mrs. George Caple, her heirs and assigns, a right of way commencing at a stake in wall through said land to said highway.

The above-described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), or in the office of the Assistant Recorder of said Court at the Registry of Deeds at Northampton in the County of Hampshire, where a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited, on or before the first day of May next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, John E. Fenton, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and forty-four.

Attest with Seal of said Court. (Seal)

ROBERT E FRENCH, Recorder

William H. Martin, Esq., 115 State Street, Springfield, Mass., For the Petitioner.

Apr. 7-14-21

Balances on Appropriations as of Mar. 31, 1944

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Selectmen	\$800.00		\$5.00	\$795.00
Town Accountant	425.00			425.00
Treasurer	690.00			690.00
Town Clerk	450.00			450.00
Tax Collector	725.00			725.00
Assessors	675.00		37.52	637.48
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	100.00			100.00
Election and Registration	700.00		325.83	374.17
Town Hall	50.00		24.72	25.28
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		25.82	174.18
Police	500.00		139.78	360.22
Civilian Defense	200.00		39.19	160.81
Fire Department	900.00		245.30	654.70
Forest Fires	900.00			900.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00			1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00			600.00
Tree Warden	200.00			200.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	75.00			75.00
Health	1,000.00		436.33	563.67
Snow Removal	2,500.00		716.52	1,783.48
Highways—Streets	350.00		9.30	340.70
Highways—Bridges	400.00			400.00
Highways—Chapter 81	3,500.00		173.70	3,326.30
Maintenance Ch. 90 work	1,000.00			1,000.00
Road Machinery Expense	1,500.00	200.18*	561.89	1,138.29
Street Lights	2,000.00		647.08	1,352.92
Public Welfare	5,000.00		1,176.03	3,823.97
Aid Dependent Children	1,500.00		625.75	874.25
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00		5,728.65	15,271.35
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00		75.00	1,925.00
Schools	49,300.00		12,936.17	36,363.83
Vocational Education	300.00			300.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	200.00		1.75	198.25
Rationing Board	150.00		10.96	139.04
Cemeteries	500.00			500.00
Soldiers' Graves	50.00			50.00
Maturing Debt	1,000.00			1,000.00
Interest	250.00		10.00	240.00
Memorial Day	100.00			100.00
Armistice Day	25.00			25.00
Honor Roll	100.00			100.00
Town Clock	50.00			50.00
Public Dump	50.00			50.00
Insurance	2,200.00		947.36	1,252.64
Unclassified	400.00			400.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00			1,000.00
Unpaid Bills	1,008.16			1,008.16

*Balance carried over

Grange Notes

The regular Grange meeting of next Tuesday evening will be a Springtime meeting, with Mrs. Charles Sanford in charge.

Annual Meeting of Park Association

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Day, April 19. As stated in another column, the center schools plan to give the project a boost on Tuesday.

It is hoped that adults will be equally as responsive on Wednesday. An invitation is extended to be present in person or by proxy. In years past time was also found to rake the grounds around some of the public buildings. It would be grand if those days could be revived.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were:

President	Joseph J. Kempkes
Vice-President	Herman C. Knight
Secretary and Treasurer	Lewis H. Blackmer

Executive Committee

Harold F. Peck, Carl J. Peterson, Kenneth Bristol, Roy G. Shaw, J. Howell Cook

Clean-up Day Committee

J. J. Kempkes, Rev. Andrew Sullivan, Guy Harrington, Carl J. Peterson, W. Paige Piper, Harold F. Peck, Edwin P. Shumway, Henry H. Witt, Frederick Farley, J. Howell Cook, Louis Fuller

Town Team Wins

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Official referee named Casey, graciously gave their services to this benefit game. Many thanks to them for a great job.

The Surgical Dressings is now richer by \$29.00 and the two games have netted about \$51.00 for this cause. Thanks to people who helped and also to the referees who gave their services.

The eighth grade again won the preliminary, 18-16.

The line-up:

Town Team			
	B	F	P
S. Boyko	0	0	0
Ayers	0	0	0

HOLLAND FARM

Due to uncertainties such as OPA ceiling prices, possible shortage of feed and farm labor, we decided last fall to discontinue our poultry business for a year.

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R. Hennemann	3	1	7
Robertson	1	0	2
Bock	3	3	9
Kimball	7	0	14
	14	4	32

Old Timers

	B	F	P
Piper	1	1	3
Harrington	0	0	0
Wood	3	1	7
A. Hennemann	4	1	9
Dodge	0	0	0
Cook	2	0	4
A. Menard	2	0	4
Allan	0	0	0
W. Boyko	0	0	0
	12	3	27

The married men now challenge the single men to a series of games. Stanley Boyko take notice.

Girl Scout Notes

Today we held our meeting in the chapel for the second time. We had patrol corners and then we had badges. After the badges, we had court of honor, in which we discussed several things, one being non-payment of dues and irregularity in attendance.

Patrol 2 put on a skit, after which we sang the Girl Scout hiking song.

Barbara Young, Scribe

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Bristol-Dzwonkoski Wedding

Miss Nina Lorraine Bristol, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bristol of Hadley, became the bride in an Easter Sunday wedding of Benjamin Edward Dzwonkoski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dzwonkoski of Belchertown. The ceremony was performed at the Baptist church, Amherst, by Rev. Millar A. Thornton, who used the double ring service.

The bride is a native of Lincoln, Vt., and was educated in the schools of Hadley, graduating from Hopkins academy. She has been employed at the E. M. Bolles shoe store in Amherst. The groom is a native of Belchertown and attended the schools here. He is engaged in farming in Hadley.

Clapp Memorial Library

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Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.

Youth Fellowship meeting at 6.30 p. m.

"Will Honesty Pay in Our Community?" Leader, Nancy Farley.

—Methodist Church—

Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

Youth Fellowship at Mrs. Marjorie Plant's at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.

State School, 8.15 a. m.

Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—MONDAY—

Firemen's Association Meeting.

—TUESDAY—

Presidential Primaries at Memorial Hall and Franklin School. Polls open from 1 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth.

Double or Nothing Club at Congregational Parish House at 8 p. m.

—WEDNESDAY—

Girl Scout Hike at 10.30 a. m.

Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. in Methodist vestry at 2 p. m.

Combined men's club in Methodist vestry. Supper at 6.30 p. m.

Women's Guild Mother and Daughter Night at Congregational Parish House. Supper at 6.30 p. m.

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The Gilkey Lecture

Dr. James Gordon Gilkey of Springfield, lecturer of note, will present his illustrated lecture, "Yosemite to Lake Louise," under the auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. in Memorial hall next week Friday evening at 8.

Dr. Gilkey's pictures are in color and if they are anything like what he has previously shown here, they will be superb.

Prices are 35 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. The sale of candy and pop corn will provide added interest and revenue.

Primaries Tuesday

Presidential primaries will be held next Tuesday at both Memorial hall and Franklin school, polls being open from 1 to 6 p. m.

There appears to be no contests on either the Republican or Democratic ballots. A town committee slate is on the Republican ballots, but there are no nominees for such a committee on the Democratic ballots.

The Republican town committee nominees are:
Guy C. Allen, Jr.
Milton C. Baggs
Louis E. Fuller
J. Raymond Gould
Fannie G. Morey
Ellen D. Sanford
Julia T. Shumway
Rachel G. Shumway
Fred K. Thayer

Further Red Cross Contributions

Contributions for the Red Cross still keep coming in. Mrs. Terry announces further receipts as follows:

Women's Auxiliary to American Legion \$5.00

Turkey Hill contribution 4.00

The grand total is now \$1,740.

SATURDAY

Special Public Meeting sponsored by American Legion in Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

Grange Card Party in Grange Hall at 8 p. m.

TODAY

American Legion Dance.

Dates Spoken For

May 3
Rummage Sale in Methodist Vestry at 2 p. m.

May 5
Freshmen Dance.

May 6
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel.

May 19
Junior Prom.

June 2
Youth Fellowship Plays.

Presentation of Medals of Merit

On Saturday evening, April 29th, in Memorial Hall at 8.00 p. m., there will be a special meeting of Chauncey D. Walker Post 239, American Legion, to which all the citizens of Belchertown and their friends are cordially invited. An interesting program of sound pictures has been arranged, following which Commander Fred D. Farley of the local Post will present American Legion Medals of Merit to the following for outstanding service rendered when the Army bomber crashed in Belchertown last November: Francis P. Loftus, Emma Loftus, Arthur Gauthier, George H. Begey, Dr. James L. Collard, Dr. William J. Hogan and the Belchertown Fire Department. The award for individuals will be the medal, but for the Fire Department a mahogany plaque 14 in. x 19 in. has been prepared which is inscribed as follows:

"Awarded to Belchertown Fire Department, M. C. Baggs, Chief, For Outstanding Service Incident To The Bomber Crash, Nov. 19, 1943.—A. L. Post 239, F. D. Farley, Commander."

The medal to be awarded the Fire Department has been inserted in the plaque. The presentations will be made by Commander Frederick D. Farley of Post 239, A. L., who has expressed the hope that townspeople will assure the success of the affair by their attendance. The sound program will be under the direction of Carl Peterson, and Dr. Westwell is general chairman.

Clean-up Day

There was a large turn-out of pupils, both boys and girls, from the High and Center Grade schools on Tuesday to rake on the common. Probably 60 to 75 different pupils participated for varying lengths of time. Members of the faculty took turns in supervising the workers.

Work started at the south end of the common and was completed as far as the World War I memorial trees. The raking was harder this year, due to the fact that the common was not mowed with a lawn mower last year. Thanks goes to the schools for their efforts.

The smallest turn-out in years showed up on Wednesday, only about 7 adults being in the line-up. At noon, when the work is normally completed, the east side of the north end remained to be done.

Town trucks and one of E. F. Shumway carried off the debris.

A mistaken impression must be abroad that by reason of the school pupils working, adults can be excused from obligation. The result this year is a sad commentary on this mistaken idea.

J. J. Kempkes, president of the Park association, under whose auspices Clean-up day is held, announces that the section of the common yet to be raked will be completed Saturday night. It is planned to start around 6, and volunteers are asked for this final cleanup. If any can come earlier, all the better.

To Take Physicals

The following from this town are scheduled to take their pre-induction physicals April 22.

Emmons C. Smith
Adolph S. Opicowski
Charles H. King
Frank Frodyma
Stanley A. Dudek

Bardwell St. Wright St.
3 Rivers Rd.

Men's Club Meeting in Methodist Vestry

The regular meeting of the men's club of the Congregational and Methodist churches will be held in the Methodist vestry next Wednesday evening, instead of the parish house, due to the Mother-Daughter supper to be held there that night. Supper will be at 6.30, the committee being Louis Fuller, Howard Spencer, Guy Harrington and Richard Hennemann.

Dr. A. E. Westwell, chairman of the program committee, announces that Prof. Kohn, the expected speaker, will be unable to be present. He promises a surprise program to include motion pictures supplied by Dr. Barrett of M. S. C. The subject is "Boys."

Speaks on Southern Trip

Herman C. Knight was guest speaker at the regular meeting of Union Grange on Tuesday evening, telling of his recent travels in the South. He spoke in particular of the flowers of Florida, of memorable days spent in historic St. Augustine and New Orleans, and of his visit to Crossett, Ark., where his daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Cleverdon resides, and where Mr. Cleverdon is employed by a large lumber

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"What is America?"

In a poetry contest sponsored by the National High School Poetry association of Los Angeles, Cal., a contribution of Miss Elsie Cannon of the local High school was accepted and appeared in "Anthology of High School Poetry." The poem was entitled, "What Is America?" and is reprinted here.

I looked out of my window
And saw children playing.
Boys with ball
and bat
and shrill cries
"you're out!"

Girls with dolls
and jacks
and laughter
and fear-free.
And I thought,
This is America, and more.

I walked down a city street
Busy with moving people,
Old people, mature people,
knowing business
wise in living
heart free.

Young people, gay people
learning business
being alive
glad to be.
And I nodded,
This is America, and more.

I strolled down a country road,
A peaceful, industrious way.
I heard the low of cattle,
squeal of pigs
crow of roosters
American livestock.

I saw the rich food-colors
grain golden
corn green
pumpkin orange,
And my heart was filled:
This is America, and more.

Huge cities — smokestacks, soot,
roaring motors—
Fire engines—sirens, bright red-
ness, hurry—
Newspapers—roaring presses, shout-
ing newsboys, scandals—
Movies—Clark Gable, Lana Turner,
Tyron Power—
Radio — Charlie McCarthy, Bill
Stern, Lowell Thomas—
These are America—and more.

Methodist Church Notes

The Youth Fellowship will meet with Mrs. Marion Plant on Sunday night.

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth next Tuesday evening. Assistant hostesses are Mrs. Anna Witt and Mrs. Frances Hodggen.

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet in the vestry next Wednesday afternoon at 2, Mrs. Ruth Kempkes and Mrs. Ruby Andrews being hostesses.

Town Items

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Marjorie E. Beane of White River Junction, Vt., to George W. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Ross. No date has yet been set for the wedding.

Chauncey D. Walker Post, American Legion, has appointed the following to serve on the Memorial Day committee: Comdr. Frederick D. Farley, Vice-commander Aubrey D. Lapolice, Kenneth F. Bristol and George A. Poole. Howard B. Davis has been chosen to succeed the late Roland Shaw as a member of the honor roll committee.

Mr. and Mrs. William Squires are spending a few weeks in Arizona.

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NOTICE—Beginning April 26, I will close my gas station and shoe repair shop on Federal street on Wednesdays throughout the summer.

N. N. Nichols

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E. F. Blackmer

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Hearings Next Week

Notice is hereby given that the Central Massachusetts Electric Co. has applied for permission to locate poles, wires and fixtures along and across the following public way:

Boardman Street: 1 Pole at corner of Esketh Street.

Esketh Street: 3 Poles starting at corner of Boardman and Esketh Streets and continuing in a southeasterly direction for a distance of approximately 585 feet to a point near residence of J. L. Griffin.

A hearing will be held on the above petition Friday, Apr. 28, 1944, at 8 p. m. at the Selectmen's room at Lawrence Memorial Hall.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

FRANK L. GOLD

Selectmen of Belchertown

Notice is hereby given that the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company has applied for permission to place and maintain buried cable, manholes, handholes, with the wires and cables therein in or under the surface of the following public way:

Jabish Street: From existing pole, west side, approximately 115 feet north of Sargent Street or Ware Road (State Highway) westerly for 6 feet to property of Lillian Miller.

A hearing will be held on the above application on Friday evening, April 28, 1944, at 8 o'clock at the Selectmen's room at Memorial Hall.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

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Selectmen of Belchertown

Candidacies Announced

William M. Hyde of Ware, who has served this district most acceptably as representative, announces that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor's Council from the Eighth Councillor District.

Mrs. Amelia D. Parent of Northampton, treasurer of Hampshire County, announces that she will be a candidate for reelection to that office. She has been in the county treasurer's office for 23 years.

Barbara Young,
Scribe

CASINO

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Robt. Lowery Irene Ryan
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Girl Scout Notes

Today the foot traveler girls went for a hike. We went down by Jensens' and up by Fuller's. It took us 9 minutes at the regular pace to walk 1/2 mile. It took us 7 minutes at scout pace to walk 1/2 mile. The rest of the way we walked at regular pace.

Next Wednesday at 10.30, all the Girl Scouts are to meet at the post office, and from there will go on a 5-mile hike and take our lunch.

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"Making Religion a Vital Factor in Life."

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Youth Fellowship meeting at 6.30 p. m.

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Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Fling Out the Banner."
Youth Fellowship at Mrs. Mar-
ion Plant's at 6 p. m.

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Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
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State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Grange Meeting at 7.30 p. m., opening to the public at 8.15 p. m., with Extension Service speakers. "Victory Gardens and Soil Conservation."

WEDNESDAY

Rummage Sale in Methodist Vestry at 2 p. m.

Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Prayer Meeting at 7.30 p. m. in Methodist Vestry, followed by Official Board meeting.

FRIDAY

Freshmen Dance.

SATURDAY

Food Sale, under auspices of Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S., in Methodist Vestry at 3 p. m.

Double or Nothing Club Minstrel in Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

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The Coming Minstrel

All but the dress rehearsal for the Double or Nothing minstrel show, and everything will be set for the presentation next week Saturday night. There are about thirty in the chorus, replete with lively end-men. Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth will be interlocutor.

There will be an orchestra, including violin, saxophone, trombone, piano and drums.

Byron Hudson will direct the performance, and Mrs. Markham is pianist.

Special features in Part II include the Pizzitola trio of Holyoke, Hindu magic by Dr. Raymond Kinmonth, a solo by Miss Barbara Hudson, a sextette number by the Orange High School, which recently put on a minstrel show there, and a rustic dance also by a member of that school, and the Authier trio of Holyoke.

A lot of work has gone into the show and all indications point to its being a huge success. Tickets are procurable from members of the club. William Shaw is in charge of sales.

Pass Physicals

The following have passed their physical examinations and are subject to call:

Emmons C. Smith	Army
Adolph Opiewski	Army
Frank Frodyma	Navy
Stanley Dudek	Army

auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S., at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW

Special Public Meeting sponsored by American Legion in Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

Grange Card Party in Grange Hall at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

May 19
Junior Prom.

May 24
Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

May 26
Public Presentation of State School Minstrel at State School.

May 31
Men's Club—Ladies' Night.

June 2
Youth Fellowship Plays.

Killed in Action

The first name on the honor roll to be changed from white to gold is that of James Barry, 24, who according to the daily press, was killed in action in the South Pacific on March 23. Tech. Sgt. Barry lived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Taylor, being employed by Thos. J. O'Connor of Westfield, who had a contract here. Barry was inducted in September, 1941. He had also lived in Westfield.

Representative from Westover Tomorrow Night

Yesterday in contacting Dr. Westwell, chairman of the committee in charge of the special public American Legion meeting tomorrow night in Memorial hall, at which medals of merit will be presented to those rendering conspicuous service at the time of the bomber crash, Col. U. G. Jones, commander at Westover Field, expressed appreciation for the assistance of Belchertown people at the time, and promised to send a member of his staff, Lt. Col. Urban, to represent him at the meeting tomorrow night.

Sergt. French will be present to represent the ground observer section of the 1st Fighter Command.

Other features of the meeting will be as announced last week. It is hoped that there will be a large turnout of townspeople for the occasion.

Mother-Daughter Night

Seventy-four were present at the Mother-Daughter Night of the Women's Guild at the Congregational parish house on Wednesday evening. Following supper, Mrs. Byron Hudson of the program committee introduced as guest speaker, Miss Evelyn Yellow Robe, a teacher in the speech department at Mount Holyoke college, who spoke most interestingly on Indian life and customs. Following are interesting bits of information culled from her talk:

There is no such language as Indian language. They have a sign language. Some Indians have darker skin than others. The Indian wigwams were cone-shaped buildings, decorated with pictures, describing the clan to which they belonged. The rooms are small; there is a place for a small fire. Everything has to be put in its place, in order to have room.

The Indian women aren't troubled about dresses—they wear the same

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61 Ballots Cast

Sixty-one ballots were cast in the primaries of Tuesday, as follows:

Precinct A	
Republicans	37
Democrats	16
Precinct B	
Republicans	2
Democrats	6

Total	61
Total Republican votes	39
Total Democratic votes	22

Although the vote cast was small, the results have posed a problem. As stated last week, there was no town committee slate on the Democratic ballots. Several wrote in names, in fact nine received votes. Only five of the number, however, received the required five votes, and none of the five carried the middle initial, as required by law. (Names should correspond to the names as printed on the voters' list.)

Town Clerk George A. Poole has contacted Boston as to the problem. The powers that be cited the law, but indicated that if the local board of registrars wants to recognize the votes, they can assume the responsibility.

Lecture Tonight

Attention is again called to the illustrated lecture by Dr. James Gordon Gilkey of Springfield, in Memorial hall tonight under the auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. Prices are 35 cents for adults, plus tax; children, 25 cents, plus tax.

Rummage Sale Next Week

The much-advertised rummage sale will take place in the Methodist vestry next Wednesday afternoon at 2. Among the articles to be offered for sale are children's and adults' clothing, household articles, woolen pieces for rugs, furniture, etc. The committee will be at the church on Tuesday from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m., to receive articles for the sale.

Fire Department Calls

Apr. 22. Railroad fire at Kelley's.

Apr. 23. Fire started by practice bomb at Harrington's on Daniel Shay's highway.

Apr. 23. Grass fires at William Atkins' and Lynch's.



Spring Has Come Again To Your Home Town

Some months ago I wrote an open letter to my Belchertown friends in the service, to tell them that the autumn season had arrived here, and that we missed them in the fields and streets of their home town. Another half year has rolled along, the mildest winter in a long time has come and gone, and we are welcoming a new spring. Inasmuch as you are scattered far and wide over a world where spring manifests itself in many strange (to us here) times and manners, perhaps you would like to hear about it where you have seen it for many years.

It is very hard to believe that more than three million of you are now overseas, and many more than that number away from home this April. You have left us in twos and threes, there has been no farewell parade or speech-making, as there was in that last war before most of you were born—and you have come back to us on leave and furlough the same way, one or two each week-end, so that we have never been really without uniforms among us, and yet never many at a time. This whole war has been that way, as seen from this side—quiet, deliberate and deadly—moving over great distances, bringing tremendous changes and settling tremendous issues, but doing it with an absence of fanfare that makes it seem incredible that so much has been done and so many gone away almost before we have known it. Perhaps that is why we at home often seem too unaware that "there's a war going on".

But as I was saying, spring has definitely come to Belchertown. It has been slow and very moist, but the frogs are peeping wildly in the marshes, the robins are as thick as chickens on the morning lawns, which are greener after each rain, and the forsythia and daffodils are in full bud.

The kids here know it's spring. School is out on its next-to-the-last vacation. The high school seniors have gone on their trip. Two years ago they went to Washington, the juniors taking the trip, too. Some of you now far across the world will read this remembering the thrill of that April in 1942 when you started out for the nation's capitol, feeling that you were heading far away indeed. Well, this year the trip is to New York and it is safe to say that there is plenty of excitement involved, even though Mt. Vernon will not be visited.

Troust season opened two weeks ago, but strings have been pretty small. It has been too cold and the water much too high. One boy I know pretty well camped at Swift River the first two days of the season and collected two perch and a pair of flatfish. Looks as though

there will be about as many fish here when you get back as there were when you left.

There may be some baseball going on hereabouts, but too many of the players are in a new league now. The playground is waiting for you. There aren't many new projects opening up hereabouts. It isn't like the era of the W. P. A. when curbs, streets, and sidewalks were blossoming on every side. Some few woodlots have been chopped up, houses here and there are having a little work done, but by and large the town is working outside, and the shabbiness of the war is being added to the shabbiness of the depression. A lot of paint can be spread around town when there are men and time again.

Here at the house we are responding to the vernal equinox. During the winter George and I invested in a pick-up record changer and have it hitched to the family radio. It does a swell job on Beethoven and Bach, if those gentlemen get a chance to make themselves heard. Most of the time it is busy on James, Lombardo, Dorsey, et al. This family has been a little slow in getting hep to the boogie-woogie, but we're making up for lost time. Wax disks are scattered all over the place. Once in a while I find a title that looks familiar—"Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses" or something. I slip it on and expect to be carried back to my own romantic youth—but—hotcha and chili!—the words are the same, yet the tempo doth scatter the petals sum'pn awful. The height of the ridiculous was achieved recently when my own little mama (not packing pistols) wandered over Holyoke pathetically seeking "Love, Love, Love!" Yes, our spring is filled with music!

It is filled with dust, too. Women carry on housecleaning, come war or peace, and it's been curtains for the old homestead for weeks.

Marjorie is coming in for her share of spring excitement, too. By a miracle of good luck, I have been able to get her a second-hand bike. They are harder to find than blondes in Bougainville, and just as much in demand. I conceived the brilliant idea of canvassing the girls' gym at Classical and hit the jack-pot with the first offer. Balloon tires, and otherwise strictly pre-war, with a frame in much better condition than Marjorie's is tonight. Well, I've seen my little gal on several sets of wheels, ranging from perambulator to roller skates. The bicycle will be the connecting link between kiddom and adolescence—the next wheels will be on the boy friend's jeep, no doubt. Growing up!

One thing to be thankful for. My shoes are now too small for George, and my ties far too drab. Lawns are pretty well raked and the first peas planted. This latter was achieved by hand spading. Until I had actually bent my winter embonpoint over that little patch of soil, I had had fond visions of spading the whole garden. It will be ploughed by a pair of horses! The old gray mare and I am too far removed from my basic training.

Yes, each day finds the sun warmer and everything more beautiful in your home town. The sound of the lawn mower will soon be abroad in

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the land, and bathing suits will be drying on the back-porch lines.

Life looks pretty normal, until you look at it more closely. It isn't the same on the post-office corner, in the barber shop, on the common, or at the dance. And everyone knows that as the ground hardens here and the grass grows green in Belchertown, the same things happen in Europe. Faces show the strain of worry—but no one is grouching. As this morning's *Republican* says, "We have reached a point when mankind has almost stopped breathing because of the intensity of the last days of waiting." It is a serious thing.

Good luck to you, and know that wherever you are, our best thoughts are there.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

The more we hear of good Gen. Patton
The more we feel he should be sat-
ton.

—Bob Jackson

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Alexander Smith, Francis Quink, E. Clifton Witt, Henry Lamoreaux, Henry A. Tadgell, Russell Potter.

Grade 3—Ann C. Austin (2), Jessie M. Mason.

Truck Tires—Edwin F. Shumway, John Wezniak.

Town Items

Mrs. Esther O'Brien of South Hadley Falls has been secured as teacher at Union School at Dwight and will begin her duties on Monday. She was a graduate of Massachusetts State College and has taught for four years in South Hadley. Her husband is an officer in the service and is at present in Italy.

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Mrs. Guy Harrington has been substituting for some weeks at Union school.

The annual meeting of the Historical Association will be held this afternoon at 3 at the Stone House.

Selective Release

From the files of the Selective Training and Service Administration.

Massachusetts boards were directed by Colonel Ralph M. Selective Training and Service Administration, except for all registrants ages 30 to 37. In addition, were ordered to consider the classification of all registrants ages 30 to 38 year.

This step in the local board of appeal in the state, a few "com" in classification in view of the current induction by age group without exception, fathers or will be inducted as able, to accommodate sudden changes for young.

"In one and simple procedure, it appears to go ahead one by inducting first under 26, then men 26 to 29 inclusive. They are needed, "Col. With this basic mind it is presently there will be a sufficient number of men under 26 to adequately fill the order, originally postponed to the 26 to 30 to 38.

In his letter to the boards of appeal the belief of the age group 30 to 38, "the essentiality of the war effort is fully considered; but over who are full functions, inter- extremely liber- "If an activity is necessary to maintain com- my, I believe that "war supporting" men should be considered as present important and we should not be on the age group to disrupt our necessary civilian or military. It comes that it is necessary to put this policy into effect by yesterday's date to immediately consider anew the classification of all registrants now except volunteers, between 30 and 38 and to give an extremely liberal interpretation of industrial and agricultural



News has been received that Corp. Michael Flaherty, son of Joseph Flaherty, was wounded in February and is in a hospital in Italy. The report in the daily press of his being missing seems to have been incorrect, as the family has received no such information. It is understood that his wounds are not serious and that he is coming along. A letter was received from him last week. He entered the service three years ago and also has a brother in the service, Corp. Patrick Flaherty, who is in Georgia.

Dear Mr. Blackiner:

The last time I wrote I said that it would probably be a very short time until I notified you again that my address has changed. This time I'm hoping that it is final, until I return to Belchertown again. I don't dare say that it is permanent, but I certainly hope so.

Since my mail is censored, it is rather difficult to know what to say, except that I am in one of the most beautiful spots in this part of the world, and I won't change positions with anyone.

Yours truly,
Donald Geer

News has been received that Pvt. C. Henry Eskett, Pioneer Co., 4th Marines (Reinf.) has arrived safely overseas.

Pvt. Melvin Bosworth, 31417396 443rd Ord., H. A. M. Co. Fort Benning, Ga.

Pvt. Hazel E. Pratt, U S M C W R Recruit Depot, Trng. Bn. 31st Co. A, Pl. 5, Bks. 108 Camp Lejeune, North Carolina

Tech. Sgt. Andrew Sears is at Columbia Army Air Base, Columbia, South Carolina, he having been assigned to duty as a flight instructor in the aerial operation of radio equipment. Tech. Sgt. Sears and Mrs. Sears reside at 1706 Gervais St., Columbia, S. C.

Pvt. G. T. Geer of Camp Livingston, La., has returned after spending a furlough at his home in town.

Pvt. Philip Hawthorne, 361 M. P. Escort Guard, Scott's Bluff, Nebraska, has been transferred to Concordia, Kansas. Pvt. Haw-

thorne has done duty in a camp for Italian prisoners and has been transferred to the camp in Kansas and will help guard German prisoners.—Dwight Item.

Lieut.-Col. Herbert L. Flynn, former senior physician on the medical staff of the Belchertown State school, has returned from overseas. He is enjoying a leave with his wife and young daughter, who have been living in Springfield. He called on friends in town the past week.

Private Kenneth Rhodes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Rhodes of Amherst Road, is expected home on a three-day pass. Kenneth is stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and must start back Saturday night. We are all sorry it couldn't have been for ten days, but better luck next time, Ken. His brother, Corp. Donald Rhodes, stationed at Cochran field, Macon, Georgia, returned to camp Tuesday, the 15th, after a ten-day leave, which he had the good fortune to obtain. Best of luck, Don.

Town Items

Attention is again called to the Grange card party in Grange hall tomorrow night at 8, when progressive whist and bridge will be played. Prizes will be given. Mrs. Roberta Chevalier is chairman of the committee in charge.

The next meeting of Mount Vernon chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held on the 17th of May instead of the regular stated time, May 10. This change is on account of the grand chapter meeting in Springfield the 9th, 10th and 11th of May. The worthy matron, Mrs. Frederick Utley, will be the delegate from the local chapter.

Guy C. Harrington, principal of Belchertown High School, and Belding F. Jackson, acting assistant principal of Classical High School in Springfield, are attending the conference of principals of Junior and Senior High Schools at Framingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Atwood and grandson, David Lemon, of Princeton, have moved to the Lincoln farm, recently purchased by Preston Atwood.

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Seniors Return Today

The Seniors have been enjoying their week's outing in New York—at least as much as the weather would permit. Cards received from some of them say it's been "terrible." They went on one of the Green tours, leaving town Sunday and returning today. Their headquarters have been at the Hotel Taft.

The class attended a broadcast Sunday night. The schedule of sightseeing included a visit to the Statue of Liberty, a trip by bus through the Bowery and Chinatown, attendance at shows, tour of Radio City, with trip to the top of the building, also television tour, shopping, etc.

Although not on the schedule, it was expected that many would take in the Diamond Horseshoe.

The Seniors were in charge of Mrs. Sophia Pero, with W. Paige Piper assisting. Miss Bernice Shaw and Miss Irene Harvey, also of the faculty, took the trip.

The entire class went, including: Anna Adzima, John Avery, Helen Bak, Dorothy Bigos, Helen Boyko, Elsie Cannon, Marion Cole, Frank Gold, George Henry, Mary Keyes, Wanda Krawiec, Marguerite McKillop, Cecelia McLean, Irene Puta, Florence Rhodes, John Shea, Frances Smola, Mary Stolar, Sophie Wynzen. Michael Shea, a junior, was included.

Dwight Items

Rev. Louis Toppin of the South Amherst Congregational church had charge of the services at the chapel on Sunday, April 16, as Rev. Mr. White was unable to be present.

There were services at the chapel on Sunday, April 23rd, at 2.30 p.

m., as usual, this being Rev. Mr. White's last Sunday here. He tendered his resignation as pastor of the Federated church of Pelham, of which Dwight chapel is a part, and has accepted a position as a research sociologist on farm population and rural welfare under the U. S. D. A. and will be stationed near Philadelphia.

Little George Pittsley, who has been quite ill at his home here, is improving. He has been under the care of Dr. Robertson of Amherst.

Sanford Jenks of Shelburne Falls, who has spent his vacation here putting in carrots, onions, etc., has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Camille Parker of North Leverett were visitors at the home of Mrs. Parker's sister, Mrs. R. W. Jenks, on Monday.

Mrs. Minerva Wright spent Monday in Springfield visiting friends.

Miss Beverly Struthers and Miss Maude Brooks of Brattleboro, Vt., have been visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Howland and son, Richard, of White Plains, N. Y., have been visiting her parents here.

Arnold Olson of Boston is visiting "Bobby" Jenks at his home here.

Mrs. Marie O. Lemon, who has been ill at her home here, is able to be out again.

Town Items

Mrs. Howard Dickinson has returned to her home on South Main street, after two weeks spent with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Taft of Sterling.

Miss Dorothy Trainor of Worcester spent the week-end with her father, Charles G. Trainor of Main street.

Willard H. Young and son of Cottage street spent a few days in New York this week.

Mrs. H. F. Curtis, who spent the winter in the home of her son, Rev. Harold W. Curtis of Portsmouth, N. H., returned last week to her home in town.

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War." Refreshments were served at the close by Mrs. William E. Shaw and Mrs. Harold F. Peck.

The Women's Guild card party originally scheduled for May 3rd, has been postponed till May 24 and will be held with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Edward M. Hunter this afternoon at 2.30.

Men's Club Meeting

Over thirty attended the men's club meeting in the Methodist vestry on Wednesday evening. A pancake supper, replete with maple syrup, sausage, pickles and pie, was served by the committee consisting of Louis Fuller, Howard Spencer, Guy Harrington and Arthur Hennemann, assisted by Fred Farley and Wallace Chevalier.

Rev. H. F. Robbins, who presided at the business meeting, alluded to it as a "100 per cent male supper." It has been some time since local men have attempted any such menu—they have yielded to the Pillsbury folks.

The club voted to hold its meetings hereafter on the third Wednesday of each month, but considering that next month's meeting is Ladies' Night and that the Eastern Star has postponed its May meeting to the 17th, it was decided to hold the next meeting May 31.

Dr. A. E. Westwell, chairman of the program committee, introduced "Doc" Barrett, professor of farm management at M. S. C., and "Toby" Roberts, district chairman of the Boy Scouts, as guest speakers. The former told of the week-long courses now operating at the college to introduce city young people to certain types of farm labor, so that they will be able to help out in the farm program this year more efficiently. His pictures, in color, showed activities on Massachusetts farms last summer when the young people helped to save the crops of the state. This film was of such interest that the U. S. Department of Agriculture has had duplicate films made.

Prof. Roberts spoke of the activities of boy scouts and especially of the summer camp at Chesterfield, of which he showed two reels. A point emphasized was that boy scout training has proven most valuable to those who have entered the military service, the percentage of decorations in this group being very high.

Dr. Westwell paid tribute to the untiring efforts of Osborne Davis,

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Normal or Abnormal Living."
Communion Service.
Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.
Youth Fellowship meeting at 6.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Communion Service.
Youth Fellowship in the Vestry at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Union Grange Card Party in Grange hall.

Special Communication of Vernon Lodge.

TODAY

Freshmen Dance.

TOMORROW

Food Sale, under auspices of Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S., in Methodist Vestry at 3 p. m.

Double or Nothing Club Minstrel in Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

May 17
Women's Guild Friendship Tea at the Parish House at 2.30 p. m.

May 19
Junior Prom.

May 22
Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

May 24
O. E. S. Matrons' and Patrons' Night.

Death of John F. Crowley

John Francis Crowley, 50, of this town died Tuesday night in Westfield, following a long illness. He was a resident of Belchertown for the past 19 years and was employed at the Springfield Water Works for many years.
He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary A. Crowley, two daughters, Doris and Hazel Crowley, several step-children and a brother, William Crowley of this town.
The funeral will be held this morning from the Belanger funeral home in Three Rivers.

The Minstrel

The Double or Nothing minstrel comes tomorrow night at 8 in Memorial hall. Thirty-two page advertising programs, containing a picture of Chaplain-Pastor Richard F. Manwell are being prepared for the event. The cover, like the posters, bears the imprint of a blackface, the linoleum cut being the handiwork of Dr. Westwell.
It will be a variety presentation, as stated last week. In the orchestra are: Violin, Mark Gleason; Saxophone, W. Paige Piper; Trombone, Carl Peterson; Pianist, Mrs. Phyllis Markham; Drums, Frank Fleury.

Legion Awards Merit Medals

The public meeting of the American Legion last Saturday night in recognition of initial and outstanding service at the time of the bomber crash last fall will go down in history as quite a pleasing and distinctive event in Belchertown's community life.
Harold Ryder and Howard Davis of the American Legion advanced the national and Legion colors to the platform, where were seated Comdr. Frederick Farley of the Legion; Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, past department vice-commander, A. L.; Lt. Col. Edward M. Urban of Westover Field; Sergt. Robert French of the ground observer section of the First Fighter Command, and Rev. Andrew Sullivan, pastor of St. Francis Church.

The Gilkey Lecture

A full house greeted Dr. James Gordon Gilkey last week Friday night on the occasion of his illustrated lecture on "Yosemite to Lake Louise," delivered under the sponsorship of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. of the Methodist church.
Dr. Gilkey in very truth gave his audience respite from war worries, taking them on a trip through four national parks. He said that although he had traveled all over the world, there is nothing to surpass the grandeur of the Canadian Rockies. As on previous occasions, Dr. Gilkey took pains to see that no interesting detail of a given picture escaped notice.
Previous to the lecture, there were vocal solos by Miss Helen Kuzmick, and trumpet solos by Miss Helen Lister. Miss Lorraine Noel was accompanist.
Pop corn and candy was sold previous to the program.

After the reading of the names of those to receive medals, Sergt. French was called on for a few remarks. He said he was having lunch with Dr. Westwell at the time of the crash and that he went immediately to the scene, being the fourth or fifth to arrive. He spoke of the sacrifice of time and clothing of those who did the rescue work, and said that Dr. Westwell's contribution was worthy of mention.

Annual Meeting of Historical Association

The annual meeting of the Belchertown Historical Association was held at the Stone House last Friday afternoon at 3, fifteen members being present. George A. Poole, president, presided.
Mrs. Julia T. Shumway gave the recording clerk's report, and L. H. Blackmer, the treasurer's report. Mrs. Mary E. Spencer reported for the grounds' and repairs' committee, following which Mrs. H. F. Curtis, custodian, gave her report, excerpts from which are appended.
Mrs. Julia T. Shumway was re-elected recording clerk, and L. H. Blackmer, treasurer. Six new members were received at this meeting.

Food Sale Tomorrow

Attention is again called to the food sale tomorrow afternoon at 3 in the Methodist vestry, sponsored by the Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S.

May 26
Public Presentation of State School Minstrel at State School.

May 31
Men's Club—Ladies' Night.

June 2
Youth Fellowship Plays.

A surprise feature of the evening was the presence of a band of some 25 or 30 pieces from Westover Field, which played both before and during the program.

The meeting was opened by Commander Farley, who turned the meeting over to Past Department Vice-Commander Westwell, who had the program in charge and was master of ceremonies. Dr. Westwell congratulated those who were to receive awards for their response in time of crisis, and bore testimony to the fact that they had conducted themselves in a most laudable manner.

A candle-light memorial service was then conducted for those who died in the crash and for their comrades who had died throughout the world.

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As Dr. Westwell read the names of the recipients, each came to the platform and was given the award by Commander Farley.
Following is the list of those honored:

- Francis P. Loftus
- Mrs. Emma Loftus
- George H. Begey
- Arthur Gauthier
- Mrs. Lillian Charron
- Ernest Germain
- Dr. James L. Collard
- Dr. William J. Hogan
- Belchertown Fire Dept.

Doctors Collard and Hogan responded with a few brief words. Aside from the awards to the doctors —continued on page 2—

Mother-Daughter Night

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dress 100 years—the older it is the better they think it is. The number of feathers they wear indicates whether they are single or married. They wear their hair in two braids. The plains' tribe is the only one that wears the war bonnet. Indian women never wore war bonnets.

The main item in the Indian orchestra is the drum. They have rattles, also, made of hoofs of animals, and the flute. They also have Indian religion—they thought there was some great force behind everything in life. The Indians were named for the quality they had. The Indians now look the same as we do, don't have long braids and feathers.

The Indians like games, and she described some games the children play. Her family depended on hunting for their existence. Indians are very generous. They usually have six years between having their children. They think they owe this much to each child.

The speaker also sang some Indian songs.

Methodist Church Notes

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will hold a food sale at 3 p. m. in the Methodist vestry on May 6. Mrs. Iva Gay will take orders up to Tuesday night, May 2. Telephone 3153.

Eighteen were present at the meeting of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S., Tuesday night.

There will be a prayer meeting, followed by an official board meeting, next week Thursday night.

Grange Notes

The regular meeting of Union Grange next Tuesday night will open at 7.30. At 8.15 the meeting will be opened to the public, when Miss Sally Gibson, Hampshire Co. Extension Agent, assisted by Mr. Ross of M. S. C. will give an interesting program on "Victory Gardens and Soil Conservation." It is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

Raking of Common Completed

The raking of the common had a happy ending last Saturday night. It began all fine and dandy on the 18th, when the pupils of the schools turned out, but the response of the adults on the 19th was disheartening.

Last Saturday night twelve men showed up—just enough to complete the task, and everyone enjoyed it, the repartee of other days staging a grand come-back.

Harlan Davis had his truck there to cart off the debris, and he had a good-sized load. The work was completed just as darkness fell.

Congregational Church Notes

Thirty were present at the Women's Guild meeting at the parish house last week Thursday evening, when the guest speaker was Prof. Leslie Burgevin of Mount Holyoke college, who spoke on "Poetry in



Belchertown Soldier Views
Vesuvius' "Private War"

When I made an appeal for material for this column some time ago, I had little idea that one of the first answers would come from across the seas, where the readers of the *Sentinel* are pretty well occupied with duties other than correspondence.

So I was much pleased to have a letter last week from Staff Sergeant Austin Warren, who had had the opportunity to witness the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius at close range.

After some of you have read his story, I wonder if you will not be inspired to sit down and share some non-censorable experience with us. There will never be a more appreciative audience than that of your friends at home or in other branches of the service. Your trip to Stratford-on-Avon or Picadilly, your adventures with sand dune and oasis, your tussles with glaciers and icebergs—how we should like to share them!

Austin's letter accompanying his article reads in part: "My dear Bob—I remember noticing an appeal that 'The Steeple' once made to his readers for help with material for his weekly stint. Well, here are some excerpts from a letter I wrote a friend of mine concerning the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius. . . . Up to now we've not been allowed to mention it for security reasons, though there surely must have been at least passing mention of it in American papers. I've not put in any scholarly historical background, though you of course know that the old mountain is almost legendary. It probably has had as much to do with the life and fortunes of the people who live on its slopes as has the changing political picture in Italy during the past hundreds of years. My trip to see it was a great experience, one that I shall never forget. (Now follows the article)"

"It happened on March 18th and continued active for several days. I made a trip to see it and found to be true all the things our papers here said about it. I was able to go right into the town that suffered most and saw that the flow of lava was actually 90 feet high. The experts said that it moved about 300 yards per hour and that surely was no exaggeration. The lava looked like a mass of dark gray and black cinders, though what we picked up, after it had cooled, was almost as hard as rock. It was brittle, but you needed another rock or a hammer to break it. It was smouldering and steaming from the heat within itself and from the wood and plant life it had picked up on the way.

"This town was about half destroyed, and the particular spot where I was showed several buildings where the flow just knocked a part of them down and left the rest. One house was apparently strong enough to stand the pressure, but it was completely surrounded. Smoke was still coming from the chimney, and the lava reached the eaves and filled the rooms inside. The force of the stuff must have been terrific,

for there was nothing in its path that it didn't break down, burn, or smother. I saw lots of trees that had only the top branches sticking out, though they must have been 40 or 50 feet tall.

"The sad part of the whole thing was the people whose homes were destroyed or who had to evacuate because their homes were threatened. They piled their household goods, their bambinos, and their livestock on carts or Army trucks, and filled the roads in all directions. I wonder where they all went to. Their ancestors had had to do the same thing years ago in former eruptions, but I imagine they will all go right back to the same location—and wait to be forced out again.

"The lava mass was really the most striking thing about what I saw, probably because it was so close at hand. The happenings in the sky above the crater were spectacular enough, but they were so distant that they weren't as impressive in comparison. I could even hear that lava—the crunch of the cinders sounded a little like the rustling of stiff paper. And when it knocked over a wall or a stone fence, there was a roar like a landslide. When it met some special object, I could see it destroyed—and then after the lava passed, there wasn't the slightest indication the object had ever been there at all.

"When I got to the mountain, after it had been erupting for a couple of days, the cone seemed much higher and looked like a huge sandpile. The insides of it came blowing out in great gusts of smoke, ashes and molten rock. The heavier places, which through the glasses looked to be about the size of a small automobile, bounced down the sides, throwing up clouds of smoke. The ashes settled more slowly and were ground up into the lava flow. The smoke went on up and up until the wind caught it and sent it billowing off to blot out the sunshine from the towns to the south. All through the whole boiling mass were flashes of lightning and a steady reddish glow from the exploding gases. What a sight it was!

"As I rode away I passed the lava beds made by old eruptions. And would you believe it, those frugal Italian peasants were making good use of the very scource that destroyed their homes and their fields. They were quarrying the rock, which as a result of the pressure of years was compressed until slabs of it were almost as smooth as marble. Farther down the road I passed houses and outbuildings built of this volcanic rock, and with a little more finishing they could have been handsome affairs.

"Strange that the large majority of the people whose homes were lost in this eruption had gone there from different parts of Italy to escape the war. I believe that some of them would hardly have been worse off if they had gone through bombing and air attack. Certainly the fireworks that nature caused on that mountain were almost as terrible as what man can do with T. N. T. and gun powder."

Old Topic Warmed Over
Last week's fire at the town dump, which managed to burn over quite an area before it was brought under control, brings back the many occasions when we have made that beauty spot the subject of our weekly dissertation.
Long ago we made up our minds

that no amount of remonstrance could reform the careless dumper or the chap who feels that it is his privilege to block the dump with his own particular load.

The only sensible solution is to spend enough money to have the dump properly cared for several times a week instead of at infrequent intervals as is now the case. As matters now stand, it is a menace. Within a day or two of the time the mass is well pushed back, the condition is almost as bad as ever.

The present situation is little more than a disgrace. No one is at fault except those who use it, but we have learned that appeals to them are utterly useless. Even those who like to be careful and considerate, have now become callous. Who likes to wade through other folks' garbage to dump his own properly!

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"May, with alle thy floures and thy grene,
Welcome be thou, fair fresshe May."
—Chaucer
—Bob Jackson

Dwight Items

Mrs. Gertrude Goodrich furnished the flowers at the chapel on April 23rd, when Rev. Harold B. White preached his final sermon before leaving for his new position in Philadelphia.

Twenty-one attended church in Pelham on Sunday morning to hear Rev. Mr. White preach his final sermon there.

Those attending the reception at the Pelham Federated church last Thursday evening in honor of Rev. and Mrs. White, were S. S. Judd, Mrs. Eita B. Randolph, Mrs. Cassie Fay, Mrs. Edith M. Jenks, Mrs. Alvin Bush, Mrs. Harriet Archambeault, Florence Fay and Kenneth Jenks.

Several old neighbors and friends attended the committal services for Mrs. Margaret (Nellie) Day, wife of the late Alden Day. Mrs. Day was a wonderful friend and neighbor and worked very hard, no task being too difficult for her to undertake in the interest of Dwight Chapel. She held suppers at her home, the place where Charles Rhodes now lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goodrich and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Goodrich from Springfield visited their parents on Sunday.

Awards Medals

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and to George H. Begey, an employee of the telephone company, who was doing work at the Germain home at the time of the crash, the awards went to the two families in the immediate neighborhood.

A mahogany plaque with medal was then presented to the fire department for its emergency work on that eventful day. This was accepted by Deputy Chief J. J. Kempkes, Chief Baggs responding when he came into the hall a few minutes later, just returned from responding to a fire call. In typical Baggs' attitude, the chief expressed thanks for the plaque, but said "We really didn't do anything to deserve this."

Lieut. Col. Edward M. Urban, who represented the commander of Westover Field at the meeting,

then spoke. He said he was a "retread," having been in the last war. He said he was thrilled by "these acts of unselfishness of people who help other people and can't help it," which he said, is being duplicated all over the United States and the world. Lt. Col. Urban had taken the pains to read the official records of the crash, to acquaint himself with the circumstances before coming to town, and said he was impressed by the evident devotion to duty, which these records revealed.

Previous to pronouncing the benediction, Rev. Andrew J. Sullivan, pastor of St. Francis church, made appropriate remarks, injecting both humor and pathos into the occasion. He said that while we may be irked by the droning of airplanes day and night, we should remember that they are being run by "kids", who are training to protect our way of life. He said that the "old codgers" declare war and the "kids" fight them. He said that those who assisted at the crash responded to human need, regardless of the color or creed of the occupants of the plane. Referring to the recent "rule the world" statement, he said that there is only one fit to rule, and that is God Almighty—and he rules by love and not by hate.

Following the benediction, two reels of moving pictures were shown, one relating to China's contribution to the war effort, and the other to the several military services of the United States. The pictures were shown through the courtesy of Carl Peterson, principal of the Center Grade school.

Candidacies Announced

Attorney James F. Shea of Ware announces his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Representative in the 4th Hampshire District. He is a graduate of Holyoke High School, University of Detroit Law School, and has been practicing law in Ware for the past 16 years the last three of which he has been town counsel. He has been a member of the Advisory board of the Ware draft board since its inception and has also been the head of the Evacuation Squad in the Ware civilian defense program. He is married and has three children and believes he is well qualified to protect the District's interests in local and state affairs.

Albert E. Lumley of Pelham, who has announced that he is a candidate for the nomination on the Republican ticket for state representative from this district, was in town this week in the interests of his candidacy. He has a master of arts degree from Oberlin college, and is employed at Amherst college. He has lived in Massachusetts since 1928, is married and has a son. He is a past president of the Amherst Lions club, was chairman of the recent Red Cross drive of the town of Pelham and is chairman of the Pelham board of selectmen. During 1942 and 1943 Mr. Lumley organized the college farm labor program and supervised 30,000 hours of work on farms in the valley.

Inducted Next Week

Donald H. Sessions of Springfield, formerly of this town, has passed his physical examination and reports at Fort Devens next week Thursday.
Linus G. Warren, who spent winter in Florida, returned

Plan to move
ASK IF YOU
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AT YOUR
NEW
ADDRESS

Because enough equipment may not be able to get telephone new address, if you are planning
Before moving house for the summer, please ask at telephone Business Office whether service will be available at the new address.
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Where have the instruments gone? Mostly into the hands of the Army and Navy and other government departments. Actually we have in service more instruments and handle daily more calls than before the war.
That's why it's important to make inquiries before you move plans for the summer.

NEW TELEPHONE GRAPH CO.

Town Items
Mr. and Mrs. John M. La West Street, Amherst, are the parents of a daughter, Liane, April 23 at the Cooley-Dick hospital, Northampton.
Mrs. Harry Plant.
Mrs. William Squires returned Saturday from a few days at Phoenix, Arizona.
Dorothy Parkman of Westover field is visiting her uncle, B. J. Webb, who has spent winter in Sebring, Fla. and returned to Belchertown.
June Webb of Boston has been visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Plant.
Mrs. William Squires returned Saturday from a few days at Phoenix, Arizona.
Dorothy Parkman of Westover field is visiting her uncle, B. J. Webb, who has spent winter in Sebring, Fla. and returned to Belchertown.
The Stone House will be occupied Wednesday, May 17, and on Wednesday and Saturday thereafter during the season.
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Have they heard from YOU lately?

April 11, 1944
Persia
Dear Sir:
I am not much of a hand at writing letters, but I feel in the mood today and thought you all might be interested in what is going on in different places around the world. I hope this letter finds you in good health.

I am feeling fine and have only been laid up for a week since I have been here, which is almost a year. This part of the country is supposed to be about the hottest place in the world, with the mercury up to one hundred and fifty almost every day through the summer. It never gets cold. It is plenty hot here now and is getting hotter all the time. I can't say much about what we are doing except that we are getting supplies to Uncle Joe to use on Hitler. It sure is a big job.

The only fellow from town that I have seen since I left the States was Frank Keyes. I saw him on the transport, but he got off in India. I was there for a while and don't like the place. I am getting so I can speak some Russian and Arabic, by being a pick up here. They aren't so hard to pick up.

A fellow hates to read about persons in the States gripping about what they can't get, because it is rationed, and over here as well as many other places overseas, there are a lot of things we can't get. We have ration cards and what we can get is rationed. I can stick it out as well as the next fellow and help to get the war finished, so we can all get back to our families.

It is almost time for me to go to work, so I will finish and hope to hear from you.
So long,
Dick Lofland

Pfc. David H. Farley 31287854
423 Base Unit, Section II
Maint. A., Army Air Base
Walla Walla, Washington
Sgt. Lewis Squires, 31285927
Hunter Field, Georgia

Robert G. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kristian Anderson, has enlisted in the Marines and left Wednesday, April 26, for Parris Island, S. Carolina, where he will take his boot training.

T. M. M. 2-C Isaac Hodgen, who has been stationed at Newport, R. I., is at home on a 15-day leave. He leaves town a week from Sunday when he goes to report for duty on a ship on the west coast.

Robert White, S 2-C, of Sampson, New York, is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Henry Baggs.

Pvt. Warren Kempt, who has been spending a furlough with his cousin, Mrs. Harry Plant, has returned to camp in South Carolina.
Tech. 5th Grade James B. Baker of the 120th General Hospital,

Camp Van Dorn, Miss., has been promoted to Sergeant. He recently completed a three-months' course at Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., graduating with an efficiency rating of superior. Graduation exercises were held there on April 5 when Sgt. Baker received his diploma and a letter of recommendation from the colonel in charge, to be attached to his service record.
At present he is on detached service with the Station hospital at Camp Van Dorn, having returned there from a 15-day furlough spent with his wife and daughter, Penny Anne of Maple street and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Baker of Old Springfield road. He is a graduate of Chocopee High school, class of '37, and attended Chocopee Trade school.

Draft Board Notes

There is no certainty under the present set-up that all those who pass their physicals will actually be inducted, as an appeal may be pending and new regulations may require a review.
About the only way that one can be sure of entering the branch of service he wants is to volunteer for induction and be willing to enter the service the day he takes his physical, thus waiving the three weeks' furlough.

Other interested visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burnett. Mr. Burnett is the youngest son of the late Enoch Burnett, who was for many years the R. R. station agent of this town.

Legion Membership Week

May 7-13
Governor Saltonstall has issued a proclamation calling for the observance of American Legion Membership Week, the week of May 7-13. In "defense of right and truth and justice," espoused by the Legion, he urges the people of our community to encourage every eligible veteran of World Wars I and II to enroll or re-enroll.
The Belchertown Legion post has not reached its quota for 1944, but hopes to go over the top during the coming week by enrolling all eligible veterans in town.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade I—Francis Austin (2), Marion Corey (2), Maud LaCross, Richard Hennemann, Joseph Miller, John B. Sansoucy, E. Clifton Witt, Harold Pierce, Alexander Baker, Melanie Green, Walter Skopitz.
Grade III—H. E. Sessions (2), Thos. Landers, Doris Shumway, John Pranaitis.
Truck—George Clifford, E. D. Labrecque, Tony Szpila, Donald Towne (2).

Historical Meeting

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from May 1st to Oct. 15th.
Although we had fewer visitors from a distance, than in pre-war times, we had a goodly number from our own community. These, including the annual visits from the schools, brought the number of visitors for the season to 181.
Five states were represented, New Hampshire, New York, Connecticut, Ohio, Missouri and 16 towns of Massachusetts.
Among our visitors was Mrs. Eleanor Phelps Clark. Mrs. Clark is a descendant of the Phelps fam-

Proposed Additions and Corrections
Town Honor Roll
as proposed by American Legion Committee

Additions Merton F. Alden Richard F. Alden Robert G. Anderson William F. Armitage Melvin E. Bosworth Henry E. Brown George W. Charron John Clark Clifton E. Cleveland, Jr. Albert M. Dudek Stanley A. Dudek Charles H. Eskett Michael E. Flaherty Frank Frodyma Harold R. Fay William D. Flaherty Donald E. Geer Gilbert T. Geer Harold G. Gardner Alice M. Hussey	Additions William E. Isaac Edward J. Kawalec Raymond A. Kinmonth, Jr. William S. Lacey, Jr. Edward O. Lofland Lawrence E. Lyon Richard F. Manwell Raymond R. Menard Walter H. Moore, Jr. John Matusko Adolph Opieowski Edward Pisarski Harvey B. Plant Hazel E. Pratt Malcolm S. Ross Raymond J. Keece Martin J. Keilly Edward Rogers Donald H. Sessions Richard E. Squires Frank C. Socha	Additions John A. Summerlin Samuel G. Smith Bronislaus Socha Albert J. Socha Sydney Stone John S. Szyk Fred J. Stokosa Emmons C. Smith Leonard A. Taylor Donald W. Wheeler Robert A. White
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Corrections
Herbert I. Story, Sr.
Herbert I. Story, Jr.
David H. Farley
Robert T. Dyer, Jr.
Harvey M. Dickinson

Change to gold letters
Arthur H. Berry
Peter F. Kulig

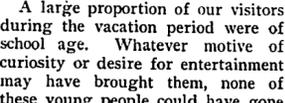
All errors and omission of names will be gladly rectified by contacting Honor Roll librarian, Howard Davis.

OK OVER WALLPAPER

ily, prominent in the early history of the town and church. We have interesting and valuable relics of the family in our collection, among which is a silver communion service, bearing the inscription, "Presented by Dr. Abner Phelps." The Phelps homestead was what is now known as "Robin Farm" in the Cold Spring district.
Other interested visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burnett. Mr. Burnett is the youngest son of the late Enoch Burnett, who was for many years the R. R. station agent of this town.
He was also a "forty-nine-er" during the mad gold rush to California of that time. We have a number of interesting relics in our museum presented by his family. These include his "pass," the bag in which he carried gold-dust, and a model of a "cradle" for "washing the gold-dust."
Our sign was hung out May 28 and our first visitors came May 31. Grades V and VI of the Center school came June 17. Miss Irvin of the High school faculty, with her classes in domestic science, visited us June 14th and 15th.
"It has been truly said" a view of the past is both delightful and instructive. Ancient fashions, customs, usages of any sort—furnish substantial aid to the mind in reasoning to the future. We consider the Stone House, in a sense, and adjunct to the schools of this community, although we have received no "honorable mention" in the annual school reports.
A large proportion of our visitors during the vacation period were of school age. Whatever motive of curiosity or desire for entertainment may have brought them, none of these young people could have gone away, after having been shown through our rooms, without an awakened interest and increased appreciation of the achievements of former days. This we confidently expect will result in future additions to our historical association and increased pride in the Stone House.

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Mrs. Julia T. Shumway



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We have a supply of application blanks at our office and we advise early filing and placing of orders. We are allowed to deliver only seven-eighths of the amount normally used for the year and only one-half of that amount by October 1st.

Everybody is expected to use some substitute fuel for one-eighth of the amount needed for the year.

We shall try to make deliveries as equally as possible and as fast as we receive the fuel.

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Congregational Church Notes

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the Home Department of the Congregational Church school at the home of Mrs. Edward Hunter last Friday afternoon. Af-

ter the meeting a social hour was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Rowland Greenwood was assistant hostess.

The Women's Guild card party, previously scheduled for May 24, has been changed to May 22 and will be held with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

HOLLAND FARM

FOR SALE—A "Gray Line" No. 231 threshing machine, bought at second hand last summer, but not used since. Appears to be in excellent condition.
Holland Farm, Old Enfield Road, Belchertown, Massachusetts.

WANTED—to buy or rent a suitable home.
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FOR SALE—Cemetery lots at Mt. Hope cemetery.
H. F. Peck

WANTED—Would like to buy your box or bag of old buttons. What have you to sell? Appraisal free.

Naomi Howard Atkins
South Amherst, Mass.
Tel. 526M

28-5-12

FOUND—On Tuesday night, on Jackson Street, a male dog with a few brown spots.
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

FOR SALE—A two-piece quartered oak chamber set and mattresses, mahogany finished settee, one rocking chair, one 9x12 rug, and some other articles in good condition.
Mrs. J. E. Shores
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Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the Belchertown Fire Department, the Belchertown State School and all others for their able assistance in helping to put out the railroad grass fire which so seriously threatened our buildings and orchards last Sunday.
Everett C. Howard & Son

The Rummage Sale

The rummage sale, put on by the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S., went over very well and though no official figures have come in as yet, the committee feel that they have done very well. They wish to thank all the townspeople who contributed so generously to this event, and also those who worked so hard to make it a success.
Plans are being made for another sale in the future, probably in some other town.

Grange Notes

There was a very interesting meeting of Union Grange on Tuesday evening, when Prof. Donald Ross of M. S. C. gave a talk on Victory Gardens. Sally Gibson, home demonstration agent, showed slides on New England farming.

Nine tables were in play at the Grange card party last Saturday night, with Mrs. Roberta Chevalier in charge. Another party will be held May 13.

Methodist Church Notes

The Youth Fellowship will meet at the church on Sunday evening at 6, due to the absence of Mrs. Marion Plant who is in Boston.

A. H. Phillips' store will close tomorrow night at 7.30 by reason of the Belchertown Minstrels.

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"MOONLIGHT IN VERMONT"

SUN., MON., MAY 7 - 8

Maria Montez Jon Hall
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Girl Scout Notes

Next week Saturday, the 13th, all the girls, who are going on the 5-mile hike, will meet at the post office.

Mrs. Fuller took the place of Mrs. Holland, who was absent. She also took on the foot traveller badge for today.

Barbara Young,
Scribe

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.

"A Mother's Opportunity."
Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.

Youth Fellowship meeting at 6.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor

Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

"A Tribute to Mother."
Youth Fellowship at Mrs. Marion Plant's at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor

Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY
Grange Meeting.

American Legion Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Guild Friendship Tea at the Parish House at 2.30 p. m.

O. E. S. Meeting.

Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Blackmer at 7.30 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY
Junior Prom.

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW

Girl Scout Hike at 10.30 a. m.
Union Grange Card Party in Grange hall.

Special Communication of Vernon Lodge.

Dates Spoken For

May 21
Public Dinner at Congregational Parish House.

May 22
Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

May 24
O. E. S. Matrons' and Patrons' Night.

Many Long-Term State Employees

Today, May 12, is National Hospital day, when it is suggested that recognition be given to the loyal and faithful employees who have been in the state service for 5 years or more. Locally this relates particularly to the employees at the State School. Belchertown State School is not only a school, but a hospital and is recognized as a related institution by the American Medical Association.

Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, superintendent of the School, and who himself is in the 10 to 25 year classification, has kindly given us the roster of School employees who have been in the state service for 5 years or more.

Concerning the employees at the institution, Dr. Tadgell very aptly says that "on these employees, as well as those who have been with us for a lesser period of time, depends to a great degree the welfare of those placed in our charge. To them the Commonwealth owes a debt of gratitude.

The Honor Roll appears on page 3.

Attending Convention in Philadelphia

The following State School personnel are attending the annual meeting of the American Association on Mental Deficiency, in Philadelphia: Dr. Raymond A. Kinmonth, Fellow of the Association; Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, Fellow and national chairman of membership; Miss Bertha Harris, Fellow; Miss Dorothy Peeso, Fellow; and the Misses Langelier, Bickford, Scollard and Krasnoff, associate members. Dr. Henry A. Tadgell will attend the Psychiatric Association, which meets concurrently, but extends over another week.

Card Party Tomorrow Night

Union Grange will hold a card party Saturday evening, the 13th. Something new for a door prize. Come early.

Fire Department Calls

May 5. Fire at Beaudoin's. Fire at dump.

May 6. Forest fire at Webster's.

May 26
Public Presentation of State School Minstrel at State School.

May 31
Men's Club—Ladies' Night.
June 2
Youth Fellowship Plays.

Boy Scout Drive

Again the Boy Scouts are having their campaign for funds, and two teams have been organized to canvass the town under two captains, Roy Kimball and Dr. Tadgell.

The teams are as follows:

- Roy Kimball**
Guy Allen, Jr.
Kenneth Bristol
Joseph Kempkes
Stanley Rhodes
Fred Farley
Willard Young
Dr. Tadgell
Blake Jackson
Paul Austin
Carl Peterson
Louis Shumway
Kenneth Hawkins
Dr. A. E. Westwell
Harold Ryder

Roy Kimball is the newly elected chairman of the local Troop Committee, and he and his committee are determined to give Scouting a boost in Belchertown as a supplement to the fine work done in the past by Scoutmaster Davis, Paige Piper, the late Roland Shaw and others.

Scouting has proven of great value to men in the Services, according to their officers. This proven movement provides one of the best remedies for the current juvenile difficulties that beset our young people today. Someone has said that there are no juvenile delinquents, but rather adult delinquents who fail to provide proper activities for the young people.

Letters have gone out to some people in town who have in the past shown interest; all others are urged to make a donation, great or small, to any member of either team.

The canvass begins Monday, May 15th, and runs to the 25th. The number of the donations, rather than the size of them, will be the indication of just how our citizens feel about Scouting.

Dr. Westwell is general chairman for this area.

Friendship Tea

The Women's Guild of the Congregational church will hold a Friendship Tea at the parish house next week Wednesday afternoon at 2.30, when the speaker will be Mrs. Edward Purrington, pastor's assistant at Second Church, Holyoke. Her topic will be, "Maintaining a High Level of Faith in Times Such as These." Mrs. Hudson will conduct devotions. Hostesses will be Mrs. Henry Lindquist and Mrs. Guy Harrington. The W. S. of C. S. of the Methodist Church has been invited.

It is stated that Fleury's orchestra is the one that officiated the night Memorial hall was dedicated. The audience raved over the specialty numbers of Part II, insisting on and getting encores in almost every instance.

There was a grand finale by the minstrelites, one of the numbers being, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," in the rendering of which one could sense the tenseness of the world situation.

The Minstrel Show

The Double or Nothing Club minstrel show last Saturday night was the huge success that was predicted. In fact many were turned away, while some of those that did get in spent the more than two hours lined up against the wall or standing at the rear.

The best authority in town on shows, according to our estimation, told us on the side, "According to my way of thinking, the Double or Nothing show on Saturday night was the best show I ever witnessed in Memorial hall, and I have seen a lot."

The end men blacked up in minstrel show style, while the ladies of the chorus appeared in colorful kerchiefs and the men in white shirts. The interlocutor was Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth.

The program was as follows:

Part I—Opening Chorus; "Hot Time in Old Town Tonight," End Men; "My Name is Morgan But it Ain't J. P.," Ray Gould; "Lazy Bones," Dick Henemann; "Melancholy Baby," Claude Smith; "Mairzy Doates," Louis Shumway and Guy Allen, Jr.; "Alexander's Rag-Time Band," Louis Fuller; closing chorus.

Part II—Pizzitola Trio of Holyoke; "Poor John," sextette Orange High school; Magic, Dr. Raymond Kinmonth; Solo, Barbara Hudson; Rustic Dance, Juliet Sylvian, Orange High school; Authier Trio of Holyoke; "Waiting at the Church," Orange sextette; Finale, Entire Company.

The lively end men, following their presentations, received such bouquets and gifts as cabbages, carrots, etc., W. E. Shaw and Charles Sanford taking the laugh-provokers to the platform. "Lazy Bones" drew a sofa pillow, and "Melancholy Baby" a doll. The various numbers were heartily received while the audience hung on the jokes, told at the expense of local celebrities.

The orchestra consisted of: violin, Mark Gleason of Northampton; saxophone, W. Paige Piper; trombone, Carl Peterson; pianist, Mrs. Phyllis Markham; drums, Frank Fleury.

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"Double or Nothing" Makes Local Entertainment History

Oh, Honey Boy was just too sweet, And Rastus was a howl; And Shufflin Sam he tried to eat The real thing from the bowl. Just Joe had plenty of brunette class, And Lightning wasn't slow; But a long-toed boy named Sassafrass Was the dark hit of the show!

It has been a long time since this column has "reviewed" a local show. But the Double or Nothing "Belchertown Minstrels" did a job last Saturday night that was just too good to let pass without comment. Besides, I sat down front with the rest of the kids, and owe it to my public to justify my presence in that exposed spot.

There were several remarkable things about the show. None more unusual, perhaps, than that it confined itself strictly to Club members for the minstrel part of the performance.

Interlocutor, end men, chorus and director were all legitimate members of the Double or Nothing, which has made a point of allowing only properly hitched couples to join in its revels, and then only in pairs. One just can't go to a meeting without the "other half" trailing along. The name itself was such a happy inspiration that it received notice in a Boston newspaper.

The singing of this group was excellent. I say this bravely after having asked the opinions of several musically-minded members of the audience, which by the by was packed in too closely to enjoy anything but a first-class performance. I certainly lay no claim to a well-founded critical judgment of things musical, but "I know what I like" and along with everyone else I liked the spirit and technique of the performers last week. They "gave" and then some!

The sweetness and strength of their voices prove that the harsh environment of matrimony is not deleterious to the vocal chords. Incidentally, the boys and girls looked as pert and spry as any single set. One matron even opined that they could have produced as effective an "end" to their show as the Orange sextette did for "Poor John."

Of course, much of the credit goes to Byron Hudson, who brought to Belchertown a lot more than an interest in an insurance business, though he does right well in that. He is an inspiration to those who like to sing. Every minstrel disclaimed credit for his or her part in the show and insisted on giving it to Byron Hudson.

Those who attended could not have known in advance how well they were investing an evening. The fact that the show was more than a sell-out and that standing room only was available long before starting time is proof of the drawing power of a well-planned entertainment. The evening was an oasis of strain and worry.

Along with Byron Hudson, Phyllis Markham deserves a special bouquet. She is another "anchor" for the amateur. Those who go to the Congregational church know what these two mean to the splendid choir there. It is good to know that they enjoy secular music so much.

Al Markham could not go to the show. He was sick, but his grand job as a salesman of advertising was evident to every holder of a program. Chaplain Manwell, an ardent Double or Nothinger, brought a thrill of pride to all his friends as they opened the program.

Part II, the olio, was also excellent. We knew that the Pizzittolas and Dr. Kinmonth would be good. And Barbara Hudson is developing as lovely a voice as we have heard here in ages. But the Authier kids from Holyoke were as refreshing a trio as I have heard in a long time, and the poker-faced girls from Orange High school made a good many of the local boys wonder if the curriculum here shouldn't be revised in one way or another.

Yes, it was quite an event and one which can well become an annual affair. It is safe to say that many people will look forward to enjoying a second edition in 1945. Until then, we'll have something to remember: "Butts—Nuts," the "abstract pants," "THE END," and "Our Own America," of which Belchertown is, to us at least, a very important part.

Songs and Sentiment For Mother's Day

Another Mother's Day on Sunday. With so many far away from home, we are going far back into our earlier verse for poetry suitable to the occasion. Do you remember these famous lines by William Wallace?

"Blessings on the hand of women! Angels guard its strength and grace, In the palace, cottage, hovel, Oh, no matter where the place; Would that never storms assailed it, Rainbows ever gently curled; For the hand that rocks the cradle Is the hand that rules the world."

"Infancy's the tender fountain, Power may with beauty flow, Mother's first to guide the stream-lets, From them souls unresting grow— Grow on for the good or evil, Sunshine streamed or evil hurled; For the hand that rocks the cradle Is the hand that rules the world."

Or perhaps you were brought up with these verses by Jane Taylor: "Who fed me from her gentle breast And hushed me in her arms to rest, And on my cheek sweet kisses prest? My mother."

"Who sat and watched my infant head When sleeping in my cradle bed, And tears of sweet affection shed? My mother."

"Who ran to help me when I fell And would some pretty story tell, Or kiss the part to make it well? My mother."

"Who taught my infant lips to pray, To love God's holy word and day, And walk in wisdom's pleasant way? My mother."

And those gloriously sentimental words uttered by the great President of our Civil War: "All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my sainted mother."

Well, I suppose there are still some sternly-realistic folks who refuse to be moved by the honeyed abstractions of silly sentimentality. But it is pretty wonderful to have been the sort of mother who can inspire their offspring to rise and call them blessed, even if they do it in saccharine song.

We only hope that that type of motherhood will continue in America. We believe that it will. But after trying to pull some poor youngsters out of the mire this last year, and after seeing the sad mess some women make of motherhood, we are forced to add a P. S. to these sentimental songs of the past, and to hope that only a few children may be parodying Jane Taylor's lines, years from now, in this fashion:

Who locked me in the house alone Before I was more than half grown Because her wild oats were not sown? My mother.

Who fed me from a nice tin can Because a meal she could not plan— And trusted I'd become a man? My mother.

Who hired a gal with me to play And stayed away from me all day To make a little extra pay? My mother.

Who left me sadly in the lurch And let me bad companions search, Then blamed the schools, and damned the church? My mother.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Mother Prayer "Lord, make my loving a guard to them, Day and night Let never pathway be hard to them Keep all bright! Let not a stone or thorn for them Wound their ease, All of the pain I have borne for them Spare to these!"

So I would pray for them, Kneeling to God, Night and day for them.

"Lord, let the griefs life must bring to them Make them strong, Keep their hearts white though pain cling to them Their life long, Let all the joys Thou dost keep from them At Thy will Give them the power to reap from them Courage still!"

So I must ask for them, Leaving to God His good task for them. Margaret Widdemer

—Bob Jackson

St. Francis Church Notes

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan announced at the Sunday Masses that a drive would be taken up this week for the repairs at St. Francis church. Work on the roof has been completed.

When completed the church will be beautifully decorated. Complete returns from the drive should be made at the rectory Friday or Saturday.

Catholic Bridge Party

A well attended bridge party was held by the Granby Catholic Mission at Kellogg hall, Granby, Monday evening. The committee consisted of the choir, Sunday-school teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dupont and Mrs. Henry King. It was the first opportunity for many of the Granby parishioners to meet their new pastor, Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan.

Prizes were awarded as follows: Women—1st prize, Mrs. Rene Fortier; 2nd prize, Mrs. Lena St. Jean; consolation, Mrs. John LeBlanc, all of Granby. Men—1st, Noe Denette of 91 Circle Drive, Chicopee Falls; 2nd, David Hewitt, 29 Myrtle St., Springfield; consolation, Jos. Isabelle of Granby.

Town Items

Albert G. Markham is in West-over Field hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shores entertained their niece, Miss Ruth Effie Witt of Stafford Springs, Conn., a few days last week.

Members of the patriotic organizations of the town will be guests of honor at a union service to be held at the Congregational church on Sunday morning, May 28. Rev. John P. Manwell will conduct the service, while the sermon will be by Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, pastor of the Methodist church.

Prayer for Mother's Day

May is the month of Mary, Mary, the Mother of God, Who, in heavenly beauty Brightens the pathway we trod, Scatters her graces before us Like nectar that perfumes the air, And smiles with infinite patience As we linger to offer our prayer.

Oh Mary, Mother of Jesus, We pray that you intercede And grant the surcease of battle, Those thorns that make the world bleed.

And in Thy heart hold the glory Of sons brought back to the fold, Where freedom and peace forever Hold up a lamp of Gold. Mrs. Alvin Bush

May 3, 1944

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Karolina Milos, late of Ware, in said County, deceased. A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Theodore Milos of Ware, in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this second day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. John T. Storrs, Atty., Ware 12-19-26

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My address has changed once more. This is to be a permanent change for a while. When I arrived in Washington, D. C., the cherry trees were in full bloom. The season here is behind Fort Ogelthorpe, so I shall see again the coming of spring.

Georgia Lee Pfc. Georgia Lee, A115208 WAC Det., 2561 S. U. Fort Washington, Md.

Pfc. Sidney Stone returned to Camp Shelby, Miss., last Sunday, following leave spent at his home in town.

Charles Marsh has received word from his son, Sgt. Walter Marsh, that his new address will be in care of postmaster, New York City.—Dwight Item.

It is of interest to know that a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Hurlburt, Sgt. George H. Chapman, Jr., is a member of a bombing squadron and has been in England since November.

Col. Herbert Flynn has been assigned to Fort Devens.

Maj. William Vandine Jewett is home from the Solomons after contracting a skin disease while in action with the marines in Bougainville. He was born in Japan and served as a marine corps captain in the last war; he has been overseas 15 months. He arrived at his Bobbin Hollow farm after undergoing treatment at a naval hospital in California. His present leave ends the 18th, when he expects a new assignment.

Methodist Church Notes

Women of the W. S. of C. S., please take notice. The Women's Guild of the Congregational church invites the Woman's Society of the Methodist church to a Friendship Tea, May 17, at 2.30 p. m., at the parish house, with Mrs. Purrington of Holyoke as speaker. Please notify Mrs. Kempkes if you can go.

The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet in the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Blackmer on Wednesday evening, May 17, at 7.30.

Grange Notes

Next Tuesday evening will be Neighbors' Night at Union Grange, with Ludlow and South Hadley Granges invited. All Grange members are invited to a special Grange meeting at Ludlow Monday evening, May 15.

Honor Roll of those in State Service 5 Yrs. or More

State School Personnel

Over 25 Years Cronin, John J. Farrington, Frank E. Greene, Sara J. Keefe, Katie Lapolice, Aubrey D. Paresseau, George W. Westwell, Arthur E. Lacey, William J., Jr. Laddu, Mary H. Landers, Margaret C. Langelier, Lena A. Lapointe, Lillian Larned, Evelyn B. McKinnon, Rhoda McPhee, Daniel W. Mellor, Ruth Meyer, Gladys A. Monahan, Elizabeth Moran, John Nash, Elizabeth D. O'Neill, Mabel F. Palmer, Bridie T. Peets, Jane Poirier, Elsie M. Rourke, Catherine Ruddy, Sabina Shaw, Florence B. Shaw, Jessie W. Shurtleff, Howard C. Shurtleff, Iola G. Doherty, Agnes Doherty, Margaret Dowling, Daisy I. Dray, Adelaide M. Feeney, Thomas P. Fitzgerald, Josephine Flynn, Herbert L. Freitag, Lydia E. Gahan, Theresa G. Gamble, Elizabeth Geraghty, Mary M. Gilbert, Dr. Edwin C. Harris, Bertha S. Harrop, James L. Hawkins, James L. Hawkins, Lydia W. Hayes, Wilhelmina V. Heenehan, James Hillier, Minnie C. Hodgen, Isaac A. Horsfield, Ethel Hurd, Frank Keefe, Alice A. Kimball, William F. Kinmonth, Dr. Raymond Kirby, Whitney D. Austin, Paul T. Avery, Josephine H. Borkiewicz, Lucy J. Bryant, Edna H. Buckley, Ella M. Burke, G. Jennett Cadieux, Napoleon Campion, John R. Corkum, Anna P. Couture, Elizabeth B. Davis, John E. Davis, John M. Dewey, Rose Dillon, Margaret T. Doyle, Thomas J. Dufresne, Angeline Duncan, Dora S. Flagg, Elizabeth W. Fleury, Frank W. Frappier, Ernest P. Gorecka, Leona R. Hill, Dorothy D. Hislop, Leon M. Hortie, Margaret V. Howland, Earl R. Kelley, Madeline Kirby, H. Conrad Krausse, Mary F. Langelier, Evelyn J. Lee, Georgina W. Leveille, Berthe C. Lusty, David D. McKillop, Walter F. McLean, Laura V. Magrath, Alice C. Marango, Yvonne Mathias, Eleanor M. Merrigan, Anna J. Miller, Josephine E. Newell, Mary G. O'Neill, Eugene J. O'Reilly, Charles E. Parker, Charles H. Parker, Evelyn J. Picard, Theodore M. Rhodes, Kenneth F. Rigali, Mary F. Riley, Gertrude E. Samson, Harvey A. Seager, Cornelia J. Sears, Bridget D. Snow, Ralph W. Sorenson, Christopher J. Stark, Charles Subm, Harold D. Taylor, Dr. Lois E. Terrien, Reo L. Trudeau, Jennie A. Ward, Emily Wildey, Alice M. Yardeley, Emma F.

10 to 25 Years Alden, Merton Aldrich, C. Roy Archambault, Jos. J. Ashe, Pauline M. Barrett, Pauline H. Barrett, Ida A. Benoit, Helen A. Bishop, William C. Boule, Mary E. Butler, Bertram A. Charles, Hazel F. Couture, Henry A. Dobbs, Helen L. Doherty, Agnes Doherty, Margaret Dowling, Daisy I. Dray, Adelaide M. Feeney, Thomas P. Fitzgerald, Josephine Flynn, Herbert L. Freitag, Lydia E. Gahan, Theresa G. Gamble, Elizabeth Geraghty, Mary M. Gilbert, Dr. Edwin C. Harris, Bertha S. Harrop, James L. Hawkins, James L. Hawkins, Lydia W. Hayes, Wilhelmina V. Heenehan, James Hillier, Minnie C. Hodgen, Isaac A. Horsfield, Ethel Hurd, Frank Keefe, Alice A. Kimball, William F. Kinmonth, Dr. Raymond Kirby, Whitney D.

5 to 10 Years Austin, Paul T. Avery, Josephine H. Borkiewicz, Lucy J. Bryant, Edna H. Buckley, Ella M. Burke, G. Jennett Cadieux, Napoleon Campion, John R. Corkum, Anna P. Couture, Elizabeth B. Davis, John E. Davis, John M. Dewey, Rose

On Military Leave † Trustee

Springfield as delegate from the local chapter. Mr. and Mrs. Burt S. Collis recently entertained Mrs. Collis's nephew, Pvt. Donald Reynolds and his bride, the former Suzanne Payton, daughter of Major and Mrs. Charles Payton of Martins Ferry, Ohio. Maj. Payton is now stationed in Alaska and Pvt. Donald Reynolds is an air borne trooper at Fort Knox, Ky., where the couple have returned.

Miss Kathleen Lapolice was a guest at the May ball sponsored by the Regiment of Cadet Midshipmen of the United States Merchant Marine Academy, at King's Point, Long Island, N. Y., Saturday, May 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Bruce and three children, Nancy, Ralph and Sally, of Onset, were week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bruce.

Town Items

The selectmen at their meeting last Friday drew the names of Clarence L. Hubbard and William C. Bishop to serve as traverse jurors at the June sitting of Superior Court. Mrs. R. E. Hennemann has been appointed part-time clerk of the rationing board and has begun her duties, succeeding George A. Poole, who had to resign by reason of the fact that he held a town office.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cannon have moved to the A. F. Bardwell home on South Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lindquist have rented the tenement thus vacated at Gould's apartments.

All farmers having March and April milk slips may sign for their dairy feed payments either by contacting Mrs. Emma Loftus at her home or at Memorial hall on May 20, from 2 to 4 p. m., and 8 to 10 p. m. Payments for March and April are 70 cents.

Miss Agnes Martin, Mrs. Mary Arnold and Mrs. Suzanne Desmond visited the former home of their mother, now owned by Alvin Bush and family.

Mrs. Florence Utley, worthy matron of Mount Vernon chapter, O. E. S., attended the Grand Chapter session Tuesday and Wednesday at

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Girl Scout Notes

On Saturday, the 13th, at 10.30, all the Girl Scouts are to meet in front of the post office, as they will go on a five-mile hike. June 4th will be the final meeting of the Girl Scouts, when they will receive the badges they worked for during this year. Barbara Young, Scribe

Announcement

Represented by the State House of Representatives for the past eight years for the Republican Party for the State Senator in Hampshire district in this past week in the Senate. Mr. Turners Falls, who is intention not to be re-elected.

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Ration Notes

Grade 1 - Nouroux, Francis L. Ayers, Harlan P. Poole, Frank H. Henne-mann, E. Harold Pierce, Alexander Ross, Peter Alexander Baker.

Grade 3 - Nelson Hill (2), Alper (3), Giles.

New Lists

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To Emma King of Ware, in said County, and to her husband, and heirs apparent or presumptive, and to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

A petition has been presented to said Court, alleging that said Emma King has become incapacitated by reason of advanced age—and mental weakness—to care properly for her property, and praying that Gertrude Lapiere of Worcester, in our County of Worcester, or some other suitable person, be appointed conservator of her property.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. 12-19-26

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Mabel S. Dunham, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Dorothy D. Conkey of Ware, in said County, be appointed administratrix of said estate, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this third day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. John T. Storrs, Atty., Ware 12-19-26

Dwight Kerns

Sunday, May 7th at the Chapel, services were in charge of Mr. Pryor of Amherst College, due to the fact that Rev. George A. Tuttle was obliged to be present at the Conference held at the South Amherst church in the afternoon. Mr. Pryor conducted the services very capably and held the attention of all. He read the story of Jacob and his twelve sons and illustrated the story with maps and paper dolls dressed to represent Joseph and his gay coat, etc. The ones present enjoyed every moment, and the ones absent missed a great deal. It is hoped that Mr. Pryor can conduct these services again soon to a larger congregation.

Next Sunday, May 14, Rev. Mr. Jeffras, district superintendent of

the Methodist Church, will have charge of the services both at Pelham and Dwight. It is hoped that more people will attend, as a great deal depends on the interest shown. Due to the resignation of Rev. Mr. White, the future of Dwight Chapel is uncertain, therefore it is of importance that the people turn out.

Miss Mabel Randolph is ill at her home and is under the care of Dr. Peter M. Merzbach of Amherst. Charles Pratt has been entertaining his sister-in-law, Mrs. Pratt of Amherst, at the home of his son, Walter Pratt, for a few days.

Harold Struthers and family of Florida have been visiting his mother and grandmother.

Gordon and Douglas Wilson of Conway have been visiting at Whip-poorwill Ridge Farm.

Mrs. Edith Jenks and Mrs. Sanford Jenks attended the executive meeting held at the parsonage in Pelham on Friday evening.

Thomas Bell has been ill with German measles at his home.

To Run for Representative

Town Clerk George A. Poole surprised most everybody this week by announcing that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Representative from the Fourth Hampshire District, to succeed William M. Hyde of Ware, who is running for another state office. Mr. Poole was born in Springfield and graduated from the Technical High school. For seventeen years he was employed in the accounting department of the Fisk Rubber Co.

Since coming to Belchertown Mr. Poole has occupied positions of trust and responsibility and has filled them most acceptably. He is in his 7th year as town clerk, is a past commander of the local American Legion Post, having served in France in World War I, is chairman of the civilian defense committee, president of the Historical Association, member of the Advisory Board of the Ware Selective Service Board, etc.

Observe 25th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fontaine of Lake Metacomb, Bay road, observed their 25th wedding anniversary Saturday. Twenty years of their married life have been spent here.

Mrs. Fontaine was Annette Mowery and came to Holyoke at 18 from St. Jervais, Can. Mr. Fontaine came to Holyoke at 18 from St. Hyacinthe, Can. They were married in St. Patrick's Church, South Hadley Falls, May 6, 1919. They have no children.

Mr. Fontaine is employed in the finishing room of the Valley Paper Company in Holyoke, and is a member of the Cercle Rochambeau and the Artisans Society, both of Holyoke. They also conduct a confectionery store and maintain a beach at the lake.

Open house was kept Saturday, and in the evening the observance featured a large gathering of friends and relatives from Springfield, Holyoke and Belchertown.

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Card of Thanks

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Phoebe N. Dickinson

The Minstrel Show

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Candy was sold between Parts I and II under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Peck and Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Farley, while at the close of the performance the out-of-town entertainers were served refreshments.

Just before the finale, Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth, on behalf of the chorus, presented Mrs. Phyllis Markham, who was in charge of the music, with flowers; and Byron Hudson, director, with a box of cigars.

Kenneth Hawkins was stage manager, and Mrs. Maxine Peterson was in charge of make-up. W. E. Shaw was in charge of tickets, and Albert Markham, of advertising.

Members of the chorus were: Helen Allen, Ruth Fuller, Vera Harrington, Ethel Hawkins, Helen Hennemann, June Hennemann, Gladys Hudson, Rachel Shumway, Roy Shaw, Florence Jackson, Alma

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Officers of the club which presented the show are:
President, Guy C. Allen, Jr.; vice-president, Rachel Shumway; secretary, Marion Farley; treasurer, Harold F. Peck.

The American Legion will meet next Tuesday evening.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Man Looks for an Answer to a Great Question."
Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.
Youth Fellowship picnic at Parsons Field at 5.30 p. m.

Enfield Sunday
This coming Sunday will be Enfield Sunday at the Methodist church. Invitations have been sent out to those customarily attending these events. No dinner will be served at the church, but a public dinner is being served at the Congregational church at 12.30.

Junior Prom Tonight
Want to have a good time? If you do, come to the Junior Prom. It is to be held tonight at the Lawrence Memorial hall. Bob Astley and his orchestra are going to furnish music from 8 to 12 p. m. Admission is 75 cents, tax included. Everyone is invited. Don't forget to come.

Week-day Religious Education to be Continued
At a meeting of the week-day religious education committees of the Methodist and Congregational churches at Mrs. Julia Ward's on Sunday afternoon, it was voted to continue the week-day school for another year with the recommendation that the 6th and 7th grades be the ones to receive instruction. The cost will be slightly higher than last year. The committee organization for the coming year is as follows: Chairman, Mrs. Byron Hudson; vice chairman, Mrs. Anna Witt; secretary, Lewis H. Blackner; treasurer, Mrs. Isaac Hodgen.

MONDAY
Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

TUESDAY
Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Ida Roberts.
Double or Nothing Club.

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Alice Suhm at 2 p. m.
O. E. S. Matrons' and Patrons' Night.

THURSDAY
FRIDAY
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Mary E. Spencer at 2.30 p. m.
Public Presentation of State School Minstrel at State School.

SATURDAY
TODAY
B. H. S. vs. New Salem High School at Parsons Field at 3 p. m.
Junior Prom.

TOMORROW

Enfield Sunday
This coming Sunday will be Enfield Sunday at the Methodist church. Invitations have been sent out to those customarily attending these events. No dinner will be served at the church, but a public dinner is being served at the Congregational church at 12.30.

Junior Prom Tonight
Want to have a good time? If you do, come to the Junior Prom. It is to be held tonight at the Lawrence Memorial hall. Bob Astley and his orchestra are going to furnish music from 8 to 12 p. m. Admission is 75 cents, tax included. Everyone is invited. Don't forget to come.

Week-day Religious Education to be Continued
At a meeting of the week-day religious education committees of the Methodist and Congregational churches at Mrs. Julia Ward's on Sunday afternoon, it was voted to continue the week-day school for another year with the recommendation that the 6th and 7th grades be the ones to receive instruction. The cost will be slightly higher than last year. The committee organization for the coming year is as follows: Chairman, Mrs. Byron Hudson; vice chairman, Mrs. Anna Witt; secretary, Lewis H. Blackner; treasurer, Mrs. Isaac Hodgen.

MONDAY
Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. Julia Shumway at 8 p. m.

TUESDAY
Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Ida Roberts.
Double or Nothing Club.

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Alice Suhm at 2 p. m.
O. E. S. Matrons' and Patrons' Night.

THURSDAY
FRIDAY
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Mary E. Spencer at 2.30 p. m.
Public Presentation of State School Minstrel at State School.

SATURDAY
TODAY
B. H. S. vs. New Salem High School at Parsons Field at 3 p. m.
Junior Prom.

TOMORROW

Bomb Drops on North Main Street
An unexploded, 100-pound practice bomb dropped last week near the Kempkes home on North Main street, in the lot back of the house, the spot being possibly 300 feet from the building. Even though the bomb did not explode, it buried itself in the earth about four feet and made a crater of about that distance across. Men from West-over came Wednesday and extracted the missile.

Matrons' and Patrons' Night
Mount Vernon Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will observe matrons' and patrons' night at a special meeting next Wednesday evening, the following matrons and patrons of 1944 doing the initiation work:
Worthy matron, Doris Loomis of Haydenville; worthy patron, Geo. Hawksley of Haydenville; associate matron, Grace B. O'Brien of Springfield; associate patron, William E. Ehlers of Ludlow; secretary, Marion Ehlers of Ludlow; treasurer, Edna R. Bristol of Ware; conductress, Grace L. Reed of Longmeadow; associate conductress, Alice Stott of Easthampton; chaplain, Pearl Jepson of Dorchester; marshal, Marion A. Weake of Springfield; Adah, Matilda Waite of Palmer; Ruth, Phyllis Weston of Conway; Esther, Ruth Astley of South Hadley Falls; Martha, Elsie Aurnhammer of Holyoke; Electa, Dorothy E. Hatch of East Longmeadow; warder, Florence D. Harris of Athol; sentinel, D. Donald Hazen, P. P., of this town; inside associate conductress, Beatrice D. Stevens of Chicopee.

Friendship Tea
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To Take Physicals
The following from this town will take their pre-induction physical examinations next Monday:
Charles F. Howard No. Main St.
William I. Shattuck Shays H'way
Thomas A. Sullivan Ludlow Rd.
William H. Squires, Jr. Jabish St.
Transfer
Walter J. Boyko Mill Valley Rd.

Inducted Next Week
The following from this town, who recently passed their physicals, will be inducted into the service on Monday:
Emmons C. Smith Army
Elwyn H. Wood Army

Public Dinner Sunday
The Women's Guild will serve a public dinner in the Congregational parish house on Sunday at 12.30 p. m. The menu will consist of meat loaf, scalloped potato, peas, rolls, coffee and pie. The price will be 50 cents. The committee is Mrs. Sophia Pero, Mrs. Louis Fuller, Mrs. Carl Peterson, Mrs. Hudson Holland, Miss Bernice Shaw, Mrs. Richard Hennemann and Mrs. Luther Shattuck.

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*May Brings Our Flowers
Immortalized by Poets*

Once more May is filling our streets, gardens, and orchards with loveliness—even the most drab of dooryards is likely to be a fairylane of bloom, and the ride into the city each morning is down a highway of beauty. This is the season when my friends say, "How I envy you your trip in from the country!", something they never say at all from Thanksgiving on through Patriot's Day.

After walking around the home place and gathering in the fragrance of one flowering shrub after another, it is interesting to come inside in the dusk, take down some books from the shelf, and pick a bouquet from the poets. They, too, have reveled in the glory of springs past, and have kept the flowers fresh down the years through the medium of song.

Let's start with the lilacs, now coming into full bloom everywhere in Massachusetts. This seems particularly the shrub of New England, where people may come and go, their houses may fall into ruin, but each cellar hole is still decorated with the lilac bush set out by loving hands of another century. Amy Lowell said of them:

"Heart-leaves of lilac all over New England,
Roots of lilac under all the soil of New England,
Lilac in me because I am New England."

It was the lilac with its heart-shaped leaves that inspired the great memorial poem by Walt Whitman, in which he retells the death and funeral procession of Abraham Lincoln, and goes on to find comfort in all death.

"When lilacs last in the door-yard bloom'd
And the great star early droop'd in the western sky in the night,
I mourn'd, and yet shall mourn with ever-returning spring . . .

"Come lovely and soothing death,
Undulate round the world, serenely arriving, arriving,
In the day, in the night, to all, to each,
Sooner or later, delicate death. . . .

"Praised be the fathomless universe,
For life and joy, and for objects and knowledge curious,
And for love, sweet love—But praise! praise! praise!
For the sure-enveloping arms of cool-enfolding Death."

And here are horticulture and philosophy mingled by Mary Slade:

"Dame Margery said, 'Ah, don't you know
If last year's blossoms stay,
The next year's blossoms will fall to

grow
Till these are broken away?
For this year's lilacs cannot live
With seeds of last year's spring.
Ma'am Allison learned that she must give,
If she would have a thing."

Along with the larkspur and the elm, the lilac enters this beautiful thought:

"He who loves an old house
Never loves in vain,
How can an old house
Used to sun and rain,
To lilac and larkspur,
And an elm above,
Ever fail to answer
The heart that gives it love?"
Isabel Conant

Across the sea in England, where so many of our boys are this spring, the lilacs must be lovely, too. They furnish the theme for the famous poem by Alfred Noyes:

"Go down to Kew in lilac-time, in lilac-time, in lilac-time;
Go down to Kew in lilac-time (it isn't far from London!)
And you shall wander hand in hand with love in summer's wonderland;
Go down to Kew in lilac-time (it isn't far from London!)"

Along with the lilacs come the apples. Thank heaven no bug or blight has succeeded in stopping their bloom—even those trees that bear only the most wormy and specked fruit find themselves able to glorify a hillside or a cabin yard in May.

As Richard Le Gallienne says:
"May is building her house. With apple blooms
She is roofing over the glimmering rooms."

Whittier's "Minister's Daughter" finds the pageant appropriately religious:

"Behold in the bloom of apples
And the violets in the sward
A hint of the old-lost beauty
Of the Garden of the Lord!"

Eugene Field, characteristically, finds children under the trees:

"Over the hills and far away,
A little boy steals from his morning play
And under the blossoming apple tree
He lies and he dreams of the things to be."

And this spring, we appreciate anew the fatalistic theme of Alan Seeger:

"I have a rendezvous with death
At some disputed barricade,
When Spring comes back with rustling shade
And apple blossoms fill the air."

If it's a pear tree, rather than an apple, that you have just been admiring, listen to this by Edna St. Vincent Millay:

"In this squalid, dirty dooryard,
Where the chickens scratch and run,
White, incredible, the pear tree
Stands apart and takes the sun,

"Mindful of the eyes upon it,
Vain of its new holiness,
Like the waste-man's little daughter

Balances on Appropriations as of Apr. 30, 1944

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expended	Unexpended
Selectmen	\$800.00		\$10.00	\$790.00
Town Accountant	425.00		100.00	325.00
Treasurer	690.00		4.00	686.00
Town Clerk	450.00			450.00
Tax Collector	725.00		2.62	722.38
Assessors	675.00		37.52	637.48
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	100.00		2.38	97.62
Election and Registration	700.00		390.02	309.98
Town Hall	50.00		25.72	24.28
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		36.15	163.85
Police	500.00		158.24	341.76
Civilian Defense	200.00		52.24	147.76
Fire Department	900.00		321.52	578.48
Forest Fires	900.00		55.85	844.15
Hydrant Service	1,500.00			1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00		146.66	453.34
Tree Warden	200.00		113.25	86.75
Sealer Weights & Measures	75.00			75.00
Health	1,000.00		449.83	550.17
Snow Removal	2,500.00		760.92	1,739.08
Highways—Streets	350.00		83.34	266.66
Highways—Bridges	400.00			400.00
Highways—Chapter 81	3,500.00		984.34	2,515.66
Maintenance Ch. 90 work	1,000.00			1,000.00
Road Machinery Expense	1,500.00	200.18*	639.30	1,060.88
Street Lights	2,000.00		647.08	1,352.92
Public Welfare	5,000.00		1,530.93	3,469.07
Aid Dependent Children	1,500.00		876.05	623.95
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00		7,876.80	13,123.20
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00		100.00	1,900.00
Schools	49,300.00		15,963.69	33,336.31
Vocational Education	300.00			300.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	200.00		1.75	198.25
Rationing Board	150.00		16.11	133.89
Cemeteries	500.00			500.00
Soldiers' Graves	50.00			50.00
Maturing Debt	1,000.00			1,000.00
Interest	250.00		10.00	240.00
Memorial Day	100.00			100.00
Armistice Day	25.00			25.00
Honor Roll	100.00			100.00
Town Clock	50.00			50.00
Public Dump	50.00			50.00
Insurance	2,200.00		1,631.91	568.09
Unpaid Bills	1,008.16		1,008.16	
Unclassified	400.00		311.00	89.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00			1,000.00

*Balance carried over

In her first communion dress." Some poets regret the springs past, when they, unborn, could not see the beauty:

"How many million Aprils came
Before I ever knew
How white a cherry bough could be,
A bed of squills, how blue!"
Sara Teasdale

Others, like A. E. Hausman, regret the springs of future years, when we shall be gone and May bloom cannot reach us:

"Loveliest of trees, the cherry now
Is hung with bloom along the bough,
And stands about the woodland
ride
Wearing white for Eastertide.

"Now, of my threescore years and ten,
Twenty will not come again,
And take from seventy springs a score,
It only leaves me fifty more.

"And since to look at things in bloom
Fifty springs are little room,
About the woodlands, I will go
To see the cherry hung with snow."

But, however we look at it, it is good that each returning May brings again the blossoms we have

learned to love, and that, however bleak is man's world, Nature keeps her pattern of beauty constant with the passing centuries:

"God does not send strange flowers every year.
When the spring winds blow o'er the pleasant places,
The same dear things lift up the same fair faces,
The violet is here."
Adeline Whitney

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"We went down to Devon,
In a warm summer rain,
Knowing that our happiness
Might never come again.
I, not forgetting,
'Till death us do part,
Was outrageously happy
With death in my heart.

"Lovers in peacetime
With fifty years to live,
Have time to tease and quarrel
And question what to give;
But lovers in wartime
Better understand
The fulness of living,
With death close at hand."
From *The White Cliffs*
Alice Miller

—Bob Jackson

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LET'S BUY ANOTHER WAR BOND TODAY



Have they heard from YOU lately?

We are indebted to Mrs. E. S. Corder for sharing with our readers excerpts from a letter from Staff Sergeant Pierre O'Seep:

Somewhere in New Guinea April 30th, 1944
Your V-Mail letters dated April 8 and March 1 respectively arrived here yesterday. "Glory Hallelujah and Hail Columbia, Promised Land!!" When the mail reaches me, it snows me under! For a period of time during the last few months I was beginning to wonder whether the U. S. government and Australians hadn't converted to the old fashioned "pony express." (Naturally using "sea horses" across the Pacific and ox-teams in Australia!) Nevertheless, it was wonderful to hear from you and Bill.

Am proud of our two sea-going commissioned officers, Martin Reilly and Warren Barrett. I always regarded them as fellows whose thoughts weren't "small-town" and it doesn't surprise me to hear they made the grade. If you happen to meet either of them, please give them my best regards and congratulations.

Rachel Farrington is soliciting for the right organization, by all means. The Red Cross is the only active group we have here that is appreciated whole-heartedly by the boys. Their girls are right here at the base with us. Our morale goes over 100 per cent when they meet us at our briefing room with cold drinks, eats, etc.

With budding romances and the stork overworking himself and then some, in Belchertown, that place will become a veritable metropolis before long. Needless to say, I am surprised and bewildered slightly. Only yesterday these same married couples were in short skirts and breeches.

Here are some facts about life here as concerns Sgt. O'Seep. So far I've been on eleven raids over the bases of Hollandia, Wewak and surrounding areas. Before the infantry moved into Hollandia, we thoroughly bombed and strafed at low altitude (tree-top level) everything worth while, setting huge fires and destroying methodically everything that came into our gun and bomb sites. If ever in a news reel you chance to see B-25s with their noses painted as sharks, leopards or parrot heads—that's us!! Our group is known as "The Tree-top Terrors," and our own squadron is dubbed "The Rough Raiders." In our squadron the insignia is a horse's head, spouting flame from the nostrils.

We are starting a squadron scrap book in the 500th and would appreciate it if people back home would cut out any paper clippings there that mention us or one of our fliers.

Again, about the 500th, we have as many Jap Zeros to our credit as the rest of our whole group has together, a record we're proud of.

Air raid warnings are becoming more and more infrequent here now, but when we do have one, lights go out and we all stand close to our fox holes, praying for the enemy to come over, so that we can down them 100 per cent, like the field day that was had when they attempted their last raid. Food is good as army chow goes, we have showers and frequent movies. (Movies aren't the latest thing, but still they're entertaining.)

Now you have an idea of our "bed of roses" over here, but of course, there's the other side of the picture, saddening, but not very frequent, thank God!

Pierre O'Seep

Pvt. John Wegiel, one of five brothers now serving in the armed forces and at present stationed somewhere in Wales, England, had the pleasure of meeting up with his brother Steve, over there. Having a 24-hour pass, he and his buddies were passing the day roaming around Wales and, getting hungry, went to a fish and chip place to eat, and as he went in the door he came face to face with his brother Steve, whom he hadn't seen for eight months. Both were too overcome to speak for a few seconds, but very shortly they expressed how glad they were to see each other and intend now to see each other once a week until they are transferred elsewhere.

Corp. Herbert Story, Jr., has returned to New Guinea after spending a furlough in Australia.

Herbert Story, Sr., of Camp Barkley, Texas, has been promoted to master sergeant. He spent last week-end with Pfc. Donald Dunbar and Mrs. Dunbar, who are in the South.

Daniel, infant son of Lieut. and Mrs. Warren Kimball of Cottage street, died last Sunday at Holyoke hospital. Lieut. Kimball is stationed at Bradley Field, Ct.

Coxswain Roy Adams and wife, Wilma, spent a few days recently at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hubbard.

Corp. Clarence Hubbard has been transferred from Camp Hood, where he has been stationed for the last 16 months, to Camp Maxey, Texas, where he will go to school. His wife, the former Dorothy Hennemann, left last Tuesday for Paris, Texas, which is about four miles from the camp where he is stationed.

The latest word received from Sergt. Lewis Squires is that he is in Brazil.

Corp. William J. Lacey, Jr., who has been stationed at Camp McCoy, Wis., has been spending a week's leave with his wife at their home on State St. She returned with him.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Karolina Milos, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Theodore Milos of Ware, in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this second day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
John T. Storrs, Atty.,
Ware
12-19-26

William E. Isaac S2-C
Barracks 34, Section M45C
N. A. T. C.
Memphis 15, Tennessee

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To Emma King of Ware, in said County, and to her husband, and heirs apparent or presumptive, and to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

A petition has been presented to said Court, alleging that said Emma King has become incapacitated by reason of advanced age—and mental weakness—to care properly for her property, and praying that Gertrude Lapiere of Worcester, in our County of Worcester, or some other suitable person, be appointed conservator of her property.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. 12-19-26

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Mabel S. Dunham, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Dorothy D. Conkey of Ware, in said County, be appointed administratrix of said estate, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this third day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. John T. Storrs, Atty., Ware 12-19-26

Congregational Church

The Youth Fellowship will hold a picnic at Parsons Field at 5.30 Sunday night. Those attending are asked to bring their own hot dogs. It is expected to play soft ball and other games. All in the plans are requested to be present.

The Women's Guild will hold a card party at the home of Mrs. Julia Shumway next week Monday evening at 8.

The monthly meeting of the Double or Nothing club will be held Tuesday evening, May 23rd. This should prove to be an evening of real fun, as Breakfast at Sardis will be featured. Ladies are requested to bring their most alluring hats. There will be prizes awarded and

refreshments served. The committee in charge will be Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lindquist and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanford.

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Mary E. Spencer next week Friday afternoon at 2.30.

Grange Notes

A most enjoyable Neighbors' Night was held at Grange, Tuesday evening, guests from South Amherst, South Hadley and Ludlow being present. There were readings by Mrs. Nobles and Miss Selkirk of South Hadley. An original poem pantomime was given by members of South Amherst Grange. Vocal solos by Mrs. Betty Suprenant, and accordion selections by Carl Pease of Ludlow were rendered. Sixty people were present for the occasion. Refreshments were in charge of Mrs. Celia Pratt.

At the business meeting a donation was voted to the Boy Scout drive.

Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Ida Roberts of Mill Valley road. The hostess will be Mrs. Frances Hodgen, assisted by Mrs. Marion Plant and Mrs. Roberta Chevalier.

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Alice Suhm on May 24 at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Effie Shores will be assistant hostess.

Fire Department Calls

May 12. Grass fire at Henne-mann's. Oil stove fire at Alli's's.
May 13. Fire at Robinson's and railroad fire at D. Shea's.
May 15. Fire at Thos. Hanifin's.
May 17. Fire at Kopacz's.

Another Candidate

William W. Kimball of Amherst, another Republican candidate for State Representative, was in town last week in the interest of his candidacy. He has lived in Amherst ten years, is an engineer with the Celotex Corporation, and is president of the Amherst Golf Club.

Town Items

The wedding of Miss Theresa Caron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caron, to Rene Turcotte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turcotte, will take place at Saint Francis church, Tuesday morning, May 30th, at 9. A reception will follow at the Frontenac club in Willimansett.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Kim-month celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last week Wednesday, while on their trip to the convention at Philadelphia, which Dr. Kim-month and others from the State School, attended. A dinner party was held at the Elwyn Training School, Elwyn, Pa., just outside Philadelphia. Eighteen friends were present.

FOR SALE—Garden Manure. \$4 a cord in pile, or \$6 a cord delivered near by. Also duck eggs, ducks and poultry.

Frank E. Towne Phone 3653

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WILL COLLECT your waste paper and scrap metal. Leave word at MacMillan's gas station.
Charles King

WOULD like to buy a pair of second-hand pinking shears.
Mrs. Harry Sanford

Miss Joyce Spencer, a student at the theological seminary at Bangor, Me., has accepted a call from the East Sangerville church in Maine for the summer months.

Mrs. Seavey D. Morse and son, Robert, of Brookfield, have been spending a few days with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward.

Ralph Shumway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shumway, accompanied Mrs. Sophia Pero on her week-end trip to her home in Mattapoisett.

Mrs. Milton Cooley and daughter, Mrs. John Huggard of Springfield were Mother's Day guests of Mrs. Cooley's mother, Mrs. Ralph Bruce.

Hardwick High School defeated B. H. S. at Hardwick on Monday, 6 to 0. Elwyn Bock pitched for Belchertown, striking out 19 men.

B. H. S. will play New Salem High School at Parsons Field this afternoon at 3.

Mrs. Cannon wishes to inform the townspeople that any desiring to call on Mr. A. F. Bardwell are welcome to do so at any time.

Bertram R. Butler of North Main street, engineer at the State school for many years, has reached the compulsory retirement age, but will continue during the shortage of labor.

Girl Scout Notes

June 8 is the final meeting of the Girl Scouts, and we wish all the girl scouts to be there. Next week will be the last week for badge work.

On the 5-mile hike last Saturday, we had a very good time, even though it was warm. Twenty-four went. We went over by Warner's and around by the three ponds. We went in wading.
Barbara Young, Scribe

Rationing Board Notes

Grade I—Albert Gouvin, Jr. (2), Harry Plant (2), Harry Trent (2), Ellery Holt, Jean W. Chaffee, Arthur Courchesne, Bernice Ritter, Lafayette Ayers, Francis Lemon, Walter Jensen, Clarence Lamson, Fernando Forrest, Peter Whittaker.

Grade III—William Shattuck (2), Bertha Harris (2), Maurice Moriarty (2), David Lusty, Harry Sanford (3), John Pranaitis, Linus Bell.

CASINO

WARE—BUY BONDS

FRI., SAT., MAY 19 - 20
Clair Trevor Barry Sullivan
"Woman of the Town"
Olsen and Johnson
"Crazy House"

SUN., MON., MAY 21 - 22
Ida Lupino Paul Henreid
"IN OUR TIME"
and Henry Aldrich
"HAUNTS A HOUSE"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., MAY 23
Rita Hayworth Gene Kelly
"COVER GIRL"
In technicolor
and "CHARLIE CHAN AND THE CHINESE CAT"

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. Union Memorial Sunday Service.—Sermon by Rev. H. F. Robbins. "This Nation Under God." Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, Pastor Youth Fellowship at Mrs. Marion Plant's at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate Sunday Masses: St. Francis, 9.30 a. m. State School, 8.15 a. m. Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY
Firemen's Association.

TUESDAY
Memorial Day Exercises at 1.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY
Ladies' Night at Men's Club in Methodist vestry. Supper at 6.30 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Mary E. Spencer at 2.30 p. m.

Public Presentation of State School Minstrel at State School at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW

Dates Spoken For

June 15
Strawberry Supper, under auspices of W. S. of C. S., in Methodist vestry.

Not Likely to Return

Considerable concern is expressed in town over the fact that there is a "strong possibility" that Rev. H. F. Robbins, who has been pastor of the Methodist church here for the past seven years, and has endeared himself to the church and the townspeople, will be assigned to another charge at the present conference.

Supervising Principal Appointed

At the annual meeting of School Superintendency Union, No. 55, comprising the towns of Ware and Belchertown, when M. Leroy Greenfield was re-elected superintendent, it was voted to authorize the appointment of a supervising principal of all the elementary schools in the Union on a basis of three days per week for Ware and two days for Belchertown. Carl J. Peterson, principal of the local Center Grade school, has been selected for this position, and will begin his new duties in the fall.

Mr. Peterson, a graduate of Fitchburg Teachers' College, with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education, has taken advanced courses in Education in Massachusetts State College and Springfield College. He is married and has two children.

Matrons' and Patrons' Night

Over 125 were present for Matrons' and Patrons' Guest Night, sponsored by Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., on Wednesday evening. Parts were taken as announced last week, save that Stanley Gould, worthy patron of Arcana chapter, Greenfield, took the place of Carl Aurnhammer of Holyoke.

Miss Irene Orlando was in charge of decorations in the dining room, and favors. May poles were on each table. Mrs. Inez Brown had charge of decorations in the chapter room.

The refreshment committee consisted of Miss Madeleine Orlando and Mrs. Lucy Hislop, co-chairmen; Mrs. Alice Geer, Mrs. Gertrude La-Broad, Everett Geer, Harold La-Broad, Douglas Rhodes, Howard Davis and Osborne Davis.

Mrs. Ada Goodell was chairman of the reception committee, and Mrs. Sophia Pero of the program committee.

State School Minstrel Tonight

A public presentation of the 1944 State School Minstrel Show will be held in the auditorium at the institution this evening at 8. No special invitations have been sent out, but Dr. Taddell, superintendent, states that the townspeople are all invited generally. He says that between 1,000 and 1,200 persons can be accommodated, and trusts that there will be a large turnout.

Death of Jacob V. Cook

The patriotic organizations of the town will decorate the grave next Tuesday of one who for many a year has proudly led the Memorial Day procession to Mount Hope cemetery. He was Jacob V. Cook, for many years commander of the local group of the Sons of Union Veterans who died early Wednesday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William E. Bridgman of Stoneham, where he and his wife had been spending the winter season.

"J. V.," as he was affectionately called, was as colorful a personality as this town has produced in many a year. He loved the limelight, and no one begrudged him basking in it. Not only did he lead the Memorial day parade, but if the marshal was late in arriving on Fair day, "J. V." stepped into the breach and took the lead in grand form.

On his milk route he mixed back-yard neighborliness with his products. In fact friendships were his chief concern. He experienced real religious fervor and knew how to get good from anybody's preaching. No, characters like his, never die.

To gather up the threads of his life:

He was born at Havre de Grace, Md., December 3, 1866, the son of William and Sarah (Knight) Cook. He went to Leominster to live when six months old. On June 27, 1889, he married Mary Wilder of Leominster; from there Mr. and Mrs. Cook went to Dayton, Ky., where they lived for 13 years, coming to this town in 1913, where they bought the Randall farm on Mill Valley road. He was a well-known dairy farmer. Before coming to this town, he served for two years as a councilman at Dayton, Ky.

Mr. Cook was a member of the board of selectmen of this town for five years, past commander of the

Memorial Day Observance

The American Legion announces the following order of exercises for Memorial Day:

Line forms at 1.30 p. m. on South Main street., marching to Memorial hall, where wreaths will be placed at the tablet and honor roll by Chauncey D. Walker Post, A. L.; over Jabish street, opposite High school flag pole, raising colors (John Avery, bugler), march to Mt. Hope cemetery.

At the cemetery, prayer will be offered by Acting Chaplain, Past Department Vice-Commander Arthur E. Westwell. Graves will be decorated, with John Avery sounding taps. The line will then march to the soldiers' monument.

The exercise at the monument will consist of: Invocation by Rev. John P. Manwell; tribute to Unknown Dead, and placing of wreath, by Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan; Gettysburg Address, Miss Barbara A. Hudson; Address, "The New Birth of Freedom," Rev. Horatio F. Robbins; benediction, Rev. Mr. Manwell.

The Memorial Day committee consists of Comdr. Frederick D. Farley, chairman, Aubrey Lapolice, Kenneth Bristol and Howard B. Davis.

The Legion Auxiliary committee consists of Mrs. Blanche Joyce, Mrs. Rachel Baker, Mrs. Alice Lofland and Miss Gertrude Riley.

The Sons of Union Veterans' committee is Merle H. Mason and J. Howell Cook; and the Auxiliary, Mrs. Annie Bruce and Mrs. Celia Pratt.

Joining the Navy

William Squires, Jr., and John Antonovitch have been accepted by the navy and report for duty today.

Official reports on the recent physical examinations have not been received. These reports are routed through the Boston office to Ware.

Loses to New Salem

Belchertown High School played New Salem in Belchertown on May 19. Barrett started pitching, but about the 5th inning, Bock was called in to pitch. Although there was much cooperation from other members of the team, Belchertown lost 8 to 7. In the last half of the 8th inning, Henry Jusko certainly walloped a nice home run.

Ellis, the center fielder, featured for New Salem by getting on base four out of five times at bat.
J. Shea, Manager

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Corporal Bill Lacey Finishes Tennessee Maneuvers

"Middle Tennesseans have become 'war conscious' as perhaps have no other large civilian population in the United States. They have suffered vicariously with the sweating doughboy in the blistering heat of summer, the biting winds of winter, the merciful light snows of this season, and the seemingly interminable rains. In spite of ration restrictions, the 'home hospitality' of thousands has been extended to the men of Massachusetts, Wisconsin, California, Texas—from all of the 48 states which have been represented in the cosmopolitan Second Army. Farmers' fences have been destroyed, their rich farm lands packed hard as macadamized roads in summer or dragged to the clinging wheels by the mud of winter. They have endured the inconvenience of blocked roads, lack of mail, school bus, and milk delivery. They have travelled with headlights off along twisting roads during blackouts and have all but forgotten the meaning of privacy in this land where one woke up to find a machine gun on the back porch or the muzzle of a .75 mm cannon blocking the sunlight of the bedroom window."

This description comes from an article in the Nashville Banner written by Gene Sloan, "war" correspondent and high school principal, an article which should interest many of us here in Massachusetts, as boys from this neighborhood have learned their battle techniques in Tennessee and in similar maneuvers held in other states.

Corporal William J. Lacey, Jr., of Belchertown, sent the paper to Mrs. Charles F. Austin, who is Mrs. Lacey's aunt. Lacey came to Belchertown State School twelve years ago and taught manual training there up to the time of his induction. The Laceys recently built the attractive white cottage just to the east of Miss Myer's home on Holyoke Road.

Bill reports that during these maneuvers he and four pals snatched a nap and were caught up with by their commanding officer, a Porto Rican. Although the officer thought to surprise them by shooting a blank right over their heads, they slept on. They got no K. P. but had to dig 20 extra fox holes instead. Bill expected to lose his Pfc stripe, but has now actually received an extra one and is a corporal. He was recently sent to Camp McCoy, Wisconsin. Other parts of Mr. Sloan's article, written to mark the end of Tennessee Second Army maneuvers, follow:

"Before the start of each maneuver phase troop trains and long convoys of a mechanized Army poured in from the garrison camps from Fort Jackson to Fort Leonard Wood.

Tented cities appeared around nearly every village and town. Camp followers and hangers-on, pickpockets and trollops appeared in spite of the combined efficiency of Military Police, State authorities and county officials.

"For many who have come and gone, their last maneuver problem was a final examination. On fighting fronts the world over these men are testing the lessons learned along the 'Walter Hill-Lascassas-Milton' Line or the ability to rendezvous and strike accurately and successfully behind the enemy lines as they did after airborne landings at Gallatun or Lafayette or Red Boiling Springs. They know that the rugged defiles and steep hillsides along the Carthage-Gordonsville-New Middleton-Alexandria axis are strangely like the hills of Italy and just as difficult to penetrate.

"Looming large in the postwar reminiscences of Second Army troops will be the memories of the visitors from 17 allied or friendly governments which have at various times watched the field training. They will remember the 'Army Hour' broadcasts originating along the 'battle front' in Tennessee. Vivid will be the recollections of pay day, their first weekend in Nashville, of the mobile movies and units of entertainers always present in bivouac areas during breaks.

"Just as the soldiers will forget the sodden field rations, the sleepless nights, the muddy terrain, the back-breaking toil, so will the civilians forget the scars of anti-aircraft emplacements in alfalfa fields, the fresh clay ruts of vehicles in pasture lots, the fence rails that went into bivouac fires, the bleak slits of latrines and foxholes dotting woodlots. Gone will be the rumble of heavy artillery, the staccato bark of rifle and machine-gun fire, the night-long growl of tanks as they roared along highways and crushed through corn fields. There will be nostalgic recollections of the indescribable and awesome beauty of thousands of parachutes unfolding in the early light of dawn from thundering transports, the fine spirit of the slogging footsoldier, the cooperation of military authorities, and the over-all picture of the cocky Brooklynese who in the second Yankee invasion of the South found a friendly, hospitable, kindly welcome from people whom he had known only from reading exaggerated stories or from witnessing exaggerated movie misrepresentations of life down South."

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of us who have "carried on" through the floods, hurricane, ice storms, and what not of recent years are tempted to shout, "And he didn't know the half of it!"

Just to prove that the weather is "Always getting up new designs" let us take Thursday evening of last week for an example. In practically every section hereabouts except on the top of Belchertown Hill temperatures went skidding down from the seventies to the forties in a matter of a few hours—then swooped into the thirties—and came to a triumphant pause at 24° or lower. The results have been catastrophic to Victory gardeners, and much more than that to those who really depend on Dame Nature for a livelihood.

I never remember seeing fields of peas and cabbage ruined in their May rows; lilacs and other flowering shrubs blackened; iris and other perennials halted in their tracks; oak trees, walnuts and sumacs burned black and sere by the cold; apple crops cut down as much as 50 per cent; grapes, blueberries and the like put out of the running—all this and more can be seen and on all sides of us.

If I were a New England tree, I'd be pretty discouraged long about now and might even murmur disconsolately:

"Only God can make a tree!" So sang a poet in leafy glade; But why can't God, I just don't see, Take better care of what he made? * * *

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"J. V." The town grew poorer, seems to me. On Wednesday afternoon, 'Twon't be the same without "J. V." We'll not forget him soon.

It seemed too bad he had to go Away from here to die. He loved the place and people so; And all folks, low and high.

He'd stop beside, to laugh and chat, And pass the time of day. No town can have too much of that—And now he's gone away.

The church will seem a little strange Without him in his pew— Selectmen's room and Union Grange And other haunts he knew

Will miss his voice, and wish him back. Won't everyone agree That future Fairs will something lack?

That something—our "J. V." Next week—Memorial Day again, With honors to the dead. We'll fall in line to march, and then We'll all look up ahead

And seem to see him standing there, The Marshal of the Day, Proud of the G. A. R.—its heir— That's where he was last May.

Citizen, father, husband, friend— Well-filled each homely role. And we who gather at the end Can wish his kindly soul

No splendors for eternity, No golden streets, no harp or crown, But what he'd want the most to see, A small, celestial country town.

—Bob Jackson

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Fire Department Calls. May 20. Chimney fire at Burke's on Bondsville road.

Enfield Sunday. Enfield Sunday at the Methodist church brought back some twenty out-of-town people last Sunday. This was considerably more than returned a year ago, when only a few came back. Out-of-town guests this year included:

Bertha H. Martindale of Springfield, Mary D. Martindale of Ware, Alice Martindale Parker and Albert H. Parker of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Kelley of No. Wilbraham, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Twible of Hartford, Conn., Mrs. George West of Ware, George C. Crowther of Amherst; and Mrs. John Bryans, Myrtle M. Kennedy, Dorothy L. Kennedy, Mrs. Theresa Johnston and William Kennedy of Bondsville; also Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Gilpin and Ruth V. Gilpin of Springfield.

Dies in Winchester. Harrison Lyman, son of the late Rev. Payson W. Lyman, long-time pastor of the Congregational church, died Monday night at his home in Winchester after several weeks of illness. He was stricken ill at his winter home in Miami, Fla., and was brought to his home two weeks ago. A native of Belchertown, he was

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Ladies' Night at Men's Club

Next Wednesday evening will be Ladies' Night at the Men's Club meeting, which will be held in the Methodist vestry. Ladies of the Methodist and Congregational churches are invited to be present. Supper will be served at 6.30, the following committee being in charge: E. Clifton Witt, Donald Terry, George Booth and Walter P. Piper. Dr. Westwell is in charge of the surprise program.

The Tax Collector Says:

90% of 1943 real estate and personal property taxes have been collected. An effort will be made immediately to collect all outstanding taxes on these levies in accordance with instructions of the state tax commissioner. Unpaid 1944 poll and motor vehicle excise bills issued April 17th, are now overdue, and demands will be issued during the coming week.

On State Service Honor Roll

In compiling the honor roll of employees in the State Service as concerns State School personnel, it develops that the name of Frank Hurd, who has been in the State service for more than 25 years, was omitted. Recognition is therefore made at this time of that fact.

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Methodist Church Notes

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. met with Mrs. Alice Suhm on Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. Effie Shores as assistant hostess. A surprise was planned by the hostess, in honor of Mrs. Iva Gay, who celebrated her 74th birthday on May 17, which was one week previous to the meeting. She received many flowers, cards, letters, and gifts and a trip to the movies on the real day, and never realized that the singing of Happy Birthday on this occasion was meant for her. For refreshments, there was a huge birthday cake, beautifully decorated, ice cream, cookies and cup cakes. Eighteen members and two guests were present. There will be no session of the Sunday-school at the Methodist church on Sunday. The Youth Fellowship will meet with Mrs. Plant on Sunday evening at 6. The Evening Group met at the home of Mrs. Ida Roberts on Tuesday evening. Mrs. J. R. Newman and Rev. H. F. Robbins have organized a Sunday-school for the Turkey Hill children who are unable to get to town for the Sunday-school at the church. Last Sunday Mrs. Arthur L. Desormier, formerly Miss Alberta Tucker, assisted Mrs. Newman. Next Sunday Miss Marie Hubbard will be the assistant. Nine children have signed up. Hours are from 2.30 to 3.30 Sunday afternoon.



Pvt. Melvin Bosworth, 31417396 O. A. S. Co. "C" Ord. Depot Fort Crook, Nebraska

Pvt. Donald H. Sessions, 31467004 Co. B, 199th Bn., 62 I. R. P. C. Camp Blanding, Florida

Isaac A. Hodgen, T. M. 2-C R-S, P. S. N. Y. Bremerton, Wash.

Pvt. Kenneth Boyea Co. I, 410 Inf. APO 470, Cp. Howze, Tex.

Robert White, Seaman 2d Class, of Sampson, N. Y., spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Henry Baggs. He expected to be "shipped out" this week Wednesday.

Word has been received of the arrival of Pfc. Richard Schieding in New Guinea—Dwight News.

Pvt. Roland E. Mossberg, U. S. M. C. R., who has been spending a ten-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jenks, reports to his new station, N. A. D., Hingham, Mass., today (May 26). Pvt. Mossberg enlisted in the marine corps in March and has just completed his "boot" traing at Paris Island, S. C.—Dwight News.

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Town Items

The Rationing Board office will be closed next Tuesday, also the office of the treasurer and tax collector.

Miss Joyce Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer, underwent an operation for appendicitis on Wednesday morning at the Eastern Maine General Hospital at Bangor, Me.

Albert Markham returned last Saturday from Westover Field hospital, where he has been undergoing treatment.

A daughter, Elizabeth Virginia, was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. Brooking Cully of Amherst at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shaw of North Main street on the 16th.

Mrs. John Malumphy of Housatonic farms, Southbury, Conn., recently visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Alvin Bush.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Martin and family of Springfield have moved to their new home on Federal St.

Methodist Church Notes

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. met with Mrs. Alice Suhm on Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. Effie Shores as assistant hostess. A surprise was planned by the hostess, in honor of Mrs. Iva Gay, who celebrated her 74th birthday on May 17, which was one week previous to the meeting. She received many flowers, cards, letters, and gifts and a trip to the movies on the real day, and never realized that the singing of Happy Birthday on this occasion was meant for her. For refreshments, there was a huge birthday cake, beautifully decorated, ice cream, cookies and cup cakes. Eighteen members and two guests were present. There will be no session of the Sunday-school at the Methodist church on Sunday. The Youth Fellowship will meet with Mrs. Plant on Sunday evening at 6. The Evening Group met at the home of Mrs. Ida Roberts on Tuesday evening. Mrs. J. R. Newman and Rev. H. F. Robbins have organized a Sunday-school for the Turkey Hill children who are unable to get to town for the Sunday-school at the church. Last Sunday Mrs. Arthur L. Desormier, formerly Miss Alberta Tucker, assisted Mrs. Newman. Next Sunday Miss Marie Hubbard will be the assistant. Nine children have signed up. Hours are from 2.30 to 3.30 Sunday afternoon.

Dwight Items

Twenty-one were out to church on Sunday. Services were conducted by Mr. Marvin Pryor of the Civics department at Amherst College. The subject was "Moses," and Mr. Pryor illustrated the story with paper cut-outs, etc. It is hoped that more will attend next Sunday.

Several relatives and friends of Mrs. Eva Carey and Mrs. Edith Pratt met at Mrs. Carey's home recently as a birthday surprise for the two ladies. Mrs. Effie Struthers and Mrs. Olive Lemon were hostesses.

Mrs. Francis Lemon and daughter, Elsie, spent a three-day vacation recently in Portsmouth, N. H.

Town Items

The Rationing Board office will be closed next Tuesday, also the office of the treasurer and tax collector.

Miss Joyce Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer, underwent an operation for appendicitis on Wednesday morning at the Eastern Maine General Hospital at Bangor, Me.

Albert Markham returned last Saturday from Westover Field hospital, where he has been undergoing treatment.

A daughter, Elizabeth Virginia, was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. Brooking Cully of Amherst at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shaw of North Main street on the 16th.

Mrs. John Malumphy of Housatonic farms, Southbury, Conn., recently visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Alvin Bush.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Karolina Milos, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Theodore Milos of Ware, in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this second day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. John T. Storrs, Atty., Ware 12-19-26

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To Emma King of Ware, in said County, and to her husband, and heirs apparent or presumptive, and to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

A petition has been presented to said Court, alleging that said Emma King has become incapacitated by reason of advanced age—and mental weakness—to care properly for her property, and praying that Gertrude Lapiere of Worcester, in our County of Worcester, or some other suitable person, be appointed conservator of her property.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighth day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
12-19-26

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Mabel S. Dunham, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Dorothy D. Conkey of Ware, in said County, be appointed administratrix of said estate, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this third day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
John T. Storrs, Atty.,
Ware
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Death of
Jacob V. Cook

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Sons of Union Veterans, was a member of Union Grange, a member of the Farmers' and Mechanics' club, of which he was vice-president at the time of his death, and he was a member of the Congregational church, where he had been a member of the board of deacons for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 30, 1939.

He leaves his widow; two sons, J. Howell Cook and Lincoln Cook of this town; a daughter, Mrs. William

Bridgman of Stoneham; eight grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 at the Congregational church. Burial will be in Mt. Hope cemetery.

The body will be at the Walker funeral home in Ware, where friends may call.

Congregational Church
Notes

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Mary E. Spencer this afternoon at 2.30.

One hundred and fifty were served at the public dinner in the parish house on Sunday.

Eight tables were in play at the Women's Guild card party at the home of Mrs. E. F. Shumway on Monday evening. High scorer for women was Mrs. Annie Austin, 2nd. Mrs. Carrie Dale. High scorer for men, Roy Shaw; 2nd. J. Raymond Gould.

The Telegram Article

There was quite a sale of Worcester Telegrams at the local news store last Sunday, and those with friends in Worcester got a barrage in the mail on Monday, by reason of an illustrated article, "Belchertown Backs the War," the pictures for which were taken by a staff photographer March 21, mention of which was made in our columns at the time.

Pictures appearing in the article included Sgt. Harold Kimball, Jr., home on furlough, and his mother in the Kimball hardware store; J. J. Kempkes, Jr., tending the power plant at Ketchen's machine shop; Virginia Booth, gathering eggs; Rev. John P. Manwell in his study; Harold Cook and young son, Richard, and Robert Newly at the Cook farm; the Misses Janice Story, Helen Baril and Helen Lemon, peddling papers; and Elizabeth Utley gathering sap. An Amherst picture—that of Mrs. August J. Wilder, mother of one of the Doolittle flyers, was featured.

Pictures which did not appear in the article, although they were in the prevue display, were of Red Cross surgical dressings workers, Chief Baggs at his bench at the machine shop, fire department equipment, etc.

Errors in the text possibly temporarily diverted attention from our own sins.

Rationing Board Notes

The rationing board has awarded tire certificates as follows:

Grade 1—Bernard Bowler (2), Byron Hudson, Fernando Forrest, Dorothy Burke (3), Harry Trent (2), Euclide Labrecque, Bernice Ritter, Walter Jensen, Alfred Sampson, Richard Cole, Clarence Lamson.

Grade 3—Royal Gay (2), James Griffin (4), Margaret Landers (2), Edna Camp, Charles Stark, Myrtle

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Charles King

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FOUND—on Three Rivers road, a female German police dog.
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

FOR SALE—One quartered-oak sideboard, and one oak china closet. Each in good condition.
Mrs. Julia Ward
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FOR SALE—Great Dane pup, four months old.
William Chevalier

WANTED—An alarm clock for soldier living away from camp. If you have one, call 2351.

Rhodes (3), Edward Sufnaski.
Truck Tires—Carl Hill (2).
Lloyd C. Chadbourne (3).

Girl Scout Notes

There will be no meeting of the Girl Scouts until June 6.

At 10.40, May 28, the Girl Scouts will go as a body to the Congregational church. May 29, at 3.30, we will bring flowers to decorate the soldiers' graves. On May 30, at 1.30, we will meet in front of Memorial hall.

June 8 will be the last meeting. There will be a Court of Awards that day.

Barbara Young,
Scribe

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Peet of the Springfield road had for week-end guests, her sister, Mrs. Frederick Leveille and daughter, Viola, and Mrs. Gloria Gorman of Worcester, also Mr. and Mrs. Briggs and Pvt. Albert Gay of Framingham.

Mrs. Marie C. Michel of Maple street celebrated her 80th birthday last Sunday. Present for the occasion were her sons, Fred O. Michel of Pittsfield, and Alvin E. Michel of Dover, N. J.; a daughter, Mrs. Martha Dressel of Chicopee; a granddaughter, Mrs. Peter Hinds, and Mr. Hinds, and a great granddaughter, Miss Mavis Hinds of Holyoke.

Mrs. Edna Root of Springfield is a guest for the week of Mrs. Pearl Green.

Arthur F. Bardwell celebrated his 82nd birthday on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cook and daughter, Frances, and Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Jardine and daughter, Lois, of Athol, called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook on Sunday. Other guests were Clifford Cook and son, Warren, of Granby, and Dwight Cook and Harry Hosley of Holyoke.

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The Coming Week
SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"There Was a Man Sent from God."

Sunday School—Ages 9-14 at 9.45 a. m.; 4-9 at 10.45 a. m.
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
Balding F. Jackson, speaker.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Youth Fellowship at Mrs. Marion Plant's at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

Farewell Reception to Rev. and Mrs. Horatio F. Robbins in the Methodist Vestry at 8 p. m.

TUESDAY

Girl Scout Meeting at 3.30 p. m.
Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward at 8 p. m.
Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Girl Scout Meeting, open to parents and friends, at Congregational Parish House at 4 p. m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW

Dates Spoken For

June 15
Strawberry Supper, under auspices of W. S. of C. S., in Methodist vestry.

June 21
B. H. S. Class Night Exercises.

June 22
B. H. S. Graduation Exercises, followed by Senior Reception.

The Boy Scout Drive

It is reported by Dr. A. E. Westwell, chairman of the Boy Scout drive in this area, that while the canvass is not yet completed, the results so far indicate a total of over \$200, a sum much in excess of that secured in the preceding drive.

Farewell Reception Monday

A public farewell reception to Rev. and Mrs. Horatio F. Robbins will be held next Monday evening at 8 in the Methodist vestry. There will be a program appropriate to the occasion and everyone in town is invited.

Although Rev. Mr. Robbins begins his work in his new parish on Sunday, he does not move from Ware until the middle of next week.

Graduation Dates and Honors

It is announced that the B. H. S. Class Night exercises will be held Wednesday evening, June 21, and that the Graduation exercises, followed by the Senior Reception, will be held Thursday evening, June 22. Class Honors are announced as follows:

Valedictorian Frances Smola
Salutatorian Wanda Krawiec
Three other members of the class—Anna Adzima, Mary Stolar and Dorothy Bigos are also eligible for membership in the Pro Merito society.

Belding Post Closes

In accordance with army orders, the Belding observation post was closed a week ago Wednesday, Mrs. Robert Camp and W. H. V. Belding being the observers doing the last trick.

Last October 13 the post was relieved of the 24-hour schedule and has since been operating only on part time on Wednesdays. Since the inauguration of the Post, Dec. 8, 1941, the average number of planes reported per month was 5,000, making it one of the busiest posts in the first fighter command.

Winsor post, in the Quabbin area, closed early last year and many of the observers there transferred to the Belding post to keep that operating on a 24-hour basis. Granby people have also assisted at the Belding post.

Dr. Raymond A. Kinmonth, by reason of his being commander of

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Rev. H. F. Robbins Leaving

It was definitely announced on Sunday that Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, pastor of the Methodist church for the past seven years, was being transferred to the Mittineague Church at West Springfield, and that Rev. Joseph Belcher, pastor at



Rev. H. F. Robbins

Somerville and for several years pastor at St. James Methodist Church in Springfield, will succeed him.

There is genuine regret in town over Mr. Robbins' leaving. He brought enthusiasm and energy to bear on every task, he was a friend to all, admired by the Congregational fold as well as by his own flock, and most important of all, practised what he preached. At the union Memorial service last Sunday, Rev. John P. Manwell, interim pastor of the Congregational Church, publicly paid Mr. Robbins a tribute for his work here and expressed regret at his leaving.

State School Minstrel

The 21st annual minstrel show presented by the pupils of the Belchertown State School was given three times last week, first for the nursery group on the 23rd; second, for the rest of the school on the 24th; and finally for the public, on the 26th.

Preceding the public presentation on Friday evening, Dr. Henry A. Taddell, superintendent of the institution, called attention to the fact that every member of the cast of 140 appearing on the stage was a pupil of the school, and that the costumes and properties, with few exceptions, were made within the school. He said the show represented not only an effort to provide entertainment for the pupils, but also a pleasant

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Memorial Day Observance

Memorial day exercises were held on Tuesday, as announced last week. The procession formed on So. Main St. and was led by Frederick D. Farley, commander of the American Legion. Howard Davis of World War II placed a wreath at the honor roll, and Aubrey Lapolice one at the memorial tablet. Lapolice also raised the colors on the school flag pole, and John Avery sounded taps. Stanley Boyko of World War II was color bearer and Harold Ryder carried the Legion flag.

The Boy Scouts and their leader, W. Paige Piper, were in the line, Willard Young, Jr., being color bearer.

Over 20 Girl Scouts were in line. Elizabeth Suhm carried the flag and Virginia Booth the scout colors.

There were over 40 school children in the procession. At Mt. Hope cemetery, Commander Farley took the part of chaplain, and John Avery was bugler.

At the monument, Rev. J. P. Manwell gave the invocation, while the tribute and placing of wreath to the Unknown Dead was by Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, new pastor at St. Francis church.

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Caron-Turootte Wedding

Miss Theresa Caron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Caron, Boardman road, and Rene A. Turootte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turootte of Hannum road, were married Tuesday morning in St. Francis church. Rev. Andrew Sullivan, pastor, officiated with a high mass and the double ring service was used. Music for the ceremony was by Miss Lorraine Noel, organist, assisted by the choir.

The bridesmaid was Miss Yvonne Lafreniere of Williamsett, and the best man, Edward Vaillancourt of Holyoke.

The bride wore an ivory satin gown fashioned with seed pearls around a V neckline, fitted bodice and full skirt with court train, and veil caught to a crown of seed pearls and rhinestones, and carried a bouquet of white roses and gardenias with showers of swansonsias. The bridesmaid wore a blush pink gown with fitted bodice and bouffant tulle skirt; a matching calot, and carried a colonial bouquet of roses and sweet peas. Mrs. Caron, the bride's mother, wore a print jersey dress with white accessories, while the

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"Lest We Forget" Some Few Heritages

I had quite a shock last Monday when I was speaking to an assembly of some 600 junior high youngsters. It was, of course, a Memorial Day assembly and I had been asked by the committee in charge to say a few words appropriate to the day. It seems that someone had been supposed to read "The Blue and the Gray," and someone else had forgotten to bring the poem to school, so I was filling in for "Under the sod and the dew."

Memorial Day assemblies always make me a little nostalgic. They bring back memories of so many similar occasions in the past of 1908-17, when Memorial Day meant listening to talks by Civil War vets, still hale and hearty, and full of stories of Antietam and Libby prison. It also meant hunting ladies slippers and cranesbill for cemetery bouquets, and rather elaborate all-day celebrations with lunch on the Common, with references to the battles listed on the Soldiers' Monument by those who had fought in those battles. It meant "Finan" Shaw singing, and Harvey Hadlock marching, and still freshly-recalled stories of Myron Walker, Belchertown's drummer boy.

It is too easy to suppose that the memories of one generation are equally those of another. I told the kids how, when I was in school, we always had a G. A. R. man on the Memorial Day platform. More as an afterthought than to propound anything difficult, I inquired, "What do I mean by G. A. R.?" A blank stare greeted my question. (And those kids aren't bashful if they know the answers!). They were silent for perhaps 20 seconds. Then one hand went up in the traditional "very back row," and a small boy saved the day by saying, "Grand Army of the Republic." Applause greeted his intelligence. Think of it! In a large American public school, ready and itching to be dismissed for our most solemn patriotic holiday, only one boy knew what the G. A. R. was.

Swiftly to my mind came Lincoln's unpropitious words: The world can never forget what they did here." I wonder how many answers would be correct if an unrehearsed 9th grade should be asked, "Who accomplished what at Gettysburg?"

Few indeed are the living veterans of the Civil War. Many indeed are the years, and tremendous the events which have passed before the American people since Appomatax. But though others may have to carry on the tradition of Memorial Day, and though Pearl Harbor must supercede Fort Sumpter in the heart of any American youngster, certainly we owe it to those who made possible the unity of

America by shedding their blood in a terrible four-year war, to keep their memories dear to their great grandchildren. The Civil War must be more than a unit in American History I.

I am glad that Belchertown thought enough of its own Civil War history to place the cannon back on its foundation in time for Memorial Day. The unmowed Common must be blamed to the scarcity of labor, I suppose. However, when one remembers the speed with which it was readied for the Fair after the 1938 hurricane, one must draw the conclusion that October 12 is rather more important than May 30.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Earth gets its price for what Earth gives us:

The beggar is taxed for a corner to die in,

The priest hath his fee who comes and shrives us,

We bargain for the graves we lie in;

At the Devil's booth are all things sold,

Each ounce of dross costs its ounce of gold;

For a cap and bells our lives we pay,

Bubbles we buy with a whole soul's tasking;

'Tis heaven alone that is given away,

'Tis only God may be had for the asking;

There is no price set on the lavish summer;

And June may be had by the poorest comer."

James Russell Lowell —Bob Jackson

Memorial Sunday Service

The patriotic organizations of the town, American Legion, Auxiliary, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc., were guests of honor at a union service in the Congregational church on Sunday morning.

Rev. H. F. Robbins preached the sermon, the burden of his message being that any nation survives only to the degree that it accepts the command of God. Napoleon planned to rule the world, but he ignored the laws and power of God.

Regarding Hitler, he said: "In our own day one man thought to rule the world. He played fast and loose with the laws of God. By lies, brutality, murder, hatred and fear he sought to build a world empire. He made a good start. He dared to defy God and put national sovereignty above divine sovereignty. He attempted to command the spiritual integrity of men. It was here that he met with his first and greatest defeat. There is something in the heart of man that cannot be ruled by flattery, crushed by the Gestapo, or stamped out by persecution."

"Hitler, like anyone else who attempts to put loyalty to the State above the sovereignty of God, is doomed to destruction. Earthly governments cannot command conscience. God is sovereign yet. Man may become drunk with his power."

Belding F. Jackson will address the Youth Fellowship Sunday night.

He may think that he is able to defy God. He, from the human point of view, may appear to have gotten away with his defiance. But there will always be a day of reckoning."

Dwight Items

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Goodrich and family of Springfield were guests of Mrs. Pratt and Mrs. Goodrich on Sunday.

Stanley G. Tribe, Jr., left Monday morning for Wood's Hole, where he will attend summer school classes at the Marine Biological Laboratories.

Rev. Harold Suhm, assisted by Rev. E. F. Blackmer, had charge of the services at the Chapel on Sunday. There were twenty-seven present.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jenks and son, Robert, Jr., spent the holiday in Lyme, N. H., as the guest of his grandfather, Arthur L. Jenks.

Graduates Monday

Miss Kathleen Lapolice will be graduated from Edgewood Park Junior College, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y., on Monday. Miss Lapolice majored in fashion merchandising and took an active part in extra-curricular activities. During her Senior year she was president of the Student Christian Association, a member of the International Relations club, the French club, and the Merchandising club. She served on the staff of the school paper and wrote the foreword for the year book.

She was an active member of the Dramatic club for two years, and is in the cast for the play, "The Taming of the Shrew," to be given tomorrow night.

Miss Lapolice was valedictorian and president of the class of 1941, Belchertown High school. She is a past vice-president of the Western Massachusetts League of School Publications, and of the Western Massachusetts Associate Body of Student Councils.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Edwin F. Shumway, Louis Germain (2), Harlan Purington, Harry Plant, Daniel Shea (4).

Grade 3—Harry Lindquist (2), John Fletcher (2), H. F. Duncan, Forrest Nichols, H. E. Sessions, Kristian Anderson (2), Gould Ketchen (2).

Truck Tire—Alvin Bosworth.

Congregational Church Notes

The Women's Guild of the Congregational church will hold a card party with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward next week Wednesday evening at 8. Progressive whist will be played, and there will be tables for men desiring to play pitch.

The sum of \$48.20 was cleared at the Women's Guild public dinner, served May 21.

About 20 were present at the Home Department last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mary Spencer. The usual program was carried out, followed by refreshments.

Belding F. Jackson will address the Youth Fellowship Sunday night.

Rehabilitation Committee Meets

A meeting of the newly organized Belchertown Veterans' Rehabilitation and Re-employment Committee was held at the Memorial Hall on Thursday, May 25, 1944, at 8 p. m. This committee is functioning under the State Veterans' Rehabilitation and Re-employment Committee, located in the State House at Boston, and will offer its assistance to any Belchertown veteran of any war, including those who have returned from World War II. The plan, as now understood, is to have such committees organized in every one of the 351 cities and towns of Massachusetts, and thus, our local committee will give advice and help only to Belchertown men and women veterans. Of course, a stranger traveling in our midst, in need of assistance, and a bona fide veteran, will be given every possible consideration within the committee's power.

Another meeting will be held shortly, at which time specific problems will be discussed and members of the committee detailed to take care of certain specific jobs. David P. Archambo, clerk of the Greenfield committee, sat in with the committee on Thursday evening and gave valuable suggestions, which came out of real experience in dealing with veterans, especially those of World Wars I and II.

The committee wishes to stress the fact that all discharged veterans of World War II should immediately register with the U. S. Employment office at Northampton, whether or not they now have jobs, or whether or not they anticipate a job in the near future. Such registrations will be invaluable in the years to come, should problems of unemployment arise and should Veterans' Preference Lists be established. Those registering will need to take their discharge papers with them when they go to Northampton to effect such registration.

The committee is made up of the following: Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, Charles F. Austin, Roy E. Kimball, Romeo J. Joyal, Frederick D. Farley, Louis Endelson.

Town Items

The marriage of Miss Stephanie Smola, of Hartford, Conn., formerly of this town, and Marcel Guimond, also of Hartford, will take place on Wednesday, June 7, at 9 o'clock, at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford.

Pre-Memorial Day exercises were held at the High school on Monday afternoon. There were appropriate songs, a short talk on the meaning of Memorial Day by Principal Harrington, and the recital of Lincoln's Gettysburg address by Miss Barbara Hudson.

Carl J. Peterson, principal of the Center Grade School, has been home this week by reason of measles.

Mrs. Florence Jackson and Marjorie Jackson spent Memorial weekend in New York City and Newark, N. J. Marjorie's "high spot" was seeing Bronx Zoo from the top of a camel.

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Ladies' Night at Men's Club

Ladies' Night at the Men's club proved a pleasant and popular occasion. Five or six tables were filled for the sumptuous supper served by the men of the Methodist church. They got a hand in token of appreciation of their services, and the Methodist ladies were given one, too, by reason of their faithfulness on previous occasions. Of course Rev. H. F. Robbins was given a grand hand for all he had done for the men's club during his stay here. He expressed the wish that this would be but the beginning of further cooperative ventures.

The next meeting will be an outing, the committee to be Harlan Davis, Walter Dodge, Leon Hislop and Roy Shaw. The date will be announced later.

Dr. A. E. Westwell, chairman of the program committee, announced "Doc" Barrett of M. S. C., as the speaker of the evening. He gave an illustrated talk on "Nature in Color," featuring pictures taken at the State College, and on fishing and other trips. Sometimes he told the men they could go to sleep, and sometimes the women, but his pictures proved most interesting to all.

State School Minstrel

—continued from page 1— form of instruction in which behavior, physical training, handicraft, and the lessons of cooperative achievement, play a prominent part. He said that since the show is designed solely to appeal to the pupils

of the school, the predominance of dancing acts indicates the preference for this type of entertainment. It was stated that due to sickness, substitutions had had to be made in the precision dancing group.

The program follows: Part I—Overture, orchestra; other numbers: "Dinah," "Silver Wings in the Moonlight," "Shoo, Shoo Baby," "My Heart Tells Me," "Darktown Strutters Ball," "I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night," "Chicken," "My Ideal," "No Love, No Nuthin'," "It's Love, Love, Love," "O By Jingo," "Oklahoma," and "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top."

Part II—Interpretive dance; a cane tap dance; song, "Beseme" and a waltz duo; instrumental brass trio; song, "Say a Prayer for the Boys Over There" (with a background of violins); acrobats, presenting difficult feats on the spring-board, trapeze and suspended rope; novelty, "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top"; song, "Pale Hands"; military tap dance by the precision group; grand finale by the

entire company.

In spite of apologies, it was one grand show. The novelty, "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top," with the vehicle made to order for the occasion), and the dancing "horse" (two individuals beneath the dummy), was a unique and outstanding feature. At the conclusion of the precision dance, "Rosie," one of the pupils, who trained the group, was presented to the audience amid applause.

Following the finale, Dr. Tadgell, desiring to give honor to whom honor was due, called for a hand for the cast, another for the employees' orchestra, and another for Dr. Westwell, who directed the performance.

Pass Physicals

The following have passed their pre-induction physical examinations, and are subject to call, barrer appeals or deferments: Charles F. Howard John Joseph Shea Thomas A. Sullivan

Dog Tags Arrive

Dog tags have arrived and can be secured at the town clerk's office. Dog taxes are now payable.

Homemakers' Day

Annual Homemaker's Day of the Extension Service will be held Wednesday, June 7, at 10.15 a. m. at the People's Institute, Northampton. Miss Beatrice Billings, state home demonstration agent leader, will speak on "Grist, Grit and Gristle," Dr. Frances Scott on "Importance of Salvage," and E. J. Neiderfrank on "After Studying Five Hill Towns." A feature, "You're Next," will be put on by county women. Picnic lunch is at 12.15 (coffee will be served).

The afternoon session is at 1.15. Following singing, business and roll call, Gerard Priestly will speak on "Today's Challenge and Tomorrow's Opportunity."

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Veronica Rogg, otherwise known as Veronika Rugg, Veronica E. Rugg, Veronica Esther Rugg and Veronica Rogg, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale, certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register John T. Storrs, Attorney Ware June 2-9-16

those who assisted him in the work. Those entitled to aircraft warning service pins and medals will receive them in due course.

The closing of observation posts is attributed to the shift from the defensive to the offensive in the war effort.

Dies in Northampton

Mrs. Ella Norton, 76, of Northampton, died at her home early yesterday morning after a period of failing health. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Towne of this place and was the last surviving member of the family.

Following her marriage she moved to Ware, and some forty years ago moved to Northampton, where she was prominent in civic affairs.

She leaves two sons, Irving at home and Cyril in Longmeadow, and a grandson, Lt. George Norton, who is at Palm Beach.

The funeral will be held at the home Saturday afternoon at 2.30.

Town Items

Mrs. Seavey D. Morse of Brookfield is undergoing treatment at the Mary Lane hospital, Ware.

Mrs. William F. Chevalier entertained a party of 18 friends and relatives last week Thursday night in honor of her nephew, William H. Squires, Jr., who left for duty with the Navy the next day.

Mrs. Anne Shaffer and her sister, Mrs. Alice Morch of Huntington, L. I., are guests for two weeks of Mrs. John Shaffer of North Main street.

Friends of the Hacketts of Franconia, N. H., will be interested to know that Mr. Hackett's mother and brother have arrived from Burma and are stopping with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin B. Snow of Worcester were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Peck of Cottage street.

The funeral of Jacob V. Cook was held last Saturday afternoon at 2 at the Congregational church. The town and the patriotic organizations were represented. Rev. Dr. Kendig B. Cully of Melrose, a former pastor of the local church, officiated. Mrs. Albert Markham presided at the organ. The bearers were William E. Shaw, Harold F. Peck and Lewis H. Blackmer, deacons, and Belding F. Jackson. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery.

Rev. Harold W. Curtis of Portsmouth, N. H., was the guest last Friday and Saturday of his mother, Mrs. H. F. Curtis of South Main St.

The Girl Scouts will meet next Tuesday afternoon at 3.30. Parents and friends of the Girl Scouts are invited to the final meeting of the Girl Scouts next week Thursday afternoon at 4 at the Congregational parish house.

Robert Jackson of Williston Academy, Easthampton, is at home on a three-weeks' vacation.

The regular meeting of Union Grange will be held next Tuesday night.

H. A. Hopkins' store will be closed Wednesday afternoons after 12.30, starting June 1st.

William Davis of North Main street was taken to Holyoke hospital last week Friday for treatment.

WILL COLLECT your waste paper and scrap metal. Leave word at MacMillan's gas station. Charles King

FOUND—On Ware Road, white, black and tan male dog. Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

FOR SALE—Saddle horse and Jersey-Guernsey cow. R. Bouchard Old Springfield Road Tel. 3559

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the friends, neighbors and organizations for the floral tributes and sympathy tendered at the time of our recent bereavement.

Mrs. J. V. Cook J. Howell Cook and family Lincoln A. Cook and family William E. Bridgman and family

Memorial Day Observance

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Father Sullivan said it made no difference as to the stature, the ancestry or the creed of the Unknown Dead. He was human, loved his country and gave his life for it.

He alluded to the Revolutionary war as a war for freedom, the Civil war as a war for the recognition of brotherhood, and the World war as a war to end war. He pled for a strong America, that the kid brothers of today may not have to "do it all over again," as are the men of World War II.

The Gettysburg Address was given by Miss Barbara A. Hudson.

Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, speaker of the day, prefaced his remarks with comment on the passing of Jacob V. Cook, marshal of the Memorial Day procession for many years.

He said that Memorial Day is the D-day of American patriotism. "When we forget what these heroic men and women have done for the rest of us, our patriotism will be lost. Abraham Lincoln prophesied that a new birth of freedom would result from the travail of the Civil War. His prophecy came true. As long as we will remember the sacrifices of our honored dead, we shall not lose that freedom. It is only as we are able to keep alive in our memories the great price which has been paid for our freedom that we shall be able to conserve it. The number of those who are called upon in any nation to defend their nation is small. But if we save our freedom, we all must participate in saving it. The least that we can do is to remember.

"There was not one word in the Gettysburg Address that honored the North which could not be applied with equal aptness to the men of the South. The greatness of President Lincoln lay in the fact that he never forgot that these rebels were Americans also. He knew that they were fighting for what they thought were their rights as American citizens.

"If our nation, yea our world, is to have a new birth of freedom, we must have memories like Lincoln's which are entirely free from thought of revenge, dedicated to mercy and justice, and aimed to establish peace.

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"Knickerbocker Holiday"

SUN., MON., JUNE 4 - 5

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"Chip Off the Old Block"

Lon Chaney Pat Morrison

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"We are not only to remember Pearl Harbor, Bataan, Anzio Beach, and all the rest; but we must remember without revenge. If we remember the great battles of this war in the same way, we shall work for a peace that will give a new birth of freedom to the whole world. This will mean justice for the conquered and oppressed peoples of the world. Mercy will season justice. Let us not be misguided by this quality. Too often mercy has been looked upon as the indiscriminate forgiveness of all who oppose justice and righteousness. We can be merciful without allowing our enemies taking advantage of our principles. We disarmed after World War I. We demanded the same of our enemies. It was not long until they took advantage of our sincerity.

No nation should be allowed to have military power which shows any inclination to be aggressive and jeopardize the freedom of other nations. Rehabilitation and feeding of destroyed nations and starving peoples must follow this war immediately. Re-education and economic fair play are essential.

A government of the people, by the people and for the people must come to the whole world if we in America shall have a new birth of freedom. The time has now arrived when this world cannot long endure half free and half oppressed. Finally, our freedom cannot be of lasting quality if it is not baptized in a new allegiance to our heavenly Father whose sovereignty makes all mankind brothers.

The benediction was by Rev. Mr. Manwell.

Chapp Memorial Library

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

Congregational Church—Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Methodist Church—Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor. Church School at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "Fitting God Into Life's Program."

Sunday School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m. Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.

Methodist Church—Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor. Church School at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 11 a. m. Youth Fellowship Meeting at Lake Arcadia.

St. Francis Church—Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor. Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses: St. Francis, 9.30 a. m. State School, 8.15 a. m. Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shores at 7.30 p. m. O. E. S. Meeting.

THURSDAY

Strawberry Supper, under auspices of W. S. of C. S., in Methodist vestry.

FRIDAY

Annual Meeting and Picnic of Home Department of the Congregational Church with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward at 2.30 p. m.

SATURDAY

TODAY

B. H. S. vs. Hardwick H. S. at 3 p. m.

TOMORROW

Special Communication of Vernon Lodge.

Dates Spoken For

June 21 B. H. S. Class Night Exercises.

June 22 B. H. S. Graduation Exercises, followed by Senior Reception.

Fire Department Calls

June 6. Railroad fire at Robinson farm. June 7. Forest fire at Dressel's.

Supper Tickets Limited

Owing to the scarcity of berries, the ticket sale for the strawberry supper at the Methodist vestry on June 15 will be limited to 100.

Girl Scout Court of Honor

A Girl Scout Court of Honor was held in the Congregational parish house yesterday afternoon.

2nd class badges were presented by Mrs. Chaffee. Those receiving same were: Mary Ewell, Eleanor Rhodes, Sylvia Bouchard, Alice Ewell, Shirley Rose, Jean Archambault, Jane Hudson, Katherine King, Gloria Smith, Ruth Crowther, Betty Robertson, Alice Heath.

Other badges were presented as follows: Hostess—Talk, Susan Squires—Barbara Young, Hazel Mae Utley, Hazel Morey, Susan Squires, Jean Squires, Lois Chadbourne, Muriel Trent, Joan Kimball.

Child Care—Talk, Virginia Booth—Gloria Wildey, Fay Hislop, Elizabeth Utley, Rosemarie Noel, Virginia Booth, Elizabeth Suhl.

Foot Traveler—Talk, Elizabeth Suhl—Gloria Wildey, Hazel Mae Utley, Virginia Booth, Fay Hislop, Susan Squires, Elizabeth Utley, Barbara Young, Elizabeth Suhl.

The following were perfect in attendance for the whole year—Barbara Young, Elizabeth Suhl, Eleanor Rhodes, Gloria Wildey.

Those joining during the year having a perfect attendance were: Betty Robertson, Alice Heath, Katherine King, Esther Dickinson, Beverly Dorey.

Pins were awarded Esther Dickinson and Beverly Dorey. Mrs. Holland, in her introductory speech, thanked Mrs. Chaffee for her assistance. She commended the Franklin School girls, "who have worked hard and have come faithfully, even though most of them walk 2 1/2 miles home."

Refreshments were served.

Registration Dates

The board of registrars announce registration dates as follows:

Tuesday, June 13, at Memorial hall from 7 to 9 p. m.

Saturday, June 17, at Franklin School, from 2 to 4 p. m.

Wednesday, June 21, at Memorial hall, from noon to 10 p. m.

Participated in Invasion

The afternoon papers yesterday revealed the fact that Roland Sellew, a nephew of Charles Sanford and Mrs. E. F. Shumway, took part in the invasion, being a member of the crew of the Quincy.

Farewell Reception

The Methodist church and townspeople gave Rev. H. F. Robbins and family a farewell reception on Monday evening they will long remember, not only by reason of the kind words spoken, but by the representative nature of those saying them. There were remarks by laymen and clergy within the Methodist church, the pastor of the Congregational church, the curate of St. Francis church, a member of Vernon Lodge of Masons, and a representative of the local press.

The vestry had been transformed into an inviting reception room by the profuse use of garden flowers and home furnishings.

First came the reception. Those in the line were Rev. and Mrs. H. F. Robbins and their sons, Phillips and Frederick, honored guests, and the following representatives of the Official Board—Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Burt S. Collis, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss.

E. Clifton Witt, chairman of the finance board, was master of ceremonies. Following the singing of "Be Still My Soul," a favorite hymn of Rev. Mr. Robbins, remarks were made by Rev. E. F. Blackmer, who alluded to Mr. Robbins as "a man among a thousand," and recited from memory liberally from Sam Walter Foss's "House by the Side of the Road."

In concluding he said Rev. Mr. Robbins was known in every home, and paid him the humble yet high compliment of being a "sincere Christian man."

Pun and pleasantries punctuated the talk as was the case with many of the speakers.

Rev. Harold Suhl's testimony was that Rev. Mr. Robbins was a counsellor, comforter and friend, and that "he went about doing good." He alluded to the change in pastorates as meaning progress for the Robbins.

Rev. John P. Manwell, recently-called interim pastor at the Congregational church, told many a humorous story and spoke of the great amount of good done in the community by Rev. Mr. Robbins, of his evident faithful sowing of the seed, and of his appeals for worthy causes, to which his people had responded.

A solo, "In the Time of Roses," was sung by Miss Helen Kuzmick, with Mrs. Marion Shaw as pianist.

Rev. Joseph T. Collins, curate at St. Francis church, also a comparative newcomer, said, however, that he felt at home and among friends, due to the kindly courtesy of the people, and told in friendly fashion of personality revealing contacts he

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Special Assembly D-Day

There was a special assembly at the High school on Tuesday (D-Day) afternoon, when Rev. Joseph T. Collins, curate of St. Francis church, offered prayer, and "My Own America" was sung.

Meets Violent Death

Belchertown was startled yesterday with the discovery that Edgar Rhodes Cannon, 15, of South Main St. had met death by hanging, in the Bardwell barn.

The young man was last seen Wednesday afternoon working on an old car. He did not appear for supper and it was thought he might have gone swimming or was at a relative's on the Amherst road.

Upon notification at 8.30 yesterday morning of the boy's non-appearance, Frank L. Gold went to the swimming places of the town, but got no clue.

Shortly before 1, at the instance of Mrs. Cannon, Howard Dickinson, a neighbor, with a master key, unlocked the Bardwell barn and found the boy hanging. A chain with block and falls had been used. Dr. Miller, of Ware, medical examiner, was called, also the state police.

District Attorney Hezelton and Atty. Groubeck, his assistant, and Lieut. Nelligan and his assistant, of Northampton, came to town and conducted an investigation.

As certain aspects of the case pointed to possible foul play, Dr. Jetter of Boston was called to perform an autopsy. The investigation of the case was continuing as we went to press.

Death of Walter M. Skribiski

Walter M. Skribiski, 22, of Willson street died yesterday morning at his home following a short illness. He was born in Belchertown on January 31, 1922, son of Joseph and Anna Skribiski. He was a member of St. Francis church. During the winter he had been employed by the Stevens Arms Company in Chicopee Falls, and this summer he was working on his mother's farm.

Besides his mother, he leaves three brothers, John of Amherst, Joseph of New Jersey, and Frank of the United States Army, now in Italy, and two sisters, Blanche, at home, and Mrs. Felix Fonde of New Jersey.

The funeral will be held at the home Sunday afternoon at 2. Burial will be in Holy Rosary cemetery in Plainville.



Winston Churchill Reveals The Origin of His Style

The twentieth century has produced no finer master of English speech and writing than Winston Churchill. When the war is over and won, we shall go back to those utterances of his made when England stood alone against the tide of totalitarianism, when her best friends were counting the few months she could possibly hold out, and we shall read again with pride and amazement the words of one who could turn phrases to turn the destiny of his people.

This excerpt from an article by Churchill in a recent Harpers will show where he believes his style to have originated. It should encourage those English teachers (perhaps in a minority) who have stuck to their guns and insisted upon a firm foundation of sentence analysis and correctness in writing, while many others were accepting sloppy themes and copied "book reports," were enjoying the teaching of "appreciation" and letting the drudgery of grammar go by the board. Let's see what Mr. Churchill has to say about this one of the two most important subjects in the school curriculum:

The Origin of a Style

...by being so long in the lowest form (at Harrow), I gained an immense advantage over the cleverer boys. They all went on to learn Latin and Greek and splendid things like that. But I was taught English. We were considered such dunces that we could learn only English. Mr. Somervell—a most delightful man, to whom my debt is great—was charged with the duty of teaching the stupidest boys the most disregarded thing—namely, to write mere English. He knew how to do it. He taught it as no one else has ever taught it. Not only did we learn English parsing thoroughly, but we also practiced continually English analysis. Mr. Somervell had a system of his own. He took a fairly long sentence and broke it up into its components by means of black, red, blue and green inks. Subject, verb, object: Relative Clauses, Conditional Clauses, Conjunctive and Disjunctive Clauses! Each had its colour and its bracket. It was a kind of drill. We did it almost daily. As I remained in the Third Fourth... three times as long as anyone else, I had three times as much of it. I learned it thoroughly. Thus I got into my bones the essential structure of the ordinary British sentence—which is a noble thing. And when in after years my schoolfellows who had won prizes and distinction for writing such beautiful Latin poetry and pithy Greek epigrams, had to come down again to common English, to earn their living or make their way, I did not feel myself at any disadvantage.

vantage. Naturally I am biased in favor of boys learning English; I would make them all learn English; and then I would let the clever ones learn Latin as an honour, and Greek as a treat. But the only thing I would whip them for is not knowing English. I would whip them hard for that.

"Missionaries Are Human!"

The mail today contained a grand little mimeographed magazine, "Liaison," started last month at Amherst "to provide a medium of memorable expression for former students of Massachusetts State College... who enjoy writing, discussion, and criticism of fine arts."

Among the interesting articles was one by our own Marion Shaw Hackett, '38, who writes on the misunderstood missionary. Perhaps she will not mind my using some of it here. Many of her friends in Belchertown really do belong to that public who regard the profession as neither unduly queer nor unduly heroic.

"The general public expects a male missionary to have a stern and rockbound visage, a string tie, and dandruff on his collar. The chief adornments of a female missionary are commonly supposed to be a hat like a coal scuttle, a face like a meat axe, and the disposition of an elderly lemon. The popular attitude toward missionaries is neatly summed up in the little jingle:

I would I were a cassatory Upon the plains of Timbuctu— Then I would eat a missionary. Head, arms and legs, and hymn-book too!

"Or, if they don't obviously consider us monstrosities, people are likely to go to the other extreme and try to make heroes and heroines of us. Recently, after Bill had made a particularly good address, a well-meaning if goeey female rushed up and informed me at some length what a privilege it was to live with such a man! When I mention our plans for returning to Burma after the war, people are wont to oh and ah about how brave I am.

"This is ridiculous. If the army wives whose husbands are overseas should receive word that those husbands had found precisely the work they wanted to do for the rest of their lives, and wanted their families with them, what would those girls do? They'd pack up Junior and Sister and Great-Grandmother's pewter spoons, and take the first boat. And glad of the chance! They would agree that what takes patience, courage, honor, perspective, faith, good humor, and all the rest of the copybook lists is the time they're spending now, waiting and wondering.

"Missionaries are ordinary human beings with a job to do. We believe that if the world is to be cemented together, if all God's children are to be brothers and sisters, the cement must be mixed according to the eternal laws of the Master of the Universe. We believe that these laws are set forth in the life and teachings, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and until a majority of the earth's peoples understand them and how to obey them, the armies, the navies, the Four Freedoms,

the Atlantic Charters, the Leagues of Nations and the World Courts will accomplish very little. The only peculiar thing about missionaries is that we hold those beliefs so firmly that we are willing to risk a lifetime of work on them. Well? Most of us risk a lifetime of work on something or other, don't we? Could there be any better proposition than this upon which to risk one's life?

"Missionaries are human beings—ordinary people with a job to do. We should welcome a sincere interest in our work, but if the public cannot manage that, we do wish they would cease to regard us as something Barnum would have snatched up!"

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Definition

A committee is a group of men Who don't know what to do; So they have meetings now and then To get each other's view.

And having talked, they then decide To wait a while and let things ride. Leonard W. Morrison, M. S. C. '29—in Liaison

—Bob Jackson

Methodist Church Notes

At last Sunday's Youth Fellowship meeting, plans were made to have our next meeting an outdoor meeting at Middle pond (Lake Arcadia), if the weather permits. All those who need transportation should be at the church before 6 p. m. If the weather is stormy or too cold, the meeting will be held at the home of Miss Janice Story. Come prepared to help pay for the lunch. The June meeting of the Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shores on Wednesday evening, June 14, at 7.30.

Congregational Church Notes

Children's Sunday will be observed June 18. Parents wishing children baptized, please notify the pastor. The annual meeting and picnic of the Home Department of the Congregational church will be held with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward next week Friday afternoon at 2.30. Seven tables of bridge and one of pitch were in play at the Women's Guild card party at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Ward on Wednesday evening. First prize for ladies went to Mrs. Louis Shunway; second, to Mrs. Charles Sanford. First prize for men went to Frederick D. Farley; second, to Herman C. Knight.

Dwight Items

Mrs. Edith Pratt called on her niece, Mrs. Parker, in Leverett, on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Leigner and daughter, Bonnie, recently visited her mother here. Rev. Louis Toppan of South Amherst was in charge of services at the chapel on Sunday. Next Sunday, June 11, the people of Dwight parish will attend the services at

Pelham, this being the anniversary of the Federation of the churches. Four young ladies will represent the four churches by placing a lighted candle for the church they represent. Mrs. Gladys Jenks will represent Dwight Chapel, as she is the fourth generation of the original builders of the chapel. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Randolph of Amherst visited his mother and sister on Wednesday afternoon. George MacMillan, who recently underwent an operation on his eyes, is convalescing at the home of his son and daughter-in-law in Chicago. Peter Fisk of East Weymouth is spending his vacation at Whipoorwill Ridge Farm.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Francis Lemon, Frank Farrington, Jr., Ellery C. Holt, Douglas Rhodes, Amie Clapdron, Edward Endelson.

IT MAY NOT BE ENOUGH but we are doing our best. Most of us are unpaid volunteers. As fellow citizens we are here to help you get your fair share of scarce commodities at a fair price. Your patience... your understanding... will help make it easier for us to serve you better. In war, even more than in peace, teamwork counts. Let's work together.

O P A

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dickinson of Amherst Rd. announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Joy, to Warren M. Bock. No date has been set for the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dickinson expect to move to their new home on Oak Grove Ave., Springfield, at the close of school. Herman C. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dickinson and L. H. Blackmer and family attended the Kelley golden wedding at North Wilbraham last Saturday. Hazel Morey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Morey, participated in Miss Gertrude Tuttle's second annual dancing class recital, held at the Lawrence School in Holyoke on Monday and Tuesday evenings, June 5 and 6, appearing in the tango. There will be a special communication of Vernon Lodge tomorrow night, when past masters' night will be observed. Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook this past week were Walter Cook of Athol, Howard and daughter, Mary, of No. Amherst, and Mrs. Bertha Crowther and daughter, Shirley, of Bondsville. Mr. and Mrs. George Killackey and son, George, of Chicopee were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Menard. Dicky Cook celebrated his 5th birthday on Saturday, with 11 young guests present. Games were played, in which Sheila Menard and Betty Ann Griffin of Holyoke won the prizes. Refreshments were served. Mrs. J. V. Cook went to Leomin-

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT. To all persons interested in the estate of Duncan MacMillan, deceased, in said County, deceased. A petition has been presented to the Probate Court for probate of a will and codicil of said deceased Ernest Gordon MacMillan of said County, praying that he be appointed executor thereof, giving a surety on his bond, and that the said executor therein named be declared the trustee.

If you desire to object to or your attorney should appear in said Court at Northampton, in said County, Hampshire, before ten o'clock on the twentieth day of June, 1944, the return day of said probate.

Witness, William M. Welton, Judge of said Court, eighteenth day of May, in the one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Esq., John T. Storrs, Atty., Ware, Mass. 26-2-9

ster Wednesday to spend with her sisters.

School Honor Roll

First Honors (Averages of 90 or over)

- Anna Adzima, Wanda Krawiec, Frances Smola, Rita Bouchard, Nancy Farley, Shirley Hazen

U. S. Naval Convalescent Hospital, Glenwood Springs, Colorado, May 30, 1944

For a long time it has been in my mind to write you. I can't tell you how much the Sentinel means to us. Someone has said that a letter from home is like having a five-minute leave with the folks. Well, receiving the Sentinel is like that, only it's like receiving several letters. There's so much interesting news of folks who mean so much to us, and reading Bob Jackson's column is like dropping in on our old neighbors for a friendly call, as we used to do.

Today is a holiday for us, and how better can I use it than in writing to the home town. Of course, chaplains don't get holidays like others of the staff—and today is no exception, since I delivered the Memorial Day address. But I observed the day by sleeping a little later than usual. I may not get another chance before Christmas, since normally that is the one holiday observed by the navy in war time.

The chaplain's life is a busy one at the hospital. In addition to my duties as the only chaplain on board, I have secular activities to perform. I am the hospital's librarian for a fine library of several thousand volumes; editor-in-chief of the hospital paper, YAMPAH (Indian for healing water); and just now the job of employment agent for placing patients in employment to relieve the local labor shortage, takes much of my time. I have placed as many as 25 patients in a single day—and that involves a good deal of red tape. But it's good for the patients who are able to work, since it keeps their minds occupied, and it also relieves the local labor shortage.

The hospital consists of the old Hotel Colorado, which has a capacity of about 1,000 patients and staff. The number constantly varies, since each week new patients are admitted and others discharged. The main purpose of a convalescent hospital such as this is to return as many men as possible to duty, and send them the rest home. The average length of stay will be about six weeks. Practically all the patients are able to walk. It is strictly what the name implies—a convalescent hospital. We never have more than half a dozen bed patients.

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U. S. Naval Convalescent Hospital, Glenwood Springs, Colorado, May 30, 1944

For a long time it has been in my mind to write you. I can't tell you how much the Sentinel means to us. Someone has said that a letter from home is like having a five-minute leave with the folks. Well, receiving the Sentinel is like that, only it's like receiving several letters. There's so much interesting news of folks who mean so much to us, and reading Bob Jackson's column is like dropping in on our old neighbors for a friendly call, as we used to do.

Today is a holiday for us, and how better can I use it than in writing to the home town. Of course, chaplains don't get holidays like others of the staff—and today is no exception, since I delivered the Memorial Day address. But I observed the day by sleeping a little later than usual. I may not get another chance before Christmas, since normally that is the one holiday observed by the navy in war time.

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Camp Blanding, Florida

Just received the Belchertown Sentinel this morning at mail call,

and does it look good! I have read it from cover to cover already. We got into Camp Blanding May 18, after a rather tough train ride of forty-three hours. That was a roundabout way to get here, but we're here anyway for seventeen weeks of basic training. Guess I must have been pretty soft, because after one week of it I landed in the hospital for an operation. It was rather fortunate that it happened at the beginning, rather than half way through, because I would have had to start training all over again.

The little brown book that the Congregational church gave me is one of the nicest gifts a serviceman could have. Be home in November if I'm lucky.

Don Sessions

Just a line to inform you that my new address is as follows: P. F. C. Oscar Boyea, A. S. N. 31346230, A. S. C. 6th Engine Overhaul Squadron, Kelly Field, Texas

I am in a very good outfit and like it very much. I have a job working in the test cells, where we test run overhauled engines. They are training me to become an opera-

tor and trouble shooter. All my Sentinels have come through and I enjoy each one very much.

Oscar Boyea

Warren Bock, S 1-C, is home on leave, after spending nearly a year in the South Pacific fighting Japs. After his leave, he expects to return to the west coast.

2nd Lt. Douglas Meigide, pilot of a B17, stationed at Langley Field, Virginia, called on former friends and neighbors in town on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Lt. Meigide formerly lived in Dwight, and was employed, while attending High School, at Mrs. Etta Randolph's.—Dwight News.

Master Sergeant Herbert I. Story, Sr., is spending a 15-day furlough with his family on Jackson street. He is stationed at Camp Barkley, Tex.

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Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Veronica Rogg, otherwise known as Veronika Rugg, Veronica E. Rugg, Veronica Esther Rugg and Veronica Rogg, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale, certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Attorney
Ware
June 2-9-16

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To all persons interested in the estate of John H. Storrs, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by John T. Storrs and George T. Storrs, both of Ware, in said County, praying that they be appointed executors thereof, without giving a surety on their bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of July, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
9-16-23

Farewell Reception

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had had with Rev. and Mrs. Robbins. He sensed the fact that he had been a great influence in the community, and that it was better because he had been here, and alluded to him as a sincere Christian gentleman. Fr. Collins said that this was no day for smallness—that Christ came not to save this denomination or that, but to save all.

Dr. Arthur E. Westwell responded for the State School, where Rev. Mr. Robbins has conducted services, and for the combined men's clubs. He spoke of Mr. Robbins' good influence at the school and knew that the children had appreciated him. As for the Men's club, Dr. Westwell said he had made two interesting discoveries regarding the participating churches—they jointly owned a stereo picture and they had a joint men's club. He spoke of the possibility of paying full allegiance

to a particular faith, and yet being willing to gather together with others in fellowship. He said, "If we can't get along together, we are not a democracy." He added his testimony to the helpfulness of Rev. Mr. Robbins.

Following "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," Mrs. Burt Collis, accompanist, L. H. Blackmer read an original sketch entitled, "The Migration of the Rob(b)ins."

District Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Everett A. Geer, spoke for Vernon Lodge of Masons, of which Rev. Mr. Robbins is chaplain. He complimented him on the reverent manner in which he had fulfilled his duties, and of the high regard in which he was held by his fellow Masons.

A solo, "A Perfect Day," was rendered by Miss Kuzmick, following which Richard Dickinson, on behalf of the Sunday School and the Youth Fellowship, presented flowers to Mrs. Robbins. Mrs. Amy Allen, vice-president of the W. S. of C. S., presented a gift on behalf of the Evening Group.

E. Clifton Witt, on behalf of the church and townspeople, presented a purse of money as evidence of esteem. He spoke of how, ably Rev. Mr. Robbins had filled the place of "Rocky," who seemed at the time well nigh irreplaceable, and testified to the fact that "our lives are richer by reason of your ministry."

Rev. Mr. Robbins appropriately responded. He deeply appreciated the tributes paid him (even admitting he had clapped a couple of times, until admonished that it was not in good taste), but testified to the fact that a large part of the credit for any success he may have achieved, should go to his better half, who had gone over his sermons with discriminating criticism. He also paid tribute to the "preacher's kids." He spoke of churches linking together successfully as had Ware and Belchertown, and of his hope for further ventures in church unity. He said in conclusion that he might find bigger churches and larger audiences, but "no people better than those we have been privileged to live among here in Belchertown."

The program closed with those present forming a circle around the room and joining hands, the while singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds." Refreshments were then served and a social hour enjoyed.

The general committee for the evening consisted of Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, Mrs. Lloyd Chadbourne, Mrs. Isaac Hodgen, Mrs. Raymond Gay, Mrs. Ida Roberts, Mrs. Alice Wildey, Mrs. Annie Bruce and Miss Janice Gay.

The reception committee consisted of Mrs. Frances Hodgen, George Booth, Donald Terry, W. Paige Piper, Mrs. Marion Plant and Mrs. Catherine Chadbourne.

THE MIGRATION OF THE ROB(B)INS

I think that we will all agree that we are living in an exceedingly crazy world. The times are out of joint and we know not what a day or an hour may bring forth. It has been comforting, however, to feel that there are certain immutable natural laws that have not been tampered with. The force of gravity still operates, trees leaf out in the spring, the grass turns green, and the robins come back.

FOR SALE—Standing Grass.
H. C. Knight
So. Main St.
Tel. 3791

FOR RENT—House located on So. Main St., known as the Edward P. Bartlett house. Inquire of Herman C. Knight, Belchertown. Tel. 3791.

But that is what is so upsetting this spring—the Rob(b)ins are not coming back. By every natural law they should return, but instead of that, they are leaving, and are leaving in the spring, which leads me to wonder whether God is still in his heaven and all is right with this here world.

Of course, the stay of the Rob(b)ins has been pleasant. We've seen them flit from one branch to another—sometimes it's been the Belcher town one and sometimes the Ware. Many's the time they've spent one-third of an evening in one parish, one-third in the other, another one-third at a district meeting, and still another one-third figuring out how to make a respectable get-away from one third to the next third. A lesser man than Rev. Mr. Robbins would have gotten all four-thirds mad at him.

Yes, the Rob(b)ins have been flitting here and there. Sometimes in the future, either here or hereafter, I know full well that this itinerant Methodist preacher will possess an airplane. Robbie will be in the cockpit—you can depend on that, and he'll have one awful time keeping the speed down below 400, while the cabin will be packed with Ladies' Aiders, bound for a meeting somewhere.

You may laugh at the idea, but somehow or other I've always liked the Rob(b)ins' eyes. There's been something honest, straightforward and friendly about them. If all the human family had such eyes, there'd be no need for rationing, safe deposit boxes, armies or navies.

You may think again that I've been seeing things, but after many a men's club speaker has finished, after doing a grand job in the field of idealism and realism, Robbie has gotten up to say a word of appreciation, his eyes sparkling and his face expressing satisfaction, making a picture with which not even the classic one of the colored youth finishing a watermelon could possibly compare. Yes, Robbie has lived in and been the embodiment of the things of the spirit.

No, life will not be the same without the Rob(b)ins—they have been such companionable creatures and their lives have been one glad sweet song.

I am not a specialist on birds, but I understand they band these feathered creatures of the air, so I suggest banding the Rob(b)ins before they leave us. And what inscription do I suggest putting on these precious bits of aluminum—or what is it now? It is, "No matter where these Rob(b)ins are found, they'll find no better friends than those they left in good old Belchertown."

The committee for the farewell reception to Rev. and Mrs. Robbins wish to express their gratitude to all those who helped in any way to make the party a success.

Town Items

A committal service will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 at Mt. Hope cemetery, when the ashes of Mrs. Ella Norton of Northampton will be interred. Rev. John P. Manwell will conduct the service.

The stock and tools at the H. H. Witt farm, bought by Harold B. Ketchen, will be sold at public auction on the premises, Wednesday, June 14, at 1 p. m., the sale being conducted by the Granger Sales Co.

CASINO

WARE—BUY BONDS

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Geo. Sanders Virginia Bruce
"ACTION IN ARABIA"
East Side Kids
"Million Dollar Kid"

SUN., MON., JUNE 11 - 12
Edw. G. Robinson Lynn Bari
"TAMPICO"

Joe E. Brown June Havoc
"Casanova in Burlesque"

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of Thompsonville, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Greene of State street announce the engagement of their daughter, Beverly, to Henry Banas, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Banas of Indian Orchard. No date has been set for the wedding.

The graduating class of the Granby grammar school, comprising 22 pupils, with teachers, enjoyed an outing at Fontaine's beach, Lake Metacomet, on Tuesday.

Auxiliary Represented

In last week's article concerning the Memorial Day observance, we neglected to make mention of the fact that the Legion Auxiliary was represented in the line, and that Mrs. Frederick Farley, Mrs. Melville Ayers and Mrs. Rachel Baker, county director, represented the Auxiliary at the exercises, Mrs. Farley having charge of refreshments. The numbers were few, but recognition is nevertheless due.

Dies in Saoo, Me.

Mrs. Eva Morse Oleson, wife of Edward P. Oleson, of Springfield, who died suddenly on the 2nd in the home of her sister, Mrs. C. L. Percy of Saoo, Me., was born in Belchertown, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morse, and graduated from Belchertown High school. The funeral was at Byron's funeral home on the 5th, with burial in Mount Hope cemetery.

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The Coming Week
SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—

Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
Children's Day Concert.

Sunday School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Youth Fellowship at 5.30 p. m. at Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck's.

—Methodist Church—

Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

Youth Fellowship with Miss Janice Story at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

Baccalaureate Service in Lawrence Memorial hall at 4 p. m. Sermon by Rev. John P. Manwell. "The Appeal of the Heroic."

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Annual Meeting of Women's Guild with Mrs. Julia Ward at 2.30 p. m.

B. H. S. Class Night Exercises in Lawrence Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

THURSDAY

B. H. S. Graduation Exercises in Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m., followed by Senior Reception at 9 p. m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY

Annual Meeting and Picnic of Home Department of the Congregational Church with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward at 2.30 p. m.

TOMORROW

Dates Spoken For

June 25
Public Dinner under auspices of Women's Guild and Youth Fellowship, in Congregational parish house at 12.30 p. m.

Death of
Charles Cook

Charles Cook, 70, died at his home on East Walnut street last Saturday. He was born in 1874 in Granby, the son of Alexander P. and Harriet (Bartlett) Cook. He engaged in farming and was for many years at the Jason W. Hurlburt farm in the Turkey Hill district. He lived here 45 years. He married Amy Dickinson of this town.

He was a member of the Alexander P. Cook Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil war, an organization which was named after his father, a Civil War veteran.

Besides his widow, he leaves four sons, Howard of North Amherst, Walter of Athol, and Chester and Kenneth of this town; three daughters, Mrs. Joshua Crowther of Bondsville, Mrs. George Chapin of Warren and Mrs. Rexford Crowther of this town; twenty-nine grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Cora Hosley of Athol, and a brother, Clifford A. Cook of Granby.

The funeral was held at the Congregational church, Monday afternoon at 2, Rev. John P. Manwell officiating. Bearers were Walter Cook of Athol, Howard Cook of No. Amherst, Chester Cook of this town and Clifford Cook of Granby. Burial was in West cemetery, Granby.

To Be Inducted Next
Week

Stanley A. Dudek will be inducted into the Army June 21.

No one from this town was in the group taking pre-induction physicals on Tuesday.

Four Register

The following registered as voters on Tuesday:

Marcel Camp	Jabish St.
Margaret W. Doubleday	Federal St.
Mildred E. Wilson	No. Main St.
Charles Wilson	No. Main St.

The last opportunity to register before the primaries on July 11, is as indicated below.

Registration Dates

The board of registrars announce registration dates as follows:

Saturday, June 17, at Franklin School, from 2 to 4 p. m.
Wednesday, June 21, at Memorial hall, from noon to 10 p. m.

Dr. Booth Made a Bishop

Dr. Newell S. Booth, visiting professor and head of the Africa Department of the Kennedy School of Missions, Hartford Seminary Foundation, and a native of this town, was elected Bishop of Africa by the Northern Jurisdictional



Newell S. Booth

Methodist Conference, meeting at Ocean City, New Jersey last week and was duly consecrated last Sunday afternoon at a consecration service held in that place and which was attended by Dr. Booth's brother, George Booth and wife, of this town. Dr. Booth has the distinction of being the youngest bishop in the Methodist church.

Dr. Booth was elected to his new office on the first ballot taken for the Bishop of the Foreign Service. He was consecrated along with three other bishops elected for service in this country. Dr. Booth was in town early this week visiting his brothers, Harold and George, and a sister, Mrs. Harold Suhm.

As soon as arrangements can be made, probably in September, Dr. Booth will proceed to Africa, it is expected by plane, to take over the work which has been carried on by John M. Springer, who retires at the end of this month.

Dr. Booth was born in this town in 1903, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Booth. He was awarded three degrees from Boston University—B. A., S. T. B., and S. T. N. He did graduate work at the Kennedy School of Missions in Hartford, 1929-30, before going to Africa as a missionary of the Methodist church, where he was stationed in the Belgian Congo as principal of the Theological Training School of the Methodist Conference. In 1935-36 he studied again at Kennedy School of Missions and was granted the degree of Doctor of

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Graduation Events

Events of graduation week will take place as follows:

Sunday, at 4 p. m., in Lawrence Memorial hall—Baccalaureate Service.

Wednesday, at 8 p. m., in Lawrence Memorial hall—Class Night Exercises.

Thursday, at 7.30 p. m., in Lawrence Memorial hall—Graduation Exercises.

Thursday, at 9 p. m., in Lawrence Memorial hall—Senior Reception.

Rev. John P. Manwell, interim pastor of the Congregational church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon, his subject being "The Appeal of the Heroic." Rev. Joseph Collins, curate of St. Francis church will give the benediction, and it is possible that Rev. Mr. Belcher, new pastor at the Methodist church may assist in the service. Class Night exercises are open to all, no seats being reserved.

Admission to the Graduation exercises on Thursday evening is by ticket. A feature of the exercises will be greetings to the graduating class by Julius E. Warren, commissioner of Education, who comes here on invitation of Supt. Greenfield, by reason of the fact that he is a personal friend of C. L. Randall, chairman of the school committee. Frances Smola will be the valedictorian and Wanda Krawiec, salutatorian. There will be three songs by the High school glee club, under the direction of Byron Hudson. Mrs. Albert Markham will be pianist.

The Senior Reception will follow the Graduation exercises, at approximately 9 p. m.

Senior Reception

The Senior Reception, sponsored by the Sophomore class, will be held Thursday, June 22nd, at 9 p. m., following graduation. The music will be furnished by Emil R. Wierasz of Easthampton. The admission for dancing is 60 cents, including tax; and for the balcony, 30 cents including tax. Refreshments will be served. The dance is semi-formal.

The committees are as follows: Decoration: Mary McKillop, Shirley Hazen, John Krawiec.

Ticket: Helen Baril, Alice Lofland.

Refreshment: Nancy Farley, Grace Dodge, Allen Tadgell.

Publicity: Ann Henry, Phyllis Cook, Pauline Baker.

Music: Stanford Harrington, Paul Barrett, Janice Story.

Come one, come all, for an enjoyable evening.

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Newest Division Leaves
"The Schoolhouse Line"

These last weeks of June find us watching new lines of boys and girls, beautiful in the freshness of youth and health, march solemnly and proudly to their seats down front, where they will listen more or less intently to words of adult wisdom or to the admonition of their honored classmates, then file one by one for the handshake and diploma which represent the climax of their twelve years of education in the American way.

As we watch them we are torn between nostalgia as we remember our own commencements, and sympathetic apprehension as we envisage the years ahead for them.

They are just kids, these graduates—it was only yesterday they were waiting for the frosting dish; only this morning that they were faring forth to first grade, impatient of our advice and scolding our protective hand.

Theirs is to be no bed of roses in the world "outside," either, despite the prevalence of that flower in their gift bouquets and its sweet fragrance in the warm spring air of the auditorium.

The boys are 16 or 17 or 18. That means a scant year of the long-planned-for college course, or a year of that first real job—then the long arm of the military services will reach out for most of them and they will be on their own indeed. Notice their expressions as they march. Cheerfulness and anxiety, hope and worry, certainty and uncertainty—these are curiously mingled on their faces.

And we know as we lovingly watch them that no one can foresee what the years ahead may hold. They are boys dedicated by their nation to the cause of its preservation. All else must wait until destiny has had its way with them.

Nor is the immediate future any brighter for the sweet girl graduate of 1944. She must live along without the companionship of boys of her own age. She may fall in love and marry on his furlough, or she may wait for him; but the normal short career at earning money, with courtship by easy stages, plans for the wedding, and all the rest which have been the good fortune of her older women acquaintances will in all likelihood not be hers. There is more than a laugh in the song, "They're Either Too Young or Too Old." At a recent senior prom I missed several girls who had been prominent in their class. One had a sweetheart off to the invasion of Normandy; another was engaged to an aviator now stationed in Florida—they just didn't feel like promising without them; in fact, there were few available substitutes, had they desired one.

If one had to choose between the two, one would prefer the danger and excitement ahead of the average boy graduate to the V-mail days and months which stretch ahead for the girl.

Yet the picture must not be painted entirely with the grays of a wartime palette. Here is a generation of boys and girls who at least knew that the world needs them, needs them immediately and desperately, needs their faith and optimism, needs their strength and perseverance, needs their knowledge and their skill. Those who were graduated during the thirties did not have the sense of being needed. They were the "youth problem," the new drops to overflow the brimming vessel of unemployment; they were the leftists who might by their radicalism breed of disillusionment upset the delicate balances of American life.

These latest graduates can hear the call. They are, moreover, quietly ready to respond to it. Even above the speaker's voice and the profound notes of the recession, the roar of airplanes can be heard overhead. They are stirred, these kids of ours, by the responsibility they feel to be theirs, by the sure knowledge that they must be weighed in the balances much sooner than were the graduates of a few years ago.

They secretly thrill to the greatness of America as have few youngsters in the generations past. Their response to the needs of their country will be like that of Isaiah ages ago "in the year that King Uzziah died."

Do you remember: "Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a live coal in his hand which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar.

"And he laid it upon my mouth and said, 'Lo, this hath touched thy lips, and thine iniquity is taken away and thy sin purged.'

"Also I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then said I, 'Here am I; send me.'"

At this Commencement time, from all of the nation's 30,000 high-school graduation platforms I see boys and girls soberly filing in endless lines, their first precious and irredeemable years of alumnhood dedicated to the service of those concepts to which they owe their education, their hearts purged by the live coals of their nation's need—saying silently but with a fervency that will be felt all over a war-sick world: "Here am I; send me!"

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"This above all: to thine own self be true;

And it must follow, as the night the day,

Thou canst not then be false to any man."—*Hamlet*

—Bob Jackson

To Be Married June 24

Leland Otto Bilz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto M. Bilz of Allen St., and Miss Elsie Mary Michalak, daughter of Mrs. John Campenilli of Atk-ol will be married on Saturday, June 24, at four o'clock in the Methodist church in this town, Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, former pastor, officiating.

Miss Michalak is employed at the laboratories of the Worthington in Holyoke, while Mr. Bilz is employed at Monsanto's in Springfield.

Balances on Appropriations as of May 31, 1944

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Selectmen	\$800.00		\$24.15	\$775.85
Town Accountant	425.00		100.00	325.00
Treasurer	690.00		6.50	683.50
Town Clerk	450.00		103.00	347.00
Tax Collector	725.00		2.62	722.38
Assessors	675.00		79.52	595.48
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	100.00		2.38	97.62
Election and Registration	700.00		466.22	233.78
Town Hall	50.00		26.72	23.28
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		63.25	136.75
Police	500.00		191.69	308.31
Civilian Defense	200.00		53.24	146.76
Fire Department	900.00		413.51	486.49
Forest Fires	900.00		684.48	215.52
Hydrant Service	1,500.00			1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00		186.16	413.84
Tree Warden	200.00		113.25	86.75
Sealer Weights & Measures	75.00			75.00
Health	1,000.00		449.83	550.17
Snow Removal	2,500.00		760.92	1,739.08
Highways—Streets	350.00		83.34	266.66
Highways—Bridges	400.00		22.95	377.05
Highways—Chapter 81	3,500.00	12,875.00†	2,230.09	14,144.91
Maintenance Ch. 90 work	1,000.00			1,000.00
Road Machinery Expense	1,500.00	200.18*	715.75	984.43
Street Lights	2,000.00		808.85	1,191.15
Public Welfare	5,000.00		1,917.33	3,082.67
Aid Dependent Children	1,500.00		1,137.35	362.65
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00		9,919.84	11,080.16
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00		143.00	1,857.00
Schools	49,300.00		20,032.21	29,267.79
Vocational Education	300.00			300.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	200.00		55.35	144.65
Rationing Board	150.00		40.11	109.89
Cemeteries	500.00			500.00
Soldiers' Graves	50.00			50.00
Maturing Debt	1,000.00			1,000.00
Interest	250.00		10.00	240.00
Memorial Day	100.00			100.00
Armistice Day	25.00			25.00
Honor Roll	100.00			100.00
Town Clock	50.00			50.00
Public Dump	50.00			50.00
Insurance	2,200.00		1,706.91	493.09
Unpaid Bills	1,008.16		1,008.16	
Unclassified	400.00		311.00	89.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00			1,000.00

*1943 Balance †State Allotment

Rationing Board Notes

(Next week's meeting on Friday evening instead of Thursday)

Grade 1—Henry Witt, Rollin Benson (2), Douglas Rhodes, Florence Crowe, Ellery Holt, Kenneth Hawkins, Harlan Davis, Arthur Courchesne.

Grade 2—Mary Dahlgren, Francis St. Cyr (2).

Truck—Raymond C. Gay, Alvin Bush, Thomas Hanifin (2).

Troop Committee Meets

The Girl Scout troop committee met at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Ruth Fuller, on Tuesday. A new member of the committee is Mrs. Willard H. Young. Due to the current interest in Girl Scouting in Belchertown, it is planned to organize a senior troop in the fall, and the matter of forming a brownie troop is being considered.

Children's Day Sunday

Children's Day will be observed at the Congregational church on Sunday. The responsive reading will be by Miss Nancy Farley, the prayer by George Jackson, and a complete program of exercises and recitations will be given by the Church School. Rev. Mr. Manwell will present Bibles, and there will be infant baptisms.

Townpeople Again Invited

Plans are already made for the Fourth of July celebration at the State School—always a big day at the institution. The highlights will be the parade, the track meet, the baseball game, and the movies. Dr. Tadgell extends a cordial invitation to the townspeople to go down for the parade, the track meet and the ball game, but cannot extend an invitation to attend the movies as all the auditorium space will be required for the pupils, all the buildings attending at once.

It is fine, however, to be able to look forward to the other events—especially the parade.

Town Items

Mrs. Burt S. Collis celebrated her birthday on Monday by spending the day with her sister, Mrs. Lucius Rindge of Westfield. She was accompanied by another sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reynolds of Indian Orchard.

Mrs. Julia Schumacher of Fullerton, Cal., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Florence Peeso.

Mrs. E. F. Shumway is in Middletown, Ct., for the High School graduation of her niece, Patricia Sellow.

The family of Captain E. H. Low are at their home on the Old Enfield road, where they will spend the summer.

No. 5

Telephone Kids' Quiz

Major difficulty was over- establishing the new radio- service between New Moscow?

Interferences caused by the magnetic pole . . . near the circuit passes.

Is this service installed?

Help shorten the war by closer communication with allies.

Telephone Kids help war- effort?

By careful use of party making only necessary by keeping all conver- sation brief.



Pvt. Elwyn H. Wood, U. S. Army 31467854
Co. A., 9th Bn., A. S. F. T. C.
Fort Belvoir, Virginia

Raymond Pierce has been promoted to sergeant. He is with the medical corps, as first aid man and ambulance driver, somewhere in England.

Word last received from Sgt. Lewis E. Squires is that he is in Corsica and serving as airplane mechanic.

Kenneth Rhodes of Fort Knox, Ky., was at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhodes, over the week-end.

Pvt. Harvey R. Plant, who is stationed at Indiantown Gap, Pa., is home on a 10-day furlough.

Town Items

The funeral of Walter M. Skribiski of Wilson street was held from the home Sunday afternoon at 2, followed by prayer service at St. Francis church, with Rev. Joseph T. Collins, curate, in charge. The bearers were Mitchell and Chester Dzwonkoski of this town; Walter Kielbowicz, Joseph Sawickas and Charles Pietraits of Amherst and Stanley Skribiski of Sunderland. Burial was in the Holy Rosary cemetery in Plainville, and Fr. Collins offered prayer at the grave. A high mass of requiem was celebrated in the church Monday morning at 9.

Joseph Smith, formerly of Enfield, who makes his home with Mrs. Cora Steen, celebrated his 90th birthday on Tuesday. He is still active. In fact he celebrated his natal day by working in the garden. Mr. Smith was employed for a great many years on the Shirer farm in Enfield.

The funeral of Edgar Rhodes Cannon, who died last week, was held at the Congregational church on Saturday afternoon at 2, Rev. John P. Manwell officiating. Mrs. Albert Markham presided at the organ. Bearers were Frank Gold, Howard Morey, Irving Hislop and George Lofland. Burial was in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Mrs. M. E. Simpson of Munsell road is convalescing at the home of Mrs. Eva Webb, following a fall at her home.

Mrs. Helen Harding and daughter, Nola, of Worcester are spending a few days with Mrs. Harding's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Peck.

Rev. Joseph Belcher, new pastor at the Methodist church, is having to commute from Somerville each week, as the parsonage where the West Springfield pastor is going is not yet ready, thus holding up several appointees in their old parishes, Rev. H. F. Robbins of Ware, included.

Buy AN EXTRA WAR BOND

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BETWEEN JUNE 12 and JULY 8

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Power to be Shut Off

The Central Mass. Electric Company announces that in order to make emergency repairs, power will be shut off this coming Sunday morning from 1 to 3.

Grange Notes

The feature of the Grange meeting next Tuesday evening will be a flower show. All having flowers are asked to bring them. There will be a prize for the best-arranged bouquet. Miss Elsie Thresher is chairman of the committee in charge.

Methodist Church Notes

Twenty attended the outing of the Youth Fellowship at Lake Arcadia last Sunday night. Baseball and swimming were enjoyed. Next Sunday night's meeting will be with Miss Janice Story.

Dies in Leverett

William G. Peeso was notified early yesterday morning of the death of his only sister, Ruth Peeso Richardson, widow of Anson Richardson of Leverett. Mrs. Richardson was born in Belchertown, the daughter of Henry Jackson Peeso and Dolly Ann Copley. She was 89 years of age and up to Wednesday evening was in good health. She leaves besides her brother, two sons and two daughters and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. The funeral will be in Leverett on Sunday at 2.

Win Two Games

Belchertown High defeated Hardwick High, 10 to 2, at Parsons field last Friday. Bock allowed two hits in the first inning and then pitched hitless ball.

Belchertown High won a free-hitting game 12-11 from Petersham in that place on Tuesday, thereby winding up its season with four victories and two defeats. Belchertown batted 21 hits and Bock fanned 16.

Dies in Athol

Willard H. V. Belding informs us of the death of a cousin, Mrs. Julia F. Rowe, 63, wife of Richard F. Rowe, a veteran Athol mail carrier, last Saturday. Mr. Rowe drove a baker's cart for the late John W. Jackson for four or five years, and it was while thus employed that the couple lived at Mr. Belding's, where their oldest boy was born. Later the family moved to Athol where Mr. Rowe took up his old trade as a printer, later becoming a mail carrier, from which duties he expects to retire in September. Mrs. Rowe was born in Whately, the daughter of Franklin H. and Emeline (Belding) Bradley.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Edmund E. and David W., both of Athol; two daughters, Mrs. Carl H. Main of Athol and Mrs. V. H. Perry of Templeton; a sister, Mrs. Mabel H. Thomas of Waltham; two brothers, Franklin H. of Athol, and Frederick of Plantville, Conn., and six grandchildren.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Veronica Rog, otherwise known as Veronika Rugg, Veronica E. Rugg, Veronica Esther Rugg and Veronica Rogg, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale, certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of June, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Attorney
Ware
June 2-9-16

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of John H. Storrs, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by John T. Storrs and George T. Storrs, both of Ware, in said County, praying that they be appointed executors thereof, without giving a surety on their bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of July, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
9-16-23

Dr. Booth Made a Bishop

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Philosophy — dissertation, "Teaching a Bantu Community." He is the author of text books in English, French and three African languages for use in the African schools. For the last four years before returning to America, he was superintendent of the Methodist Mission in the Southern Congo.

Since returning to this country in 1941, he has spoken widely throughout the country on Africa. In 1942 he was organizing secretary for the All-Africa Conference held at Westerville, Ohio. This past year he has been visiting professor in the Kennedy School of Missions, acting as head of the Africa Department.

Dr. Booth's wife, Esma Rideout Booth, is author of children's stories and books, and has just completed the Junior Study book for the Mis-

sionary Education Movement, and is working on a biography of George Washington Carver for the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. Mrs. Booth is a native of Maine, with academic degrees from Boston University and Hartford Seminary.

Children are Newell S. Booth, Jr., a graduate from the Hartford Public High School in the class of 1944, who is enrolled in Boston University for pre-theological studies, and is planning to prepare himself for missionary work in Africa; and a daughter, Esma Marie Ndoi Booth.

Mrs. Booth and children will stay in this country for the time being.

Town Items

The Rationing Board will meet next week Friday evening (at the usual hour), instead of on Thursday evening, by reason of the High school graduation.

A devotional service with a story by Miss Adams, assistant to Miss Worthington, featured the closing session of the Week-day School of Religious Education in the Methodist church on Monday afternoon. Several townspeople were in attendance and other grades from the center schools were invited for the occasion. About forty children have been accommodated by the school this past year.

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John Fletcher

FOUND—on No. Washington St., male dog, mostly black, little brown.
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

FOR SALE—Tomato, broccoli, cauliflower and cabbage plants.
Mrs. Charles Engel
Hannum St.
Tel. 3136

HELP WANTED for orchard work.
E. C. Howard

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the friends, neighbors and relatives for the lovely flowers and the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown in our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Charles Cook
Howard R. Cook and family
Walter L. Cook and family
Chester A. Cook
Kenneth Cook
J. H. Crowther and family
George Chapin and family
Dorothy Crowther and family

**Congregational Church
Notes**

The annual meeting and picnic of the Home department will be held at Mrs. Evelyn Ward's this afternoon at 2.30.

The Youth Fellowship will hold their final meeting of the year Sunday night with a picnic at the "picnic grounds" of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Peck at 5.30 p. m. Bring your own lunch. There will be a fire for those desiring to cook hot dogs. There will be an important business meeting, with election of officers for the ensuing year.

The annual meeting of the Women's Guild will be held with Mrs. Julia Ward next week Wednesday afternoon at 2.30. This will be an important meeting, when policies for the ensuing year will be discussed. Devotions are in charge of Mrs. Freida Gould. The hostesses are Mrs. Florence Utley and Mrs. Edna Moore.

The Women's Guild and Youth Fellowship of the Congregational church will serve a public dinner in the parish house, Sunday, June 25, at 12.30 p. m.

**Absentee Voting Forms
Arrive**

Forms are available at the town clerk's office for which kindred of servicemen can apply to petition for absentee ballots.

CASINO
WARE—BUY BONDS
FRI., SAT., JUNE 16 - 17
Jean Gabin Richard Whorf
"THE IMPOSTER"
and
"WEEK-END PASS"
SUN., MON., JUNE 18 - 19
The Surprise Show
"THE HITLER GANG"
and
"Moon Over Las Vedas"
3 DAYS COM. TUES., JUNE 20
Kay Francis Martha Raye
"Four Jills and a Jeep"
and
"Bridge of San Luis Rey"

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Payments may be made at
JACKSON'S STORE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Emma King of Ware, in said County, aged person.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said Emma King for her maintenance.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of July, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this tenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware, Mass.
16-23-30

**IN MEMORY OF
WALTER SKRIBISKI**

God, in his image had fashioned
A lad sturdy and tall,
Who gave of his strength and vision
In a manner beloved by all.
A Samaritan and a neighbor
Has left this valley of ours
To dwell where far horizons
Light up the Ivory Towers.
—Mrs. Alvin Bush
June 9, 1944

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**The Coming Week
SUNDAY**

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Servants of God"

Public Dinner under auspices of Women's Guild and Youth Fellowship, in Congregational parish house at 12.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—

Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
St. John's Day Service at 11 a. m.
Vernon Lodge and O. E. S., guests.

Children's Day Exercises at 7 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

Firemen's Association.

TUESDAY

Double or Nothing Club Picnic at Pelham Country Club, leaving parish house as near 6 as possible.

Boy Scout Meeting in Memorial Hall at 7 p. m.

Evening Group of W. S. of C. S., with Mrs. Catherine Chadbourne.

WEDNESDAY

Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Laura Wood.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Party for Primary Department of Congregational Church School, in Parish House from 3 to 5 p. m.

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW

**Michalak-Bilz Wedding
Tomorrow**

The wedding of Miss Elsie Mary Michalak of Main street, daughter of Mrs. John Campenilli of Athol, and Leland Otto Bilz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto M. Bilz of Allen St., will take place tomorrow afternoon at 4 in the Methodist church, Rev. Horatio F. Robbins, former pastor, officiating, using the double-ring service. Mrs. Burt Collis will be the organist.

The bridesmaid will be the bride's sister-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Michalak of Main St., and the best man, her brother, Joseph Michalak. The bride's gown is of velvety, and the veil, worn by the groom's mother at her own wedding, is of finger-tip length. She will carry talisman roses.

The bridesmaid's gown is of pink net and her bouquet of deep pink carnations. The mothers of the couple will be attired in light blue silk jersey, both carrying corsages. Decorations for the church are greens, peonies and mountain laurel. A reception for thirty-five guests, members of the immediate families, will take place at the Quabbin club, where the color scheme will be blue and white.

The bride's going-away dress is of grey crepe with white accessories. The wedding trip will be spent in Maine. The bride was born in Springfield, graduated from Watertown high school, and is employed in the X-ray laboratory of the Worthington Corporation in Holyoke.

The groom was born in Holyoke, graduated from the Holyoke vocational school, and is employed at Monsanto's in Springfield. Guests are expected from Athol, Boston, Northampton, North Hadley and Holyoke.

Public Dinner Sunday

The Women's Guild and Youth Fellowship will serve a public dinner in the parish house on Sunday at 12.30. There will be covered dishes and the price will be 40 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. Mrs. Roy Kimball is chairman of the combined committee.

Boy Scout Meeting

Scoutmaster Ira Shattuck announces that there will be a meeting of Boy Scouts in Memorial hall next Tuesday evening at 7 to organize for summer activities. Chief Warner of the Scout Council will be present to give a talk and possibly show pictures. It is hoped that the scouts will turn out in good numbers.

Class Night Exercises

B. H. S. Class Night Exercises were held in Lawrence Memorial hall on Tuesday evening at 8. They were delightfully informal. Frank Gold was master of ceremonies. Byron Hudson was director and Mrs. Phyllis Markham piano accompanist.

The address of welcome was by Marion Cole, who in mentioning the school committee and the teachers, said, "It is you who have guided us along the path leading to higher education. You are the ones who have taught us that 'Diplomas are milestones, not stop-signs.'"

The class history was by Frank Gold who recalled that there were 44 in the class at the start of the Freshmen year. There was a vein of humor running through otherwise dry statistics. One entry was: "In the parade on October 12 we entered Jackie Avery as a comic actor for the Halloween Dance. He won for us a prize of \$2." (Avery was razzed right and left for this and that during the evening). Another item read: "On June 1 we bought the Oracle from the Seniors..." In the Senior year they realized \$105 on the magazine drive.

Following "Bombardier Song" by the chorus, class characteristics were given by Mary Stolar. She called Mary Keyes the best natured and the wittiest, Wanda Krawiec and Frank Gold the most talented, she accused Jackie Avery of breaking the most hearts and Frank Gold for the record shortage. Frances Smola was called the most studious girl, Florence Rhodes the most bashful and well-behaved, Marion Cole the most contemplative, George Henry the most popular and most handsome boy, Cecelia McLean the year's pin-up girl, Elsie Cannon the most cooperative, Helen Boyko the most athletic, Marguerite McKillop the cutest girl, Anna Adzima the best-dressed girl, Dorothy Bigos the greatest orator, Helen Bak the beautiful blonde, and Sophie Wynzen the cosmetic fiend, etc.

"Sky Anchors" was given by the chorus, following which Dorothy Bigos gave the prophecy with the help of "Madame Louise, who is sitting on this very platform in front of her crystal ball with a perplexed look on her face." The following futures were predicted: Frank Gold, jive band leader; Sophie Wynzen, floor show artist; Mary Keyes, entertainer; Wanda Krawiec, Metropolitan Opera singer; Helen Bak, model; Jackie Avery, chain store magnate; Cecelia McLean, secretary; Irene Puta, child nurse; George Henry, navy air corps; Florence Rhodes, conductor on Union Pacific; Frances Smola, professor.

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Children's Day Observance Sunday Night

Children's Day will be observed at the Methodist church on Sunday evening at 7, the program being put on by members of the Youth Fellowship and the Sunday School.

Guests of Honor

Vernon Lodge of Masons and Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., will be guests of honor at the Methodist church on Sunday morning in observance of St. John's Day. The Masons will meet at their rooms at 10.30, while the Eastern Star members will meet in front of the church at 10.45.

New Registrations

Two people registered at the meeting of the board of registrars at Franklin school last Saturday:

Precinct A
Daniel J. Fitzgerald Jackson St.
Precinct B
Mary Jusko So. Liberty St.

The following registered on Wednesday:

Women
Baker Geraldine H. Maple St.
Barnes Josephine E. Egleston St.
Beaudoin Annie R. Metacomet St.
Bosworth Clara I. Gulf Rd.
Cole Mildred S. Franklin St.
Coltey Rose No. Washington St.
Henry Catherine A. State St.
Holden May E. Federal St.
Hussey Viola F. Jabish St.
Jenks Gladys F. Jenks Rd.
Kempkes Thelma A. No. Main St.
Ketchen Charlotte P. Jabish St.
Meiklejohn Vera M. Gulf Rd.
Michalak Elsie M. Main St.
Shirtcliff Iola G. Maple St.
Thayer Dorothy E. M. Valley Rd.
Wilson Edna R. Baggs Rd.

Men
Barnes Philip R. Egleston St.
Beaudoin Treffe Metacomet St.
Bilz Leland O. Allen St.
Cole Richard I. Franklin St.
Coltey Wilbur G. No. Wash. St.
Dugre Leo Amedec Jabish St.
Harrington Guy E. So. Main St.
Henry Walter E. State St.
Holden Ethan H. Federal St.
Hussey Chester L. Jabish St.
Jenks Kenneth O. Jenks Rd.
Meiklejohn Thomas L. Gulf Rd.
Nichols Norris H. Federal St.
Smola Victor Green Ave.
Thayer Kenneth W. M. Valley Rd.
Wilson William D. Baggs St.



Juvenile Tragedies Recall Responsibilities of Adults

Within the last fortnight two communities in which I am much interested have been shaken by two terrible tragedies involving youngsters in their early teens. Suicide and murder are extremely infrequent among the very young, and to have them both strike so near home so closely together must have brought serious thoughts indeed to parents, teachers, and citizens in general all over Western Massachusetts.

Without attempting to analyze the causes behind the events, and without attempting to arrive at the truths in the midst of many rumors, certain conclusions must be drawn.

Too much attention cannot be given to the young folks of a town or city by those adults who by their votes have the power to make the community a place in which boys and girls can live safe and happy lives, with all sorts of opportunity for self-expression, clean amusement, and advancement. Too much time cannot be given children by parents. No stone should be left unturned by home, school, and church in their endeavors to understand and to guide them.

More and more we should realize that normal thinking is very difficult for a young boy or girl who is getting his first impressions of manhood or womanhood in a world devoted to that scientific mass-murder called war. A good friend of mine said the other day that somehow we may have failed to impress upon those in our charge the sanctity of human life. I replied that if we really succeeded in doing that we should have difficulty in arriving at the total victory we are seeking.

Probably too many of us are too busy these days at seeing America through its crisis of war and in working overtime at earning money to realize that certain responsibilities cannot be postponed until after the war is over. It will be tragic indeed if we are to win the whole world and still lose the soul of the future, which is the generation now growing to adulthood.

Certainly we must not despair of our efforts when tragedies come in spite of them. As the *Republican* so well said last week:

"Most of those who share responsibility for children, their own or those of others, feel the same urge which their own parents felt to try to understand the thoughts and crises through which the children pass. There are many tragedies of childhood because of the lack of such efforts; sometimes, as in this case, which seems the most tragic of all, in spite of such efforts. But the efforts, which, in the main, are so richly rewarded, must always go on."

At an awful cost, other youngsters in both Belchertown and

Springfield have learned a great deal about the seriousness of living these last two weeks.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Within a single week we saw
One lying dead and eight baptized
Before a single altar here—
The span between was small in years.

For eight our smiles, for one our tears
I wonder if we realized
That to us all who sat so near
God spoke again his endless law:
Our brothers' keepers are we all,
And if upon our youth shall fall
Through our neglect, one misery,
Ours is the millstone, ours the sea.

—Bob Jackson

Class Day Exercises

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sor in mathematics; Helen Boyko, accountant; Marion Cole, supreme court stenographer; Mary Stolar, buyer; Marguerite McKillop, cover girl; Anna Adzima, home-maker; Elsie Cannon, editor "Belchertown Gazette."

A song, "Silver Wings in the Moonlight," was rendered by Cecilia McLean.

Of course the class will brought many a laugh. This was by Anna Adzima. A tricycle, razor blades, lipstick, aspirin pills, roller skates, a corset to one of the boys, flowers, headache pills, etc., were in the assortment.

A song, "We Leave," the words by Elsie Cannon, was sung by a quartet consisting of Florence Rhodes, Irene Puta, Mary Stolar and Sophie Wynzen.

Dorothy Bigos, on behalf of the class, presented the school \$40 to be held and used after the war for the purchase of an honor roll, recording the names of B. H. S. students serving in the present conflict. Elwyn Bock, on behalf of the school, accepted the gift.

Following the presentation, the chorus sang, "Marching Along Together."

The awards were as follows:

American Legion and Auxiliary (boy and girl maintaining best attendance during High school course), to Irene Puta and Frank Gold—presented by Principal G. E. Harrington. It was stated that



Miss Puta had lost only two days during her entire High school course.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Alumni (outstanding work in Mathematics and Science), to Frank L. Gold—presented by Prin. Harrington.

Becker College (outstanding work in commercial department), to Mary Stolar—presented by Miss E. F. Capetanidis.

Washington and Franklin (excellence in U. S. history), to Anna Adzima—presented by W. P. Piper. Mr. Piper, who had been twice the victim of the recipient's "Please step forward," when she gave the class will, got delightful revenge in his presentation, when he appropriated her pet phrase with his "Will Miss Adzima please step forward."

George B. Jackson Memorial (improvement in English), Frances Smola—presented by Miss I. O. Harvey.

Wallace Upham Mason (boy and girl voted by the class as having done the most for it), to Elsie Cannon and Frank Gold—presented by Osborne O. Davis.

Pro Merito Pins (excellence in scholarship), to Dorothy Bigos, Wanda Krawiec, Frances Smola and Mary Stolar of '44, and Mavis Dickinson, Florence Fay and Margaret Sullivan of '45—presented by Mrs. William J. Pero.

Oracle (Mass. League of School Publications' pins, for outstanding work on paper), to Elsie Cannon and Helen Boyko—presented by Miss Ethel I. Irvin.

Enfield Town Hall Players (for dramatic ability), Dorothy Atkins and Elwyn Bock—presented by Miss Irvin.

Reader's Digest, to Frances Smola—Presented by Miss Bernice M. Shaw.

The exercises closed with the class song (words written by Wanda Krawiec), sung by the Seniors. Miss Krawiec directed the presentation, and Miss McLean was pianist.

Class Motto—Tomorrow Is Ours.
Class Colors—Blue and White.
Class Flower—Red Carnation.

Graduates

Anna Victoria Adzima
John Winthrop Avery
Helen Agnes Bak
Dorothy Mae Bigos
Helen Ann Boyko
Elsie Alma Cannon
Marion Ardell Cole

Frank Lyman Gold
George Daniel Henry
Mary Theresa Keyes
Wanda Patricia Krawiec
Marguerite Anne McKillop
Cecelia Lorraine McLean
Irene Ann Puta
Florence Elsie Rhodes
Frances Patricia Smola
Mary Stolar
Sophie Wegrzyn

Class Song

Wanda Krawiec

O Belchertown, Our Belchertown,
School to us which is so dear.
Down deep within our hearts we find
A love that is sincere.
To parents, friends and teachers all,
Our thanks ring out within these halls,
We won't forget the happy years
At Belchertown, Our Belchertown.

O Belchertown, O Belchertown,
Our kingdom of knowledge,
Truth, faithfulness and honor, too,
With all our hearts we pledge to you,
No matter where our paths may lead,
Your sound advice we'll always heed.
We bid you all a sad farewell,
From Belchertown, our Belchertown.

Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Catherine Chadbourne next week Tuesday evening. Assistant hostesses are Mrs. Carrie Booth and Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth. The program is in charge of Gertrude LaBroad.

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Laura Wood next week Wednesday afternoon at 2, Mrs. Alice Wildey being assistant hostess.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncy T. Simons of Pomeroy Lane, Amherst, are the parents of a son, Chauncy, Jr., born recently in Cooley-Dickinson hospital, Northampton. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hatheway of this town and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Simmons of Los Angeles, Cal. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Groff of Amherst.

Raymond L. Goodell of Main street is a patient at Mercy hospital, Springfield.

VOTE FOR

GERALD D. JONES of Amherst

For State Senator

Franklin-Hampshire District
Republican Primaries, Tuesday, July 11th

Graduate of Massachusetts State College
Former Member of State Legislature, 1935-36
Served on Labor and Industry, and Conservation Committees
Selectman of Amherst for Seven Years
Trustee of Amherst Savings Bank
Director of Northampton Street Railway
Member New England Lumbermen's Association

Successful Businessman - Farmer - Lumberman
FRED H. HAWLEY, Amherst, Mass.

BE SURE TO ATTEND THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES, JULY 11th



15 June 44

Naval Training School (Radio)
Keystone Schools
Highland Hall, Hollidaysburg, Pa.

As you can see by my address, I am now in Radio Operators' School. Like it very much, even though it is a little bit nerve racking. I'll be here at least five months anyway, after which I hope to graduate with a rating.

I just received the last Sentinel today; they have all come through so far. It certainly is good to get the home town paper. It's nice to read some home town news. I also like the paper because of the servicemen's column, as I can pick up addresses of my friends in the service. I look forward every week to getting it.

Sincerely,
Robert A. White

Robert A. White, S 2-C
Company 17-44

Pvt. Kenneth Boyea, 31130796
Detch. No. 3—301st A. A. F.
Base Unit
3rd A. F. Repl. Depot
Plant Park
Tampa 6 Florida

A letter from Staff Sgt. Pierre O'Seep, dated May 22, tells of his enjoying a 7-day furlough (much of it taken in transit) in Australia, and of the thrill he received when he noted in the U. S. Red Cross registration book in Australia the entry of Robert Beaudry of this town. He expected to return shortly to New Guinea and his B-25.

It is of interest to note that Pfc. William Flaherty is electrical engineer on a B-29 super fortress at a flying field in Kansas.

Alice Hussey, pharmacist's mate, 2nd class, and Janet Bruce, laboratory technician, of the Bethesda National Medical center, the latter's home being in California, spent the week-end at the Hussey home.

Children's Day Exercises

There was a large attendance at the Children's Day Exercises at the Congregational church on Sunday. The junior choir occupied the main choir loft, while the adult choir sat in the gallery. Mrs. Marion Shaw presided at the organ.

Miss Nancy Farley led in the Responsive reading and George Jackson offered prayer. A program of children's day exercises were given by the primary department, Mrs. Osborne Davis, superintendent. Mrs. William Chevalier was pianist.

Between Parts I and II, there was baptism of children by the

pastor, Rev. John P. Manwell. Parents, with children to be baptized, formed in line at the rear of the church, and were escorted to the front by Deacons Peck and Blackmer. Parents were presented certificates and the children pannies. The following were baptized: Hazel May Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Barnes; Raymond Nelson Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson L. Hill; Kenneth Houghton Snow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Houghton Snow; Donald Howard Camp, son of Lieut. and Mrs. Robert D. Camp; Edward Louis Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Fuller; Gould Parker Ketchen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gould Ketchen; Lars Austin Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Peterson; Lois Mary Markham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert G. Markham.

At the conclusion of the service, the pastor presented Bibles to graduates of the primary department this year and also last year, as follows: Janice Berger, Elizabeth Ann Davis, Joyce Wood, Wallace Wenzel, Estelle Snow, Thomas Westgay, Betty Mary Snow, Jean Rhodes, Loretta Smith, Jane Hudson, Ruth Crowther, Marjorie Jackson.

The program follows:

Organ Prelude—Idyl—by Geibel
Processional Hymn 463
Introit Junior Choir
Invocation Pastor
Responsive Reading 606—led by Miss Nancy Farley
Gloria
Morning Prayer George Jackson
Children's Exercises

PART I

The Daisies Cynthia Hussey
A Word of Warning Elizabeth Ann Davis
A Favor Sally Westwell
When I Grow Up
Browning Wood, Billy Henne-mann
Three Little Boys
Frank Davis, Kenneth Rhodes, Ralph Shumway
My Sermon Rose Thresher
Song—It's Children's Day
A Tribute to All
Nancy Howland, Romaine Berger, Knowlton Utley, Dicky Westwell, Conrad Kirby, Sand-re Rhodes
Pretty Daisies Carolyn Knight
A Glad Piece
Hazel and Joyce Chevalier
Dad's Rheumatism Betty Snow
A Little Girl's Message
Jean Fuller, Jean Markham
A Good Excuse Dickie Cook
Two Buckets Thomas Westgay

Baptisms
Anthem Junior Choir
Children's Exercises
PART II
The Compass Julia Snow
Defense Workers
Leland Miner, Richard Knight, James LaBroad, Donald Camp, David Rhodes, Roy Reece, Robert Lindquist
Just Watch
Sandra Sanford, Karen Rhodes
Song—Jesus Wants Me for a Sun-beam
A Shower of Blessing
Joyce Wood, Janice Berger
In Youthful Style Judy Sanford

A Happy Thought
Charles Sanford
Sunday Visiting Wallace Wenzel
Cleaning House Loretta Smith
Yellow Buttons Jean Rhodes
A Lovely Decoration Estelle Snow
A Word for Jesus Joyce Wenzel
Thank You Peter Brulotte
Last Day of Term Theida Markham

Presentation of Bibles by the Pastor
Announcements and Offering, with offertory selection, Idyl, by Geibel.
Children's Prayer from Hansel and Gretel by Humper-dink
Hymn 461
Benediction
Postlude—Andante—by Pease

Congregational Church Notes

The annual meeting and picnic of the home department was held last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward of No. Main street, with 19 present. Devotions were in charge of Mrs. Frances Moore, and the business meeting with reports followed. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: Mrs. Walter Brown, superintendent; Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward, secretary and treasurer; flower committee, Mrs. Frances Moore and Miss Irene M. Jackson; refreshment committee, Mrs. Dwight Randall and Mrs. W. S. Piper. The retiring superintendent, Mrs. Lewis H. Blackmer, has served for several years. A picnic supper was served in the summer house by the hostess.

The Double or Nothing club will hold a picnic at the Pelham Country Club next Tuesday evening, leaving the parish house as near 6 as possible. Those desiring transportation should be on hand at that hour.

A party for the primary department of the Church school will be held in the parish house next week Friday afternoon from 3 to 5.

At the annual meeting of the Youth Fellowship, held in conjunction with the picnic on the grounds of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Peck on Sunday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President Barbara Hudson
Vice-President Nancy Farley
Secretary Jane Kimball
Treasurer Paul Barrett
Program Committee
Stanford Harrington, Ch.; Charlotte Dyer, Channing Kimball
Ch. Social Committee Diane Allen

The Junior choir appeared for the last time last Sunday until the resumption of the church school in the fall.

The church will be closed during July, when the pastor will take his vacation. The customary union services with the Methodist church will be held during July and August.

The Women's Guild at their annual meeting on Wednesday with Mrs. Julia Ward, elected the following officers for the ensuing year:
President Gladys Hudson
Vice-President Vera Harrington
Secretary Daisy Kinmonth
Treasurer Julia Shumway

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Annie L. Healey, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court, his first and final account for allowance and a petition for distribution of the balance in his hands.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the first day of August, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register

John T. Storrs, Attorney
Ware, Mass.

June 23-30-July 7

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of John H. Storrs, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by John T. Storrs and George T. Storrs, both of Ware, in said County, praying that they be appointed executors thereof, without giving a surety on their bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of July, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.

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World Service Committee
Rachel Shumway, Alma Lindquist, Edna Moore
Supper Committee
Florence Jackson, Helen Allen, Pearl Davis
Work Committee
Marion Farley, Ellen Sanford
Entertainment Committee
Amy Witt, Ruth Fuller, Blanche Kimball
Flower Committee Belle Peck

It was voted to contribute money to allow some young person to go to Northfield this summer, in case there is anyone who cares to go.

Town Items

Arthur R. Ketchen, who has been at the home of his son, Andrew Ketchen of Wayland, returned home last week.

Mrs. Pearl Green entertained 14 ladies on Wednesday evening at a Stanley Products demonstration.

Last Night's Graduation Program

Program	
Processional	Mrs. Phyllis Markham Accompanist
Invocation	Reverend Andrew F. Sullivan
Song	Ave Maria Wanda Krawiec <i>Schubert</i>
Song	The Heavens Resound High School Chorus <i>Beethoven</i> Directed by Mr. Byron Hudson
Salutatory	Wanda Krawiec
Song	Dear Land of Home High School Chorus <i>Sibelius</i>
Valedictory	Frances Patricia Smola
Song	My Own America High School Chorus <i>Wright</i>
Emory F. Munsell Award	Reverend John P. Manwell
Introduction of State Commissioner of Education, Julius E. Warren, followed by Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. Charles L. Randall Chairman School Committee
Benediction	Reverend John P. Manwell

RECEPTION

Awarded Munsell Prize

Wanda Krawiec was awarded the Munsell prize of \$100 at the Graduation exercises last night.

Draft Board Notes

It is no longer true that one can be sure of getting into the navy even if he is willing to accept induction on the day of his physical examination, as was once the case.

Classifications

- I-A—Available for military service
- I-A-O—Available for noncombatant military service—Conscientious Objector
- I-C—Member of land or naval forces
- II-A—Man necessary to and regularly engaged in an activity in support of the national health, safety or interest
- II-B—Man necessary to and regularly engaged in an activity in war production
- II-C—Man in agriculture
- III-D—Extreme hardship to wife, child or parent
- IV-A—Man 45 or over
- IV-B—Official deferred by law
- IV-C—Neutral aliens
- IV-D—Ministers and Theological students
- IV-E—Conscientious Objectors
- IV-F—Physically, mentally or morally unfit
- (FI)—38-45 designation

FOR SALE—Second-hand canning jars, kitchen range, heating stove and some articles of furniture good for a camp only.
Richard Dickinson
Amherst Rd.

WANTED—to buy 1-horse rake in any condition.
Howard Dickinson

FOUND—Last Friday afternoon, on Hannum Street, white male dog with tan head.

FOUND—On South Main Street, female dog, brownish color.
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

Grange Notes

The thunder shower upset plans for the flower show on Tuesday evening. First prize for best-arranged cultivated flowers went to Mrs. Fannie Morey; first prize for best-arranged wild flowers went to Mrs. Charles Austin, and second prize to Mrs. Julia Shumway. Miss Elsie Thresher was chairman of the committee in charge.

A Grange card party will be held at the home of Mrs. E. F. Shumway in the near future.

Town Items

Mrs. Ralph Miller tendered a miscellaneous shower last Saturday night at her camp on Daniel Shays highway to Miss Elsie Mary Michalak in honor of her approaching marriage to Leland O. Bilz. Mrs. Andrew Ironside of Willimansett tendered a greenback shower at her home in Willimansett on Sunday evening.

Charles H. Egleston was guest of honor Monday at a party in celebration of his 84th birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Wing of Holyoke. Attending also was another daughter, Mrs. Albert Bosworth of Holyoke, also friends. Mr. Egleston was born in Granby, Conn., and lived in Northampton 30 years before coming here to conduct a farm and florist business. He is an official of the Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' club, and served as an airplane spotter for the local Civilian Defense.

Mrs. Avis Hussey Dahmen of New York is visiting at the Hussey home.

Mrs. Homer Powell of Milton, Vt., is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Shaw, for the summer. Martha Jane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hackett of Franconia, N. H., is also at the Shaw home.

Baccalaureate Service

The baccalaureate service was held in Lawrence Memorial hall last Sunday at 4. Rev. John P. Manwell presided and preached the sermon. The prayer and benediction were by Rev. Joseph T. Collins, curate at St. Francis church. Mrs. Willard Kimball was pianist for the processional, the recessional and the several songs.

Rev. Mr. Manwell spoke on "The Appeal of the Heroic." He challenged the class to "join the ranks

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"FALSE COLORS"

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Emma King of Ware, in said County, aged person.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said Emma King for her maintenance.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of July, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this tenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware, Mass.
16-23-30

of those who suffer," asked them to make sure the goals of life are worth the risk, and counseled self discipline in days when we have possibly "sandpapered the roads too much." He did not advocate walking to school instead of taking the bus, but did challenge the class to accept hardships, and to work in life's tomorrows, which afford an opportunity for splendid service in bringing in the kingdom of God.

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The Coming Week

SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Union Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"God Bless America."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 6 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

Distinctive Graduation Exercises

The High School graduation is a week old, but some of the truths there expounded will not be out of date one hundred years from now.

The graduation was a distinctive one in B. H. S. history by reason of the presence of Dr. Julius Warren, commissioner of education of the state of Massachusetts. To our knowledge no incumbent of that office has entered Memorial hall since its dedication, when Payson Smith was present and spoke.

It was, of course, a war-time graduation. There were only three boy graduates in a class of 18, and it was oft remarked that these might shortly be in the service.

As the graduates marched up either aisle, each contingent carried a laurel rope, later deposited at the front of the stage.

Byron Hudson directed the music for the occasion, and Mrs. Phyllis Markham was accompanist.

The program was rendered as printed in last week's paper. Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, pastor of St. Francis church, gave the invocation, following which Wanda Krawiec rendered "Ave Maria". The High School chorus then sang, "The Heavens Resound".

The salutatory was by Wanda Krawiec. She said in part: "We are now fighting in a theater of war with which as a people, we are distressingly unfamiliar. Ignorance on our part of what the Far East is like is a threat to America's welfare and to world security. . . . At some coming date the United States has a rendezvous with peace. We must then share in the reconstruction of the world. Wise actions will require of us understanding and appreciation of the Far East, its contributions and aspirations and limitations, its problems and potentialities. . . . The East and the West must live together in war and in peace."

The High School chorus then rendered "Dear Land of Home," following which Frances Smola gave the valedictory. She said in part: "Some of our boys, immediately upon graduating, will enter the armed services, and will take part in the murderous mess we are confronted with today. . . . Many students expect to enter defense industries. . . . But what if all students should enter defense plants? Would this help build a tomorrow? We must look not only upon the days of the war—we must look forward to a great tomorrow. . . . Let us not lose sight of tomorrow."

The High School chorus then sang "My Own America."

The Munsell award of \$100 (in war bonds and stamps) was awarded.

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State School Graduation

Five children received their diplomas at the State School graduation exercises held in the School auditorium last Thursday, June 22. These young people have completed a course of study prescribed for the grammar grades.

The exercises opened with two selections by the School orchestra, composed entirely of pupils and conducted by Kenneth MacKillop of Amherst. This was followed by a patriotic playlet entitled "Good Morning, Glory," under the direction of Miss Adelaide Dray. The orchestra then rendered two more selections, and the diplomas were presented by the superintendent, Dr. Henry A. Tadgell. The program was concluded by the singing of the national anthem. A short reception followed, at which time friends and relatives visited with the graduates on the stage.

The graduates visited the Stone House this week Wednesday, accompanied by Misses Langelier and Dray, which was indeed an "outing" for the pupils.

Men's Club Outing Tomorrow

The Men's club of the Methodist and Congregational churches will hold an outing at Parsons' field tomorrow afternoon at 4.

Willard Young will have charge of horse shoes, W. P. Piper of softball, and L. H. Blackmer of croquet. The general committee in charge consists of Roy Shaw, Leon Hislop, Harlan Davis and Walter Dodge.

The outing will be held in any case, if not at the field, then at the Methodist vestry, as the eats have been ordered and cannot well be held over.

Fourth at State School

As before announced, the townspeople are invited to the Fourth of July celebration at the State School, especially to the parade and sports. The parade is at 9.30. It will not be of pre-war proportions, as there will be only horse-drawn floats, but it should be well worth attending. Last year there were no floats of any kind.

Events of the day are as follows:

6 a. m.	Flag Raising
7 a. m.	Breakfast
7.30 a. m.	Distribution of Noise Makers
9.30 a. m.	Parade
10.30 a. m.	Track Meet
12 Noon	Special Ham Dinner in Buildings
2 p. m.	Baseball Game
5 p. m.	Picnic Supper in Buildings
7.15 p. m.	Special Movies for All Buildings

As before stated, townspeople cannot be accommodated at the motion picture show.

Dr. Wonsik will be the announcer at the track meet, while Mr. Ward, assisted by Messrs. Stead and Schwartz, will be in charge of field and properties. Prizes will be in charge of Dr. Kinmonth, the judges will be the teachers, while Dr. Taylor will be the clerk of the course.

In the event of severe rain, the parade, track meet and ball game will be postponed till the next fair Saturday.

Union Services Start

The first of the union summer services will be held at the Methodist church on Sunday, Rev. Joseph Belcher, the pastor, preaching from the theme, "God Bless America."

Inducted Into the Army

A name which has not appeared in recent induction lists is that of Thomas A. Sullivan, who last month went immediately into the service following his pre-induction physical.

Successor Appointed

Miss Louise Mullen of Fall River, Massachusetts, a graduate of Framingham Teachers' College, has been appointed teacher of Household Arts in the High School to succeed Miss Ethel Irvin.

Miss Irvin has accepted a similar position in the Ware High School, after having carefully considered

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WANTED!

80 WOMEN

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

Boy Scout Meeting in Memorial Hall.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY

Party for Primary Department of Congregational Church School, in Parish House from 3 to 5 p. m.

TOMORROW

Outing of Men's club of Methodist and Congregational churches at Parsons' Field at 4 p. m.

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July 11
Primaries.

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Seventy-Second Commencement
A Most Memorable One

The graduation exercises of the Belchertown High School, Class of 1944, were an inspiration to all who attended them. I do not remember a more delightful commencement.

The presence of Julius Warren, Massachusetts Commissioner of Education, made it an occasion of significance, particularly in view of the fact that he had refused all invitations but this to participate in graduations. His long friendship with C. L. Randall, his informal but very challenging remarks to the Seniors, and his evident joy at returning to a small school similar to the one from which he himself had been graduated, all left his audience very much pleased with him and with their town.

Everything else during the evening was alike fitting and well planned. One fact in particular, and that not planned at all, is especially worth mentioning. Here in the heart of Massachusetts, where for three-quarters of a century, first "Yankee" and then Irish and Yankee have contended for scholarship honors, two Polish girls proudly gave the valedictory and salutatory addresses. Polish children outnumbered any other nationality group in the class. It would be interesting to know if they were in a majority when the class were freshmen. I suspect not. I imagine that the desire for education is in proportion to the nearness to the time when a nationality group has been deprived of the privilege in the old country.

The path upward in New England society has not been easy for the Polish. Like the Irish before them, they were eyed with some dislike and even with some suspicion when they first came to the farms where Smiths and Sheas had labored. And like their predecessors they devoted themselves to hard work and to raising families to help them with the work. They taught their children to labor and to wait, to take advantage of the opportunities which America had to offer them, to make places for themselves in their new communities the hard but sure way.

How well these industrious people have succeeded showed very plainly last Thursday evening. As we heard them sing and speak, and saw them gathering unto themselves the lion's share of the honors, we remembered Edna Ferber's novel, *American Beauty*. It has been the most beautiful thing in American life, this coming to full citizenship of all the groups which have crossed the seas to make their homes in the United States. Their industry, their keen competition for better things, have been responsible for the vitality and strength which is

America. Let us hope that we never need so completely to close our doors that we shall cease to welcome among us those to whom the honor and privilege of being American is dear because it is a thing new and in contrast with what they have left behind. If the doors are of necessity thus closed, we may well fear the coming of the decay and the intolerance which have so damned many other nations.

But now—congratulations to the Class of 1944 and to the girls who led it in scholarship!

*Pretty Please, Teacher:
Get Into the Picture!*

I have just finished typing the "left to rights" on the back of Marjorie's fourth-grade picture and then comparing it with the various groups of which each of our kids have been a part for the past years. Unless the list is typed shortly after the pictures come home, it is surprising how hard it is to identify all the faces. There is more coming and going now than there was 30-odd years ago.

But something is definitely missing from our most recent school pictures. It is the teacher, who no longer seems to have the necessary courage to pose with her group. Surely it is not fear of the camera and its revelation that have caused this sudden coyness. By and large Belchertown pedagogues will stand up very well in competitive pulchritude with their sisters in other communities.

The reason may rather lie in the danger of being mistaken for another sixth grader, a little mature for her age. However, be the cause this or that, teacher's place is with her class, in the picture as well as in the classroom.

She will be the most interesting person in the group to the boy or girl who reviews the pictorial lesson of his education in years to come. Certainly the reason for purchasing class pictures must be the anticipation of treasuring them down the years.

There is no more delightful albeit often melancholy occupation than that of spending an evening with pictures of the past. Marvellous though the home movie is, it is no substitute for the piles of old photos, the albums filled with memories, which can be mused over for

minutes apiece, not seen and lost in a second.

What a terrible thing it must be for a family to look over school pictures when there is a gold star in the window to remind them that the sweet years of school led but to the grave. Those pictures must be left in their albums until the healing hand of time permits them to be examined with clearer eyes.

Precious keepsakes, these grinning-solemn-devilish-angelic rows of kids. But they are woefully incomplete unless one can write: "Top row, left to right: Mrs. Margaret Austin, teacher, Richard Landsey, etc."

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years."—Mark Twain

—Bob Jackson

St. John's Sunday Service

Vernon Lodge of Masons and Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., were guests of honor at the Methodist church last Sunday—St. John's Day. Rev. Joseph Belcher, pastor, preached the sermon, his subject being, "John, the Man who was Near-est." The burden of his message might be summarized as follows:

When James and John became disciples of Jesus, he gave them a name which means, "Sons of Thunder," showing that they were men of passion and deep feeling, even violent at times. Yet John became the great apostle of love. This happened through the miracle of divine grace. He surrendered his heart and life to Jesus, and the transformation happened. The surrendered life is the strong life.

He is referred to as the disciple whom Jesus loved. This does not mean that Jesus loved John more than the others, but he had a greater capacity for love. The more his love for Christ increased, the more he felt that Christ loved him.

High School Honor Roll

For Period Ending June 21
First Honors
(Averages of 90 or over)

Seniors:
Anna Adzima
Wanda Krawiec
Frances Smola

Sophomores:
Rita Bouchard
Nancy Farley
Shirley Hazen

Freshmen:
George Jackson

Eighth Grade:
Sophie Jusko
Amelia Smola
Evelyn Squires

Second Honors
(No grade below 85 for an average)

Seniors:
Dorothy Bigos
Marguerite McKillop
Cecelia McLean
Mary Stolar
Marion Cole

Juniors:
Dorothy Atkins
Mavis Dickinson
Charlotte Dyer
Florence Fay
Teresa Stolar
Margaret Sullivan

Sophomores:
Florence Brulotte
Claire Lamoureaux
Alice Lofland
Mary McKillop
Mary Kulig

Freshmen:
Frank Antonovitch
Ann Hanifin
Jane Kimball
Gloria MacKinnon
Louise Romaniak
Peter Whitaker
Shirley Williams

Eighth Grade:
Frances Bartholomew
Lois Chadbourne
Elinor Heath
Elizabeth Suhm
Diane Allen
William Dickinson

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BE SURE TO ATTEND THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES, JULY 11th



Mrs. Amy Cook has received the following letter from her grandson, Pfc. Raymond Cook, who has been in the fight in Italy:

Italy, June 15, 1944

Dear Grandma:
I bet you had begun to think that I had forgotten you; well, I haven't. I was on the go and I didn't have time to write. You will understand, I know.

You have by this time heard of the 5th Army taking the city of Rome. Well, I was in the rush with the 5th Army, and I can thank God for being here today. I dug so many fox holes, it wasn't funny. My, it was a tough, hard fight.

Right now I am in a rest camp having a swell time going swimming, riding "bikes"; also went fishing once, though I didn't catch anything.

Your grandson,
Raymond

Alice Hussey, pharmacist's mate, 2nd class, reported at Northampton yesterday to take officers' training in the Waves. This is a seven-weeks' course.

Cpl. Henry Pranaitis is still stationed at Olena, California.

Pvt. Donald H. Sessions is convalescing, following an operation, at the hospital in Camp Blanding, Florida. Mrs. Sessions and son, Donald, Jr., are spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sessions of South Main street.

Boy Scout Rally

Twenty-two boys and part of the Scout committee were present at the meeting last Tuesday evening in Memorial hall, when Chief Warner, Scout executive, was present and showed pictures of the Boy Scout camp in Chesterfield, some of them in color. He also spoke to the boys. Scoutmaster Ira Shattuck announces that the boys will meet each Tuesday evening, next week's meeting, however, being on Wednesday evening, by reason of the Fourth.

Methodist Church Notes

The Youth Fellowship will meet in the vestry at 6 on Sunday evening.

Fifteen attended the meeting of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S., with Mrs. Catherine Chadbourne on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Barbara Gay was chosen secretary-treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by the leaving of Mrs. H. F. Robbins.

Children's Day at Methodist Church

The Children's Day concert of the Methodist Church School was held in the church auditorium last Sunday evening at 7. The numbers were announced by Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, superintendent. Miss Ruthella Conkey was pianist. The preliminary part of the service was in charge of the Youth Fellowship. The program follows:

Prelude
Hymn
Apostles' Creed
Led by Grace Dodge

Hymn
Responsive Reading
Led by Elsie Cannon

Gloria
Lord's Prayer
Recitation—"We Welcome You"

Recitation—"Children's Day"
George Suhm
Recitation—"He Needs Boys, Too"

Recitation—"If"
Betty Driscoll
Song—"The Lambs of the Flock"

Recitation—"We'll All be Helping"
School
Esther Pierce

Collection
Lloyd Chadbourne, Chas. Pierce
School
Exercise—"The Message of Child-

hood
Philip Tiernan, Esther Pierce,
Mary Thompson, Blanchette
Eaton, Virginia Booth, Bobby
Tiernan, John Dodge, Nancy
Booth, Marie Dodge, Sheila Me-

nard, Suzanne Piper, Bernice
Alden, Alice Witt, Elizabeth
Suhm, Gloria Wildey, Rena
Dodge

Benediction
Pastor

Distinctive Graduation

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ed to Wanda Krawiec, the presentation being by Rev. John P. Manwell. This prize is awarded on the basis of character, scholarship, influence and purposeful ambition.

Dr. Warren, commissioner of education, was then introduced by C. L. Randall, chairman of the school committee, a personal friend of long standing. Mr. Randall pointed out what a wonderful thing it was to have the commissioner present, stating that the commissioner of education is the highest we can go in education. He then proceeded to tell an intriguing story of "Ernest," son of a new superintendent that came to his town in his early teaching days. The young man graduated and went on to college, but wherever he went he always returned to renew the ties of friendship with his former schoolmaster. Starting out in business, he was not satisfied until he had yielded to the desires of his father and his former principal and entered the field of education. In fact, his first school was awarded him by "C. L.," who had become a superintendent himself. "Ernest," he said went on and up in his newly chosen profession, until he was finally chosen by the governor to

his present position. Thus the "Ernest" of the story turned out to be the guest speaker, Dr. Julius Ernest Warren.

Dr. Warren, in responding, said he was still called "Ernest"—by two people.—C. L. and his mother (who was present in the audience). He said that while his friend had always called him Ernest, he could well remember the day, when as a gawky, tall, thin, country boy, late at the first day of his Senior year at school, he presented himself to this "trim, straight gentleman with the small mustache" as "Mr. Warren."

Dr. Warren said it was wonderful to come back to a small High School, this graduation reminding him of his own graduation 38 years ago in a hill-top town (Barre) in Massachusetts. He spoke of the contribution small communities have to give and counselled the graduating class here to give leadership in the world of tomorrow. The theme song of his talk was the salutatory, he, too, emphasizing the fact that we must come to better understandings in a world of different customs, beliefs and religions. He also said that underlying all our aims in life, there should be the driving power of a concern for the welfare of others.

Thus did the "Ernest" of other days return to the home town of his former schoolmaster and give words of felicitation and wisdom befitting his high office.

Diplomas were presented to the graduates by the school committee chairman, following words of congratulation and admonition. He also greeted each one personally. The benediction was by Rev. John P. Manwell.

The Senior Reception immediately followed, music being furnished by Emil R. Wiernasz of Easthampton. Refreshments were served.

Present Letters

At the final assembly of B. H. S. last week Wednesday, Coach W. P. Piper awarded letters to the following who had participated in basketball and baseball activities at the school:
Seniors—Frank Gold, George

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Henry.
Juniors—Elwyn Bock, Henry Jusko, James Pierce, Wilfrid Noel.
Sophomores—Richard Dickinson, Paul Barrett.
Freshmen—Stanley Kawalec, Willard Young, Frank Antonovitch, Richard Cole.

Rationing Board Notes

June 15—Grade 1—Herbert Duncan, Helen Spears, Earl Rhodes, Florence Crowe, Walter Henry, Melanie Green, Lewis H. Blackmer, Arthur Courchesne, Rene Turcotte.

June 15—Truck Tires—Alvin Bush, Joseph Marion (2), Edmund Lindcourt, Blanche Austin (2).

June 23—Grade 1—Lorna Weston, John Eurkus, Leland Bilz, Earl Rhodes, Lewis Germain, Henry Lamoreaux, Walter Dodge, Armand Desmaris, Melanie Green, Henry Renouf (2), Grade 3—Edward Hemond (2), Fred Sowa (2), Edward Thorn (2), Truck Tires—Blanche Austin (2).

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Annie L. Healey, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court, his first and final account for allowance and a petition for distribution of the balance in his hands.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the first day of August, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Attorney
Ware, Mass.
June 23-30-July 7

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JULY 11th

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**Congregational Church
Notes**

Attention is again called to the party for the primary department of the Church School in the parish house this afternoon from 3 to 5.

Town Items

Mrs. Guy C. Allen, Jr. and daughter, Diane, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sherman of Boston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Vaughn of West Brookfield called on friends in town Tuesday.

Mrs. J. V. Cook, who has been visiting in town, returned to Stoneham Wednesday.

Carol Menard, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Menard, is recovering from an adenoid and tonsil operation performed last Friday at Ludlow hospital.

During the thunder shower of Saturday night, lightning entered the Morey and Rawson homes and Bell and Hudson's Insurance office, doing only slight damage, however.

Raymond Goodell, who is in Mercy hospital, Springfield, is much improved and expects to return home next week.

Lester, three-year-old son of Harlan Davis, was operated on in Mary Lane hospital Saturday night for appendicitis. The lad is doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ford have re-

turned to their home in Holyoke, after being house guests of Mrs. Henry Pranaitis.

Rev. Joseph Belcher and family moved this week to the Methodist parsonage in Ware.

Double or Nothing Outing

The Double or Nothing club enjoyed an outing on the grounds of the Pelham Country Club, of which Byron Hudson is a member, on Tuesday evening, 46 persons being present. Mr. Hudson was chief chef and did a grand job with the hamburger. Bucket ball was played, also horse shoes and croquet. The group enjoyed inspecting the grounds. The party broke up around 10.

Successor Appointed

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several other offers. During her two years here, Miss Irvin has endeared herself to the teachers and pupils, as well as all the townspeople, who have been fortunate enough to know her. It was inevitable that she would receive attractive offers elsewhere, and that Belchertown could not compete with larger salaries that are paid in the larger communities. There is an unusually large number of vacancies in this field this year. Due to the fact that Ware and Belcher-

FOR SALE—A young milch goat and her two male kids, 3 weeks old.
Harold D. Suhm
Tel. 3484

LOST—Navy blue spring coat, with two pearl buttons, in home economics' room at High school last Thursday night. Finder or holder kindly return coat to Miss Bernice Shaw, North Main street, Belchertown.

FOR SALE—Hard-wood Lawn chairs.
Wm. N. Webster

LOST—Somewhere on paper route, one American Legion Auxiliary pin. Please notify
Betty Jane Bishop

FOR SALE—Standing Grass—some good, some not so good.
E. F. Blackmer

HELP WANTED for orchard work.
E. C. Howard

town are in the same Union, Ware authorities took no steps to elect Miss Irvin, until it was known that she would definitely leave Belchertown at this time.

Miss Mullen comes highly recommended by the State Department, under the division of Vocational Education. She has had experience in Dietetics in camps, and her mother was for a time a Household Arts teacher.

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PROBATE COURT
To all persons interested in the estate of Emma King of Ware, in said County, aged person.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said Emma King for her maintenance.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of July, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this tenth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware, Mass.
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The Coming Week

SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor

—Methodist Church—

Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Union Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

—St. Francis Church—

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Primaries in both Precincts.
Polls open from 12 noon till 7 p. m.
Boy Scout Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss at 7.30 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

TOMORROW
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Fire Department Calls

July 1. Forest fire at Holland Glen.

Men's Club Outing

The men's club of the Methodist and Congregational churches drew an ideal afternoon for their outing at Parsons' field last Saturday, quite in contrast with the freezing, cold night they experienced there last fall. Croquet got under way at 4, horse shoes a little later when Bill Young arrived, while the three-ring circus was complete when Piper got his soft ball game started.

Hawkins pitched for the Congos, while Bob Dodge was on the mound for the Methodists. "Stitch" Menard came near having to take some stitches in Hawkins' stomach, following a line drive the former batted to that area, but after a few tears, the game proceeded. Real cause for tears as far as the Congos were concerned was the 17-3 score (or thereabouts) piled up against them.

Meanwhile chefs were busy at the fireplaces. Roy Shaw, Leon Hislop, Harlan Davis and Bob Dodge, the committee, were a bally-hooing bunch when it came to dispensing the eats—hamburg, hot dogs, root beer and coffee.

Horse shoes continued until dark, and croquet even after that. Due to the condition of the grounds, the balls popped in the air like prairie dogs. About 25 were present.

Hopes for Big Vote

Friends of George A. Poole, highly respected and efficient town official, are of course interested in his candidacy for representative on the Republican ticket. He is the only local man seeking that office. In fact there are only two other candidates on the Republican slate: Lumley of Pelham and Kimball of Amherst.

On the Democratic ballot there are two candidates—Kennedy of Amherst and Shea of Ware.

Most of the candidates seem to be worried for fear that the voters will not turn out for the Primaries next Tuesday and want to stress the need for so doing. Poole has done some campaigning—of the modest, not the go-getter type—which fits in with his personality.

It is very evident that if the local man is to make a successful run, he will have to get a tremendous vote here to offset the vote for the "favorite sons" in the more populous communities.

No Belchertown person, we understand, has served as representative under the gilded dome for 31 years, and that was Almon L. Pratt, uncle of Theron V. Pratt.

Fourth at the State School

The Fourth at the State School was an enjoyable occasion—enjoyed not only by the some 1,300 pupils, but by the employees, and many townspeople who journeyed to the institution for the event, at least for the parade, and many for the track meet.

But for the pupils at the institution it was an all-day affair. It began at 6 a. m. with the flag raising in front of the school building, and bugle "To the Colors" by John Avery, with pledge of allegiance to the flag by the school boys. Breakfast at 7 was followed at 7.30 by the distribution of such noise makers as were available.

The parade at 9.30 was necessarily abbreviated by continued lack of gas, so only horse-drawn vehicles were in the line-up but the several floats appearing reminded one of pre-war days. The parade was under the direction of Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, assisted by William Stead and the teachers. In former years, the several buildings each put on a float, but this year assignments were made to different individuals.

Pupils lined the roadways of the institution and friends occupied seats on the store building platform, awaiting the several entries as they swung around from behind the structure.

As usual, the national and state colors headed the column. The band was composed of pupils of the school, with four exceptions, (Frank E. Farrington, director; Carl Peterson, W. Paige Piper and Miss Helen Lister).

A military group, consisting of 16 girls in natty attire, shouldering "guns" came next, followed by the first float, entitled, "First Americans," produced under the supervision of Mrs. Esther Gilfoil. Here in a sylvan setting, beside a tepee, were "red men" smoking, beating drum, etc., with bows and arrows and Indian handicraft part of the scene.

Next came 15 juvenile color bearers, in military attire, preceding a float, "In a Southern Garden," produced under the supervision of Miss Evelyn Langelier. The white fence, with arching entrance, was prominent in the scene, also a waterfall. In the foreground were patrician ladies enjoying tea in a peaceful southern setting.

Assorted novelties afoot preceded the float, "United We Stand," supervised by Miss Roberta Bickford. The interpretive dancer of the recent minstrel held the torch of Liberty, while on the float, attired

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Death of Melvin R. Ayers

Melvin R. Ayers, 58, died at his home on North Main street late Sunday afternoon after a long illness. He was born in Holyoke September 16, 1885, son of Charles and Hattie (Bishop) Ayers. He was a well-known brick mason and he worked on many large construction jobs in the country.

On April 22, 1921 he married Mary Bevins in Pittsfield. They came to Belchertown about a year later, where they have since resided. He was a veteran of World War I, having served overseas for about 18 months, and was a member of the American Legion.

He leaves besides his widow, a daughter, Mrs. John Shaffer of this town, and two brothers, Leon E. Ayers of East Longmeadow, and Lafayette Ayers of this town.

The funeral was held in the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 2, Rev. H. F. Robbins of West Springfield, former pastor, officiating. Mrs. Burt Collis was organist. Chauncey Walker Post, Frederick D. Farley, commander, attended in a body. George A. Poole carried the national colors, and L. A. Cook the Legion flag. Bearers were Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, Aubrey D. Lapolice, Clarence Morey and Harold Ryder, all past commanders. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery.

Honor Roll Revised

The town honor roll, which is cared for by the American Legion, has been revised this week—new names added and the old ones put in more orderly shape. Gilt lettered names are still to be inserted, however, of servicemen who have died.

The names were put in shape by Aubrey Lapolice of the Legion committee, assisted by Commander Farley. Howard Davis is librarian.

It is announced that there are now 260 names on the board, now that it has been practically brought up to date.

To Take Physical

Donald Albert Towne has volunteered for the navy and takes his pre-induction physical on the 15th. He is the only one from Belchertown taking a physical examination this month.

Inducted the 18th

Frank Frodyma, who volunteered for the navy and passed his physical, reports for duty on the 18th.

Have You Bought Your Bond
in the
5th WAR LOAN?

The local committee feels that a house-to-house canvass is hardly practicable, but in view of the large quota, hopes that wherever bonds are bought, credit be requested for Belchertown.



"Your Humble Servant" Starts Thirteenth Year

The first issue of July marks another milestone in the history of the Steeple. So much has happened since 1932 that I look back upon that time almost as though it belonged to another age instead of to another decade.

"From here, above the finest town on earth, I have seen much good and some bad and have remained apparently unmoved by it all. Christenings, Commencements, Weddings, and Funerals—life passes below me, punctuated by the striking of my clock and the ringing of my bell. But I am interested in you all, and perhaps the time has come to let you listen while I talk to myself—an old habit of mine, but always low heretofore—you probably thought my voice was the wind in the elm branches."

That was the introduction to all this business, twelve years ago. You surely have had to do some listening during that period—624 times, to be exact, and often for much more than the single column to which anything but a garrulous spire would limit itself.

Life is still punctuated by the ringing of my bell; but the ticking of my clock, with which the weekly effusion still ends, is only a tradition now—the real sound waits until "after the war".

This is being written on the Glorious Fourth, with all its glory divided over sundry battlefronts, where events move rapidly toward new declarations of independence from tyranny.

Twelve years ago today we were celebrating the bicentennial of the birth of Washington. Remember the big day? Fred Purdy started it off before 6 a. m., as town crier; there was a parade, a pageant, a dedication service, lots of people, and torrents of rain. It was the largest community day since 1911, and I was able to say, "...a week worth taking pride in." Wouldn't it be fine if I could say that often for the whole community?

One cannot read a paper even a short twelve years old without being struck by the changes wrought by time. Fred Purdy, town crier—gone; Rev. F. C. Rolls, presiding at the dedication service—gone; H. L. Hadlock, who rode in the parade as our sole surviving Civil War veteran—gone. Kids who had a swell time getting underfoot and yelling at the Vernon Lodge Indians who ran a Tea Party float, now are grown up, married, gone off to war. Frank Morris' garage and Holland Glen Dance Pavilion both ran ads in that issue.

Our losses down the years are even more poignantly felt as we read a later July number, which reports a Social Guild program in

which Miss Marian Bardwell, Mrs. A. H. Bartlett, Mrs. Herman Knight, Mrs. Thomas Allen, and Miss Edith Towne participated, and also speaks of the excellent voluntary service rendered by Thomas Allen in cutting out walks and improving the driveways at the Congregational Church.

I hope as the years go by I may never forget that the strength of this town rests on the quality of its individual citizens and that their unselfish activities will not remain unnoticed by an aging spire.

In that spirit I should like to enter my thirteenth year of volubility by ringing a bell of praise for Mrs. Anne Wood, whose Red Cross labors here have been an outstanding example of what one woman can do for her country at war; and another for Ira Shattuck, who has taken over the scoutmastership of the local Boy Scouts in spite of being extremely busy with his farm work. At a time when so many of us were sighing, "Something ought to be done!" it is good that somebody was willing to do something.

Also, as I start the fiscal new year, I want to prove that I have not lost the privilege of condemnation just because I have used it little of late. Whoever the brave souls were that smashed practically all the windows in the home of Harold S. Davis of Jabish Street, with him serving his nation overseas, in spite of his 44 years of age, they deserve something less than a paean of praise. Though doubtless sheer juvenile deviltry, it amounts to about the shabbiest treatment I have known being given to any service man of this war.

Life is still punctuated by the ringing of my bell; but the ticking of my clock, with which the weekly effusion still ends, is only a tradition now—the real sound waits until "after the war".

Record it for the grandson of your son— A city is not builded in a day; Our little town cannot complete her soul 'Till countless generations pass away."—Vachel Lindsey —Bob Jackson

Dwight Items

Rev. Paul Alden of Westfield had charge of the services at the Chapel on Sunday, July 2. On June 25 there were no services at the Chapel, as everyone went to Pelham to the Children's Day exercises, in which the children here who were immune from chicken pox, had a part. Those taking part were Freeman and Russel Worthen, Richard Lancy, Ralph Pittsley, John Allen, John Bickford, William Bickford, Thomas Bell, Frederick Calerf and Richard Moore. This was in the form of a radio quiz and was on the stories of Moses and Joseph.

Mrs. Elsie Chaffee has received notice from the War Department to the effect that her youngest son, Norman, was killed in action in France on June 13. He leaves a wife and a one and one-half year old daughter living in Bondsville.

Joseph Bush, Wesley Jenks and John Allen are convalescing from chicken pox.

Mrs. Etta Randolph was a dinner guest on Sunday of her son, Herbert and family, in Amherst.

George MacMillan, proprietor of

"The Edgewood" tea room and filling station, who has spent several weeks in Chicago with his son and daughter-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas MacMillan, has returned home. While in Chicago Mr. MacMillan underwent an operation on his eye.

Miss Esther Mencer, who formerly lived in Dwight, was a guest on Friday of Mrs. Raymond Jenks. Miss Mencer is now employed in Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Wilson and Mrs. Wilson's mother of Melrose, visited her sons, Gordon and Douglas, on Saturday.

Rationing Board Notes

Tire awards are as follows: Grade 1—Marion Corey, Raymond Gay, Harry Grindle, Leland Bilz, Charles King, Michael Mechonis (2), Evelyn Archambault, Frank Hoaglan, Robert Braden, Walter Henry, Mary Hanifin, Frank Kruszyna, Walter Dodge. Grade 3—Roland Benson (2). Truck Tire—George Clifford, Walter Mason. Tractor Tire—Paul Kulig.

Methodist Church Notes

The Youth Fellowship will hold no more services until September. The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss on Wednesday evening, July 12th, at 7.30.

Political Advertisement

Albert E. Lumley of Pelham Republican Candidate for REPRESENTATIVE 4th Hampshire District

Resident of Amherst and Pelham 16 yrs., Chairman of Selectmen 1944 Manager of Amherst College Farm Labor Program

Member of Rehabilitation Committee Chairman Red Cross Drive 1944 Chairman Salvage and Playground Committee

Past President of the Lions Club Graduate of Oberlin College Member of the A. A. U. P. Teacher of Physical Fitness to Army and Navy Men

Political Advertisement

Portrait of Gerald D. Jones with text: VOTE FOR GERALD D. JONES For State Senator Franklin-Hampshire District Republican Primaries, Tuesday

Town Items

Miss Ellen Griffin of Holyoke is a guest of her niece, Mrs. Alexander Baker of Old Springfield Road. Miss Kathleen Lapolice has taken a position for the summer in the office of the State School.

Miss Evelyn Mead of White Plains, N. Y., was a week-end guest of Miss Lapolice.

Wallace Chevalier is at Mercy hospital, Springfield, for treatment. Raymond Goodell returned from Mercy hospital on Tuesday.

Miss Thelma Cook of Orange and her brother, Sergt. Howard R. Cook, Jr., of Greenville, N. C., called on their grandmother, Mrs. Amy Cook of East Walnut street on Monday afternoon.

Lester, young son of Harlan Davis, who has been in the hospital, returned home Monday.

Mrs. James S. Peck of Meriden, Ct., is a guest at the home of her son, Harold F. Peck.

Witnessed this year and forty-four register

John T. Ware, M.

Beginning Saturday PHILLIPS' STORE will close at 6 o'clock H. F. PECK, Mgr.

Political Advertisement

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BE SURE TO ATTEND THE REPUBLICAN

Illustration of a man and woman with text: Have they heard from YOU lately?

Mrs. R. A. Kinmonth has received the following breezy letter from her sister, who is a nurse serving overseas.

18 June '44 3.30 A. M.

Dear Folks: Guess you have been wondering where I am. I'm here is all I can say—safe; plus being well. Have been very busy, but if one can say enjoying it, I will put that to my credit, as I am doing now what I came over here for. In the near future I will be able to give more details about where I am. It is the same country you were in, Ray, in the last war, but to be very truthful the army has no need for worry as to my divulging where I am.

The fields are beautiful and green and the nites darned cold. As soon as we got here we went right to work. It was most interesting—if you can term it so (will admit it is Hell) but the good we can do as nurses is worth our coming. I am beginning to miss my helmet as it kept my head warm.

If only you could see the regalia we have on. This weather was not made for cold ducks like me. The other nurse that is on here with me is as cold. Here's what I have on:

- 1 long drawers
1 short drawers
2 shirts, half wool
1 fatigue shirt and pants
1 combat pants
1 combat jacket
1 wool sweater
1 pr. wool socks and leggings
1 wool cap
1 wool helmet
1 pr. wool gloves

Now ask me how I work? I do that and plenty. I always wanted to be a horse, so I wouldn't have to undress at night. I tried to get a little sleep last nite, so slept on a morgue slab.

Now do not worry about me—I am not afraid; in fact I wonder if I have any sense at all. ??? And as for nerves, well, I guess "I don't got none".

I do hope we will be able to hear from home soon. Haven't since we left England the earlier part of June.

Do not worry about me. I do hope you are alright. Oceans of love, Your Kid and Sis, "Bud"

Lt. Myrtle M. Krone A. N. C. 96th Evacuation Hosp.

News has been received that Albert Schmidt has been promoted to First Lieutenant.

Master Sergeant James McKillop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael McKillop, is ill with pleurisy in the Cushing General Hospital in Framingham. He was in England for

six months and was returned to this country to be hospitalized.

Mrs. Henry Baggs spent the week-end with her son, Robert A. White, Seaman Second Class, in Hollidaysburg, Va.

Raymond Menard, Seaman Second Class, of Jacksonville, Florida, has been spending a four-day leave at his home in town. He returned to Norfolk, Va., yesterday.

Hazel Pratt of the Marines, stationed at Quantico, Va., spent a 3-day leave at her home in town this past week.

T-5 Edith Putnam, of the WAC Detachment, Des Moines, Iowa, is enjoying a 14-day furlough in the East and was in town on the Fourth, calling on friends.

Raymond Kinmonth, Jr., stationed at Key West, Fla., has been promoted to Seaman First Class.

Mrs. Howard C. Shircliff of Maple street has received news that Mr. Shircliff has been hospitalized for the past six weeks in a naval hospital somewhere in the Pacific area.

Names on the Ballot

REPUBLICAN

Governor Vote for One

Lieutenant Governor Vote for One

Secretary Vote for One

Treasurer Vote for One

Auditor Vote for One

Attorney General Vote for One

Senator in Congress Vote for One

Congressman Vote for One

Councillor Vote for One

Senator Vote for One

County Commissioners Vote for two

Sheriff Vote for One

County Treasurer Vote for One

Representative in General Court Vote for One

William W. Kimball

Albert E. Lumley

George A. Poole

Raymond A. Lyman

Albert G. Beckmann

John L. Banner

Amelia D. Parent

DEMOCRATIC

Governor Vote for One

Lieutenant Governor Vote for One

Secretary Vote for One

Treasurer Vote for One

Thomas J. Buckley

John H. Backus

Francis D. Harrigan

Francis E. Kelly

Joseph M. McDonough

John H. Corcoran

Joseph A. Langone, Jr.

Joseph Lee

Richard M. Russell

John J. O'Connor, Jr.

John M. Deely

John J. Falvey

James P. McAndrews

Ernest W. Brunault

James H. Buckley

William M. Hyde

James J. Kennedy

Miss Ethel Corliss of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending part of her summer vacation at her home on Mill Valley road.

Mrs. Robert Dyer spent the holiday in Portland Maine, with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Carrington.

Political Advertisement

Portrait of George A. Poole with text: ATTEND PRIMARIES JULY 11 GEORGE A. POOLE OF BELCHERTOWN Republican Candidate for Representative 4th Hampshire District

Political Advertisement

FOR STATE SENATOR Franklin-Hampshire District

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Political Advertisement

Portrait of Laurence Curtis with text: Republicans... FOR STATE TREASURER Former SEN. LAURENCE CURTIS A proven and experienced public official, as Assistant U. S. Attorney Boston City Councillor State Senator and Representative

Political Advertisement

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Republican Candidate for Representative

4th Hampshire District 7th year TOWN CLERK Veteran World War I Past Commander American Legion Post 239 Chairman Local Civilian Defense Committee Advisory Board of Local Draft Board 153 President Belchertown Historical Association Member of Orange

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Beginning Saturday, July 8 QUINK'S MARKET will close at 6 o'clock

Political Advertisement

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W. W. KIMBALL

10 Allen St.

AMHERST, MASS.

I am a Republican candidate for your representative in the Fourth Hampshire District. I solicit your necessary assistance.

W. W. Kimball

Dies in Florida

Edward W. Burnett, formerly of Belchertown and Springfield, died in St. Petersburg, Fla. very suddenly on Sunday, July 2nd. He was born in Belchertown, son of the late Enoch Burnett and Mary A. Cheney, the oldest of nine children. He lived here for 20 years, and no doubt, some here still remember him.

He moved with the family to Springfield in 1887 and remained there until 1938. That year he was retired from the city engineer's office, after serving as surveyor and draftsman in that department for thirty years.

He retired in 1938 and with his wife took up residence in St. Petersburg, Fla., where they have lived for the last six years. Apparently in the best of health, the news of his death comes as a great shock to all who knew him.

He leaves three brothers and two sisters, also his wife, to whom he had been married for over fifty years.

Fourth at the State School

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in costumes of the several nations were people of the several countries of the allies. The different flags were also displayed.

Micro-matrimony, a walking feature, with miniature bride and groom and wedding procession, came next.

The fourth float, "After the Storm," was produced under the supervision of Mrs. Marion Wood. Here, under the banner of Peace was a mammoth rainbow, accompanied by the inscription, "Children Will Smile Again." Ends of colored streamers, attached to this attractive float, were held by children walking beside the vehicle.

Ambulatory features came next, following which came the float, "Steering to Victory," produced under the supervision of Miss Mary Scollard. This float featured nautical steering paraphernalia, and representation of the various service groups, including Red Cross nurse. Assorted features and animals came next.

The next feature was "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top," of minstrel show fame. This was "horse-drawn," in that a couple of boys furnished the legs, while the one in front supported the equine head. The sanitary department brought up the procession.

A proud piece of apparatus, which probably would have been in the procession, were it not for war-time restrictions on motive power, was on display opposite the reviewing stand. It was Combination No. 1 of the Belchertown State School Fire Department, constructed by the employees of the school at a minimum of expense, during the past year. It is expected that the unit will be completed during the next month.

Due to a lesser number of floats in line and to the fact that they were not creations of individual buildings, no pennants were awarded this year.

Because of war-time restrictions and a desire to conserve for the war effort, nothing but scrap lumber, discarded sheets and materials already on hand were used in the preparation of this year's parade. Only \$1.75 was expended from non-state funds for needed supplies, and total monies spent from non-state funds, including rental of a team of horses and the employment of two musicians, amounted to, about \$11.70.

THE TRACK MEET

The track meet got under way shortly after the parade. Here under the summer sun, pupils vied for

FOR SALE—Standing Grass, sand and gravel.
B. Joseph Kelley

FOR SALE—Pre-War Columbia De Luxe Bicycle. Brand new. 2-inch balloon tires. Tel. 2373.
Edward L. Schmidt

LOST—Wallet containing Victory tax for car, A and C coupons, license, and social security number.
Miss Dorothy Atkins

FOR SALE—½ ton trailer.
M. C. Baggs

FOR SALE—Standing Grass of good quality.
George Williams

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors and the American Legion for the many floral pieces and the kindnesses shown us during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Mary Ayers
Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffer

supremacy in hotly contested contests, while their companions, lining the track, cheered them on to victory. Not only was their real proficiency displayed, but there were plenty of laughs. Sack race and three-legged race contenders went down like ten pins, while human wheelbarrows and real barrels got into one grand traffic jam. The rope pulls constituted the grand finale. The announcer for the meet was Daniel Schwartz, others assisting being Messrs. Ward, Stead and Hawkins. Prizewinners were announced by Dr. Kimmonth, teachers were judges, while Dr. L. E. Taylor was clerk of the course.

Dinner in all the buildings at noon featured home-produced ham. At 1.30 p. m. there was a girls' soft ball game, while at 3 p. m. the boys' baseball game was held. Picnic supper was served in the buildings at 5, while at 7.15 a special motion picture show for all buildings (provided by non-state funds) was held in the auditorium.

So ended another grand Fourth of July at the State School. Dr. Henry A. Tadjell, superintendent, who has just rounded out a year of service in that capacity at the school, in commenting on the day's activities, says: "All told, some 1,300 patients, the employees (and we hope the townsfolk who come to visit us) benefit from this form of wholesome recreation and entertainment, made possible by the cooperative efforts of both employees (many of whom worked long hours overtime) and pupils. Our thanks to them all."

Boy Scout Figures

Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, who had in charge the Boy Scout drive in this area, announces that the sum of \$232.50 was subscribed, a sum about double that raised last year.

Congregational Church Notes

Thirty-four children and six parents were present at the primary department party held at the Con-

CASINO

WARS—Mat. 2, Eve. 7.15

FRI., SAT., JULY 7 - 8

Paul Lukas Mady Christian
"ADDRESS UNKNOWN"
East Side Kids
"Follow the Leader"

SUN., MON., JULY 9 - 10

Humphrey Michele
Bogart Morgan
"Passage to Marseille"
Robt. Lowery Jean Parker
"THE NAVY WAY"

Note—Sun. 1.15 to 11 P. M.

3 DAYS COM. TUES., JULY 11

GINGER ROGERS
"LADY IN THE DARK"
Technicolor
and "NEARLY EIGHTEEN"

Last dividend on Savings Account shares at the rate of

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You pay \$1.00 per month for each share you subscribe. Interest compounded four times a year. Money available on first mortgages.

Payments may be made at

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Effective Aug. 23, 1943

Belchertown to Springfield

Week-days—9 a. m.; 1.30 p. m.; 5.15 p. m.

Sundays—9 a. m.; 5.15 p. m.; 7.35 p. m.

Belchertown to Greenfield

Week-days—10.55 a. m.; 3.55 p. m.; 7.20 p. m.

Sundays—10.55 a. m.; 7.20 p. m.; 9.30 p. m.

gregational parish house last Friday afternoon from 3 to 5. Games were played and refreshments of ice cream, cookies and lemonade were served out-of-doors. Mrs. Osborne Davis is superintendent of the department.

Town Items

Frank L. Gold, Jr., left yesterday to enter Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Miss Constance Ann Crowley of Springfield has been the guest for the past two weeks of her grandmother, Mrs. Octavia Shirtcliff, of Maple street.

Marjorie Jackson of South Main street is spending a few weeks at the home of her aunt, Miss Margaret Nelson, of North Ryegate, Vermont. Miss Helen Bond of Newton has been the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss, for a few days.

Clapp Memorial Library

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Union Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

Grange Meeting.
Boy Scout Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY

Girl Scout Outing, starting from the post-office at 11 a. m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

TOMORROW

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

July 26
Annual Picnic of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Ruth Kempkes at 2 p. m.

Death of Nelson A. Baker

Nelson A. Baker, 70, who has been living at the home of his brother, Alexander B. Baker of Old Springfield Road, the last two years, died in the Mary Lane hospital in Ware, Sunday, after a period of failing health. Mrs. Baker died seven years ago.

Mr. Baker was born in Burlington, Vermont, August 26, 1873, the son of Joseph and Mary (Barnard) Baker. He came to Massachusetts when a young man and was employed at the Fisk Rubber Company in Chicopee Falls for 25 years. He was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

He leaves one sister, Mrs. Harriet Wilkinson of Ware; three brothers, Clarence and Oscar of Ware, and Alexander of this town; and three step-children, Lt. Col. Earl Marsha, who has been in New Guinea, and is now in Louisiana; Mrs. John Sweeney and Mrs. Chas. Henry, both of Chicopee Falls.

The funeral was held from the Baker home here Wednesday morning at 8.30, followed by a requiem high mass at St. Francis church at 9, with Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan as celebrant. Miss Lorraine Noel was organist. Bearers were George Brown, Leo Roy and Mr. Hutton of Chicopee Falls, and Clarence Robinson of this town. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in Chicopee Falls.

Girl Scout Outing

A Girl Scout outing will be held at the Allen camp on Swift River, next week Thursday, starting from in front of the post-office at 11 a. m., transportation being furnished. Lunches are not required, as "eats" are being provided. Any who care to go are asked to telephone Mrs. Chaffee or Mrs. Hudson Holland by Wednesday.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Augusta Lamson (2), Monica Lebeda (2), Odilon Forest, Alexander Baker, Peter Shyloski, Dalve Cartier (2), Michael Mechonski, Armand Desmaris, John Eurus, Harold Archambault, Rowland Greenwood, Fanny Morey (3), Jean Chaffee, Henry Lamoureux, Mary Hanifin, Clifton Witt, Peter Chmura, Arthur Hennemann, Alice Hussey, Sophie Stokosa, Edward Endelson, Raymond Gay, Harlan Davis, Charles King, Francis St. Cyr (4).

Grade 3—Francis St. Cyr, Harry Grindle, Christine Brown, Felix Mish, Forrest Nichols (2), Frederick Farley.
Truck Tires — Blanche Austin (2).

Result of the Ballot

REPUBLICAN		DEMOCRATIC	
	Vote	Vote	Vote
Governor	259	6	265
Cahill	121	2	123
Lieutenant Governor	67	2	69
Bradford	55	4	59
Hunt	8	1	9
King	22	0	22
McLean	284	7	291
McMasters	133	4	137
Secretary	143	4	147
Cook	160	6	166
Treasurer	26	1	27
Burrell	93	3	96
Curtis	61	2	63
Auditor	123	2	125
Goodwin	104	3	107
Stearns	288	8	296
Wood	281	5	286
Attorney General	270	5	275
Barnes	47	0	47
Fairhurst	177	9	186
Farley	70	0	70
Senator in Congress	8	0	8
Saltonstall	297	12	309
Heslton	265	5	270
Congressman	1	0	1
Bulkley	1	0	1
Councillor	276	5	281
Bulkley	152	3	155
Senator	134	3	137
Craig	326	12	338
Jones			
Mahar			
Representative in General Court			
Kimball			
Lumley			
Poole			
County Commissioners			
Lyman			
George A. Poole			
John R. Callahan			
Sheriff			
Beckmann			
County Treasurer			
Banner			
Parent			
Total Republican Vote	326	12	338

New Principal Announced

The school department announces the appointment of Mrs. Guy Harrington as principal of the Center Grade school for the year 1944-45, to succeed Carl J. Peterson, who takes up his new supervisory duties in Ware and Belchertown in the fall.

There is still a vacancy at Union School at Dwight.

Gets Good Vote Here

Although George A. Poole, local candidate for representative, failed to secure the nomination for that office, he was given a strong vote of confidence here, securing 309 of the 335 votes cast for that office. This represented a large primary vote for Belchertown.

Lumley of Pelham carried all the other towns, getting an almost unanimous vote in his home town, and carrying Amherst where he is employed, by a decisive majority.

Amherst with its six precincts was the last vote to be tabulated. Until the returns from that place came in, Poole's plurality here put him out in front in the race by about 60 votes, but his lead was short-lived, the final figures for the two leading contenders being: Lumley, 908; Poole, 520.

DEMOCRATIC		DEMOCRATIC	
	Vote	Vote	Vote
Attorney General	2	5	7
Backus	5	8	13
Harrigan	11	17	28
Kelly	4	7	11
McDonough	9	19	28
Senator in Congress	3	6	9
Corcoran	3	4	7
Langone, Jr.	9	10	19
Lee	10	15	25
Russell	13	13	26
Congressman	3	4	7
O'Connor, Jr.	2	6	8
Deely	1	2	3
Falvey	7	4	11
McAndrews	14	27	41
Councillor	4	6	10
Brunault	1	0	1
Buckley	13	24	37
Hyde	11	16	27
Kennedy	21	29	50
Senator	1	0	1
Thomas E. Hanifin	1	0	1
Representative in General Court			
Kennedy	13	24	37
Shea	11	16	27
Albert Lumley	1	0	1
County Commissioners	21	27	48
Callahan, Jr.	21	29	50
Sheriff	18	30	48
Beckman	22	31	53
County Treasurer			
Parent			
Total Democratic Vote	30	43	73



On Jobs We'll Do Today If It Takes All Summer

Oh sure, I'll admit that Father "doesn't know the half of it" when he complains about certain perennial jobs which he has annually to dread until he has them finished.

And yet 'tis very true that life would be so much more sweet and lovely if certain of these seasonal tasks could somehow be turned over to the Lares and Penates, or to some Celtic fairy who would accomplish them of a midsummer night in exchange for a dish of cream left by the doorstone.

For instance, there is the furnace. Yes, there it is. In your home I know that it gets its thorough cleaning directly after the last weak little April fire has suffered its demise.

It is dark and quiet in the cellar on a humid July day, when there is no coal to shovel and no ashes to dump. But inevitably there comes a time when a lady of the house goes down to collect sundry empty jars, and returns with the fatal news that the furnace pipes are sweating, the ashes are deep on the grate, and we can't get a new furnace if this one wastes away, and what is the idea anyway, wasn't I going to do that before Memorial Day?

Robert W. Service starts a stanza of his best-loved poem with these immortal lines;

"Were you ever out in the Great Alone, when the moon was awful clear, And the icy mountains hemmed you in with a silence you most could hear?"

Well, sir, that's how it is with

my furnace:

Were you ever down in the Depths Below, when the furnace walls did sweat, And the clammy pipes, they hemmed you in—oh, brother, you can't forget:

The last fire of the spring lies where it died, clinkerful and nasty; the ashpit is full to overflowing; nobody had thought to dump the last-filled ash cans; the flues are stopped with that powdery gray dust that clings to every hair and irritates every mucous membrane.

But at last all is done: the pipes are wire-brushed and stacked in the warm, dry shed; ashes are all wheeled away; the furnace is too clean ever to be defiled by another fire. Proudly you hail your work-folk down to view your handiwork. They exclaim their praises; your soul o'erflows with manly joy.

Then a voice pierces your mist of sweat and self-esteem: "Hadh't you better fix that coal bin now that you're down here?"

America Says Good-Bye To Five Beloved Writers

During the last few months, the generation of Americans, to which this writer belongs, has lost several friends with whom it has grown up. Five authors have died, whose works have been a great joy to many of us, and their passing has brought back a flood of memories of the hours we have spent with them.

Not one of the group was "great." It is entirely safe to say that none of them may be known to an average American, when the 19's have turned to the 20's. But each of them made his contribution to wholesome ideals and sane living, and not one of them wrote anything of which he could have been ashamed. Millions of lives were made happier, because these men chose writing as their profession. Bringing happiness to one's fellows is a notable thing, even though one's name may never be mentioned in a college English course.

George Ade is perhaps the least well known of the five to many of us. He hailed from Indiana, and was one of the few remaining of the Hoosier group of authors, which began with James Whitcomb Riley of swimmin' hole fame, and now has Booth Tarkington, father of Penrod, as about its only living representative. Ade rose to fame as a Chicago columnist when he began to write Fables in Slang. They were a combination of the ancient style of Aesop and the gaiety of American small talk.

"The Fable of a Wonderful Meal of Vittles" begins thus: "Once there were two Lads who grew up on adjoining Farms and were real Bud-

dies, killing Garter Snakes together, popping Corn, tracking Rabbits in the Snow and often sleeping in the same Bed.

About the time they were big enough to pitch Hay, Henry heard the Siren Call of the City and beat it for the Bright Lights, while Ez continued to peg away on the old Home Place, with a growing Ambition to trade in Mules and feed a few Steers for the Chicago Market.

"Strange as it may seem, Henry up in the City and Ez out in the Country both prospered, in spite of Congress." "Henry handled more Currency than Ez ever saw, but after he had paid the Rent for a Suite in the Shakedown Apartment Building and settled with the Japanese Servants and had given Checks to the Tradesmen and all of the perfumed Brigands who unloaded Stuff on the Wife, and remitted to various Clubs, he had just about as much left as Ez after he had bought an Outer Casing and paid his Taxes over at the Court House."

After many years the two got together in Florida after Ez had acquired the "Florida Habit," because "he loved to hear the glad yelps of the Horse-Shoe Pitchers and mingle with the happy Jam at the Cafeteria and stand in line at the Movies and get a lot of thrills which seldom come to one who lives a half-mile back from State Road No. 27 on R. F. D. 3."

Henry was there, too, in a place "concealed behind an Orange Grove and was far removed from any other Habitation and was entirely surrounded by Signs reading as follows: Keep Out.

Henry set Ez up to a meal of wonderful vittles, all rare and expensive. But they all flopped. "The next Serving was a Breast of Guinea Hen with Mushrooms under Glass on the Side.

"On my Farm I've got a lot of these things," said the Guest, poking at the Guinea Hen timidly with his Fork. "We use them as Alarm Clocks, but I'd just as soon eat a Turkey Buzzard."

"How about the Mushrooms?" "Eight People in our Township were poisoned this Summer Foolin' with that Truck. My pasture's speckled with 'em, but we never pick 'em. Most of them are Toad Stools. I tried a Real One once at a K. P. banquet. It tasted a good deal like a Rubber Glove."

The Fable ends with Ez ordering a T-bone Steak with Onions and a large cup of Coffee—and the MORAL: A Delicacy is something not raised in the same County."

Often the Fables were filled with little gems of wisdom: "If it were not for the Presents, an Elopement would be Preferable." "Stay with the Procession or you will Never Catch Up."

"In uplifting, get underneath." Carl Van Doren called Ade a "Moralist in slang," and placed him with Josh Billings, Artemus Ward, Mark Twain, and Mr. Dooley. Although he began his fables in 1900 and remained at the height of popularity for about 20 years, he is still a delight to those who like a picture of American life salted with the vernacular. Slang is, of course, a treacherous medium, because so many of its figures of speech lose

meaning with the passage of years, and Ade will not be long remembered. Will Rogers more or less succeeded him in public favor, and Will is not quoted much nowadays. Time is hard on a humorist. Just the same, Ade's daily outpouring of good sense and clean humor brightened many a tired evening for busy Americans, and a good many of them read of his passing with genuine regret.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

80 Years Too Soon Maud Muller on a summer's day Raked the meadow sweet with hay— Don't be a dope, sweet Maud, relax: Less work, good pay—apply Tampax.

—Bob Jackson

Dwight Items

Rev. Mr. Welch of Princeton, Maine, preached at the services at the Pelham Federated Church on Sunday morning and had charge of the services at Dwight chapel at 2.30 p. m. There were twenty-four present at the services at the Chapel.

Thomas Bell, who has been living at Raymond Jenks', left Monday morning to live with his own mother in Roxbury.

Mrs. Edith Pratt, Mrs. Cassie Fay and Mrs. Effie Struthers accompanied Mrs. Amy Woodward on a four-day trip to Hartford, Ct., and vicinity.

Little George Pittsley underwent a tonsilectomy at Cooley Dickinson hospital on Thursday.

Dr. Williams of Amherst College will have charge of the services on Sunday, July 16th.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Morris and Mrs. E. W. Beach plan to move to Wellesley next week, where Mr. Morris has purchased a place.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rafter and daughter, Mrs. Mildred Plowcha and children of Baltimore, Md., spent last week with Mr. Rafter's mother, Mrs. Cora Steen.

Mrs. Jennie Pierce is confined to her home with mumps. Miss Rena Dodge is spending the week in Boston with her friend, Miss Beatrice Chamberlain.

Rev. Harold D. Suhm and son, George, are spending a two weeks' vacation with Mr. Suhm's mother at Petersburg, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dyer received a telegram on July 10, announcing the birth of a granddaughter at the Maine General hospital at Portland, Me. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Carrington, while Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hanks are great grandparents.

Mrs. Julia Thresher and daughter Miss Elsie Thresher, of Jackson street are spending two weeks at White Horse Beach, Plymouth.

Miss Elsie Cannon is visiting her aunt, Mrs. D. A. Kirkpatrick, at Randolph, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis have returned from a two-weeks' vacation spent at New Found Lake, N. H.



The following interesting letter has been received from Tech. Sgt. Pierré O'Seep:

"Somewhere in New Guinea"

Just got back from pulling a raid on the Jap base at Jefman Island, located at the upper end of New Guinea. It was hard work but well worth it, because after our raid the once powerful base is now just so much scrap metal and rubbish.

It was one of the hottest targets I've flown over yet. We came in on force with a powerful P-38 cover during the middle of the day— swooped down to tree-top level over the air bases and installations and spread our bombs over the entire target—our machine guns spraying the area, so that no living thing could possibly survive after we had left.

I was fascinated by the bombs dropping on the lines of Jap planes parked on the runways. (First you see them glistening in the sun, and in the next instance they're a puff of flame.)

Going over the target I didn't know whether to watch the dog-fight up above, where our fighters were sending the Zeros crashing into the sea, or the explosions that our bombs were causing. It all happens so quickly, and there is so much to watch at the same time that a fellow wishes he had about six eyes to see everything properly. Nevertheless, we all were glad to see the clouds of smoke glowing farther away on the horizon as we headed for home.

Our raid was a great success. It was the first time that we hit the place—we destroyed about fifty planes on the ground, plus installations, and the fighters got about half as many Zeros in the air.

(Just the nite before, Radio Tokyo said, "the Japanese air force is sweeping the skies of New Guinea and the A. A. F. doesn't dare challenge them.")

Other than this sort of occasional excitement, life drags on here in its same monotonous way. We have to "sweat" things out. I imagine the weather, etc., must be at its best back there in Massachusetts now. I can realize, too, how lucky we are to have different seasons of the year at home, instead of endless summer weather like this place has sweated thru all these years.

To-nite we are fixing up a "snack" in our tent—that's been going on for some time now, and we're getting where we can boil water without burning it when we make tea. Yes, tea! Something we picked up from the Aussies, y' know. I have good reason to believe we're beating them at their own game. Our tea is quite superior, in my opinion. (We use a tin can to brew

it—gives it extra taste!)

I've enclosed a photo of an air raid over a target that had been taken over by our forces some time after we had pounded the place. The plane is one of our squadron and the airdrome below is typical of those the Japs build up in the Southwest Pacific. Many planes were destroyed on that island, and I've seen more than I can say here on it.

I have a long day ahead of me tomorrow; I'll have to turn in soon. My apologies for boring you with this unpleasant subject—aerial warfare—but it's all that I know to write of.

Best regards,

Pete

England, June 28, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer: Greetings to you and the Sentinel. Sure have been enjoying the news from home sent to me by my mother. She always sends clippings galore from the home-town paper, and it is appreciated no end.

Enjoy the Steeple as much as ever. Hats off to all our boys for their contributions. Hearing of them brings me great pleasure.

Surely I feel sorry to hear of the Robbins leaving town. Received a copy of the program for the minstrel show. That Double or Nothing club is a wonder. The picture of Rev. Mr. Manwell is perfect, and his recent letter you published, was very interesting.

I am here awaiting re-assignment to an outfit. Am enjoying the country, which is so interesting. Would like to be in France much better, however. Best regards to all.

Sherman Gould

Tec. 4 James B. Baker, 31212713 120th General Hospital APO No. 5587 San Francisco, California

Cpl. Henry Pranaitis has been transferred to San Diego, Calif., 910 Front St., A. A. F. U. D. S.

Raymond R. Menard, A. O. M. (T) 3-C A & R, Shop 640 Naval Air Station Norfolk, Virginia

Pvt. Robert G. Anderson, U. S. Marine Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kristian Anderson, formerly of Belchertown, now of Granby, has completed his boot training at Parris Island, S. C., and has been home on a 10-day furlough. He reported for duty last Saturday at Camp Lejeune, New River, North Carolina.

Robert A. White, Seaman Second Class, is stationed at Hollidaysburg, Pa., instead of Va., as a news item last week erroneously indicated.

Corp. Marjorie Aldrich, stationed at Big Springs, Texas, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Aldrich of North Main street.

The following army release is of interest, by reason of the fact that it concerns the service company command of which Pfc. Harlan D.

Balances on Appropriations as of June 30, 1944

Table with columns: Account, Appropriation, Transfers and Additions, Expenditures, Unexpended. Lists various accounts like Selectmen, Town Accountant, Treasurer, etc., with their respective financial figures.

*1943 Balance ‡State Allotment

Rhodes, son of C. R. Rhodes of Old Enfield road, is a member.

AFHQ, Mediterranean Theater—Immense Mediterranean supply and equipment depots are controlled by men of one service company commanded by Major John Campbell of Fairlong, New Jersey. In one of the largest ports in North Africa they have a job that may be termed "King-size."

Since the invasion of North Africa, supplies of every kind needed to keep the fighting man in the field clothed, fed, and equipped, have poured into 70 depots strung out for miles in every direction.

The ordnance depot, one of the supply installations, stocks the heavy combat equipment, used in the Mediterranean Theater. A call from the front can produce 240 millimeter howitzers when needed. Tanks, tank destroyers, and heavy artillery of every calibre and type are stocked here, out of range of the enemy, for use by the fighting divisions.

Following the invasion of North Africa the company landed with the Mediterranean Section and commenced to function immediately. It has been doing its job since then—throughout the Tunisian Sicilian and Italian campaigns.

"The Company has two peculiarly

distinguishing features," claims First Lieutenant John J. Johnston of Fort Thomas, Kentucky, who is the adjutant. "It is one of the largest companies in the Army and probably has more rank among the non-commissioned officers than any other outfit in existence." This is due to the fact that the men are performing highly specialized tasks.

In addition to staffing the Headquarters, the men work in the messes and hotels in the city. They run the rest centers situated on the shores of the Mediterranean and they drive the vehicles used by the staff sections of the Headquarters.

Town Items

Mrs. Francis Loftus, local AAA representative, announces that milk subsidy payments for May and June are now available on application.

The following left Monday to spend a week at Camp Anderson in Shutesbury: Herbert Squires, Stanley Rhodes, Albert Rhodes, John Rhodes, Douglas Cannon and Bobbie Chevalier.

The following leave Sunday for the 4-H camp at Goshen to spend two weeks: Gloria Wildey, Elizabeth Suhm, Susan Squires and Fay Hislop.

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Methodist Church Notes

The W. S. of C. S. will hold their annual picnic at the home of Mrs. Ruth Kempkes on July 26 at 2 o'clock. All groups are expected to be present. Don't bring any food but bring your pocketbook, and if you plan to come, as we hope you will, please notify Mrs. Kempkes not later than Monday, July 24, so the committee will know how much food to provide.

Town Items

The custodian of the Stone House, desiring that the young people of the community get the most possible out of a visit to the House, requests that all children under nine be accompanied by their elders.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Young and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Truckey of Hartford, Ct., have been guests of Mrs. Henry Pranaitis for the past ten days.

Richard Hazen and Robert Hodgson leave Sunday to spend two

STANDING GRASS for Sale with storage.
Henry Berger

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my friends and the organizations of which I am a member, for the cards, fruit and books sent to me while I was in Mercy Hospital.

Raymond Goodell

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weeks at the Boy Scout camp in Chesterfield.

Mrs. Frank Farrington, Jr. has taken the position of part-time clerk at the Rationing office, and began her duties last week.

With Our Subscribers

44 Lillian Avenue
Providence, R. I.
July 10, 1944

Dear Editor Blackmer:

I do thank you extremely for continuing my subscription to the Sentinel, that chronicle of the weekly doings of one of the friendliest little towns in the country. I speak from some experience, too. Believe me, if we could have that same spirit multiplied a million times over the Nation, the Four Freedoms would stand some chance of being realized.

Yes, right there on your hilltop, you are solving the problems of the country in large measure; the neighborly atmosphere, the respect for one another's religions, color and nationality, the rushing to one another's aid when calamity descends, the paternal way in which all the sons and daughters who have entered the service are remembered and tenderly regarded, is something that gets down into the depths of the heart.

The inspiring poems that at times dot the pages of your time-honored publication, and Bob Jackson's Voice from the Steeple show a deep idealism and faith in God and all things good. Yes, it is a beautiful spot, this Belchertown, and the souls of the people who live therein reflect some of its serene beauty.

All these things the Sentinel has helped very materially to foster and integrate. Long live the Sentinel and its kindly editor. Affectionate greetings to all my friends.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. George Kissler

CASINO

WARE—Mat. 2, Eve. 7:15

FRI., SAT., JULY 14 - 15

Denis O'Keefe M. Reynolds

"Up in Mabel's Room"

Tom Neal Ann Savage

"Two-Man Submarine"

SUN., MON., JULY 16 - 17

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and

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Belchertown to Greenfield

Week-days—10:55 a. m.; 3:55 p. m.; 7:20 p. m.

Sundays—10:55 a. m.; 7:20 p. m.; 9:30 p. m.

Attention! All Home Canners

Before you begin your 1944 canning Good Housekeeping Magazine advises you: use the *boiling water* bath method for tomatoes and fruits, only. Can all vegetables except tomatoes by the correct use of a pressure cooker to be sure of killing botulinus germs. In the last few years, cases of botulinus food poisoning have cropped up in widely different parts of the country. Buy, borrow, share a pressure cooker—but don't can low-acid vegetables any other way. If you want further information, write Good Housekeeping Magazine, 959 Eighth Avenue, New York 19, N. Y.

Grange Notes

There will be a regular business meeting in connection with the Grange meeting next Tuesday evening.

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The Coming Week

SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Union Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

Dr. Newell S. Booth, Guest Preacher. "Highlights on the Road From Belchertown to Africa."

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

Girl Scout Outing, starting from the post-office at 11 a. m.

TUESDAY

Picnic of Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Amy Allen at 6.30 p. m.

Boy Scout Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Annual Picnic of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Ruth Kempkes at 2 p. m.

Annual Picnic of the Women's Guild at Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward's at 3.30 p. m.

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY

American Legion Meeting.

FRIDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Recount Tuesday Night

A recount of the vote for state treasurer was held on Tuesday evening. The results, however, showed no variation from the original count. Burroughs received 147 votes and Curtis 137. Milton C. Baggs was attorney for Curtis, being assisted by Guy C. Allen, Sr. Burroughs had no representative present.

Two Haying Accidents

Maurice Moriarty of Cold Spring street suffered lacerations and contusions of the arm and a fractured ankle in a haying accident last Friday when he was thrown from a load of hay, following the breaking of a whiffletree as he was about to drive into the barn. The horses broke loose, coming to a stop in the barnyard. Dr. Wm. J. Hogan was called and reduced the fracture. The patient was taken to the Palmer hospital for an X-ray.

Mrs. Rachel Baker of Old Springfield road was painfully injured as the result of falling off a load of hay when the horses gave a quick start, while in the hay field on Wednesday afternoon. She fractured her right wrist and suffered numerous lacerations and contusions of the face. Dr. W. J. Hogan reduced the fracture. The patient was taken to the Providence hospital for X-ray.

Commends Local Candidate

Pelham, Mass.
July 17, 1944

Mr. Lewis H. Blackmer,
Editor of the Belchertown Sentinel,
Dear Mr. Blackmer:

I would like to have you publish this letter in the Belchertown Sentinel so that the people of Belchertown and surrounding communities can read it.

I would like to state that Mr. George A. Poole and his supporters ran what I consider the cleanest campaign in Massachusetts.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Albert E. Lumley,
Republican Nominee for Representative

Bishop Booth to Preach

Dr. Newell S. Booth, a native of Belchertown, recently made bishop by the Methodist Church, who leaves to take up his work in Africa in the near future, will preach at the union service at the Methodist church on Sunday morning at 11. The substance of his topic will be Highlights on the Road from Belchertown to Africa.

LETTER FROM BISHOP BOOTH

The following letter of greeting and farewell mailed this week by Bishop Booth to constituents in the Methodist church in this country is of considerable interest:

"Dear Friends:
"This is my first letter sent out to you all as Bishop for Africa. I imagine that most of you have heard of my election. I want to send you a greeting and farewell before I leave for Africa. I hope to be able to complete the necessary arrangements and secure a priority so that I can leave by plane in September.

"I wish that I could introduce all of you to each other, but you are scattered all over the country, and in fact, the world. You are people in whose churches I have spoken; friends whom I have made; relatives; people who are supporting projects in Africa; those interested in our work there; you are colleagues in the service of the Church. You are all friends of Africa, and I am happy that I can call you all friends of ours. I hope that this circle of fellowship as represented in these occasional letters means as much to you as it does to me.

"As I prepare to leave again for Africa, I feel a great need of your support in interest and prayers. I am sure that you who have been supporting the work that I have been

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Thanks the Voters

George A. Poole, local candidate for representative, thanks most heartily the people of Belchertown for the fine vote they gave him last week in the primaries. He also wishes to thank all those who helped to further his candidacy.

Back from Overseas

Fred W. Wood, who for the last two years has been employed by Lockheed at an air base in Northern Ireland, returned to this country last week, arriving in New York on Wednesday. He has been in town several days this past week. The Lockheed concern had the assignment of setting up and operating the base until such time as the army took over, which phase has now been reached.

Wood's only contact with any local person while across was with Gladys Smola, an army nurse from this town, and even in this case a transfer made impossible any extended interview.

Wood, who was in World War I, had as buddies on the Lockheed assignment a number who also had been in the first conflict, some 75 or 100 being on the American Legion roster there.

Auto Accident

A 1936 Packard sedan driven by John Cummins of 37 Temple St., Worcester, containing five other passengers, and on the way from Holyoke to Worcester, was involved in an auto accident at 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, at a point near the Belding place on the Holyoke road. It is stated that a bee flew in at the window, distracting the driver's attention, so that the car veered off to the right, broke off a Central Mass. pole and a guard post and nearly overturned at a concrete culvert.

Dr. Wm. J. Hogan was called and attended Mrs. Richard Cummins at the Henry place, but injuries were negligible.

Constable Frank L. Gold investigated the accident.

Fire Department Calls

July 16. Power line break on the Enfield road.

July 16. Chimney fire at Beach place.

July 17. Chimney fire at Carl Corliss's.



Automatic Telephone Poses Profound Personal Problem

"Though life is most uncertain
I'm sure of this one thing—
That when I'm in the bath tub
The telephone will ring."
So sings Gertrude McCann's
"Cheerful Cherub" in terribly
truthful verse.

The fact that the phone is sure
to ring when you are soaking in
the tub, or just enjoying the pre-
cious last minutes of a nap, or
hanging out clothes at the further
end of the line, is only part of the
story. For a few moments you
sit, lie, or stand undecided. May-
be it will stop—it doesn't. So you
prepare yourself hastily and rush
for the imperative instrument, al-
ways conveniently located at the
other end of the house. As you
rush, the ringing seems to become
more frantic. But just as you
reach the threshold, or even as you
lift the receiver, the signal stops,
and you are listening to the lovely
hum of the dial tone.

In the old days, faced by such a
predicament, you rang Central,
and chances were she could tell
you who was calling. Now your
only solution is to dial all the num-
bers in the directory!

You may return to your tub,
your bed, or your clothesline—
life will not soon be the same
again. Common sense will tell you
that the call was of no more impor-
tance than the others you *did* an-
swer—still, it may have been! The
question "Who Wanted me?" per-
sists. You ask it to each of your
friends, as you see them. When
someone finally admits having
tried to get you, you feel a sense
of relief, similar to that you get at
the end of Earl Gardner's detec-
tive stories.

This problem is just as aggra-
vating on the sending end. I go
to the phone at 7.15 a. m. or 9.20
p. m. and dial. The signal begins
repeating itself, over and over. No
answer. I feel misgivings. May-
be they're all asleep. I wouldn't
disturb them for worlds. Perhaps
they're not home. How long shall
I let it ring? How long would it
ring, if I just waited? Perhaps
someone's sick. Maybe only Aunt
Sallie is home. She can't hear well
enough to talk over the phone, but
the ringing makes her nervous.

They're probably putting the baby
to bed, and are torn between duty
and diapers. I begin to perspire
gently and then hang up.

At precisely that moment, Mrs.
Q., her damp form wrapped in-
adequately in a bath towel, her ap-
prehensive eyes glancing at the
open window, her breath coming in
gasps, reaches wildly for the phone
—and gets a dial tone!
What a life!

Joseph C. Lincoln Led Me Away from Burt L. Standish

I have sometimes secretly envied
the child who was swept into the
sea of great literature by the safe
and sure currents of Louisa Al-
cott and Robert Stevenson, with-
out even touching the reefs and
shoals of "trashy reading." Never
to have the boat rocked by the
gales of silly romances, or the oars
caught in the weeds of penny
dreadfuls or dime novels; but to
float serenely into Shakespeare and
Walter Scott, without ever having
wasted valuable time being blown
off the course by Nick Carter or
Jesse James—that surely must be a
literary voyage to look back upon
with pride.

My own, alas (or is it alas?) was
not so. The only reason for my not
reading more comics than I did was
that there were not so many in cir-
culation when I was a boy. But I
hustled forth each Sunday (Burt
Fellows will remember this!) and
borrowed (to keep) those funnies
which came in other folks' papers.
These I put with my own from the
Union or *American* and sewed them
laboriously together into great mot-
ley volumes, which I stored in a
mammoth cupboard and carted each
summer to our shack, where the
gang would re-read by the hour the
frayed adventures of Hairbreadth
Harry and the Beautiful Belinda, of
Happy Hooligan and the Katzen-
jammer Kids.

We were of the generation just
saying good-bye to Castleton's
"Frank" series, to Horatio Alger,
and to G. A. Henty (he who led his
boy heroes through every conflict
from the dawn of history to the Boer
War). We were welcoming the
Rover Boys, the Motor Boys, Tom
Swift, and various youths in uni-
form, sport or military.

And how we would read! A
whole row of us, chair legs back and
feet on the porch rail. We consum-
ed Frank and Dick Merriwell by the
yard. My father, a tireless reader,
did not seriously attempt to stem
the tide of rubbish into which we
dove every quiet summer afternoon.
Occasionally he would pick up one
of the books, glance at a page or
two, tell me cheerfully how it would
come out, and inquire if I never got

sick of it.

He had faith in the power of time
to change a kid's literary tastes as
well as his vocal chords and finger
nails.

The Memorial Library performed
the miracle. There, hunting for
further lurid adventures, we even-
tually stumbled across more serious
books, took them out on a chance,
found them interesting, and return-
ed for more. In proportion as we
consumed the more profound (?)
volumes of George Barr McCutche-
on, our earlier loves lost their
glamour. When we had discovered
Stewart Edward White's trilogy of
the forest (*The Riverman*, *The
Blazed Trail*, and *The Rules of the
Game*), then Henty and Alger, Vic-
tor Appleton and Burt L. Standish,
had lost their charm forever.

One writer who did much to im-
prove our appreciation of good
books without unduly taxing our
summer brains was Joseph C. Lin-
coln, whose recent death has put a
book-end on more than a shelf-full
of stories in the library.

He is the second of the five I
spoke of last week, whose passing
deserves a murmur of appreciative
recognition from millions of Ameri-
cans.

I shall never forget *Cap'n Eri*,
Lincoln's first novel, and the first
of his which I read. The delightful
situation of three old sea captains
in search of a housekeeper busted
me wide open with delight. Some-
where in that story a train pulls in
and a large colored lady gets off. A
terrified captain, sure that she was
the answer to his matrimonial ad,
flees wildly and holes up in a hen-
house. Over 25 years have passed
since I read the book, and its de-
tails are misty, but its flavor of the
sea, its hilarious humor, and its salt-
water philosophy still cling to my
memory.

Mr. Pratt, Mr. Pratt's Patients,
The Postmaster and many other
stories were picked up regularly
and for some years I looked forward
to a new Lincoln yarn with more an-
ticipation than I had ever felt for
the latest Merriwell story.

Later, as I went on into more
serious literature, I left Cape Cod
and her captains. I think *Shavings*
was the last of the Lincoln books
that I read. But when the news of
his death appeared in the papers, I
felt as though I should send flow-
ers, or at least a card. A very real
friend had gone, leaving behind a
yard or two of novels that weren't
very great, that won't "last" long,
but that have served a purpose in
American life that should not be un-
derestimated.

I suppose Cape Cod existed and
was visited before Lincoln was born
there in Brewster in 1870. Howev-

er, I am sure that many thousands
of inland Americans were drawn to
its quaint beauty and taken in by its
sea-faring folks for no other reason
than their love for Lincoln's books.
A good many real estate men and
hotel keepers down that way should
be contributing liberally to a memo-
rial.

Lincoln did more than make a lo-
cality famous. He stands as one of
those writers of clean, wholesome,
well-planned books, whose purpose
may be partly to lead kids away
from trash and set their feet on the
road to more thoughtful reading.
Without their realizing it, too.
Which is something!

Even now, when I am faced with
the problem of a child who must do
some required reading and cheer-
fully confesses, "I don't ever read
books," I draw his attention to
Cap'n Eri and hope for the best.

Listen to the old clock below me
—tick, tick, tick. It has counted
off another week of your life:

Home Reading

There's always Life in our bath-
room

Where the family may sit and rest;
If our guests don't like Life in our
bathroom

They may choose the Reader's Di-
gest!

—Bob Jackson

Town Items

Miss Elizabeth Ketchen of New-
ton Hospital is at her home in town
for a month's vacation.

Miss Mary Chaffee has sold her
place on North Main street to May-
nard Witt.

Mrs. William Chamberlain and
children of Boston are spending two
weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Robert E.
Chamberlain.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Squires and
daughter, Susan, returned last Sat-
urday from a vacation spent on
Cape Cod.

Mrs. Sidney Wheeler and daugh-
ter, Nancy, of New Jersey have ar-
rived at their summer home on Ev-
erett avenue.

Mrs. Sherman Gould of Somer-
ville is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J.
Raymond Gould of North Washing-
ton street.

Mrs. Harold W. Curtis and
daughter, Barbara, of Portsmouth,
N. H., are guests of Mrs. Leila S.
Curtis of South Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farrington,
Sr., of State street are entertaining
for two weeks Mr. Farrington's
mother, Mrs. Susan Farrington, and
his sister and brother-in-law, Mr.
and Mrs. Harry Wells of Grosse
Pointe, Mich.

Mrs. George Dewey is in the
Worcester hospital.



Pvt. Elwyn H. Wood, 31467854
1st Pl. Co. D, 4th E. T. Bn. ASFT
 Ft. Belvoir, Va.

Corp. Clarence R. Hubbard of
Camp Maxey, Texas, has been pro-
moted to sergeant.

Corp. William Lacey has re-
turned to Camp McCoy, Wis., after
a 10-day leave spent at his home in
town.

Howard C. Shirliff S. F. 3-C
U. S. Naval Hospital
Ward 36-2
San Diego 34
California

Mr. and Mrs. William Stead of
Ware road have received word from
their son, William A. Stead, who is
somewhere in the Pacific area, that
he has been promoted from seaman
third class, to shipfitter first class.

Miss Patricia L. Squires of Fed-
eral street, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Paul R. Squires, enlisted in
the Waves July 12. She will go to
the naval training station at the
Bronx on August 24. Miss Squires
graduated from Amherst High
school and Northfield Seminary.

Draft Board Notes

Calls on the local draft board are
but a fraction of what they were up
until a few months ago. Inductees
are now mostly those becoming 18
years of age.

The induction of those 26 to 29
years of age has been ordered post-
poned until September 1, and that
of the 30 to 38 age until October 1,
except in the case of volunteers and
delinquents. Probably the size and
extent of future calls will be deter-
mined by the fortunes of war.

Recently an auditor from the state
office examined every classification
made by the local board, this being
routine procedure, and found cause
for reconsideration in only a very
few cases.

In recent months farm cases have
been referred to the county war
board for recommendation. This is
a five-man board.

Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S.
of C. S. will hold a picnic at the
home of Mrs. Amy Allen next Tues-
day evening at 6.30, with Mrs. Ed-
na Alden as assistant hostess. Mem-
bers of both Groups are invited.
"Eats" will be provided by the com-
mittee. Those planning to attend
are asked to call Mrs. Raymond
Gay today.

The W. S. of C. S. will hold their
annual picnic at the home of Mrs.
Ruth Kempkes on July 26 at 2
o'clock. All groups are expected to
be present. Don't bring any food but
bring your pocketbook, and if you
plan to come, as we hope you will,
please notify Mrs. Kempkes not
later than Monday, July 24, so the
committee will know how much food
to provide.

Laurel Park Assembly

The Laurel Park Summer assem-
bly will be held at Northampton,
August 12-20. This is a rally week
for the Methodists of the Springfield
district. The Christian Life Insti-
tute chorus and other musical spec-
ialties in charge of John T. Bone
will furnish music for all services.

Week-night services are at 7.30
p. m., when Dr. Harold Metzner of
Trinity Union Methodist church of
Providence, R. I., will be the speak-
er.

Sunday services are as follows:

Sunday, August 13
10.30 a. m. Dr. Philip S. Nason,
First Methodist Church, Cort-
land, N. Y.
2.30 p. m. Dr. Robert L. Tucker,
First Methodist Church, New
Haven, Conn.

Sunday, August 20
10.30 a. m. Dr. Donald G.
Wright, Maple Street Method-
ist Church, Lynn, Mass.
2.30 p. m. Dr. F. Howard Calla-
han, Church of St. Paul and St.
Andrew, New York City.

Town Items

Dr. Edward P. Bartlett of Wil-
mington, Del., was in town the first
of the week, stopping at H. C.
Knight's.

H. H. Witt will hold an auction
sale of household articles on Satur-
day afternoon, July 29, at 1.30.

Mrs. Harold LaBroad and son,
Jimmie, of Jackson street are spend-
ing a few days in New York.

Miss Ruth Spencer of Jackson
street is enjoying a three-weeks' va-
cation from her duties on the nurs-
ing staff of Johnson Memorial hos-
pital at Stafford Springs, Conn.

Telephone Kids' Quiz



HOW many women of the New
England Telephone Company are
MARINES, WAVES, WACS or SPARS?
More than 300.

HOW can Telephone Kids help to
keep good wartime service while
they are away?

By skipping needless calls, and
keeping necessary calls as brief
as you can.

NEW ENGLAND



Congregational Church Notes

The Women's Guild will hold its annual picnic at the home of Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward next week Wednesday afternoon at 3.30. The "cats" will be furnished. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Blanche Kimball, Mrs. Helen Allen and Mrs. Marion Shaw. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

Rationing Board Notes

The rationing board has awarded tires as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Quantity. Includes Grade 1 tires for various names like Claude Smith, Belding Jackson, etc., and Grade 3 tires for Mae Bigos.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis have moved to the Bartlett property on South Main street. There will be a meeting of the American Legion next week Thursday evening, the 27th. At the business meeting there will be nomination of officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. Charles Wilson and son, Joey, and niece, Miss Suzanne Piper, are visiting their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Millard Price, in Canadensis, Pa. Nelson J. Hill of Jackson street has had a week's vacation from his duties in the maintenance department at the State school.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hawkins are taking a vacation from their duties at the State school.

Mrs. Octavia Shirliff of Maple St. is visiting her daughters in Springfield and her sister in Hartford, Conn. When she returns she expects to have her sister, Miss Lina Renaud of Hartford, with her for a visit.

It is announced that unless dog taxes are paid immediately, delinquents will be reported to the dog officer.

Charles F. Austin has sold for Richard Dickinson, the latter's place on the Amherst road, to a Mr. Pamokus of Springfield, who plans to make repairs and renovations before occupying the premises.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Gabel of Mill Valley Road are parents of a nine-pound son, Richard Clayton, born Tuesday morning at the Mary Lane hospital. The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Sessions of South Main street.

The Girl Scout picnic scheduled for yesterday was postponed until next Monday by reason of the inclement weather. The group will leave the post-office Monday morning at 11.

Miss Jeanette Ritter spent a few days at Dorchester with her aunt, Mrs. Adams, who returned with her to spend a few weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hubbard.

Miss Lillian Larocque of Williamsett and Miss Madelaine Lefebvre of Holyoke are spending their vacation week as guests of Miss Esther Cote at her cottage at Lake Metacomet.

Loretta Smith of North Washington street was injured this past week by falling from a tree. Dr. Hogan attended.

Mrs. Thomas Murray and son, Tommy, of Reading, are spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lindquist.

Mrs. John T. Flaherty and daughter, Ruth, of Maple street, have been visiting relatives in Worcester.

LOST—One service star pin with U. S. N. lettering and insignia. Send information to Box 124, town.

MILK BOTTLES—Due to war conditions new milk bottles are extremely difficult to obtain. We ask your cooperation in the prompt return of all bottles. Please keep them in circulation. Thank You! Belchertown Farms

WANTED—Board and room, reasonable, for two little girls, age 7 and 8. Fred Wood

ERRANDS—I have a wagon and would like to do errands, delivering groceries, etc. Rose Marie Noel Tel. 2676

FOR SALE — Fowl, Roasting Chickens, Duck Eggs and Hen's Eggs. Frank E. Towne Jabish St. Phone 3653

A18 FOUND—On old Amherst road, male dog, black with some tan. Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth of State street are spending a three-weeks' vacation at Mystic, Conn., where they are guests of Mrs. Kinmonth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dickinson are settled in their new home at 91 Oak Grove Ave., Springfield, and would be glad to see any of their former neighbors and friends at any time. A State St. to Pine Point, traveling south on Main street, will get one there.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Renouf and two daughters of Robin Farm have returned home after a week's stay with friends in New York and New Jersey.

Mrs. Howard Dickinson has been visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Taft and family of Stirling.

Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Blackmer of Westminster, Vt., are spending a month's vacation at the Sanderson house on Cottage street.

Mrs. Mary Jepson Peeso of Springfield is a guest of Mrs. Iva Gay.

Bishop Booth to Preach

—continued from page 1— doing will continue to give that same support. In these days there

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FISHER BUS SCHEDULE

Effective Aug. 23, 1943 Belchertown to Springfield Week-days—9 a. m.; 1.30 p. m.; 5.15 p. m. Sundays—9 a. m.; 5.15 p. m.; 7.35 p. m. Belchertown to Greenfield Week-days—10.55 a. m.; 3.55 p. m.; 7.20 p. m. Sundays—10.55 a. m.; 7.20 p. m.; 9.30 p. m.

is even increased opportunity and responsibility. I hope that I may be able adequately to represent the consecration of the Church in America in its outreach to Africa.

"My family is going to stay here for the present. Newell, Jr., starts college in the fall at Boston University, and will go on to Seminary in preparation for his work as a missionary in Africa. We hope it will not be long before the two Esmas may be able to join me at Elisabethville, but it seems unwise to make an attempt to go now. Esma has just finished her Study book for the Friendship Press, and is working on a life of George Washington Carver to be translated into various languages.

"This summer, I shall be fulfilling certain engagements that I had made before my election. The biggest is the writing of the Study Book for the Missionary Education Movement. I hope all of you may be able to read that book, and thus let me tell you the things that I would like to say about Africa. On this one page, I could say little, but in that whole book I shall say many of the things I have wanted the folks here in America to know about Africa.

"We feel that God has called us to a task, which demands not only all of the ability, preparation and consecration that we may have, but also the prayers of our friends and God's continued empowering. We do pray that we may have these. The next time I write, it will be from Africa. Now I leave, bearing your greetings to the people there. Then I shall be glad to send back their greetings to you, as members of this one Church of ours. Newell S. Booth"

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church— Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain) Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor

—Methodist Church— Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor. Church School at 10 a. m. Union Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

—St. Francis Church— Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate Sunday Masses: St. Francis, 9.30 a. m. State School, 8.15 a. m. Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY Firemen's Association.

TUESDAY Boy Scout Meeting.

WEDNESDAY Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

TOMORROW Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Aug. 16 Annual Silver Tea of Women's Guild of Congregational Church, with Mrs. Henry Tadjell.

Back from the Convention

Mrs. Thomas Hanifin attended the Democratic National convention at Chicago last week as an alternate delegate and was heard over the radio Friday night in the vote for vice president when the vote of the Massachusetts delegation was challenged, calling for a public individual poll. Mrs. Hanifin says that she has attended three national conventions and that this always happens. Incidentally, she voted for Truman. She says she met Vice-President Wallace and that he has a pleasing personality.

Mrs. Hanifin says that this convention, covering only three days, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, was much more hurried than other conventions. Friday was an especially busy day with the session running from 11 a. m. to around 10 p. m. The Philadelphia convention, four years ago, it seems, was much less hurried and more social in nature.

Mrs. Hanifin speaks especially of the hospitality of Mayor Kelley of Chicago, who did everything in his power to make the stay pleasant for the several delegations. There seemed to be little time, however, for special functions—breakfasts, teas, luncheons, and dinners. She did attend a breakfast to Mary Norton.

Mrs. Hanifin went both ways with the Massachusetts delegation, traveling with the group of Margaret M. O'Riordan, Democratic candidate for secretary of the Commonwealth. By now it is a case of meeting old friends. Some familiar faces were missing, however, of those who had entered the service.

Local Library Benefits

Clapp Memorial Library is in receipt of the sum of \$4,775.25 from the Enfield Library Association, as noted in the petition for the dissolution of the Enfield association published in this issue.

It has been known for some time that the Belchertown library would be a beneficiary of this fund, along with the Worthington library, but the legal proceedings in connection with the dissolution has taken considerable time. Schoonmaker and Schoonmaker of Ware have been attorneys for the Enfield group.

Fire Department Calls

July 24. Forest fire at Lewis Austin's.

"The Road to Africa"

Last Sunday was a memorable day in the history of the Methodist church, and in fact, of the town, it being the occasion of the return to his native village to preach there for the first time following his being made a bishop of the Methodist church, of Dr. Newell S. Booth. Due to the latest honor and responsibility that has come to Dr. Booth, it was most appropriate that the service was a union one with the Congregational church. Incidentally, Dr. Booth said that he preached his first sermon twenty years ago in the local Congregational church.

Last Sunday could almost have been designated Booth Sunday. George Booth of this town, Dr. Booth's brother, was the usher, and Rev. Harold D. Suhm of this town, who married Dr. Booth's sister, read the Scripture. Rev. Mr. Belcher, newly appointed pastor of the local church, conducted the service.

Dr. Booth, who is shortly to leave by plane for Africa to take up his new work, spoke on "The Road from Belchertown to Africa." He said it is a two-way road and that we are more and more conscious of its existence: Our soldiers have travelled the road to Africa and have been followed by our thoughts, interests, love and prayers. We have gone to Africa with the purchase of war bonds. A part of us has gone there. Churchill and Roosevelt trod the road, meeting in Casablanca and Cairo.

Dr. Booth, having in mind rings and ornaments, said, "Africa is in this room." He said that half of the gold of the world comes from Africa. Diamonds come from there, and their use in precision machinery in industry is just about indispensable. Cocoa comes from Africa, and two-thirds of chocolate comes from the west coast. He also spoke of ivory coming out of its jungles and of the production of cobalt and radium. He said that much of our folklore comes from there, also our characteristic American music—spirituals and jazz.

In the realm of the spirit he said that Africans can teach us lessons in cooperation, especially needed now when it is increasingly evident that no single nation, however great, can build the house of peace.

As far as the Church is concerned he said that Africa can teach us the value of radiance and fire in religious life. So often the world reaches out and touches us and finds us cold. He spoke of receiving at one time some 25 to 30 people into his church in Africa. Each one of these in turn brought another, so filled were they with evangelistic fervor.

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Resignations and Apointments

Mrs. Gould Ketchen has been elected as school nurse for the coming year in place of Miss Mabel Lincoln, resigned.

Miss Gladys Madura of Chicopee has been elected teacher of commercial subjects for the ensuing year, in place of Miss Capetanidis who has resigned. Miss Madura is a graduate of the American International College in the Commercial Department. She has taught with success one year in the Northfield High school.

Grange Notes

Belchertown Grangers will be very interested in the Golden Jubilee at Hampshire County Pomona Grange, which is to be held in Stockbridge hall at Massachusetts State College on the afternoon and evening of Aug. 5. Past Pomona Master Fred Buss is giving much time and effort to this pageant.

In the afternoon there will be an inspirational address by Charles M. Gardner.

The pageant is at 7.45 at Stockbridge hall. Belchertown people in the cast are:

- Past Pomona Master Fred Buss Founder Ireland
Past Pomona Lecturer Mrs. Julia Shumway Lecturer in Pomona Council
Past Master Stanley Rhodes of Union Grange Founder William Saunders
Master Charles Sanford The Harvester
Mrs. Stanley Rhodes The Gleaner
Mrs. Karl Grout, Past Pomona One of Pomona's Court

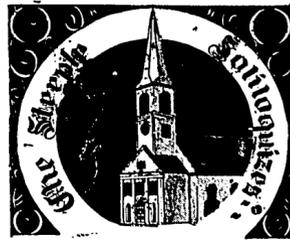
Rationing Board Notes

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Grade 3 Andrew Sears 2

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"Road From Belchertown" Still Good For Its Youth

Sometimes it is almost as easy to find undue fault with a small town's disadvantages as it is on other occasions unduly to praise a tiny place as the ideal spot in which to live and raise a family.

The slur "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" is ageless; and Nathaniel, when he said it to Phillip, was voicing the traditional comment on small town products which has been made by the occupants of more populated places from time immemorial.

The word heathen originally meant simply one who lives in the country (on the heath) and even today there is a tendency on the part of some urbanites to presume that the term was not altogether a misnomer.

Those who live in cities spend half their time envying those who live out in the country and the other half pitying them. Consequently we have the paradox of part of the nation saving money to buy a chicken ranch and the other half trying to scrape enough together to get off the chicken ranch and into a city apartment.

On a pleasant Sabbath afternoon the city streets are filled with people who are wishing to goodness they had gas enough to get out to the country—while out this way a good many folks are cussing the deadness of the town and longing for a movie theatre.

Recently Belchertown has been seething with subterranean stories which will probably not get into the press, but which have been the theme of numerous family chats after the kids have gone to bed. Very naturally some adults have doubtless been wondering if a small New England village is a very safe place in which to raise children, and if the town has not been derelict of duty in not foreseeing such troubles, and in providing acceptable substitutes for activities of a distressing sort.

To both of these wonderings, the answer is partially affirmative. No locality ever is or ever was very safe for the raising of children. Probably that is one reason why we place fatherhood and motherhood near the head of all the professions.

Any city social worker can match you, many times a year and many times over, any event you may quote as having occurred in Belchertown. Nor will they be confined to crowded tenement sections for their evidence. The most dnfounding murder in recent Western Massachusetts history took place in an excellent residential section and in one of the most expensive parks provided for the year-round pleasures of its youth.

Certainly "It's always happening and will always happen" is no valid excuse for not doing more to provide legitimate amusement and wholesome recreational activities for our youngsters here. But we must

not kid ourselves into supposing that such provision will ever eliminate delinquencies, unless the moral tone of the whole nation, and indeed of the whole community, is high. Unfortunately, in a great many ways, the moral tone of America is not particularly high, in those matters on which juvenile delinquencies feed.

From where I sit, a small town such as Belchertown still looks like a mighty good place in which to bring up children. Probably as good as any place in the world.

In view of the disturbing thoughts which have bothered us of late, the appearance of Bishop Newell S. Booth in the pulpit of his home church last Sunday was extremely salutary. Here was the youngest bishop of the Methodist Church, about to return to Africa to a position of tremendous promise and responsibility; but here also was a boy who but a few years ago was coming up from a small farm to study in the old white school, from which he was graduated as valedictorian in 1920.

He and the other youngsters in his class had fewer opportunities, fewer amusements, and doubtless exactly as many temptations as the kids around us now.

There were five boys and five girls in the class of 1920. Concerning three of them I have no present information. One boy is a very successful commercial teacher in a Rhode Island high school; another is the assistant principal of Belchertown High School; the fourth (we have already counted Newell) is superintendent of schools in Stafford Springs, Conn. Two of the girls are respected wives and mothers here in town; a third is supervisor of art in a large school system near Boston.

This evidence hardly shows that Newell is an unfair selection to prove a point. The whole group will stand comparison with any similar group selected from graduating classes, large or small, in cities or towns anywhere in the country.

Moreover, it is entirely safe to imagine that when the class of 1920 were growing up in our midst and walking home from Christian Endeavor or Epworth League after dark, there were citizens who sadly shook their heads.

Yes, I'm still strong for the "growing up" atmosphere in Belchertown. Yet I do think that God and the climate need plenty of help!

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

The Little Death

Always alone in sleep, And blindfold in the night, We navigate that deep Which severs light from light.

Blindfold, alone and bound, Trusting the usual tide, We come to solid ground Upon the safer side.

Thus nightly we rehearse, Waking refreshed and stronger That dark each must traverse, Lonelier, longer.

—Carolyn Wmson Link

—Bob Jackson



Pfc. Edward Lofland of Fort Benning, Ga., is home on a 15-day furlough. He brought home a sharp shooter's medal, also an expert rifleman's medal.

Pvt. David Farley, stationed at Walla Walla, Wash., arrived on Monday to spend a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Farley of Cottage street.

Pvt. William Flaherty, stationed at Walker Field, Kansas, arrived Monday to spend a 10-day leave at the home of his mother, Mrs. Eugene Flaherty of Ware road.

Lt. and Mrs. Warren Kimball of Panama City, Fla., have been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Kimball of Cottage street. Lt. Kimball reported Wednesday at Camp Springs, Washington, D. C.

Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Richard Fairchild of Kentucky and Miss Dorothy Fairchild of Springfield spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Fairchild.

Donald Dunbar is at his home on Jackson street for a 15-day furlough from Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La. Mrs. Dunbar, who has been living there, returned with her husband, and will remain at her home here.

Lt. and Mrs. Elwyn J. Doubleday announce the birth of a son.

Elwyn John, Jr., at Cooley-Dickinson hospital on Sunday, July 23. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William N. Webster of Amherst Road and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doubleday of Pelham.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelphis Germaine of Old Springfield Road have received word that their son, Sergeant Raymond Germaine, has arrived safely in England.

Sgt. and Mrs. George Hussey are visiting at the Hussey home. Sgt. Hussey, who has been stationed at Tryndall Field, Fla., has passed the airplane gunners' course there and is on his way to Lincoln, Neb., for a continuation of that work.

Former Enfield residents will be saddened to learn that word was received in town this week that Pvt. Ernest Howard Flynn of the United States Marine Corps was killed in action in the Pacific area. Flynn had made his home with Mrs. Cora Steen for seven years. He graduated from the Enfield Grammar school in June, 1938. He then attended the Wayside Inn Boys' School in Sudbury, where he graduated in June, 1943, entering the service in a short time. Until recently his brother, Earl, has made his home with Mrs. Steen. Another brother, Arnold, is serving in the United States Army.

Mrs. Raymond Menard spent a few days last week with her husband, who is stationed at Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Iola Downing of Federal street had as guests over the week-end two of her four grandsons (all of whom are in the service), Herman Downing and Harmon Downing, twins, who had not seen each other for two years. Herman was accompanied by his wife. Harmon recently returned from Trinidad. When he went to that post he was twenty-two days enroute.

Other Service news in Dwight Items

AUCTION

For HENRY H. WITT

on the Amherst-Belchertown Road,
Belchertown, Mass.

Saturday, July 29

1.30 P. M.

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Town Items

Marjorie Jackson and Marguerite Deitner are at Camp Anderson for two weeks.

Mrs. Harold Curtis and daughter, Barbara, of Portsmouth, N. H., who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Leila S. Curtis of South Main street, returned Tuesday.

Mrs. F. S. Very of Sebring, Fla., is spending the summer with her mother, Mrs. Eva Webb, and expects to return to Florida some time in the fall.

Charles Stark, a farm employee at the State school, is recovering from an operation at the School hospital.

Mrs. Julia Thresher and daughter, Miss Elsie Thresher, have returned from a vacation spent at White Horse beach, Plymouth.

Mrs. Carl Jensen received word this past week of the death of her niece, Mrs. Helen Landeau, of Portland, Me.

Mrs. George Dewey is in the Memorial hospital, Worcester, instead of as stated last week.

James Carter, chauffeur at the State school, is in the hospital there for an operation.

William Stead of the manual training department at the State school, is taking his vacation.

Walter Mason, an employee at the State school, has bought the Harry Putnam place.

Mrs. Ruth Johnston is taking a vacation from her duties at the Bell & Hudson insurance office.

Mrs. Arthur Ward of Dayton, Ohio, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward.

Twenty-three were present at the Girl Scout picnic on Monday at the Allen camp on Swift River, the party including thirteen scouts and their friends. High spots of the day were swimming and the hot dog roast.

Methodist Church Notes

There were twenty-one present at the picnic of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. at the home of Mrs. Amy Allen on Tuesday night. The repast featured hot dogs, hamburgers, pickles, crullers, peaches, plums, coffee and soda. Games were played, while the evening's festivities wound up with a grand sing.

Twenty-one were present at the W. S. of C. S. picnic at the home of Mrs. Ruth Kempkes on Wednesday afternoon. Hot dogs and hamburgers were cooked on the grill in the yard, while the eats were topped off with cake and root beer. A good time was had by all.

Congregational Church Notes

Over thirty attended the Women's Guild picnic at Mrs. Evelyn Ward's on Wednesday afternoon. The main course was cooked out-of-doors and the repast was eaten in the summer house. Games were played. The Guild accepted the invitation of Mrs. Henry Tadge to hold the annual silver tea at her home. This will be held August 16.

Dairy News

Brattleboro, Vt., July 19—Henry Renouf, Belchertown, is one of 14 Massachusetts Holstein breeders recently admitted to membership in The Holstein-Friesian Association of America by unanimous vote of the board of directors. Applications from 878 were approved.

Clapp Memorial Library



Belchertown Sentinel

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss Superior Court
PETITION TO DISSOLVE ENFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
To the Honorable Superior Court in and for the County of Hampshire Respectfully represents the Enfield Library Association

1. that it is a duly authorized Massachusetts corporation existing by virtue of a charter issued by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts dated March 29, 1906;
2. that the Association was organized for the following purposes, viz: "The object of this Association shall be to establish and maintain a library in the Town of Enfield,"
3. that there was no capital stock. Any person upon the payment of \$5.00 became a member of the Association and thereafter the annual dues were \$1.00 per year;
4. that said Association has continued to function from the time it was constituted until the said Town of Enfield ceased to exist, the territory thereof being now owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and which territory is now largely inundated by water which supplies in part the water needs for the City of Boston and the Metropolitan area, all under the laws of the Commonwealth;

5. that due to such taking there is now no Town of Enfield in existence and this Association can no longer function;
6. that under Article IV of the constitution of this Association it is among other things provided: "This Association may be dissolved at any time by the votes of three-fourths of the whole number of members; at the time and in this case its property shall be transferred to another Association similar, or to the Town of Enfield. In no case shall the property of the Association be disposed of by division among the individual members."

7. that by appropriate legal proceedings under a bill in Equity in the Superior Court in and for the County of Hampshire a decree was entered by the said Court directing the Association to distribute and pay over the property and the funds of the Association to the Clapp Memorial Library of Belchertown, Massachusetts, and the Worthington Library of Worthington, Massachusetts, share and share alike;
8. that said decree has been complied with and there has been paid by said Enfield Library Association to said Clapp Memorial Library the sum of \$4775.25 and to the Worthington Library the sum of \$4774.25, each approximately;

9. the Association had no other property except funds on hand and now has no funds;
10. said Association through its duly authorized president further represents that at a special meeting of the members of the Enfield Library Association held at the office of said Association in Ware, Massachusetts, on March 16, 1944, at which meeting all members of the Association being present or represented by a proxy, it appearing that the Association has no liability and does not own any assets, the members unanimously voted that a petition be presented to the Superior Court asking said Court that it decree a dissolution of the said Association and that the president and the treasurer thereof be authorized to sign a petition on behalf of the Association according to the vote hereto annexed, marked "A".

Wherefore your petitioner prays that this Honorable Court, after proper notice and order, decree the dissolution of the Association in accordance with Chapter 155 Section 50 of General Laws (Ter. Ed.), as amended and for such further releases as the Court may deem necessary.

ENFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

by Marlon A. Smith
Its President
Marlan T. Zappey
Its Treasurer

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss Superior Court at Northampton July 21, 1944

On the petition aforesaid, it is ordered that the petitioner notify all parties interested to appear before the Justices of this Court at Northampton aforesaid, on the first Monday of September, 1944, by publishing an attested copy of said petition and this order, once a week in the Belchertown Sentinel, a newspaper printed in Belchertown in said County, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said first Monday of September, that they may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Attest: Grace T. Hawksley, Clerk
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Attest: Grace T. Hawksley, Clerk
Schoonmaker & Schoonmaker
Attorneys-at-Law
Ware, Massachusetts
July 28-Aug. 4-11

With Our Subscribers

Anacortes, Washington
July 17, 1944

Dear Sentinel:
I have been expecting a notice that it was time for me to "dig up" for another year, so will enclose check herewith. It seems like a far-off distant time since the first number of the old "Belchertown Breeze" was sent to me, and I have been a subscriber ever since.

Since the war started, the papers have been coming most anytime, one week not any and then two the same day, but they get here after all. I'm enclosing a wrapper to show you where one copy took a little side trip on its way here. If you will look at the map of our state, along the British Columbia border to the extreme northwest corner, you will see the borderline jumps across the Association to the Clapp Memorial Library of Belchertown, Massachusetts, and the Worthington Library of Worthington, Massachusetts, share and share alike;
Fraser River; this is Point Roberts. To get there one has to go from Blaine, Washington, 30 miles around through British Columbia, to reach it by land. Many efforts have been made to have this little community of 200 annexed to B. C., but they live under the American flag and repel all advances for change.

Judging from the results of our primary election last week, this state will join Vermont, and try and elect a new man to occupy the White House under a Republican form of government, as was planned by the constitution. It's Dewey or Don't We!

Fred G. Abbey

Former Resident Weds

Miss Gertrude V. Ayres, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ayers of Brook street, East Longmeadow, former residents of this town, and William A. Lee of Springfield were married Saturday at 4 at the home of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ned B. McKenney of the Congregational church in East Longmeadow. Following the ceremony a dinner was served for members of the family at the Wayside Inn, West Springfield. Mrs. Lee is a graduate of Belchertown

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High school, and Mr. Lee was educated in the Worcester schools, and is a florist employed by Henry Martens & Sons. Mr. and Mrs. Lee will make their home in Springfield.

Dwight Items

Staff Sergeant Lester M. Rhodes, who has been in Trinidad for the past 19 months, has arrived home on his first furlough since he enlisted two years ago in October. He has a thirty-day furlough.

Stanley Tribe has finished his course in embryology at the Marine Biological Laboratories in Woods Hole, and has returned home.

Services at Dwight Chapel will be discontinued until the first Sunday in September. The reason is because the ones supplying the pulpit have to be transported by Miss Kimball, and she is dietitian at Camp Anderson for the month of August.

A call has been extended to Rev. Maxwell Welch of Princeton, Me., to become pastor of the Pelham Federated church, of which Dwight Chapel is a part. If Mr. Welch accepts, he will begin his new duties September 3rd.

Pvt. Roland Mossberg has returned to the N. A. D. at Hingham, after a three-day pass at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jenks.

Mrs. H. Earl Fay has returned to her duties at the Amherst College infirmary, after a month's vacation at her home here.

Pfc. Clarence Spencer, Jr., of the Air Forces, visited his sister, Mrs. Sanford Jenks, at the home of Mr. Jenks' parents on Wednesday. Pfc. Spencer is on a furlough from duties at Tyndall Field, Florida.

"The Road to Africa"

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Dr. Booth said that there is an urgency to send gifts back to Africa. He said that Africa knows nothing of the Four Freedoms, also that there can be no lasting peace here with wars and injustices elsewhere.

The speaker said that undoubtedly the first thing is to win the war, but that that will only remove the obstacles. We must then build the peace on the ideals of the Christian church. This will call, he said, for devotion and sacrifice. We have only been playing in the shallows. The army doesn't talk in terms of thousands of dollars. It deals in millions. It spends a quarter of a million dollars on a bomber, and loses sixty in a night. We must be willing to sacrifice life, money and comforts to build the structure of

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Hampshire, ss PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in a petition for adoption of Bernard Russell Deso of Ware, in said County.

A petition has been presented to said Court, by Elmer W. Frew and Katherine A. Frew, his wife, of Ware, in said County of Hampshire, praying for leave to adopt said Bernard Russell Deso, a child of Clarence E. Deso of Springfield, in the County of Hampden, and Florence M. DeForge, his former wife, of Rockville, Connecticut, and that the name of said child be not changed.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
James F. Shea, Attorney,
Ware, Mass.
July 28-Aug. 4-11

peace. We must not be "soft Christians, rationing ourselves to build the kingdom of God."

Dr. Booth in closing said that education is the gift of the church and that democracy is the outgrowth of Christianity. He pronounced the benediction in two languages—first in the African and then in the English. Dr. Booth was masterful in his presentation. He interwove a number of stories of African folklore, which he told most interestingly.

The Coming Week

SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Union Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Life's Great Objective."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Boy Scout Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

TOMORROW

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Aug. 15
Grange Picnic at Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck's.

Aug. 16
Annual Silver Tea of Women's Guild of Congregational Church, with Mrs. Henry Tadgell.

Aug. 17
Public Supper served by the Evening Group of W. S. of C. S., in the Methodist Vestry.

Death of Dr. Leonard F. Logiodice

Dr. Leonard F. Logiodice, 56, a staff physician at the State school, died in Carney Hospital, Boston, on Tuesday, following an operation and after a long period of poor health. In spite of ill health and other handicaps, he carried on in his work at the institution, doing his part and more.

He came to the school a year and a half ago, after retirement from private practice in Readville. Mrs. Logiodice accompanied him here.

The funeral will be held in Brighton this morning at 9. Representatives from the school are planning to attend.

Legion Officers

Chauncey D. Walker Post, A. L., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Commander Frederick D. Farley
Vice-Commander Aubrey Lapolice
Adjutant Howard Davis
Finance Officer George A. Poole
Chaplain Stanley Boyko
Historian Dr. Arthur E. Westwell
Sergeant-at-arms Harold Ryder

Commander Frederick D. Farley was elected delegate, and Adjutant Howard Davis, alternate delegate, to the state Legion convention in Boston next week.

Union Services Continued

The summer union services of the Methodist and Congregational churches will be continued at the Congregational church on Sunday with Rev. John P. Manwell as preacher.

Rev. Joseph Belcher, pastor of the Methodist church, with his family will spend his vacation at Laurel Park. Attention was again called last Sunday to the Laurel Park Assembly at Northampton, August 12-20. Woman's Day is August 16, when many local women plan to attend.

Fire Department Calls

July 27. Barn fire at George Zitka's.
July 31. Grass fire at Holland Glen.

Swimming Instruction Available

Belchertown boy scouts will have the use of the Massachusetts State College swimming pool on the Tuesday evenings of August 15 and 22, from 7 to 8.30, and receive instruction from Prof. Larry Briggs. Transportation will be furnished scouts who will meet at Memorial hall at 6.30 on the two evenings. A 20-cent charge will be made for each scout to defray janitorial and towel expenses.

This should be a real opportunity for local scouts to learn a bit more about strokes, diving, etc., from an excellent instructor. Those who are to go are urged to give their names to Scoutmaster Shattuck at the meeting next Tuesday evening.

The troop committee has made these arrangements and is grateful to the Massachusetts State College authorities for their cooperation.

Rationing Board Notes

The rationing board has awarded tires as follows:

Grade 1	
Lloyd Heath	2
Amy Clapgood	2
Mildred Cole	1
Joseph Reilly	2
Frank Turcotte	1
L. H. Shattuck	2
Herbert Howe	2
Wilbur Eaton	3
Thomas Hanfin	1
Evelyn Archambault	1
Munroe Wood	1
Dalve Cartier	1
Armand Desmaris	1
Milton Chamberlain	1
Raymond Johnston	2
Fannie Morey	1
Charles King	1

Accessions at the Library

Grade 3	
Sophie Socha	2
Daniel F. Shea	1
Claude Smith	1
Charles Peabody	1
Truck Tires	
George Clifford	3
Harold Kimball	2
Louis Fuller	2
Thomas Hanfin	4
Alvin Bosworth	1
Walter Mason	1

Barn Burns

The barn of George Zitka in the south part of the town was burned to the ground last week Thursday night as the result of being hit by lightning. The barn had been built but a comparatively few years and was filled with the season's crop of hay. There was also a large quantity of newly purchased grain that burned.

The herd of cows was in the barn and were with some difficulty got out and kept out of the burning structure. The fire department responded. The loss was partially covered by insurance. Mr. Zitka expects to rebuild.

Historical Association Receives Bequest

The Belchertown Historical Association is in receipt of a bequest of \$500 from the estate of Emma E. Shattuck, late of Longmeadow, in memory of her mother, Sarah Bugbee Shattuck, the fund to be known as the "Sarah Bugbee Shattuck Memorial".

Mrs. Shattuck was a descendant of the Henry Stebbins family, whose ancestors were among the first settlers of the town. The Bugbee family lived in the Turkey Hill district on what is now the Andrew Sears place.

The Belchertown Historical Association has received notice that there will be a summer exhibition at the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy, Andover, of by-gone domestic devices—ingenious gadgets of a century ago. This exhibition will extend from July 14 to September 11 and will be open free daily from 9 to 5, and Sundays, 2.30 to 5.

Accessions at the Library

JUNE-JULY, 1944	
Fiction	
Williams. Leave Her to Heaven.	
Binns. Timber Beast	
Ermine. Busted Range	
August. Woman in the Picture	
Adams. Canal Town	
Albrand. Endure No Longer	
Aldridge. Sea Eagle	

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Young America at Work Poses Several Puzzlers

On last Sunday's "Neighborhood Page" in the *Union-Republican*, one "K. C." has written an essay called *This Child Labor*. In it, he so nearly echoes some of my own sentiments, that I am offering it to you here. Those dads and mothers, who watch youngsters fare forth daily on practically man-and-woman-sized jobs, will sympathize with the writer, and will recognize the elation of his daughter as similar to sentiments spoken or silently demonstrated by kids in their own families:

THIS CHILD LABOR

"Child labor—of course we were 'agin' it. Though we had never experienced nor observed that social phenomenon, we knew it as one of those evils that should be eradicated. There had been pictures in an old geography book of dirty-faced little boys sitting beside a coal chute, picking out pieces of slate, and then in college we had taken lazy notes on the subject in sociology class. Children did work, we learned. And of course they should play instead. What could be more obvious?"

"When our 15-year-old daughter started me by wanting to work in the asparagus fields, as some of her classmates contemplated doing, of course, I knew that she never could. Even in times as disjointed as these, I thought, no softly reared young girl could go out beneath a blistering sun and work long hours at the steady back-breaking work of cutting the young asparagus shoots. But knowing that one has to learn by experience, I was willing to let her try just to find out that mother was right."

"Strange to say, it was mother not daughter this time who had the learning to do, and the succeeding weeks offered me something resembling a real revelation. Morning after morning, I listened in drowsy wonderment as my erstwhile listless and lackadaisical young daughter most capably prepared her own breakfast and dashed out to meet the farm truck while the rest of the household lay asleep. And lounging in the shade of the backyard on afternoons so hot as to justify utterly wilted languor, and feeling compunctions that I had let my child go to the scorching fields on such a day, I would hear a gay farewell at the gate and see her swinging toward me in her dirty dungarees, disheveled and tired, but with a spring in her step and a light in her eye that shamed my lassitude and my doubts. 'When you see the asparagus trucks pull out, you feel as if you had accomplished something.'

"On hearing that remark I suddenly sensed how she felt, and pride and wonder gave place to something very much like envy."

We could have done that when we were young. Of course we could have. Ann and Molly and I could dash frantically for hours around tennis courts, swim a mile, and paddle a canoe against a high wind. We certainly had the stamina to work in the fields, if anyone had wanted us, and how we would have loved it! Remember those long summer vacations when, in spite of the best of recreation opportunities, we finally surrendered ourselves to a sort of vegetative torpor, with ennui gnawing at our very vitals, until the opening of school should bring relief to our misery by giving some meaning and purpose to life. What a thrill and what a glory it would have been to be a necessary worker, an economic entity, to be able to feel that, with the power of our husky, young muscles, with the sweat of our brow, we had accomplished something.

"I will leave all conclusions to the economist and the psychologist. I know only that back in those times of peace and progress, we were missing valuable and satisfying experiences which, in these troublous times, our children are finding again—K. C."

It is too bad that one cannot let the matter of youngsters working stop with the pleasantly-written account by "K. C." It is certainly a splendid feature of our 1944 America that ambitious young people no longer need waste their spare time in purposeless play or even spend it "working around home," with an allowance which they well realize comes out of the ever-strained family exchequer.

If these working kids are wisely advised by their adult friends, if they are not exploited by employers, and if they are required to give some sort of account of their earnings, these work experiences will prove of tremendous value to them. There are several *ifs* here which could bear an essay apiece.

Those adults who worry lest the children be robbed of playtime or of study time because they work a reasonable amount "outside for money" are often pleasantly surprised to find the sensible child getting plenty of fun and keeping up in his school subjects. As well as learning the joy of purposeful work, he is learning the business of budgeting his time, something which has too often been "indefinitely postponed" in many a life.

However, there are two great dangers in this business of *laboring children*, which I cannot skip over lightly. They are of a nature seriously to threaten the future happiness of a generation which may possibly miss the active participation in this war but which will meet the post-war period head-on.

First, too many ambitious children of 14, 15, 16 and 17 years of age are now being paid inflationary wages, which are bad enough when received by adults who have had the experience of unemployment, of relief, or of inadequate pay; but are ruining the perspective of youths

AUCTION
Saturday, August 12 1.30 P. M.
AT THE E. A. RANDALL PLACE
PARK ST., BELCHERTOWN

This place has been purchased by Albert G. Markham who will offer most of the contents in this auction. Here are some of the articles: Kitchen range with oil burner, three-burner oil stove, dining room table and six chairs, china closet, marble topped sideboard, late Victorian parlor set, marble topped bureau, 9x12 rugs, house safe (20x20x24), raised head sewing machine, oil lamp (brass with large globe), milk glass compote, 2 pair Bristol vases, a few pieces of old glass, electric table cooker, electric iron, dishes, kitchen utensils, maple cane seat chairs, double cot, wooden bedroom suite, sewing rocker, reed rocker, bench scales, crocks, brass bed with coil springs, barroom chair, mahogany dining room table, hand and garden tools, 3-4 in. rope and falls, and other items. Sale rain or shine. Nothing sold prior to the auction.

GEORGE H. BEAN, Auctioneer
Northampton

who take their first real job at pay ranging up to \$50 (and even more) per week. The false idea of their value as workers is going to play havoc with them as soon as the war ends and the competition for unskilled labor gets back to earth. The joy of being "a necessary worker, an economic entity," a participant in America's greatest war effort, is sure to be somewhat vitiated when a youngster carries home thirty or forty dollars in a pocket which only yesterday held but marbles and pennies.

There are thousands of boys and girls now *getting* (I positively object to the accuracy of the verb *earn* applied in their case) more pay than they will be receiving when they are in their late twenties or thirties and have families to support.

When one considers the naturally unselfish and patriotic character of youth, and comes to the conclusion that they would be exactly as willing to work for much more conservative sums if sensible ceilings had only been set to the pay for under 18 boys and girls, he wonders at the senselessness of American leaders who either damn the young by doing too little for them or spoil them by rewarding them out of proportion to their value.

The second great danger in *young America at work* is the inevitable let-down in store for them when demobilization comes and the probable effect of the let-down on their future stability. Just where will they fit into the post-war economy, these kids who have not been in the military services and who in many cases have given up school to get their share of the high wages? America has already given them their "bonus;" they have already been paid out of proportion to their contributions; they will not be eligible for the free education and other G. I. benefits. In the parlance of World War I, they will likely be "S. O. L." Perhaps they will have saved enough to weather the hard time; perhaps they will be well enough educated to compete with millions of returned soldiers and with other millions of present war workers then in the market for different jobs. Perhaps!

The boys may be rescued by compulsory military training, just as many now in the money will be brought back to the reality of life by being drafted before the war is over. The girls may find their future marching home to them from Berlin or Tokio. But we may be sure that the shakedown will be pretty complete. Jobs will be nearly non-existent for those under 18, and the problem of keeping happy the great number of children now in their perambulators will be one to test the best minds of the 50's.

The best we can do now is to impress upon our children as best we can that good health, trained minds and hands, and an ability to "take it" will be the best insurance for the years ahead.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:
Mowing lawns in August
Is like cutting old men's hair—
Some of it is long and thin,
But many spots are bare.
The effort seems quite silly,
Considering the crop,
But it looks most untidy
If you decide to stop.
And so you trim the scraggles,
A little worn and vex—
Then hang the clippers on a nail,
And sweetly murmur, "Next!"
—Bob Jackson

Town Items

Rev. John P. Manwell has returned from a vacation spent at Syracuse, N. Y., and his home in Conway. Mrs. Manwell, who is in Syracuse, expects to join her husband the middle of the month.

State auditors completed the audit of the town's accounts on Wednesday afternoon.

Byron Hudson and family are spending a few weeks on Prudence Island in Narragansett Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dickinson announce the engagement of their daughter, Judith, to Charles Lubarsky of Springfield. The wedding will take place in September.

Mrs. Eva C. Baggs of Stamford, Ct., is spending some time as the guest of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Milton C. Baggs.



Corpus Christi, Texas, July 22—Robert Theodore Dyer, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Dyer of Maple street, Belchertown, Mass., graduated today from the Naval Air Training Center, Corpus Christi, and was commissioned, an ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He received his preliminary flight instruction at the Glenview, Ill., naval air base.

John Antonovitch, Seaman Second Class, who has been in training at Sampson, N. Y., has been spending a seven-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Antonovitch.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Sears of Turkey Hill and their son-in-law, George Smith, of North Washington street, returned Wednesday night from a visit with Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Andrew T. Sears of Columbia, S. C.

George D. Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henry of State St., has enlisted in the navy and will report August 15. He graduated from the High school in June and is employed by the H. L. Handy Co. of Springfield.

Pvt. Hazel E. Pratt, M. C. W. R., of Avn. W. R. Squadron 21, Marine Corps Air Station, Quantico, Va., returns Sunday after spending a three-day leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theron V. Pratt.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Squires of Jabish street entertained a party of 30 relatives from Holyoke, Pelham, Thorndike, and this town on Tuesday night in honor of their son, William H. Squires, Jr., seaman second class, home on a seven-day leave from boot training at Sampson, N. Y. Squires left Wednesday night to report at Sampson for assignment.

Pvt. Wm. J. Lacey, Jr. Co. B, 250th Eng. C. Bn. Camp McCoy, Wis.

Garden Hints

Woodchucks attacking the garden of Carl Corliss are either listless or else Carl treads lightly and gets into action quickly. He has recently killed off two of these marauders by the primitive stone throwing process. Of course it all saves ammunition in these war days, but still one must excel in marksmanship.

Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will serve a public supper in the Methodist vestry, Aug. 17th. There will be no sessions of the Methodist Church school until the Sunday following Labor Day.

Town Items

Mrs. Gilbert Jensen of Federal street is at Holyoke City Hospital, recovering from an operation which she underwent on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fuller and daughter, Jean Ellen, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins will spend next week at New Found Lake, N. H.

Suzanne Piper is spending two weeks at Camp Anderson.

Romeo J. Joyal, who has been at home convalescing from an operation, returned Tuesday to resume his duties as train despatcher at the New London railroad station, a position he has held since the first of May. S. L. Nichols of Amherst succeeded Mr. Joyal as agent here.

Seavey D. Morse of Brookfield has been named headmaster of Woodstock Academy at Putnam, Ct. He formerly taught in Belchertown and since has served as principal of Brookfield High school. He was graduated from St. Lawrence University.

Janice Berger is spending two weeks at Camp Anderson.

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Westwell and children, accompanied by their guest, Miss Dorothy Barton of Waterbury, Conn., a former teacher at B. H. S., took a trip to East Brewster this past week, leaving Evans and Richard at Sea Pines camp for a stay there. They also visited Dr. Thomas E. Sullivan of Amherst, who is at Orleans.

Miss Alice Allcock of Torrington, Ct., visited Mrs. John T. Flaherty of Maple street last week.

Misses Louise and Ruth Franklin, nieces of Mrs. Henry Pranaitis, are spending their vacation at the lake. They are the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen S. Barden of Gold street.

Mrs. William Chamberlain and children have returned to Boston after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chamberlain.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Kirby and sons, Junior and Edward, of Jackson street, spent the past week at Lake Wickaboag, West Brookfield.

Miss Wilhelmina V. Hayes of the steward's office at the State school is spending her annual vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brand of Longmeadow.

H. E. Sessions of South Main St. is taking a two weeks' vacation from his duties with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.

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Balances on Appropriations as of July 31, 1944

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Selectmen	\$800.00		\$184.38	\$615.62
Town Accountant	425.00		200.00	225.00
Treasurer	690.00		282.50	407.50
Town Clerk	450.00		209.50	240.50
Tax Collector	725.00		303.21	421.79
Assessors	675.00		219.52	455.48
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	100.00		19.49	80.51
Election and Registration	700.00		582.77	117.23
Town Hall	50.00		33.69	16.31
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		187.44	12.56
Police	500.00		362.14	137.86
Civilian Defense	200.00		85.31	114.69
Fire Department	900.00		584.78	315.22
Forest Fires	900.00		776.98	123.02
Hydrant Service	1,500.00			1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00		186.16	413.84
Tree Warden	200.00		113.25	86.75
Sealer Weights & Measures	75.00			75.00
Health	1,000.00		472.96	527.04
Snow Removal	2,500.00		972.90	1,527.10
Highways—Streets	350.00		83.34	266.66
Highways—Bridges	400.00		58.38	341.62
Highways—Chapter 81	3,500.00	12,875.00†	4,644.96	11,730.04
Maintenance Ch. 90 work	1,000.00	2,000.00‡	332.70	2,667.30
Road Machinery Expense	1,500.00	200.18*	1,069.51	630.67
Street Lights	2,000.00		1,132.39	867.61
Public Welfare	5,000.00		2,562.31	2,437.69
Aid Dependent Children	1,500.00		1,262.50	237.50
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00		14,221.42	6,778.58
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00		458.56	1,541.44
Schools	49,300.00		27,541.25	21,758.75
Vocational Education	300.00			300.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	200.00		149.10	50.90
Rationing Board	150.00		56.98	93.02
Cemeteries	500.00		271.46	228.54
Soldiers' Graves	50.00		21.93	28.07
Maturing Debt	1,000.00			1,000.00
Interest	250.00		10.00	240.00
Memorial Day	100.00		76.35	23.65
Armistice Day	25.00			25.00
Honor Roll	100.00		47.78	52.22
Town Clock	50.00			50.00
Public Dump	50.00			50.00
Insurance	2,200.00	190.04†	1,706.91	683.13
Unpaid Bills	1,008.16		1,008.16	
Unclassified	400.00		311.00	89.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00			1,000.00

*1943 Balance †Refunds ‡State and County Allotments

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss Superior Court

PETITION TO DISSOLVE ENFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

To the Honorable Superior Court in and for the County of Hampshire Respectfully represents the Enfield Library Association

1. that it is a duly authorized Massachusetts corporation existing by virtue of a charter issued by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts dated March 29, 1906;

2. that the Association was organized for the following purposes, viz: "The object of this Association shall be to establish and maintain a library in the Town of Enfield."

3. that there was no capital stock. Any person upon the payment of \$5.00 became a member of the Association and thereafter the annual dues were \$1.00 per year;

4. that said Association has continued to function from the time it was constituted until the said Town of Enfield ceased to exist, the territory thereof being now owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and which territory is now largely inundated by water which supplies in part the water needs for the City of Boston and the Metropolitan area, all under the laws of the Commonwealth;

5. that due to such taking there is now no Town of Enfield in existence and this Association can no longer function;

6. that under Article IV of the constitution of this Association it is among other items thusly provided: "This Association may be dissolved at any time by the votes of three-fourths of the whole number of members; at the time and in this case its property shall be transferred to another Association similar to or to the Town of Enfield. In no case shall the property of the Association be disposed of by division among the individual members."

7. that by appropriate legal proceedings under a bill in Equity in the Superior Court in and for the County of Hampshire a decree was entered by the said Court directing the Association to distribute and pay over the property and the funds of the Association to the Clapp Memorial Library of Belchertown, Massachusetts, and the Worthington Library of Worthington, Massachusetts, share and share alike;

8. that said decree has been complied with and there has been paid by said Enfield Library Association to said Clapp Memorial Library the sum of \$4775.25 and to the Worthington Library the sum of \$4774.25, each approximately.

9. the Association had no other property except funds on hand and now has no funds;

10. said Association through its duly authorized president further represents that at a special meeting of the members of the Enfield Library Association held at the office of said Association in Ware, Massachusetts, on March 16, 1944, at which meeting all members of the Association being present or represented by a proxy, it appearing that the Association has no liability and does not own any assets, the members unanimously voted that a petition be presented to the Superior Court asking said Court that it decree a dissolution of the said Association and that the president and the treasurer thereof be authorized to sign a petition on behalf of the Association according to the vote hereto annexed, marked "A".

Wherefore your petitioner prays that this Honorable Court, after proper notice and order, decree the dissolution of the Association in accordance with Chapter 155 Section 50 of General Laws (Ter. Ed.), as amended and for such further releases as the Court may deem necessary.

ENFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

by Marlon A. Smith
Its President

Marian T. Zappey
Its Treasurer

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss Superior Court at Northampton

July 21, 1944

On the petition aforesaid, it is ordered that the petitioner notify all parties interested to appear before the Justices of this Court at Northampton aforesaid, on the first Monday of September, 1944, by publishing an attested copy of said petition and this order, once a week in the Belchertown Sentinel, a newspaper printed in Belchertown in said County, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said first Monday of September, that they may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Attest:
Grace T. Hawksley, Clerk
A True Copy

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Grace T. Hawksley, Clerk
Schoonmaker & Schoonmaker
Attorneys-at-Law
Ware, Massachusetts
July 28-Aug. 4-11

To all persons interested in the estate of Maria P. Buckley, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that A. Richmond Walker of Ware, in said County, or some other suitable person, be appointed administrator of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware
4-11-18

Library Accessions

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Fox. Thundering Trail
Allen. Bedford Village
Field. Maverick's Return
Gaither. Red Cock Crows
Feuchtwanger. Simone
Plummer. Collected Works of Mrs. Peter Willoughby
Abbey. Beyond the Dark
Holt. Oklahoma Law
Pope. Colcorton
Allen. Forest and the Fort
Gardner. Case of the Crooked Candle
Connington. Jack-in-the-Box
Clark. Narrow Cell
Haycox. Bugles in the Afternoon
Longstreth. Tad Lincoln
Gardner. Mom Counted Six
Flavin. Journey in the Dark
MacInnes. While Still We Live
Mally. Mockingbird is Singing
Barton. Shadow on the Cliff

Non-Fiction

Landon. Anna and the King of Siam
Hindus. Russia and Japan
Cassidy. Moscow Dateline
Bowen. Yankee from Olympus
Guanther. D-Day

FOR SALE — Fowl, Roasting Chickens, Duck Eggs and Hen's Eggs.

Frank E. Towne
Jabish St.
Phone 3653

A18

WANTED—Will call for hand-painted plates, tea cups and saucers, and other nice china. Write M. S. Lannon, 974 State St., Springfield, Mass.

NOTICE—While we are away on vacation (Aug. 6 to 13), Carl Peterson will take over the conduct of the milk business. Any telephone calls should be made to him—Tel. 3253. Belchertown Farms
Louis Fuller

REWARD—Wanted: Information leading to the whereabouts of a child's crib and mattress in good, usable condition.
Mrs. William Wilson,
Robin Farm,
Tel. 2057

FOR SALE—Upright Ludwig piano, and also mahogany dining room table.
Albert Markham

WANTED—Good used ice cream freezer.
C. H. Sanford
Tel. 3161

SEW dolls' clothes at home, spare time, pleasant, profitable work. Details call Belchertown 3135.

FOUND—At junction of Routes 9 and 202, female coal black puppy, with white on toes and stomach.
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

Selective Service Release

A release just received from State Selective Service headquarters states that effective immediately, blanket postponements of induction of all men between the ages of 26 and 38 years are being lifted to permit the induction of registrants in this age group. It points out that the previous directive was to get all those possible in the 18-25 group.

The release points to the present "dangerous" tendency of those in the upper age brackets who have been engaged in essential activities to leave their jobs in war production to go into non-essential activities. It is stated that little consideration will be given at this time to the deferment of registrants otherwise available for military service, who leave essential for non-essential activities.

The Golden Jubilee

Belchertown Grangers are again reminded of the Golden Jubilee at Hampshire County Pomona Grange, which is to be held in Stockbridge hall at Massachusetts State College on the afternoon and evening of Aug. 5. Past Pomona

CASINO

WAR—2 P. M. 7.15
FRI, SAT, AUG. 4-5
Jack Carson Jane Wyman
"Make Your Own Bed"
Harriet Hilliard
"Hi Good Looking"

SUN., MON., AUG. 6-7
Pat O'Brien Carol Landis
"SECRET COMMAND"
and
"SWING OUT THE BLUES"

3 DAYS COM. TUES, AUG. 8
Van Johnson June Allyson
"Two Girls and a Sailor"
Pins "S. Holmes Faces Death"

AUG. 15-16-17-18-19
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in a petition for adoption of Bernard Russell Deso of Ware, in said County. A petition has been presented to said Court, by Elmer W. Frew and Katherine A. Frew, his wife, of Ware, in said County of Hampshire, praying for leave to adopt said Bernard Russell Deso, a child of Clarence E. Deso of Springfield, in the County of Hampden, and Florence M. DeForge, his former wife, of Rockville, Connecticut, and that the name of said child be not changed.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
James F. Shea, Attorney,
Ware, Mass.
July 28-Aug. 4-11

Master Fred Buss is giving much time and effort to this pageant. In the afternoon there will be an inspirational address by Charles M. Gardner.

The pageant is at 7.45 at Stockbridge hall. Belchertown people in the cast are:
Past Pomona Master Fred Buss
Founder Ireland
Past Pomona Lecturer Mrs. Julia Shunway
Lecturer in Pomona Council
Past Master Stanley Rhodes of Union Grange
Founder William Saunders
Master Charles Sanford
The Harvester
Mrs. Stanley Rhodes The Gleaner
Mrs. Karl Grout, Past Pomona
One of Pomona's Court

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Union Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.

"No Breath." Sermon by Rev. Walter R. Blackmer of Westminster, Vt.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY
Grange Picnic at Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck's at 6.30 p. m.
Boy Scout Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Annual Silver Tea and Garden Party of Women's Guild of Congregational Church with Mrs. Henry Tadgell from 3 to 5 p. m. a

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY

Public Supper served by the Evening Group of W. S. of C. S., in the Methodist Vestry.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

TOMORROW
Picnic of Red Cross workers at the home of Mrs. William MacKinnon of Allen street from 1 to 5 p. m.

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Sept. 2
Food Sale sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of C. S.

Death of Henry Charles Davis

Henry Charles Davis, 71, died Sunday at his home in West Ware after a brief illness but a long period of ill health. He was born in Goshen, but had lived here many years.

He was a sawyer by trade, but had done various kinds of carpenter work. For many years he conducted a wood-working and general repair shop on the site of Ketchen's machine shop, later moving to the site of Frank Morris's garage on Maple street.

Mr. Davis was a member of the West Ware church, the building of which burned many years ago. During the period of its existence he was one of its main supporters. He was a member of the A. P. Cook Camp, Sons of Union Veterans, of this town, and some years back was a familiar figure in the Memorial day parades.

He leaves his widow, Hattie J. (Golden) Davis, a daughter, Mrs. Jessie B. Cady, four grandchildren, also two nephews, Osborne O. Davis and Harold S. Davis of this town, the latter in the service, and their half-sister, Mrs. Olive Lowell of Johnson, Vermont.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2 in the Albert H. Douglass funeral home in Amherst, Rev. Harold H. Cramer, pastor of the Methodist church in Amherst, officiating. The bearers were D. Donald Hazen and Stanley Tribe, Jr., of this town, Peter Whitaker, Sr., and Peter Whitaker, Jr., of Bondsville, and Harold Hazen and son, William Hazen of Granby. Burial was in Dwight cemetery.

Death of Miss Mabel A. Randolph

Miss Mabel A. Randolph, 45, of Dwight, died Tuesday morning at her home after a long illness. She was born February 28, 1899 in Belchertown and was the daughter of William D. and Etta (Gold) Randolph.

She was educated in the schools of the town, graduating from the High school. She taught school until 1928 when she retired because of ill health.

During her prolonged illness she worked up a large business in magazine subscriptions and Christmas cards, soliciting subscriptions mostly by telephone. She was a member of Dwight Chapel, attended its services whenever possible, and was the prime mover in many of its undertakings, having more faith, courage and optimism than many in possession of all their faculties.

She leaves besides her mother, a brother, Herbert A. Randolph; a niece, Caroline Mae Randolph, both of Amherst, and a nephew, Stanley Tribe, Jr., in the home.

Break at Jackson's

Jackson's Store was broken into last week Thursday night, entrance being made by pushing in a cellar window at the rear and forcing up a trap door in the back store. The person responsible was evidently after money, as few cigars or cigarettes were disturbed.

Money belonging to the Ware Co-operative bank (covered by insurance) was taken, as well as some belonging to Mr. Jackson. Several bills were found on the floor, evidently having been dropped in the dark. The culprit apparently stopped for a drink of ginger ale before leaving.

Constable Frank L. Gold made the initial investigation, pending the arrival of state police. Chief of Police Albert Markham is also working on the case. The state police photographed fingerprints. The proprietor discovered the break when he opened the store Friday morning. The store was last broken into in January.

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A Memorial to Former Pastor

Few pastors who have served the local Congregational Church have made such a valuable contribution to literature, philosophy and religion as the late Dr. Vernon C. Harrington, pastor here in the 90's. His special contribution in literature was his "Browning Studies," a text book used in many colleges. He was a greatly beloved professor of philosophy in Middlebury College.

But his outstanding contribution was in the field of religion. Whether he taught or preached, he was always helping others to live the "abundant life."

Of the books and pamphlets which he published, people in Belchertown are especially interested in his earliest book. For it was while here as pastor that he preached a series of sermons on the age-long question, "Why do the righteous suffer?" which a few years later

Picnic Tomorrow

The Red Cross workers of the community will hold a picnic at the home of Mrs. William MacKinnon of Allen street tomorrow afternoon from 1 to 5.

70 Dogs Unlicensed

It is stated that there are about seventy dogs in town that have not been licensed. A warrant will be turned over to the dog officer on Monday.

Guest Preacher Sunday

Rev. Walter R. Blackmer of Westminster, Vt., who is vacationing in his native town, will be guest preacher at the union service of the Methodist and Congregational churches in the latter church on Sunday, and will conduct the service. Rev. Mr. Manwell leaves today for Syracuse, N. Y., expecting to be accompanied by his wife on his return next week Tuesday.

Grange Picnic Next Tuesday

The annual Grange picnic will be held rain or shine Tuesday evening at 6.30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck. Please bring plate, cup, fork and spoon. Besides the picnic supper, there will be games, sports and a short program.

The committee in charge is Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanford, Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth and Mrs. Frances Moore.

Public Supper Next Thursday

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will serve a public supper in the vestry next week Thursday night. The committee in charge is Mrs. Amy Allen, Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, Mrs. Barbara Gay and Mrs. Isaac Hodgen.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1
Kenneth Thayer 1
Regina Bryla 1
Arthur Westwell 1
Andrew Sullivan 2
Francis Quink 1
Jerry Gebro 3
Paul Bock 1
Paul Stoughton 1
Claude Smith 1

Grade 3
Earl Rhodes 3
Hilda Jewett 2

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"Diary of a Soldier" Reveals "G. I." of 1864

Some time ago, Mrs. Julia Shumway loaned me a diary, written by her uncle, Horatio Sanford. His brother, Enoch, was Mrs. Shumway's father. Horatio was George C. Sanford's boy, and used to live down on North Main Street, in the house now occupied by Bert Butler, whose own boy is now fighting for his Uncle Sam. Horatio went to Illinois and there joined the Union Army, probably in 1863. He served with the 124th Illinois Infantry, as a private.

Because his diary reveals the close kinship of all American soldiers, in whatever way they have fought, I am giving you some excerpts from it this week and next. Although exactly 80 years have passed and gone since he wrote it, you will come to know Horatio pretty well in the few passages; and you will realize how much he is like yourself, if you are now in the services, or how much he is like your own boy, if you have one in uniform.

Horatio had been in the army some time before he wrote this particular diary. I rather imagine he kept one from the time of his enlistment. This one starts on the first day of 1864 and ends, for a very good reason, on June 30 of the same year.

SOME GOT TIGHT

Jan. 1, 1864—Some few are tight today as though this anniversary could not be enjoyed unless they were beastly drunk. German of Co. F. is in this sad condition and has just kicked over a bucket of lemonade which was brought there to sell.

Jan. 2—Used the last of my money today. Hurrah for the Pay Master, say I.

Jan. 7—Sergeant Kent returned today and brought lots of goodies for the boys except poor me not even a letter.

Jan. 9—Returned to camp from Vicksburg this morning. Had very good accommodations at the Soldiers' Home where I staid overnight. Slept in a bed for the first time since leaving Kewanee (Illinois, his home).

Jan. 12—Fired 5 shots at the target and missed every time.

Jan. 17—A mail came today and I received a letter from sisters Nannie and Sophia—also a package of Springfield Republicans from home.

THE "EXCELSIOR REGIMENT"

Jan. 21—The long anticipated drill of the first Brigade took place today and was witnessed by a large crowd of people. The 124th was in full uniform with dress coats, caps, white collars, and gloves all alike. They certainly looked the best and I think excelled in drill any other regiment on the field. Each drilled 40 minutes. (In the back of the diary, in excellent condition, is a printed report of the Committee on Brigade Drill, announcing its unanimous opinion that the 124th Illinois Infantry "are entitled to the proud name of 'The Excelsior Regiment of the First Brigade.'")

Jan. 23—Ordered into Vicksburg to drill for the prize banner which we had the good fortune to win. Our movements were nearly performed on the double quick. A charge which we made seemed to draw forth the admiration of all. General Leggett (Commanding General of the Third Division of 17th Army Corps) was heard to remark that it was the best he ever saw. Received a letter from Aunt H. with photograph of Uncle Enoch. (The diary is filled with mentions of photographs, comparatively new in the 1860's.)

HOME FOR RECRUITS!

Jan. 24—Orders have come for the 124th to be filled up with recruits, and all from officers to privates are anxious to be one of the recruiting officers. It is certainly a desirable job (these officers were sent back home to get the recruits!) and I would like it very well but there are of course favorites who will get the chances.

Jan. 30—The Reg't has drilled twice this A. M. under Cap't Fields. If all the Cap't's have got to learn to drill the Reg't I fear good drilling by us is at an end. When men in the ranks know more than the one commanding them it is very natural for them to prove dull scholars.

SASHES AND JAWBONES

Jan. 27—Some beautiful sashes were presented to Lieuts. Bigelow and Dodge by the boys of Co. A. They were bought in Vicksburg at a cost of \$20 apiece. (Any of you G. I.'s want to buy your Lieut. a pretty sash?)

Feb. 4 (on the march)—Crossed the old Champion Hill battlefield. Saw one grave containing 33 Rebels which were buried so shallow that the rain had uncovered them, leaving the bones and clothing exposed. Also found the skeleton of an unburied Reb. Mr. Lyle took the jawbone to carry home for a curiosity.

Feb. 5—Broke camp at 6 1/2 o'clock and resumed our march. Skirmishing soon commenced and continued far as Clinton where the enemy made quite a decided stand and the first Brigade was brought to the

front. The artillery opened on them and the line advanced when they, doubtless thinking distance lent enchantment to the scene, showed a light pair of heels and away they went. We pursued till darkness closed in, when the 1st Brigade was asked to volunteer for Jackson, which they did, and reached it at 12 o'clock—midnight—very tired.

"FORAGING" OR "COLLECTING" ?

Feb. 6—Went downtown (Jackson) foraging and obtained a few useful articles which I needed, amongst which were a pair of drawers, pair of socks, a nice pocket handkerchief and a lot of pins; besides a large quantity of tobacco for the boys. There were several large blocks of buildings burning and in my opinion the place is pretty well cleaned out.

Feb. 21—(After two weeks of foraging, burning, destroying towns, railroads, bridges, etc.)—Arrived at Decatur and camped. I went out foraging on my own hook and got some nice meat and fresh eggs, which we fried for supper. I also obtained a spoon for Kent.

March 4—Up in good season and on our journey home (Big Black River Camp) which we reached about noon as tired, ragged, dirty set of boys as ever was seen. . . . I washed up and changed clothes and felt like a new man. Found our camp in very bad condition, as the dirty 47th Reg't had occupied our tents in our absence.

March 11—Commenced a letter to sisters (in Monson) but was soon ordered out for guard duty. Went out to Edwards Station for lumber and had a little bit of a fight. Rescued some young ladies from the hands of the Rebels.

NO MAIL — NO GOODIES

March 16—Cap't Fields drilled the Reg't today, and after forming a hollow square could not get them into line; therefore told the Co. Commanders to take charge of their own Co's.

April 4—Marching orders came and then were countermanded. I have mended my shoes and played ball some. Sold my cotton bed: got \$2.50. Mail came tonight but none for me. Bad.

April 6—Been into town this A. M. Saw nothing interesting but a few pretty ladies.

April 13—Lieut. Bigelow greeted us today after a short furlough and the boys all gave him a hearty welcome. He brought goodies for a few of the boys. Nary for me.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

According to a Camp Blanding training center newspaper here is a description of "G. I. Joe," the doughboy of World War II:

"Manpower to his Government, expendable to the general, potential

casualty to the doctor, another foot to shoe to the quartermaster, a replacement to company commander and a gold brick to his first sergeant. "To his mess sergeant he's a chow hound. To his buck sergeant he's a lousy recruit who will never make a soldier. To his corporal he's a target for hard labor.

"But, comes the compensation," says the paper.

"To his girl, GI Joe is a hero, and to his family he's the shining example of an American soldier and why don't they print his picture in the camp newspaper more often?"

—Bob Jackson

With Our Subscribers

Hollywood, July 29, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer:

Am sending check for another year's subscription. . . .

Don't know how I would get along without the paper. Only a few names mentioned remain of the friends of long ago, but the news of the town is very interesting to me. One by one the old-timers are passing on. Within the past few weeks, the death of two of my B.H.S. classmates ('83) has been reported, Ella Towne and Ed Burnette. Only three are left, Charles Walker of South Pasadena, my sister, Fannie, of Longmeadow, and myself.

Keep up the Sentinel. Enjoy the letters from old-timers and The Steeple especially.

Sincerely yours,
Carolyn Sanford

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barrett and daughter, Shirley, and Mr. Barrett's mother, Mrs. Maud Gilligan, all of Springfield, were guests this past week of Mrs. Barrett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Parker of Bay road.

Mrs. Everett Sporbert and daughter, Beverly, accompanied by Mrs. Sporbert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Viggers, and their son and daughter-in-law, Corporal and Mrs. Walter Viggers, and son, Walter, Jr., all of Springfield, left Wednesday for a week's vacation at Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H., and Windsor, Vt. Corporal Viggers is home on a 16-day furlough from his duties at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

The F. H. Warren family, who recently moved into the Beach apartment on Maple street, are moving out of town the last of August on account of business.

Miss Ethel Corliss is spending the week with friends in Westhampton.

Miss Dorothy Trainor of Worcester is spending a three weeks' vacation with her father, Charles Trainor.

Gurdon I. Mead of Melrose spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Newman.

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FACT FOR UNITED STATES WAR BONDS



27 July, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer:

Since I have been in the service, I have written you periodically to inform you of a change in address. This time, however, I am glad to say that my address is still the same. The Sentinel comes every week right on schedule. It certainly helps to make home, which seemed so very far away when I first came here, seem a great deal nearer.

After being here as long as I have, this place is almost home to me. I have forgotten what life in a camp back in the States is like. Baseball, which has always been my main interest, is one of the things that makes life worth while here. Many major and minor league stars are playing for teams in an all service league here. In the fall a series is going to be played between the Army and Navy. Both line-ups are to be made up of the former Pros who are in this league. A few of the Army players will be Gordon, DiMaggio, Ruffing, Danning, and Judnich, while the Navy will have Bill Dickey, Mize, Reese, and McCosky. This should prove to be a very enjoyable series.

As long as news from the front lines continues to be encouraging, and the baseball in my back yard remains the same, I will be content to stay here for the duration if I have to.

Truly yours,
Don Geer

Ensign Robert T. Dyer, Jr.
A-V (N) U. S. N. R.
Box No. 27, Bldg. 700
U. S. Naval Air Station
Jacksonville, Florida

Pfc. Georgia Lee, A115208
Adjutant General's School
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

T-5 Edith Putnam
Wac Det. Sta. Camp.
Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

Pvt. Donald H. Sessions, 31467004
Co. E, 209 Bn., 65th Regt.
Camp Blanding, Florida

Pvt. Donald H. Sessions is much improved in health, following an operation at Camp Blanding, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Fairchild of Jabish street have received word that their son, 1st Sergt. John R. Fairchild, has recently arrived in the Hawaiian Islands. Sergt. Fairchild, who has completed nine years of service in the army, is now back in familiar territory, as he served five years with the 16th Coast Artillery in Honolulu, previous to our entry into World War II.

AUCTION

Saturday, August 12 1.30 P. M.

AT THE E. A. RANDALL PLACE

PARK ST., BELCHERTOWN

This place has been purchased by Albert G. Markham who will offer most of the contents in this auction. Here are some of the articles: Kitchen range with oil burner, three-burner oil stove, dining room table and six chairs, china closet, marble topped sideboard, late Victorian parlor set, marble topped bureau, 9x12 rugs, house safe (20x20x24), raised head sewing machine, oil lamp (brass with large globe), milk glass compute, 2 pair Bristol vases, a few pieces of old glass, electric table cooker, electric iron, dishes, kitchen utensils, maple cane seat chairs, double cot, wooden bedroom suite, sewing rocker, reed rocker, bench scales, crocks, brass bed with coil springs, barroom chair, mahogany dining room table, hand and garden tools, 3-4 in. rope and falls, and other items. Sale rain or shine. Nothing sold prior to the auction.

GEORGE H. BEAN, Auctioneer
Northampton

Donald Lewis Morey, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Morey, enlisted in the marine corps on August 8 and expects to be called for duty in the near future.

Pfc. Donald Dunbar has returned to Shreveport, La., after spending a 21-day furlough at his home on Jackson street.

Pfc. William Flaherty, on a 15-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Annie Flaherty, has returned to Walker Field, Kan.

Robert D. Camp, aviation machinist's mate first class, stationed at Patuxent River, Md., has been spending a ten-day leave with his family.

Sergt. Arthur Vincent, on a 15-day furlough from Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., is visiting friends here, and his mother in Neponset.

Corp. Harold Kimball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Kimball, who has been stationed at Camp Murphy, Fla., has been transferred to Westover Field.

The Office of Censorship advises against the printing of overseas addresses.

Congregational Church Notes

The Women's Guild will hold its annual silver tea and garden party at the home of Mrs. Henry Taddell next week Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Harry L. Ryther, Mrs. Henry Lindquist and Mrs. Taddell.

Methodist Church Notes

Laurel Park Assembly will be held at that place August 12-20. Women's Day is Wednesday, August 16, when ladies of the local church plan to attend. In the morning there will be messages from leaders in the various departments. Dr. Harold Metzner will be guest speaker in the afternoon. An adult forum is at 10.30 a. m.; W. S. of C. S. at 11.30 a. m.

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will hold a food sale September 2.

A Memorial to Former Pastor

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ter took shape in the book, "The Problem of Human Suffering," a book which long since was out of

print. Following his death about two years ago, his widow, Elizabeth Bowles Harrington, feeling the worth of that earliest book, has had printed a memorial edition, which was off the press a few months ago. This edition is the same as the earlier one save that this contains a photograph of Dr. Harrington and a few additional footnotes. Mrs. Harrington believes that this book has a message which is very valuable in these war days when so many thousands are confronted with the question of human suffering.

I read the book when it was first published around 1900; I have just read the memorial edition. Even the style of the book reminded me of the style of the sermons he preached here nearly fifty years ago. I marveled at his ability when such a young man to write a book to bring real light and faith and peace to those undergoing suffering. It is worth reading today.

Walter R. Blackmer

Town Items

Elizabeth and Constance Dolphin of Lynn are spending their vacation at the Booth farm.

Miss Marilyn Mason of Hamilton street returned today from a three weeks' vacation. Part of the time Miss Mason spent at a girls' camp in Douglas, Mass., and the rest with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. St. Onge of Springfield.

Harold Archambault is having his annual vacation from his duties in the maintenance department at the State school. Mrs. Susan Farrington and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wells have returned to Grosse Pointe, Mich., after a two-weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Farrington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Parker and daughters, Barbara and Nancy, of Springfield, will be guests this week of Mr. Parker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Parker, of Bay road.

Albert Norman of Chicopee has bought the Joseph Rowe property on Federal street. Mr. and Mrs. Norman have residing with them their daughter, Mrs. Provost, whose husband is a Lieutenant in the air force.

Miss Lorraine Noel of Maple street, on vacation from her duties at the State school, is spending the week in Canada.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss Superior Court

PETITION TO DISSOLVE ENFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

To the Honorable Superior Court in and for the County of Hampshire Respectfully represents the Enfield Library Association

1. that it is a duly authorized Massachusetts corporation existing by virtue of a charter issued by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts dated March 29, 1906;

2. that the Association was organized for the following purposes, viz: "The object of this Association shall be to establish and maintain a library in the Town of Enfield."

3. that there was no capital stock. Any person upon the payment of \$5.00 became a member of the Association and thereafter the annual dues were \$1.00 per year;

4. that said Association has continued to function from the time it was constituted until the said Town of Enfield ceased to exist, the territory thereof being now owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and which territory is now largely inundated by water which supplies in part the water needs for the City of Boston and the Metropolitan area, all under the laws of the Commonwealth;

5. that due to such taking there is now no Town of Enfield in existence and this Association can no longer function;

6. that under Article IV of the constitution of this Association it is among other items thusly provided: "This Association may be dissolved at any time by the votes of three-fourths of the whole number of members; at the time and in this case its property shall be transferred to another Association similar or to the Town of Enfield. In no case shall the property of the Association be disposed of by division among the individual members."

7. that by appropriate legal proceedings under a bill in Equity in the Superior Court in and for the County of Hampshire a decree was entered by the said Court directing the Association to distribute and pay over the property and the funds of the Association to the Clapp Memorial Library of Belchertown, Massachusetts, and The Worthington Library of Worthington, Massachusetts, share and share alike;

8. that said decree has been complied with and there has been paid by said Enfield Library Association to said Clapp Memorial Library the sum of \$4775.25 and to the Worthington Library the sum of \$4774.25, each approximately.

9. the Association had no other property except funds on hand and now has no funds;

10. said Association through its duly authorized president further represents that at a special meeting of the members of the Enfield Library Association held at the office of said Association in Ware, Massachusetts, on March 16, 1944, at which meeting all members of the Association being present or represented by a proxy, it appearing that the Association has no liability and does not own any assets, the members unanimously voted that a petition be presented to the Superior Court asking said Court that it decree a dissolution of the said Association and that the president and the treasurer thereof be authorized to sign a petition on behalf of the Association according to the vote hereto annexed, marked "A".

Wherefore your petitioner prays that this Honorable Court, after proper notice and order, decree the dissolution of the Association in accordance with Chapter 155 Section 50 of General Laws (Ter. Ed.), as amended and for such further releases as the Court may deem necessary.

ENFIELD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
by Marion A. Smith
its President
Marian T. Zappay
its Treasurer

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.
Superior Court at Northampton
July 21, 1944
On the petition aforesaid, it is ordered that the petitioner notify all parties interested to appear before the Justices of this Court at Northampton aforesaid, on the first Monday of September, 1944, by publishing an attested copy of said petition and this order, once a week in the Belchertown Sentinel, a newspaper printed in Belchertown in said County, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said first Monday of September, that they may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Attest: Grace T. Hawksley, Clerk
A True Copy
Attest: Grace T. Hawksley, Clerk
Schoonmaker & Schoonmaker
Attorneys-at-Law
Ware, Massachusetts
July 28-Aug. 4-11

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Maria P. Buckley, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that A. Richmond Walker of Ware, in said County, or some other suitable person, be appointed administrator of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of said citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware
11-18-25

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Melvin R. Ayers, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Mary T. Ayers of Belchertown in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
11-18-25

FOR SALE — Fowl, Roasting Chickens, Duck Eggs and Hen's Eggs.

Frank E. Towne
Jabish St.
Phone 3653

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Phone Wellesley 3664

FOR SALE—3-burner Kerosene Cooking Range with 2-burner oven, white enamel, table top model, good condition, 45 in. x 20 in. Price \$45. Henry Lindquist, Jabish St. (Phone 2631).

Town Items

Miss Barbara Sessions and classmate, Miss Avis Mills of Webster, who are in training at the Worcester Hahnemann hospital, are spending the week at the Sessions home. They report for duty Monday.

Mrs. Wilfred E. Spring of Roxbury, Vt., is acting station agent, relieving the regular agent, S. L. Nichols of Amherst, who is on a three weeks' leave.

Alfred Squires of South Main St. is in the Brooks hospital in Brookline, awaiting an operation.

Miss Irene Dawson of Holyoke has been the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold LaBrood.

Miss Anne Joyal is spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dufort of Granby.

Miss Claire Dacignon of Holyoke is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Noel.

The following from the State School attended the funeral of Dr. Leonard Logiodice, a member of the medical staff who died in Boston, held in Brighton, Friday: Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, Dr. Lois E. Taylor, Miss Sara J. Greene, Miss Gladys Meyer, Miss Jeanette Burke, Miss Mary Newell and James L. Hawkins.

Miss Dorothy Pecsso, social worker at the State School, is having a vacation from her duties.

Miss Nancy Tilton, daughter of Mrs. Marjorie Tilton, will be maid of honor and only attendant for her aunt, Miss Lillian Jean Tilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tilton of Springfield, today. The wedding will be performed at All Saints' Church, Springfield.

Miss Ruth Spencer, who has been enjoying a three-weeks' vacation at her home, has returned to her duties on the nursing staff of Johnson Memorial hospital at Stafford Springs, Ct.

Miss Hazel Charles has resumed her duties as telephone operator at the State school, after a month's vacation.

Fred Appleford is having his vacation from his duties in the boys' industrial training department at the State school.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in a petition for adoption of Bernard Russell Deso of Ware, in said County. A petition has been presented to said Court, by Elmer W. Frew and Katherine A. Frew, his wife, of Ware, in said County of Hampshire, praying for leave to adopt said Bernard Russell Deso, a child of Clarence E. Deso of Springfield, in the County of Hampden, and Florence M. DeForge, his former wife, of Rockville, Connecticut, and that the name of said child be not changed.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
James F. Shea, Attorney,
Ware, Mass.
July 28-Aug. 4-11

FISHER BUS SCHEDULE

Effective Aug. 23, 1943
Belchertown to Springfield
Week-days—9 a. m.; 1:30 p. m.; 5:15 p. m.
Sundays—9 a. m.; 5:15 p. m.; 7:35 p. m.
Belchertown to Greenfield
Week-days—10:55 a. m.; 3:55 p. m.; 7:20 p. m.
Sundays—10:55 a. m.; 7:20 p. m.; 9:30 p. m.

Chester A. Wood, engineer with the Boston & Maine railroad, is spending his vacation at his home on Jackson street.

Clapp Memorial Library

Belchertown Sentinel



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The Coming Week

SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Union Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Unshakable Realm"

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY
TUESDAY

Boy Scout Trip to M. S. C. swimming pool, leaving headquarters at 6.30 p. m.

Picnic of Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Harry Plant from 6 o'clock on.

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Thera Corliss at 3 p. m.

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY
FRIDAY

SATURDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY
TOMORROW

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For
Sept. 2
Food Sale sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of C. S.

Red Cross Workers' Picnic

About twenty Red Cross surgical dressings' workers forgot bandages and budgets and went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. William MacKinnon of Allen St., last Saturday for an outing. More would undoubtedly have been present had it not been for the lure of the auction at the center of the town.

Tables were set out under the maples and provision was made for reading and games. The hot afternoon, however, was not conducive to exercise or thought.

A bountiful repast was served, contributions to the menu being brought by those attending. Mrs. Earl Doubleday added to the occasion by contributing a generous amount of home-made ice cream.

The local editor, invited in for the repast contributed, "A Man Visits the Ladies Aid." The party broke up around 5.

Annual Silver Tea

Between twenty and twenty-five enjoyed the annual Women's Guild silver tea and garden party held with Mrs. Henry Tadgell on Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5. A social hour with refreshments featured the afternoon event. The committee was Mrs. Harry L. Ryther, Mrs. Henry Lindquist and Mrs. Tadgell.

Barn Burns

A barn on the farm of Ernest Socha of Three Rivers road was struck by lightning during the thunderstorm Monday afternoon about 3 and was burned to the ground. The contents, 10 tons of hay and 15 cords of stove-length wood, were destroyed. The fire department, which was called from the home of a neighbor, Bernard Bowler, traveled five miles to reach the scene. The fire was well under way before they arrived.

Efforts were made to save the house, which was about 20 feet from the burning structure. Water was obtained by laying 4,000 feet of hose to the nearest hydrant in Three Rivers. The Three Rivers Department also responded and rendered assistance. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

Grange Picnic

About 75 attended the Grange picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Peck of Cottage street, Tuesday night, and to all appearances a glorious time was had by all. The slogan seemed to be, "Keep everybody busy," which was well nigh achieved. Of course the supper committee had to be busy to start proceedings. The outdoor fireplace was sizzling at 6, so that when the chefs got into action, production was at its peak. Besides hamburg and hot dogs, there were salads—tomato, potato and otherwise—coffee, chocolate milk for the kiddies, and a couple of bouncing watermelons for all. A half of one of the latter was left over following the repast, but this gradually faded away in the developing darkness.

Early in the evening charades under the direction of Mrs. Frances Moore, were presented on the croquet lawn, the enigma being to identify book titles. Yes, there were even book "ends." Four fair-sized females, facing away from the audience and bowing to the center arch, were at first tantalized with the title, "Little Women," but which had to give way to "Seats of the Mighty," recalling the minstrel show "ends."

Later each was asked to give three adjectives, the first letters of each of which were to be the initials of the name of the one giving them.

With the conclusion of the program, the "ten-ring circus" got into action. Bill Young, horse-shoe enthusiast, staked out a couple of courts in the upper driveway, and was referee, scorekeeper and coach. Two games were played, the winners and the losers each teaming up against each other in the final heat. Bill's figures reveal that Henry Lindquist, Howard Knight, Pat Loftus and Ed Shumway rolled up 60 points, while Joseph Kempkes, Sr., and Joseph Kempkes, Jr., Carl Corliss and Fred Farley secured a total of 46.

There were two boards for the pitching of jar rings, one near the front of the house and one attached to the garage door at the rear, the latter run by the visiting Vermont clergyman, who reports that someone by the name of Veronica was high scorer. "Good Luck" rubbers may have been used, but few men

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State College Swim Proves Valuable Fun

Twenty-seven Boy Scouts and their young friends not yet in Scouting, had the time of their lives at the Massachusetts State College pool, Tuesday evening.

Professor Larry Briggs, assisted by Henry Thornton, physical education teacher in Amherst High school, gave the boys a solid hour and a half of instruction in strokes, dives, etc. Several boys who did not know how to swim with confidence, received special instruction at the lower end of the pool.

The Scouts were accompanied by Scoutmaster Ira Shattuck, Assistant Scoutmaster Stanley Rhodes (both of whom got wet with their boys) and Messrs. Guy Harrington, Belding Jackson, Roy Kimball and Harold Ryder of the troop committee.

There will be another and final session next Tuesday evening. At that time the beginners will continue to receive elementary instruction from Stan Rhodes, while the others will be given the opportunity to pass their First Class Scout swimming test and to work off some of the requirements for the Swimming Merit Badge or the Life Saving Merit Badge, all of which requirements appear in the Manual and should be read by any who wish to try any of them.

Transportation will again be provided any boy over eleven who is at Scout headquarters at 6.30. No towels or suits are needed or allowed. A fee of 20 cents will be charged each participant.

Inducted Next Tuesday

John J. Shea of Depot street, South Belchertown, reports for induction at the town hall, Ware, on August 22, at 8.30 a. m.

There are none from Belchertown taking pre-induction physicals this month.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Joseph Kessel, John P. Manwell, Eva Webb, Felix Mish, Stanley Rhodes, Chester Dzwonkoski, Raymond Dana, Charles Engel, Alexander Ross, Arthur Dubuque, Arthur Westwell (2).

Truck Tire—Joseph Marion.

Let the SENTINEL Follow You



Diary of Horatio Sanford
Reveals Little Change in G. I.'s

This is the second group of excerpts from the Civil War diary of Horatio Sanford, Belchertown boy, who enlisted in the 124th Infantry of Illinois Volunteers, and was on duty in and near Vicksburg, Mississippi. The diary is the property of Mrs. Julia (Sanford) Shumway of this town. The final entries will appear next week.

HOMESICKNESS AND SKINFLINTS

Big Black River Camp, Mississippi, April 16, 1864—The furloughed boys returned today and brought goodies to most of the boys. I received a can of fruit, jar of pickles, and a lot of reading matter.

April 17—Sunday and awful dull in camp. Did not go to church today as going last Sunday and hearing good singing made me feel homesick so thought I would stay away in future.

April 24—Vicksburg—Been to the City with Serg't Kent. Business seems brisk among the Jews and skinflints who are ever ready with willing hands to rob the Soldier of his little \$13.00 per month.

POST-WAR DISCUSSION

April 26—Attended the Union Literary Association in the City. An address was delivered which was very interesting. The question discussed was Resolved that after we have crushed the Rebellion we should assist Mexico in driving the French off from their Territory. The question was decided in favor of the negative which was as it should be. Mentions we have done fighting enough.

April 28—An order was issued by Col. Howe today prohibiting the boys from going to town. From his appearance on dress parade judge he had indulged rather freely today.

May 2—The boys who went to Memphis on guard returned today. They saw a man hung who had been smuggling ammunition through our lines. I think they served him right.

Vicksburg, May 3, 1864—Marching orders came today and some of the boys were taken suddenly ill. Rather suspicious.

Camp in the Field, May 6—Reveillee at 4 o'clock with orders to start at 5. Mark Lester had his

shoes stolen last night and henceforth will have to go barefoot.

ACTION AND FEET

May 7—Reached Benton, Mississippi and found the Rebs in line of battle and skirmishing immediately commenced. The Rebs threw several shells harmlessly over us when we formed in line and advanced and they showed us a light pair of heels. We followed them till near night as a support for the Cavalry who did most of the fighting. We returned to Benton to camp. All were worn out with the excessive heat and fatigue. My feet were never before so badly blistered. Our loss was two killed and several wounded. The Rebs was much greater. One prisoner was shot for abusive language and a blank refusal to go to the rear under a Negro guard. Served him right.

May 8—Been down town and got a bouquet, saw some very nice gardens and good looking girls.

HIND-QUARTERS AND WHISKEY

Benton, May 11—A piece of Artillery opened this morning on a corn crib over a half mile away about which a gang of Rebs were harboring and feeding their horses. It was amusing to see them evacuate at the first fire. A rapid movement. The adjutant and squad of men then advanced and burned it. Co. A killed a fat steer for their own eating. Used only the hind quarters and liver.

May 12—Our Brigade went on a wild goose chase out to Black River and returned at 3 o'clock tired and mad on account of fast marching, having made 20 miles with only 2 or 3 rests. Got a stiff horn of whiskey and soon all sorrows and trouble was forgotten.

May 13—I saw the Pioneer's bury a Sesesh and after the body was covered up 'twas not more than 2 inches under ground. 10 were known to have been killed. We lost one mortally wounded.

May 15—Broke camp at 8 o'clock and took the plank road for Yazoo City. The city is about 1/2 as large as Vicksburg and the indications are that 'twas once a place of considerable business, but like many other towns in the South its secession has been its ruin. Many nice flowery yards here.

DIRTY, RAGGED AND SAUCY

May 16—One year ago the battle of Champion Hills was fought in which the 124th took a prominent part. The Court House has been burned and several houses. Much alarm is felt lest the whole City be fired.

Yazoo City, May 17—The sick went aboard the boats this morning to return to Vicksburg by water. A large fire broke out in town this eve and consumed the main part before it was extinguished. 'Twas a grand sight.

May 18—Started for home this morning.

May 21—Up and off early this morning for home, which we reached at 10 o'clock, dirty, ragged and saucy. We gave the old camp a hearty welcome. Found five letters for me. One from a Miss Cooley in Monson. The latter is a stranger but wrote to me at the request of sisters (Nan and Sophie).

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

*Sonnet for Eighteenth Anniversary
Midsummer Morning*

Again we waken to an August dawn
And from our window watch the drowsy day
Rubbing its eyes to see the squirrels play,
The robins pull their breakfast from the lawn.

The cool, sweet tenderness of spring has gone.

Our garden, all its order led astray
By summer's warmth, sprawls out in disarray,
Drowsy but fertile. 'Tis an hour to yawn.

Life and the year, love and the season, pause
Like travelers resting at a half-way place

Before the border-line of fall is crossed.
Our mutual days seem dearer now,
because

Like all we grow outside, they needs must face
The shortening time before October frost.

—Bob Jackson

Town Items

Mrs. Edwin Rymes and daughter, Beverly, of Lexington, returned yesterday after visiting in the home of their cousin, John D. Shuttleworth.

Rev. and Mrs. John P. Manwell arrived from Syracuse on Wednesday, taking two days to make the trip. Mrs. Harriet Wyckoff of Syracuse, who has been caring for Mrs. Manwell, accompanied them here and will remain until the first of September.

Mrs. Mary Ayers is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ayers at Enfield, N. H.

Mrs. George Chapman of Mamaroneck, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hurlburt. Mrs. Daisy Cooley of Springfield, who has been at the Hurlburt home, has gone to Amherst to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Williams.

Misses Patricia Sellow and Anne Pearson of Middletown, Ct., spent the week-end at E. F. Shumway's.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimball and son, Channing Kimball, have returned from a vacation spent at Old Orchard beach.

The annual Towne and Edson reunion will be held in the Congregational parish house tomorrow.



Following are excerpts from a letter received from Chaplain Richard Manwell by his father.

The Sentinel is much appreciated by both of us. We look forward with great pleasure to receiving it and reading the news of our many friends.

Wish you could have occasion to see this part of the country.

Ricky is getting four new teeth, but doesn't seem to let them affect his good nature. Any day now he'll take his first step.

Had two services this morning—communion service at the hospital and the sermon at the Methodist church. Don't much care for the method of dipping the wafers, but it's more convenient, of course. It's good experience, too, but I prefer the Congregational custom of individual glasses. However, I'll appreciate owning the communion set after the war. Think it will be most useful in Young People's work, etc. It has silver cross, candlesticks, goblet and paten, a wafer container, wine bottle and spout for pouring into individual glasses.

In addition to that, the denomination furnished a small hospital set, which I really don't need at present, though I may use it for the one bed patient now in the hospital.

Only day of rain for some time. Showers today are most welcome.

Our kodachromes are beautiful, and can hardly wait for Claude Smith to put on a show for us with his film slide projector.

The watch the church people gave me keeps perfect time. One of the patients, who is also a jeweler, tells that it is one of the best self-winders.

Another shower has started. How it pours! Big hailstones are falling, almost making the ground white.

Mrs. Ralph Hubbard has received a letter from her husband, Pfc. Ralph Hubbard, telling of his safe arrival in England. He was recently stationed at Camp Breckenridge. He is a member of a tank destroyer unit.

Raymond A. Kinmonth, Seaman 1st Class
Box G 14, N. A. S.
Key West, Florida

1st Lt. Albert G. Schmidt of the Air Corps is on a few days' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Schmidt. He has been sta-

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THREE RIVERS

tioned at On South Pacific for 23 months, is
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Tenn. lough at the home of his brother,
Walter P. who Harry C. Trent of Sargent St.
was with a in the Pfc. Michael Flaherty, who was

All Answers to Fair Questions

JUST ASK FOR YOUR SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

WE want to answer all questions about wartime telephone service as completely as possible.

This isn't always easy when people plan to move, or take a house for the summer, and learn they cannot get a telephone at the new address.

The general answer to such questions is that war has about used up reserve telephone facilities. So we must make what we have give the best service we can to the greatest number.

Every customer has a different problem, a different set of questions—we can't answer them all here—a husband away in service, serious illness, a baby expected, important war work, dozens of other reasons why a telephone is wanted.

If you have a specific question, please get in touch with a Service Representative or the Manager at your local Telephone Business Office.



NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO.

Town Items

Next week, rationing board office hours will be from 9 to 6, with the board meeting on Thursday night as usual.

John P. Searl and Donald F. Johnson of Staten Island, N. Y., are spending a week in town, stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. Allen, Sr. Mr. Searl formerly lived in Belchertown on the place on Cottage street where Mrs. Ellen Bridgman and Mrs. Vianna Somes now live.

Mrs. Clara Fuller Lincoln, who is spending the summer at Laurel Park, Northampton, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Warner.

Miss Betty Cook has returned from a week's stay in Boston with her cousins, Petty Officer 1st Class Frank L. Wolff and Mrs. Wolff.

Mrs. Sam Frank of Ft. Thomas, Kentucky, and her daughter, Mrs. Frank Wolff of Boston, are visiting Mrs. Frank's sister, Mrs. Howell Cook of Park street.

Mrs. Aime Fortin and son, Gary, of Williamsett, returned home last week after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Beaudoin.

Thomas J. Riley of Maple street observed his 85th birthday, Sunday. Relatives, neighbors and friends called.

Sydney Clark of Maple street celebrated his birthday August 4, friends calling at his home during the afternoon and evening. Mr. Clark was remembered with cards and other gifts.

Aug. 8, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer:

Now that we are becoming established, my address has changed once more. We are now in permanent quarters, where scrubbing and extra detail jobs are adding improvements each day.

People here are extremely friendly. Palm trees make me realize my distance from home.

While stationed near Washington, D. C., I was fortunate to get three passes to New England. On two of these I visited my brother, Donald, who was on leave from Oklahoma, and my brother, Richard, on furlough from Maine.

Surely do appreciate the Sentinel.

Georgia Lee

Pfc. Georgia Lee, A115208
WAC Det., 3823 S. U.
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

With Our Subscribers

Several times during the past few months I spent an afternoon with our dear friend and neighbor, Mabel Randolph, while her mother was gone to Amherst on business. During those visits I learned many things, the outstanding ones being her love for her neighbors, her enjoyment of flowers and the out-of-doors in general. Her spirit hovers over the little chapel at Dwight.

One day in particular I remember she said, "My idea of heaven would be to get out of this chair, walk up across the mountain, climb the hill to Holland Glen and sit on the rocks in the sun," so I have written this for her:

*To Our Friendly Neighbor
Mabel Randolph*

Up across the dappled hillside,
To the wood of long ago,
Picking violets and daisies,
In a place she used to know,

There to listen to the water,
Gurgling down through hidden
lees,
Just as though it sensed her search-
ing
For the path she couldn't see.

Yet she knew the true direction.
Where the hemlock boughs bent low,
Sweeping out across the chasm
Formed by rocks so far below.

Here the path leads ever upward
To the crest beside the rill.
There she rests, our friendly neigh-
bor,
On a gold encrusted hill.

—Mrs. Alvin Bush
Aug. 9, 1944

Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will hold a picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Plant next Tuesday night from 6 o'clock on. Assistant hostesses will be Mrs. Grace Purrington and Mrs. Johanna Bilz.

The W. S. of C. S. will hold their monthly business meeting with Mrs. Thera Cortiss next week Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Louise Blackmer assisting. The time is 3 o'clock instead of 2. Please take notice.

Town Items

Mrs. J. V. Cook, who has spent considerable time in Stoneham, is at her home in town for a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Blake S. Jackson returned Monday from a week's vacation spent at Kennebunkport, Me.

Grange Picnic

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experienced any such sensation. Games were in progress on the front and side porches, and most of the rooms in the house were appropriated for one kind of game or an-

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Maria P. Buckley, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that A. Richmond Walker of Ware, in said County, or some other suitable person, be appointed administrator of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware
11-18-25

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Melvin R. Ayers, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Mary T. Ayers of Belchertown in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
11-18-25

other.

The party folded up around 10.30, although the croquet game then in progress lasted longer.

These annual picnics are surely some variation from the mystery rides of pre-war days, when gas and dust were both plentiful.

The committee in charge was Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanford, Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth and Mrs. Frances Moore.

Solicit Contributions

The Belchertown Committee of the East Hampshire Branch of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Mrs. Louis Shumway, chairman, has sent out letters this week soliciting contributions to that organization. We quote in part:

"It is a common experience to find children seriously neglected in

FOR SALE — Fowl, Roasting Chickens, Duck Eggs and Hen's Eggs.

Frank E. Towne
Jabish St.
Phone 3653

A18.

WANTED—Will call for hand-painted plates, tea cups and saucers, and other nice china. Write: M. S. Lannon, 974 State St., Springfield, Mass.

WANTED—Old papers, metal or rags.

Charles King
Leave word with Clark, the barber.

LOST—Ration books in black-leather folder. Finder please return to Jackson's Store.

Joseph Hogan
370 Brunelle Ave.
Manchester, N. H.

WANTED—Passengers from Belchertown to Chicopee Falls. Leave Belchertown at 6 and Chicopee Falls at 5.

Leo Dugre
Jabish St.

NOW SELLING—Apples, pears and plums for eating and canning. E. C. Howard
Tel. 2251

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our grateful appreciation to relatives, friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral tributes tendered and the countless acts of kindness rendered during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Etta B. Randolph and family

Appreciative

Dr. and Mrs. William J. Hogan will be ever deeply grateful to the many sincere Belchertown friends who so beautifully expressed their deep and sincere sympathy in the death of Mrs. Hogan's beloved brother, the late Christopher J. Reardon of Springfield.

Betty Cook Beauty Shop

Permanent Waving Manicuring
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Haircutting
For Appointment Call 3381

homes where the family income ranges from fifty to one hundred dollars per week. Obviously a large wage in no wise improves the attitude and character of people who are selfish and base by nature.

"Over 15,000 neglected children in 1943 indicates the need of an organization like this to compel parents to provide reasonable care for their children.

"Our support is entirely from contributions.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Arthur Smith, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Ware Trust Company of Ware in said County, and praying that it be appointed executor thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this ninth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
Aug. 18-25-Sep. 1

Last dividend on Savings Account shares at the rate of

4 1/2 PER CENT

Ware Co-operative Bank

You pay \$1.00 per month for each share you subscribe. Interest compounded four times a year. Money available on first mortgages.

Payments may be made at
JACKSON'S STORE

FISHER BUS SCHEDULE

Effective Aug. 23, 1943
Belchertown to Springfield
Week-days—9 a. m.; 1.30 p. m.; 5.15 p. m.
Sundays—9 a. m.; 5.15 p. m.; 7.35 p. m.
Belchertown to Greenfield
Week-days—10.55 a. m.; 3.55 p. m.; 7.20 p. m.
Sundays—10.55 a. m.; 7.20 p. m.; 9.30 p. m.

Let the

SENTINEL

Follow You

"We are seeking \$150, the approximate cost of the work in our town this year. May we again invite your help? Mrs. William J. Pero, our treasurer, will gratefully receive any gift."

Mrs. Rachel Shumway

Belchertown Sentinel



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The Coming Week

SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Union Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Armed With All Thy Mind."
Guest Preacher, Mrs. William D. Hackett of Franconia, N. H.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

MONDAY
Firemen's Association Meeting.

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY
SATURDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.
Food Sale sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of C. S.

TODAY
TOMORROW
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Sept. 14
Open Meeting for Adults interested in Girl Scouting.

That Gene Dick Ad

We're still getting reverberations from that ad of Gene Dick's for a "wash tub or a wife all equipped." Evidently it got copied all over the country, for friends everywhere have been sending back clippings concerning it. The latest is from Attorney John H. Schoonmaker of Ware who says that his youngest son, who is on the Solomon Islands, in the service, in Chesapeake Bay, cut it out of a southern paper and sent it to him.

Of course not too many out of town people know that Gene Dick is Belchertown's blind man, full of fun, and that he quickly fell for the suggestion of a friend that he might advertise for a wife all equipped, when he was about to insert an ad for a wash tub.

We understand the grade school children got all excited over it, on the day of publication, believing that some word had been misspelled.

The sad part of it as far as we are concerned is that evidently people took the whole ad as a joke, for the last we knew, Gene had landed neither the wife nor the wash tub, and he was in need of the latter. Some one has given him a wash bench, but that is hardly a substitute.

A recent advertiser said that she received six calls in 24 hours as the result of her ad—but Gene had no such luck. Of course six wives would create a problem.

Can Still Register Here

Young men becoming 18 years of age can still register with Lewis H. Blackmer, local member of the Selective Service Board, and save a trip to Ware.

Guest Preacher Sunday

Mrs. William D. Hackett of Franconia, N. H., who is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Shaw, will be guest preacher at the union service at the Congregational church on Sunday.

Few at Supper

A thundershower played havoc with the public supper at the Methodist vestry last week Thursday night, about fifty attending, where preparations had been made for three times that number. Sale of food, however, redeemed the day in the matter of profit.

Many Local Scouts Pass Swim Tests

The second and final "Belchertown night" at the Mass. State Pool Tuesday evening found over 30 local boys on hand to profit by instruction and to pass their tests.

All the boys, who were beyond the beginners' stage, passed off the swimming requirement for First Class Scouts. This test consists of jumping into deep water and swimming 50 yards.

In addition, ten boys earned the right to wear the Swimming Merit Badge, when they become First Class Scouts. These are the tests passed to win that badge:

1. Swim 100 yards, as follows: a. Side stroke, 50 yards; b. Back stroke, 25 yards; c. Crawl or breast stroke, 25 yards.
2. Surface dive in six feet of water and recover object on bottom. (Object in Amherst was a hockey puck.)
3. Tread water for one minute, using both hands and feet.
4. Rest motionless in the water for one minute.
5. Demonstrate a rescue in one of the following ways: a. Enter the water feet first (jump or run) carrying outside shirt in teeth or hand, swim 30 feet, swing one end of shirt to the hands of presumably drowning person and tow him ashore. (The boys also had to drag the "unconscious" victim up to the edge of the pool, which required another trick or two.) b. Make rescue under same conditions as above, using instead of a shirt, a pole, branch of tree, paddle or oar to shove to presumably drowning person.

After doing these things (most of the Troop Committee were then exhausted from just watching the performers) many of the boys went on to take Governor Saltonstall's Intermediate Tests of the *Learn to Swim Program*. Professor Larry Briggs, says that several boys are now ready for the Military Tests (the hardest in the Governor's Program) and there may be a possibility that they will get a chance to take them.

Belchertown Boy Scouts will now settle down and catch up with themselves by passing their Second Class Scout tests and then their First Class tests. Most of the boys have not yet gone beyond the Tenderfoot Class.

Scoutmaster Shattuck hopes to see those who so eagerly attended the swim sessions, ready and anxious to make further progress. First Aid and Elementary Signalling are next ahead.

Anyway, the swimming angle is pretty well taken care of for the present. The Troop Committee is well pleased with the cooperation

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Auxiliary Officers

Chauncey D. Walker Unit 239, has elected the following officers for 1945:

- President Mrs. Frederick Farley
- Senior Vice-President Mrs. Eugene Lofland
- Junior Vice-President Miss Helen Boyko
- Treasurer Miss Gertrude Riley
- Secretary Mrs. Romeo Joyal
- Chaplain Mrs. Mary Ayers
- Sergeant-at-arms Mrs. Howard Shirlcliff
- Historian Mrs. William F. Kimball
- Executive Board Mrs. Clarence Morey

Installation will be held later in the fall and will probably be jointly with the Legion.

Unit 239 will be hostess unit to a District gathering on October 1. At that time Department President Mrs. John Lakeman, and Department Secretary Miss Adelaide Fitzgerald, will be the guests.

R. Baker, Secretary 239

Graduates at Officers' School

Alice Hussey was one of a class of 250 to graduate at the Waves' Officers' Training School at Northampton on Tuesday, receiving the rank of ensign. She left yesterday for duty at the U. S. Naval Hospital at Seattle, Washington.

"Blue Heaven" Fades into the Blue

'Carelessness on the part of children playing with matches, resulted in "Ad Moore's 'Blue Heaven,'" the once much-publicized house on wheels, fading into the blue for which it was named, on Wednesday. It had been shorn of most of its furnishings, had been mounted on blocks, and reposed to the rear of the Moore home.

Children had used it for a long time as a playhouse. On Wednesday matches were smuggled in and material ignited in the stove, which had no outlet. It was some time after the children left before the fire broke out. A chair and bed were the only articles considered to be of any great value.

Of course, considerable sentiment went up in smoke. This car deluxe was built in 1928 by Charles Sanford and George Hussey. Its initial trip was to New York state. Later it went to Florida, Maine and the Cape. Everywhere it went it evoked considerable interest. Built for pleasure, its end came as a result of too much pleasure.



Civil War Diary Ends
But Bonnie Flag Waves On
 "By the flow of the inland river,
 Whence the fleets of iron have fled,
 Where the blades of the grave-grass quiver,
 Asleep are the ranks of the dead:—
 Under the sod and the dew
 Waiting the Judgment Day:—
 Under the one, the Blue;
 Under the other, the Gray."

The words of Francis Finch's sweetly sentimental poem come softly to one's memory, as he closes the little leather diary of Belchertown's Horatio Sanford, and slips the strap through its loop. Its ink-written entries are still as clear as though they had been penned in June of 1944, instead of 80 years ago. Most of its pages are blank, waiting for the young author to tell of the return of the 124th to its native Illinois, of the last review before demobilization, of the "nice looking lady," whom he had not yet met when the bugle sounded reveille at 3 o'clock on the morning of July 1, 1864. I wonder how many unfinished diaries this war is writing!

REPUBLICANS AND PAY DAY

May 26, 1864—Vicksburg—Our Reg't was paid off today. 4 months ending with April 30. I have expressed 50 dollars to O. H. Loomis, which leaves me rather short, but guess I can get along till next pay day.

May 27—Received 2 Republicans and a novel from home, the latter entitled *On the Plains or The Race for Life*.

May 29—Attended church in town today with Serg't Kent. Listened to a very good discourse from the text, "Do not that abominable thing which I hate."

May 30—The furlough boys started up the River this morning. Sold my watch to Oscar for \$10.00 (Evidently he didn't "get along!")

May 31—Bought some Cartes of my favorite Generals, among them Grant, McPherson, Logan, and Leggett. Paid 50 cts. apiece for them.

June 1—Report says our Grant has thoroughly flaxed old Lee. Rumour says Richmond has fallen. I think it's doubtful. Went to the River and bathed.

June 4—A large Mail came to the Reg't this morning. I received a long letter from Mother. She says father has gone to the seaside for his health. Rec'd a late Republican containing good news from Virginia.

HORSESHOES AND BLACKBERRIES

June 13—Been pitching horseshoes with Serg't Stone. In the game he got wounded twice, once in the head and once in the foot. News comes of Lincoln's renomination for President. Went to the River and had a good swim. Saw the handsome new transport, *Ida Handy*, pass.

June 14—Made a lot of green apple pies today, which were very good.

June 15—Been blackberrying and had very good luck, though got scratched and very tired.

June 17—Yellow fever is said to be in town. I hope not, for it would make, I fear, sad havoc among the soldiers if it should get started.

June 19—The grapevine telegraph reports Sherman in Atlanta. (He did get there in July.) A mail came but no letter for me. I was disappointed, but patiently wait.

June 21—Went Blackberrying and got a lot of them. Made them up into pies. Mail again but none for me.

FATE GIVES NO FURLOUGH

June 24—Very dull in camp and no news. I have been learning to play chess.

June 25—Drew for furloughs today but the fates were against me again. (Indeed they were. A furlough might have saved his life.)

2 DAYS RATIONS FOR EVER

June 26—Relieved from picket about 8 o'clock and got to Camp with a hard headache for Company which has continued all day.

June 27—My head continues to ache and don't feel very well myself. News from Grant not very encouraging.

June 28—On Cistern guard duty today under Crpl Merrill. Received a letter and magazine from Aunt Harriett.

June 30—Bigelow and Renfrew got furloughs today. I have written a piece of music from memory entitled *Bonnie Blue Flag*. Received orders to be ready to march at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning, with 2 days rations in Haversack. "Look billious."

 FLAGS IN MOUNT HOPE**

And with this entry the diary comes to an abrupt close. The short march was Horatio's last trek. He was wounded, the wound became gangrenous, and he died in Vicksburg hospital on July 17, 1864. He was buried in Mississippi, but a marble stone stands in our Mt. Hope Cemetery inscribed with the name of "Horatio G. Sanford, 124th Reg't Ill. Volunteers—Died of wounds suffered in the Battle of Vicksburg." A bright American flag flutters in a G. A. R. holder beside the stone.

EIGHTY YEARS LATER

Another grand American boy in his twenties, who gave his life for freedom just 80 years ago this sum-

mer. Somehow his life seems very close to us today, with other boys so like him on battlefields far away. Boys with the same interests: nice looking ladies, letters from home, gripes at the officers, chatter about the food, indifference about the enemy dead, and all the rest.

He liked flowers, music made him homesick, he pitched horseshoes—Folks at home must have felt pretty bad when the news came of his death—he'd been away West for some time, too, as so many of the town boys had in those mid-century days.

I'm glad he kept that diary, and glad that I could pass on its contents to you. The ink is not faded, and the writing is much more legible than much of yours and mine. What he fought for isn't faded, either, thank God!

Boys don't change much, do they? And they still have to shoot each others' young lives away. Perhaps we can change that some day, though we haven't made great progress in 80 years.

 Common Now Proper**

It may really have been a good thing to have the Common neglected all summer. After over three months of running wild, its present neatness and beauty are like a brand-new improvement. We had almost forgotten the center was so naturally lovely. Reminds one of the discovery on a Sunday that those disreputable kids who have kicked about all week in overalls and dirty ears are pretty special when they get cleaned up for church.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Then Seek a Garden

What is more healing than a summer night
 In quiet towns, when from small garden plots
 Rich fragrances are blown on every breeze,
 And we can lift our faces to the stars,
 Feeling that sense of nearness to those things
 That make for peace. The singing of a bird
 Might be a voice from spirit land, so hushed
 And sweet, though clear it sounds, and when the song
 Is muted into silence, then our hearts
 Can hear the echo that will soothe all ache.
 Night is the time for hurt and timid ones
 To stir within the garden and to know
 The solace of soft darkness and the cooling
 Touch of dew. If life is filled with grief
 Then seek a garden underneath the stars
 And find the deep contentment it

imparts.

*Edith Tatam
 —Bob Jackson*

Towne and Edson Reunion

Between 50 and 60 attended the reunion of the Towne and Edson families at the Congregational parish house last Saturday. Those present came from East Otis, North Wilbraham, Athol, Westminster, Vt., Princeton, Springfield, Worcester, Stanley, Wis., Fitchburg, Huntington, West Brookfield, Boylston and this town. Dinner was served under the direction of Mrs. E. G. Kelley of North Wilbraham. Flowers for the tables were from the gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dickinson of this town.

The entertainment was in charge of Miss Marion Kelley of North Wilbraham, and included a reading by Miss Faith Oemig of Stanley, Wis., a talk by Herman C. Knight on high spots of his trip to Florida, singing by a male chorus, a reading by Donald Cole of Springfield, and literary and musical contributions by the Rev. W. R. Blackmer and L. H. Blackmer families.

Herman C. Knight, on behalf of the group, presented L. H. Blackmer a purse of money, in appreciation of his services as secretary and treasurer since 1921. Remarks were made by Fred F. Foley of Princeton, Mrs. Helen Drake of Huntington, Frank P. Hall of Boylston and Fred Alden of Worcester.

The business meeting followed the program, E. G. Kelley, president, presiding.

Officers and committees were elected as follows: president, E. G. Kelley of North Wilbraham; secretary and treasurer, Lewis H. Blackmer; vice-presidents, Lewis Kelley of Bridgewater, Ralph Cole of Huntington, Edgar Coit of Walpole, Donald Cole of Springfield, Willis Towne of Stamford, Conn., Fred Edson of East Otis; literary committee, Miss Marion Kelley of North Wilbraham, Mrs. Raymond Kelley of Pittsfield, N. H., Mrs. Ralph Cole of Huntington and Miss Esther Kelley of Bridgewater; dinner committee, Mrs. E. G. Kelley of No. Wilbraham, chairman; sports, Gordon Kelley of Rocky Hill, Ct.; decorations, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dickinson.

Rationing Board Notes

- Grade 1
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 William F. Kimball, Jr. 1
 Milton Stone 1
 Maud H. La Cross 1
 Carl E. White 1
 Merton Alden 1
 Charles Engel 1
 Ethan Holden 1
 Mary Holden 1
 Leonora Shyloski 1
 Frank Robinson 1
- Grade 3
 Lyman Hubbard 1
 Helen Spears 1
 William Kimball, Jr. 1



Commander Service Force, Pacific
 16 Aug. 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer:

I have been meaning to drop you a line for some time now telling you how much I enjoy reading the home-town paper. It brings back old memories to read about the people we used to meet on the steps of the post-office or in Jackson's Store.

I made an inspection trip all through the south a few weeks ago. But I never have met up with any of the home-town boys. In fact I landed on two different islands to find that my brother, Bill, had left the day before.

The month of June was extra good to me, as I made Chief Warrant on the first, and Ensign on the 15th.

I had looked forward to a few days back in the States, but instead it looks as though I will be headed back south shortly. If I do, I sure hope I can find some of the boys this time.

Once again I want to thank all concerned for the swell job you are doing in helping us fellows to keep up on things going on back there while we are away.

I will answer all the letters you fellows want to write. Boy! and will I really welcome them!

Best regards,
 Stanley F. Ross

Corp. Robert Parsons, who has been spending a 10-day furlough at his home in town, returned to Drew Field, Florida, yesterday.

Pfc. Melvin E. Bosworth, 31417396 443rd Ord. H. A. M. Co. Fort Benning, Georgia

Mrs. James B. Baker has received word of the arrival of her husband, Corp. James Baker, in New Guinea, with a medical corps.

Master Sgt. Herbert I. Story, Sr., stationed at Camp Barkley, Texas, has been with his family on Jackson street on a short furlough.

Letters from France

We are privileged to print this week excerpts from letters recently received by Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth from her sister, Lt. Myrtle M. Krone, A. N. C., with the 96th Evacuation hospital, which is following the boys in France. It seems that "Bud" got several interesting reactions from the letter of hers we

published in July.

(After speaking of visiting the American cemetery, she writes:)

From there we started out in two truck loads for Cherbourg. They surely have done wonders there—but still the destruction is terrific. Now the Americans have a Red Cross center set up, and really Americans are more plentiful than fleas on a dog's back. We looked all over the place to find something to eat—it's all off limits as far as food is concerned—but we saw a place that had been boarded up, and a guard there, so we asked him and he said "You have to be on official business," so I went in and sure 'nuff a colonel said, "Of course you are on official business," so he allowed us three to eat there. It was "American Officers' Mess." We are officers and look a mess, so fitted right in. Here's what we had—some sort of stew, rice, string beans, chocolate pudding, coffee and bread. No cost. We very politely thanked them and came out.

We had a grand time looking the city over, as it was so different from the last time. We were there, you know, when it was taken. We met boys from all over the United States and they all ask, "How long have you been here?" When we say, "D plus 10," they all say, "Oh you saw plenty," meaning we were some of the first nurses to land here.

Time for lights out.

June 28

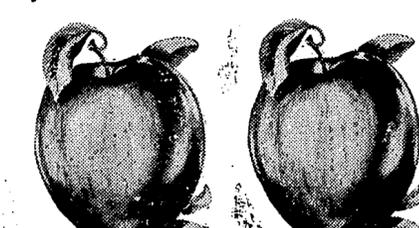
Most of my patients have been evacuated, so we are cleaning up our "wards." We, no doubt, will pack up soon again and be on the march. It is something to get an evacuation hospital set up, and I am so glad I am in one. I'd hate being in a general hospital in England. "Fraid some of your people must have been 'gypsies'; I like this roaming, tho', I may say. I'd rather be "telling fortunes" than what I have done in the last nine days.

It's an experience I'll never forget, and I am glad I could do my bit—and what I mean, we gals worked, but with it all the boys did appreciate it, and that's all we want.

I have three tents and have had the pleasure of some French ladies, a child, and some German prisoners, only children themselves. We made part of one tent for females. These, poor civilians did get cracked up and have to be taken care of, as well as our boys, but to "parley" to them is a problem. What little German I know is a big help with the prisoners. One boy offered me his stripes to put on my American uniform. They are cute kids, too. When the Jerries go over, they look up and say, "Germany Caput."

I will have to admit, though, I had a kid 18 that had his 19th birthday today, and he is desperately ill—they did a colostomy on him—as the bullet went through his gut. He called me "Mom," wanted to know if he could, and I said, "You bet, son, you can—I'm old enough to be your mother." Well, he was to be evacuated to England today, and when they got ready to take him, he put his arm around my neck and cried like a baby, and said, "I don't want to leave you. Mom." Believe it or not, I hated to see him go and I, too, wept, as I'm afraid I won't ever see him again. I was so darned mad at myself for weeping, but I just could-

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n't help it. He said, "Mom, if ever there was an angel, you are one." The sad part of it is to think that he is on his way out through no fault of his own, and for what? Oh, I guess it is just war, and that's all there is to it. (Yet at home strikes continue—such selfishness.)

It's been "hot" around here all night. My cot shook, but I turned over. I heard them say things popped all night. When my cot shook, it gave me a funny feeling, but I just can't be afraid, as I do not feel I have to. Isn't that dopey?

Cannot write any more now, as the censor will say, "No, no, Bud." To me this war sounds like a thunderstorm without the rain. Don't worry.

"Bud"

—to be continued—

Town Items

A birthday party, sponsored by Mrs. Chickering's old Sunday School class in Enfield, was held at the home of Miss Mary Chaffee of Cottage street yesterday, in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Ida Hunt of Pelham. Ten were present for dinner and many gifts were presented Mrs. Hunt. A grab-bag added to the funds of the class.

Mrs. Jack Poole of Bay Road has had as guests the past three weeks Mrs. Gertrude Stalbird and daughters, Ruthanne and Marjorie, of Saranac, N. Y., also Mrs. Poole's sister, Mrs. Frank Avery and son, Wayne, of Pelham.

Mrs. Robert Dyer expects to spend a few days this coming week with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Carrington, of Portland, Me.

Miss Dorothy Trainor, who has been visiting her father, Charles Trainor, returned to Worcester yesterday.

Rev. and Mrs. Walter R. Blackmer of Westminster, Vt., who have been spending their vacation in town, returned last Saturday. They were accompanied as far as Putney by Miss Stella Weston, who has been visiting here.

Mrs. Eleanor Sporbert and daughter, Beverly Jane, left Sunday for Shaker Pines Lake in Hazardville, Conn., having rented a cottage there until September 10th.

Mrs. Marcia Amsden of Springfield, Vt., will be Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Parker's guest for the next week. Mrs. Amsden is Mr. Parker's cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Berger of Sargent street are parents of a son born in Mary Lane hospital, Ware. The child is grandson to Mrs. Everett C. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Conkey are parents of a daughter, Virginia Jane, born last week at Mary Lane hospital, Ware. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Conkey and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Pratt.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson and family spent a few days this past week with Mrs. Peterson's aunt, Mrs. Harold Dickey, at Harwichport.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Maria P. Buckley, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that A. Richmond Walker of Ware, in said County, or some other suitable person, be appointed administrator of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware
11-18-25

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Melvin R. Ayers, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Mary T. Ayers of Belchertown in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
11-18-25

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Arthur Smith, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Ware Trust Company of Ware in said County, and praying that it be appointed executor thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this ninth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
Aug. 18-25-Sep. 1

Die in Northampton

HENRY PIERCE

Henry Pierce, 68, of Amherst, died last Friday morning at the Dickinson hospital, Northampton, after a short illness.

Born in Ludlow, Nov. 13, 1875, he was the son of Charles Peter and Nancy Jenks Pierce. He was married to Miss Caroline Ballou of Enfield, where they lived during the first of their married life. They went to Amherst 35 years ago, where Mr. Pierce was employed by the Elder Coal Co. for many years.

Besides his wife, he leaves five daughters, Mrs. Ruth Pratt, Mrs. Hazel Lavalley, both of Amherst, Mrs. Elsie Elliott, Mrs. Myrtle Poudrier, both of Northampton, Mrs. Winifred Sullivan of New London, Conn.; two sons, Charles H. Pierce of Elliston, Mont., and Richard H. Pierce of Amherst; his father, Charles Peter Pierce, 95, of Bondsville; three brothers, Wilbur Pierce of Hazardville, Conn., Rufus and Herbert Pierce, both of Belchertown; one sister, Mrs. Emma Gould of Pelham; 26 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The funeral was Sunday afternoon at 3 in the Douglass funeral home at Amherst, Rev. Harold Cramer, pastor of the Wesley Methodist church, officiating. Burial was in Quabbin cemetery at Ware.

MRS. HENRY PIERCE

Mrs. Carrie (Ballou) Pierce, 66, who had lived in Amherst for 35 years, died Monday morning at the Dickinson hospital, Northampton, after a short illness, her death following that of her husband by only three days.

Born in Belchertown, she was the daughter of Thomas and Eliza (Phelps) Ballou. She married Henry Pierce of Enfield, who died last Friday, also at the Dickinson hospital.

She leaves five daughters, Mrs. Ruth Pratt, Mrs. Hazel Lavalley, both of Amherst; Mrs. Elsie Elliott, Mrs. Myrtle Poudrier, both of Northampton; Mrs. Winifred Sullivan of New London, Ct.; two sons, Charles H. Pierce of Elliston, Mont., and Richard W. Pierce of Amherst; two brothers, William Ballou of Belchertown and Lorenzo Ballou of Windsor Locks, Ct., and three sisters, Mrs. Nora Fuller, Mrs. Angeline Dunbar and Mrs. Hattie Holcomb, all of Belchertown; 26 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held Wednesday at 2, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elsie Elliott, 47 Chapel street, Northampton. Burial was in Quabbin cemetery, Ware.

Pass Swim Tests

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and the results.

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- George Lofland
- Francis Loftus
- John McKillop
- Howard Morey
- Wilfrid Noel
- Stanley Rhodes
- Richard Wonsik
- Willard Young

Town Items

The usual office hours at the rationing board office will be resumed next week. Mrs. Suzanne Piper, chief clerk, has been away from the office on vacation this week.

Bruce and Allen Cooley of Springfield spent a few days this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bruce.

Miss Marion A. Cole, daughter of Mrs. M. S. Cole of Franklin St., has registered as a student at Bay Path Institute of Commerce in Springfield, Mass., for the fall term, which opens on August 29. Miss Cole is a graduate of Belchertown High School. She has enrolled as a member of the General Business Department at Bay Path.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Piper are spending a few days at Hampton Beach, N. H.

Misses Doris Blair and Constance Crowley of Springfield are the guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Octavia Shirliff of Maple street.

Mrs. Fred Guy Wilson of Greenwood, South Carolina, is expected to arrive today for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Howard Shirliff of Maple Street.

Damage was done by lightning at the Charles Engel and Joe Pinski place on Hannum street last week.

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Belchertown to Greenfield
Week-days—10:55 a. m.; 3:55 p. m.; 7:20 p. m.
Sundays—10:55 a. m.; 7:20 p. m.; 9:30 p. m.

Attend Funeral
Mrs. E. F. Shumway and Mrs. Pearl Green went to West Suffield, Ct., yesterday to attend the funeral of their cousin, Miss Clara Rice, who died Monday in Springfield hospital as the result of burns suffered in a fire which destroyed the house and contents, of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hastings. Miss Rice was the daughter of Lyman Rice, formerly of this town, who lived on what is now the Antonovitch place in Blue Meadow district.

Methodist Church Notes
Fifteen were present at the picnic of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Plant on Tuesday evening. The eats featured hot dogs, roast corn, coffee and cake. Plans were made for a rummage sale to be held in the near future, time and place to be announced.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Union Morning Worship at 10:45 a. m.
"Fundamentals of Life."
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9:30 a. m.
State School, 8:15 a. m.
Granby, 9:30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Service at 2:30 p. m.

MONDAY
TUESDAY
Grange Meeting.
WEDNESDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.
Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.
TODAY
TOMORROW
Food Sale sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of C. S., in Methodist Vestry from 2 to 4 p. m.
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Food Sale Tomorrow
The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will hold a food sale in the Methodist vestry tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 4. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Catherine Chadbourne, Mrs. Frances Hodgen, Mrs. Anna Witt and Mrs. Roberta Chevalier.

Fair October 12
The annual fair of the Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' club will be held on the common Thursday, October 12.

Tender Birthday Party
Thirty-four were present at a birthday party in honor of the 60th birthday of Mrs. Louis Capen of Amherst, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Armand Cartier of this town. There was a birthday cake, refreshments, and gifts, including electrical appliances; also a bouquet of roses was presented.

Dates Spoken For
Sept. 13
South Liberty Group Meeting at Mrs. Alice Geer's.
Sept. 14
Open Meeting for Adults interested in Girl Scouting, at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee of Maple street at 8 p. m.
Oct. 12
Annual Fair of Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

South Liberty Group Organizes
The annual meeting of the South Liberty Group of the Hampden County Improvement League, met at the home of Mrs. Amy Allen, recently. Officers were elected, and a list of projects was selected in which we will be interested this coming season. Officers elected were:
Chairman Mrs. Amy Allen
Vice-Chairman Mrs. Alice Geer
Secretary and Treasurer Mrs. Ann Austin
The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Alice Geer, September 13, when plans will be made for covering chairs. A League leader will be present to instruct us.
We would be very pleased to have anyone from this district, who is interested in these projects, join us. This is the third season we have met, and we all feel that we have learned a great deal from the instructors, who have been so kind to give us this time.

The present members are Mrs. Edna Alden, Mrs. Amy Allen, Mrs. Ann Austin, Mrs. Bernadette Bowler, Mrs. Ada Garvin, Mrs. Alice Geer, Mrs. Lucy Hanifin, Mrs. Stella Krawiec, Mrs. Rose McLean, Mrs. Mabel Pettfield, Mrs. Helen Spears, Mrs. Emma Wheeler.

Schools Open Next Week
The schools of the town open next week Wednesday on the regular hours, but the full slate of teachers is not yet complete. "Casualties" are still occurring. Last Saturday, Miss Irene Harvey, teacher of English and French, resigned, but will continue here for a month. Mrs. Margaret Austin, a teacher at the Center Intermediate school, has resigned, but will open the school, if no successor is found.
Mrs. Guy Harrington succeeds Carl Peterson as principal of the Center Grade school, allowing Mr. Peterson to start his new work as supervising principal of elementary schools in both Belchertown and Ware.
Miss Louise Mullen succeeds Miss Irvin in the Household Arts department at B. H. S. (Miss Irvin finally decided not to go to Ware, accepting rather a position in Belmont). Miss Gladys Midura succeeds Miss Capetanidis in the commercial department.
Mrs. Gould Ketchen succeeds Miss Mabel Lincoln as school nurse. No teacher has yet been secured for Union school.
Securing teachers is very much of a headache these days, as some of these last-minute changes indicate.

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Guy Harrington, principal of the High school, announces that he will be at the school on Monday and Tuesday from 9 to 3 to interview any pupils desiring information regarding the school schedule for the coming year.

Gully-Flaherty Wedding
A wedding of much local interest took place in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Worcester, last Saturday, when Miss Kathryn Mary Gully, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Gully of Worcester, became the bride of Dr. James R. Flaherty, son of Mrs. Thomas J. Flaherty of Cold Spring street. Rev. Francis A. Powers, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Shelburne Falls, an uncle of the bride, performed the double ring ceremony and celebrated the nuptial mass.
Miss Patricia Wermers of Dorchester was maid of honor and Miss Mary Sullivan and Miss Sally Szklarz, both of Worcester, and Miss Gertrude McMaster of Boston were bridesmaids. All attendants were classmates of the bride at Framingham State Teachers' College.
Edward F. Gully, seminarian of the Seminaire de Philosophie, Montreal, and brother of the bride, was the best man. Ushers were Dr. Joseph Scanlon of Worcester and Philip Cunningham of Fitchburg, classmates of the bridegroom at Holy Cross College, and Dr. Frank

Death of J. Howell Cook
J. Howell Cook, 52, resident of this town for 22 years, died yesterday morning at Springfield hospital after a long illness. He was born in Terra Haute, Ind., November 4, 1891, the son of Mary Wilder and the late Jacob V. Cook.
In 1913 he married Myrtle Parish of Dayton, Ky. He was a cabinet maker by trade. The family moved to Belchertown in 1922. He was a member of Vernon Lodge of Masons, past patron of Mount Vernon Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, past master of Union Grange, a charter member of the Belchertown fire department, and a member of the Congregational church. He was town tree warden for many years.
Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter, Betty Lou; a son, Harold; a grandson, Richard Cook; his mother, a brother, Lincoln A. Cook, all of this town; and a sister, Mrs. William E. Bridgman of Stoneham.
The funeral will be held from the Congregational church Saturday afternoon at 2. Rev. John P. Manwell officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Union Services to Conclude Sunday
The last of the union summer services of the Methodist and Congregational churches will be held in the Congregational church on Sunday. Communion will be observed and there will be reception of members.
There will be a special offering at this service for the suffering children of China. Mrs. William D. Hackett, in her sermon last Sunday, in which she pled for applying our best God-given intelligence to the problems of our day, instead of relying on a weak emotionalism, took note of this coming offering for the Chinese. She said that when she was in Burma (in times more nearly normal than are these), the children were emaciated, many having only one meal a day, and that very unbalanced. She said she could well picture the condition of the Chinese children after so many years of war.

Speakers Announced
Speakers announced for the open meeting for adults interested in Girl Scouting, to be held at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee of Maple street, Thursday evening, September 14, at 8, are Mrs. Gustaf Lindstrom, girl scout executive from Palmer, and Mrs. George McPherson, Jr., of Granby.

Chapp Memorial Library



Another Time for Decision Gets Here Next Week

For the last few years the first week in September has been a time of important decision for many an American boy and girl, particularly for those between 16 and 18 years of age.

With comparatively big and easy money being waved at them from all sides, with the future made very uncertain by approaching military service and other things, with the exalted feeling of independence and patriotism resulting from doing "necessary" work and being well paid for it—it is no wonder under such circumstances that school looks more dismal and uninteresting than ever the nearer Labor Day gets.

To be sure, every government and educational agency is shouting, "Don't drop out of school!" at the top of its lungs, practically every newspaper will have editorials on the subject, almost every news broadcaster will do his share (Gabriel Heatter nearly wept over it recently) and all the big columnists like Eleanor and me will do what we can.

The result of all this good propaganda has been excellent. During these war years there has not been the exodus from school that one might expect as a result of the short-sighted policy of overpaying children. A majority of parents have fought the good fight, and a majority of the children have had more sense than might have been feared.

However, there have been thousands of educational casualties in spite of it all. A good many people fail to attend "the church of their choice" though every radio station pushes them in the right direction each week-end. A study of enrollment in Belchertown High School for the past few years will reveal that a good many young people, especially boys, have quietly dropped out. They are not obviously out of school as they would have been a little while back. Their employment has made them a part of the working world and most of the citizenry hardly realize that they are not still with their classmates.

If it was true last year, and the year before, that no boy or girl who has ability should dare trust the future without at least a high-school education at his back, it is infinitely more obvious this September. The only argument in favor of dropping out is this: "If I stay in school, I'll never get a chance at big money again as long as I live." And that is likely sound as far as it goes. Only it doesn't go very far.

The last twelve months have seen great changes in the international picture. In September, 1943, we were mopping up in Sicily. The Nazis were still firmly entrenched and in control of all they had stolen except Northern Africa and part of Russia. Some there were who were betting on "war's end before Christmas" but the evidence was not in favor of their confidence.

Today everything is changed.

Germany may be out of the war in another month, or she may hold on for another half year or more, but it is evident that the end of great military operations in Europe is not far away.

To their end, America looks forward with very mixed emotions. If it weren't for the casualty lists and the emptiness in the streets and homes, a good many folks would probably not object to have matters remain in the present state of "work and money."

Worry about the future is evident everywhere that thoughtful people meet and talk. The current issue of *Life*, in an article called "Peace, It's Wonderful?" gives reports from all over the nation on the search for security on the part of employees and on the appearance of anxiety on the part of employers.

Juanita Wilson of Indianapolis is a case in point: "On August 5 Juanita said goodbye to the R. C. A. and started working as an operator in Paul's Beauty Shop... with a guarantee of \$20 a week. She made \$32 at R. C. A. 'After a while I hope that I can make \$40 a week, but I'll be satisfied at the \$20 guarantee if I have to because I'll know that I'll have that much coming in rather than being without a job,' said Juanita."

When Germany surrenders, several million men will be demobilized. We know that. However many are needed to defeat Japan, however many are needed to "police" our own security from attack and the continued use of 18-year-olds for the services will necessitate much demobilization. We also know that war production will change its tempo tremendously at that time.

Jobs of some sort will have to be given to all veterans. We know that, too. It is safe to say that the sum-total of jobs will not be greater when Germany is defeated than it is now. This means, we are sure, that first the kids, and then the women, will be released from employment in great numbers.

Once more, 18 will be the minimum for most full-time jobs. Once more, qualifications are going to count. Once more, the minimum requirement for many a career will be a diploma from a high school, or its equivalent from a good Trade school.

The Army and Navy have spared no effort to impress upon their soldiers and sailors the need of continual education. High schools are now receiving records from the Army, showing which "In-service" courses boys have completed, in order that such courses may be credited toward a diploma.

And in spite of the mechanized nature of our civilization, the demand is and will be for a sound foundation of English, science, and arithmetic, with of course history and, in a surprisingly large number of instances, some foreign language. With these, other skills are welcome, but these (the backbone of the old liberal arts curriculum) are still the *sine qua non*.

I wonder to whom I am writing this. To the youngsters, obviously yes. To their parents, more yes. It is hard for me to understand how some Belchertown parents who had themselves secured a high-school education, can have allowed their own boys to leave school. I suppose they just got tired of talking.

And I am writing it to teachers, too. I know how sadly overworked



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and underpaid many teachers are. I know how hard it is to give proper attention to individual needs and deficiencies. But I also know that a good bit of leaving school (certainly in other places, and perhaps occasionally even here at home) is caused by discouragement that might have been avoided had more sympathetic understanding been shown by a teacher or two.

There are teachers in this land who need to reflect upon the stresses and strains to which many a youngster is now being subjected. The contrast between an "outside" world, which says: "Come on, kid; I need your help and will pay well for it," and a school which sometimes seems to say, "You haven't any brains; what are you here for?" is just too much for some children. They go where they are wanted, and I don't much blame them.

Certainly standards should not be lowered and loafers encouraged. But all schools should now strive very hard to be places where children have fun along with their work, where the value and purpose of each course are kept alive before each pupil, where the hand is laid on the shoulder in encouragement as well as in reproof—in short, places that no youngster will leave without deep and even tearful regret.

There are still teachers in this land who "give kids up" early in the year and say to themselves (and even to the child!) "You'll never pass." "You don't belong here," they groan. Well, if not here, where, in heaven's name?

Teaching is a great profession, often compared to that of medicine. How should we like a doctor who looked at us carefully, frowned, and said pessimistically, "You don't need me—you need an under-

taker?"

Yes, next week is a time for decision. In most cases there is but one sensible choice. But to make the choice obvious, and to make the child feel that he has indeed decided well, all of us must work together, with conviction and understanding.

Listen to the old clock below me —tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Lines for First of Month
A thrilling letter came to me;
It was not from a dame,
But from the bank—and we agree!!
Our balance is the same.
—Bob Jackson

Town Items

Mrs. Iva Gay had as guests on Monday, her cousins, Mrs. Elizabeth Briggs and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Briggs and son, all of Springfield. Guests on Tuesday were Mrs. Adella Lawrence of Springfield and Mrs. Elbridge Culver of East Longmeadow.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Goodell have returned from a month's vacation spent at Oak Grove beach, Nyantic, Conn.

Robert Blake Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Blake S. Jackson, was a member of the graduating class of Williston academy, Easthampton, on last Saturday. He entered Williston last summer, attending one school year and two summers, graduating in the first summer graduation in the history of the school. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and Miss Irene M. Jackson attended the graduation activities Saturday, which included a luncheon at 12.30, and commencement exercises at 2 p. m.



According to the Boston Traveler, Staff Sergeant Pierre O'Seep of this town, is one of several Bay State men to be awarded an air medal by Lt. George C. Kenney, commander of the allied air forces in the southwest Pacific.

Pfc. Norman Howland of the Medical Detachment Tank Destroyer Unit of Camp Shelby, Miss., is spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Howland of Bay Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Plant of Daniel Shays highway have received word that their son, Pvt. Harvey R. Plant, has arrived overseas, and is somewhere in England.

News has been received of the birth of a daughter, Carol Ann, to Pfc. and Mrs. Walter M. Wadsworth, Jr., at the Deaconess hospital, Great Falls, Montana, on the 28th. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Wadsworth, Sr., of Easthampton, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stone of Daniel Shays highway have received word that their son, Sidney Stone, has arrived overseas and is now in Italy.

James B. Baker, who is a member of the 120th General Hospital unit, somewhere in New Guinea, has the rank of sergeant, instead of, as stated last week.

Pfc. Roland A. Lamoureux is with the headquarters company of a signal battalion, which recently was awarded the Fifth Army plaque for exceptionally meritorious performance of duty in Italy. The battalion went overseas with the first convoy of U. S. troops in January, 1942, and has served in Ireland, England, North Africa and Italy. Pfc. Lamoureux is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lamoureux of Bay road.

Letters from France

—continued from last week—

(Excerpts from letters received by Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth from her sister, who is a nurse at the front.)

Aug. 1, '44
I am starting this early. We set up and opened at 6 p. m., and before midnite we had 300 in, so you can see it does not take very long to get going. I wrote you about pulling out of our bivouac area. Guess our C. O. plus 1st Army thought it time we left here. We were supposed to be resting, but it was a "hot spot," so we packed and got ready to work. We enjoyed our nite on the ground? - ha! ha!

The nite before we left it was plenty active. The enemy came over full force and we got our helmets on, as had slept through most of it. The three of us grabbed for our "bonnets"; by that time something whizzed by our tent. I said to Zoe, "Whew, that almost took our tent poles—that's a bird." She

said, "Gee, Bud, that's close." So it passed over and we went back to sleep till 6.30. Heard the planes going back. We went on duty with the 41st, and when the trucks came for us, they told us that two bombs landed in the field right across the hedge. We were about 10 feet from the hedge and it landed 10 feet the other side.

One dug itself right into the ground and stayed there without exploding. The other made a very small crater. The big one was a dud, I guess, as it went into the ground and never went off. The squad came and dug it out; it surely made enough dirt fly. They emptied the powder. Guess God was exceptionally good to us—if that had gone off?

Col. Mac said at breakfast this morning he feels we are the "Lucky 96th," as the captain of the squad said had it exploded, all the tents in the nurses' area would have been blown to bits. No doubt some of us would be pushing up daisies and had our names engraved in gold letters as being very heroic, giving our lives to save others. I'd just as soon write mine with black ink a while longer.

But all jokes aside, I got up at 6 and called the kids that were working and looked for shrapnel; couldn't see any, so went on dressing, not knowing that 20 feet from me lay a bomb that was most silent. We did hear it hit the ground, but never thought—so you see it pays to be dumb, even in war.

I am now off duty. Could not finish. At 11.30 I had 20 patients, and by 12.30 I had 42 all at once. I spent my day admitting, making out X-ray and heaven only knows what.

Our ride here was most interesting!!! Came through towns that once must have looked quite cute, but words cannot describe them now. Not a soul left, just odor of burnt horseflesh, wood, etc. We saw a couple of dead Germans that hadn't been picked up as yet, and many horses and cows lying by the roadside.

We rode on and on, finally pulling into an area that had seen plenty of action. It was not a park, by any means. Here we are for how long I do not know, but hardly think long. We will follow along with our boys. We got our tents up again in an oat field this time, and dirty.

I said to Bunsie, "I hope they get those dead horses buried by Christmas." Her come-back was, "I hope we leave here before they bury the horses." I hope so, too, as you can't keep clean in this area, and it's hard on the feet.

I was picking some carrot tops for my rabbit tonite, as there is quite a farm out in back. Bunsie asked me how the rabbit liked my "Victory Garden." That darned rabbit eats everything, even my shoe laces.

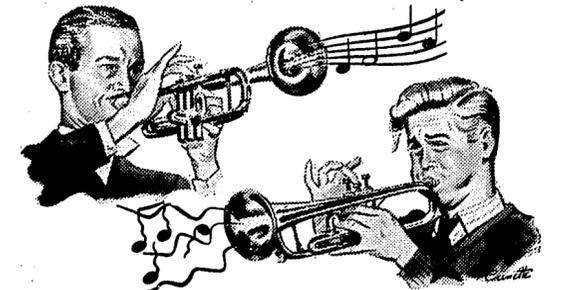
The mosquitoes are thick here, but when they look at my "dog tags" and see Type A, they get disgusted and look for better blood.

My bunny is lying by my feet now; he is so small, he is cute. I told Col. Mac I was going to name him "Homer"—that's his name and he brought him to us. But I don't care for that name, so it's "Lil fel-la" when he is good, and "Lil Devil" when I get peeved at him.

I hope you are all right. Do not worry about me.

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Back from Summer in Wisconsin

Rev. and Mrs. Harold W. Curtis of Portsmouth, N. H., arrived here yesterday from Green Lakes, Wisconsin, where Rev. Mr. Curtis has been spending the summer, having charge of swimming and boating in connection with the summer conferences sponsored by the Northern Baptist Convention, which has acquired the magnificent estate on which the conferences are held, including an 800-room hotel.

Mrs. Curtis joined her husband three weeks ago. On the return trip a visit was made on Rev. Mr. Curtis's sister, and a stop was made at Niagara Falls.

The family, including a son, Donald Curtis (other sons are in the service), and daughter, Barbara Curtis, already here, will spend a few days with Rev. Mr. Curtis's mother, Mrs. Leila Curtis of South Main street.

As a background for this summer's experience, Rev. Mr. Curtis had had charge of swimming at a boys' camp at Ocean Park for the past 17 years.

Town Items

The American Legion, at its meeting last night, took up the matter of a paper salvage drive, which it is expected will be put on in the near future.

Constance Noel is spending a week with her grandparents, Mr.

and Mrs. Joseph Noel of Florence. Mr. and Mrs. Charles O'Reilly have returned from a vacation spent at Hampton Beach, N. H.

Miss Kathleen Lapolice has accepted a position in the College Service Department of the New York Times, and begins her new duties September 5th.

Mrs. Mary E. Spencer is spending a month as guest of Mrs. Clara Lincoln at Laurel Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coomes and Fred Coomes, all of Baltimore, Md., who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. W. S. Piper of Maple street, returned home yesterday, Mrs. Piper accompanying them for a visit.

William D. Hackett of Franconia, N. H., stopped in town Tuesday on his way to Texas to attend the wedding of his brother. He expects to complete his work as pastor of the Franconia church the first of October when he will take an agricultural course at Cornell to better fit him for missionary activities which he and Mrs. Hackett will resume as soon as world conditions permit.

Arthur Ward and son, Forrest Ward, of Dayton, Ohio, are spending two weeks at the home of Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward, where Mrs. Arthur Ward has been spending the summer.

Walter Hunter of Avon, Conn., is spending the week with his brothers, Edward Hunter and David Hunter, of Maple street.

Mrs. Elmer Carrington and daughter of Portland, Me., are at the home of Mrs. Carrington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dyer.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Jane F. Shumway, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Edwin F. Shumway of Belchertown, in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the nineteenth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register 1-8-15

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

(Seal) Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To Rita Nowak of parts unknown. A libel has been presented to said Court by your husband, Zygmunt M. Nowak, of Ware, in said County, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between himself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, within twenty-one days from the sixth day of February, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register 1-8-15

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Arthur Smith, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Ware Trust Company of Ware in said County, and praying that it be appointed executor thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this ninth day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. Aug. 18-25-Sep. 1

Tender Birthday Party

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Mr. and Mrs. Roland Robinson and children of Rockville, Ct., Louis Capen and daughter, Miss Pearl Capen of Amherst, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Armand Cartier of this town.

All the members of the family were present, save Mrs. Capen's son, Louis Capen of Amherst, and another son, Fritz, who is fire controlman first class in the navy, and now in California. He has been overseas and is expected home shortly on furlough. Mr. and Mrs. Capen have nine children and 20 grandchildren.

Dwight Items

Sunday, September 3rd, Dwight Chapel will open at 2.30 p. m. for its usual fall and winter services, under the direction of Rev. Maxwell Welch from Princeton, Maine, who has accepted the call to be the pastor at Pelham Federated Church, of which Dwight Chapel is a part. It is hoped that as many as possible will attend, as there will be some reorganization at that time.

Several members of Dwight chapel parish met and cleaned the auditorium on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Charles Page and Mr. and Mrs. Robert House and daughter, Cynthia, of Claremont, N. H., recently visited Mrs. Page's nephew, Raymond Jenks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stoughton of Perkinsville, Vt., spent the weekend at H. Earl Fay's, and visited relatives in town.

Gordon and Douglas Wilson, who have spent the summer at Whippoorwill Ridge farm, have returned to their home in Melrose.

Pvt. Roland E. Mossberg, U. S. M. C. R., stationed at Hingham, spent the week-end at his home.

Mrs. Etta B. Randolph visited Mrs. Lily Randolph at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bessie Steinbeck in Amherst, on Thursday.

Mrs. Arlene Powers and daughter, Beverly, have been visiting Miss Helen Brookes.

Gully-Flaherty Wedding

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Quinta of Providence, and Dr. Herbert Burns of Norwich, Conn., classmates of the bridegroom at Tufts Medical School.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a princess gown of white satin with long train, full length sleeves, and floor-length veil attached to a satin half-hat, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses and orchids. The maid of honor wore a sleeveless flesh pink satin and ninon gown with matching hat and veil, and carried a bouquet of talisman roses. The bridesmaids wore similar styled gowns of blue satin and ninon and blue satin crown hats with face veils.

A wedding breakfast followed the ceremony in the Crystal Room, Hotel Bancroft, Worcester, after which Dr. and Mrs. Flaherty left for a trip to the White Mountains and Canada. Mrs. Flaherty wore a white wool crepe suit with rose-petal half-hat and orchid corsage. Upon their return, they will reside in Worcester.

The bride is a graduate of South High School, Worcester, and Framingham State Teachers' College, '44, with a Bachelor of Science degree. The bridegroom is a native of Bel-

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FOUND - female puppy, light brown, found on old Springfield road last Sunday; also male bird dog found in Turkey Hill district, liver and white, mostly white.

Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

Belchertown and graduate of Belchertown High School, St. John's Prep in Danvers, Holy Cross College and Tufts Medical School. He is now an interne at Memorial Hospital, Worcester, and has a commission as first lieutenant in the Medical Corps Reserve, U. S. Army.

Among the guests were Rev. Andrew Sullivan, pastor of St. Francis church here; Rev. George Healey of Orange, and Rev. James A. Dunphy of Indian Orchard, both former pastors here; and Rev. Raymond O'Brien of Northampton, former curate here.

Congregational Church Notes

At a business meeting of the church last Sunday, Charles L. Randall was chosen delegate to the council to consider the request for ordination of Rev. Ralph Winn of Haydenville. The council will be held in that place next week Wednesday afternoon.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1

- Charles Sanford 1
Galen Fay 1
Augusta Lamson 1
Teckla Boyko 1
Walter Dodge 1
Marion Corey 1
Andrew Sears 1
Raymond Gay 1
John Kopacz 1
Milton Stone 1
Frank Farrington, Jr. 1
Walter Henry 1

Grade 3

- Ann Wenzel 2

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Cont. Sun. - Labor Day - 2 - 7.15
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Town Items

A special communication of Vernon Lodge will be held at 1.30 tomorrow to attend the funeral of J. Howell Cook.

Gould Ketchen and family are moving to the Beach tenement on Maple street.

Miss Dorothea Shattuck, who has been spending several weeks on Long Island, is at her home in town. She expects to resume her studies at the Massachusetts General Hospital in October.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bullock and son of Arlington are spending a few days at the home of Mr. Bullock's sister, Mrs. Louis Fuller. Mr. Bullock expects to enter the armed services on Monday. Mrs. Fuller's mother, Mrs. Jennie Bullock, has been visiting at the Fuller home for the past two weeks.

Next Tuesday evening will be Hobby Night at Union Grange, in charge of Mrs. Raymond Gould and Fred Buss. Applications must be in at this meeting.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

Congregational Church- Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School - Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
'First Things First.'

Methodist Church- Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Youth Fellowship at Vestry at 6 p. m.

St. Francis Church- Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

Dwight Chapel- Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Service at 2.30 p. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. L. H. Blackmer at 2.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S., with Mrs. Carl Corliss at 7.30 p. m.

South Liberty Group Meeting at Mrs. Alice Geer's.

O. E. S. Meeting.

THURSDAY

Open Meeting for Adults interested in Girl Scouting, at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee of Maple street at 8 p. m.

FRIDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

Open Meeting on Girl Scouting

An unusual opportunity is to be offered to anyone interested in the young girls of Belchertown on Thursday evening, September 14, at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee on Maple street, at 8 o'clock. Two Girl Scout officials are to speak. Mrs. Gustaf Lindstrom of Palmer is to discuss Girl Scouting in a small community such as Belchertown. Mrs. George E. McPherson, Jr., will tell us about the national organization and how the new program can be of help and interest to us.

We are urging the parents of all girls between the ages of 7 and 17 to come. If we learn of enough interested girls between 7 and 10 years old, we would try to start a Brownie Pack this fall. The Senior troop is to be reorganized early in October.

The future of Girl Scouting in Belchertown depends on the parents as well as the girls. Please plan to attend.

The Girl Scout Troop Committee

Children's Aid Solicitation

The Children's Aid Association of Hampshire County is soliciting funds, food and clothing for the organization. The solicitation is in charge of the local chairmen, Mrs. Louis E. Fuller and Mrs. Hudson Holland, who will be glad to receive cash contributions by mail, and call on Friday, September 22nd, for any food or clothing that people may wish to donate.

It is stated that by reason of social conditions caused by the war, the Association has received added calls for help.

TOMORROW

Men's Club Outing at Parsons' Field at 4 p. m.
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Sept. 20
Women's Guild at Congregational Parish House.

Oct. 12
Annual Fair of Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

School Registration Figures

Possibly the efforts made by press and radio to keep young people in school has been conducive of results locally. At the High school there are 8 more enrolled than last year. This year's total is 153, while last year's was 148. Figures by classes are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Class and Number. Rows include Seniors (Boys 10, Girls 6, Total 16), Juniors (Boys 6, Girls 14, Total 20), Sophomores (Boys 14, Girls 12, Total 26), Freshmen (Boys 23, Girls 17, Total 40).

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Wins at Spencer Fair

Billy Thum, owned by Paul Austin of this town and driven by Francis Hart of North Brookfield, won the 2.25 trot or pace at the Spencer fair on Labor Day. Billy headed home the winner in the second and third heats, but it was in the first heat that he proved himself a real champion. In fifth post position Billy got away to a poor start. On the first turn he was last by several lengths. Then he proved his metal by closing the distance between him and the rest of the field, and might have caught Jolly Lee, the winner, if Hart had wished to force him. As it was, he won second place.

Starting from 2nd post position in the second heat and 1st post position in the third and final heat, Billy Thum was content with second place till the final turn, then with blinding speed won both races going away. The time was 2.15, 2.17, and 2.15 1/2.

Men's Club Outing

The Men's Club of the Methodist and Congregational churches will hold an outing at Parsons' Field tomorrow afternoon at 4. There will be games including croquet, horse-shoes in charge of Bill Young, and soft ball in charge of Paige Piper. For 'eats,' there will be a hot dog roast with all the fixin's.

If the weather should be rainy, the event will be postponed until Monday afternoon.

The committee for the occasion is Willard Young, Frank Farrington, Charles Sanford, Kenneth Hawkins, George Booth and Paige Piper.

41 Applications for Servicemen's Ballots

Town Clerk George A. Poole states that to date there have been 41 applications for servicemen's ballots. These have all been mailed. 23 went to registered voters and 18 to those not registered.

A serviceman can apply himself on blanks available at the camps, or the next of kin can apply for him, making affidavit as to the facts set forth, before a member of the board of registrars.

Applications can be made by or for all servicemen who are 21 years of age, whether registered or not. A person not registered must do so within 6 months following discharge.

Application blanks for servicemen's ballots are available at the town clerk's office.

Vernon Lodge Elects

Vernon Lodge of Masons, at its annual meeting on Wednesday evening, elected the following officers:

Worshipful Master
Dr. Raymond A. Kinmonth
Senior Warden Warren E. Tyler
Junior Warden

Treasurer Frank E. Farrington, Sr.
Secretary Everett A. Geer
Proxy to Grand Lodge William E. Shaw

Trustee for Three Years Blake S. Jackson

Associate Member Board of Masonic Relief Kenneth F. Bristol
Everett A. Geer



Rainbows at Sunset

Three times during the past two weeks we have had beautiful rainbows in the eastern sky as the setting sun broke through a storm. And each time the lovely lyric of William Wordsworth has come back to me:

My heart leaps up when I behold
A rainbow in the sky:

So was it when my life began;
So is it now I am a man;
So be it when I shall grow old,
Or let me die!

The Child is father of the Man:
And I could wish my days to be
Bound each to each by natural pi-
ety.

Against the storms of the world,
The sun is breaking through again,
and once more the hearts of human-
ity leap to behold rainbows of hope
against the inky skies of chaos, still
flashing with the lightnings of war.
If only our days could always be
bound each to each by natural piety,
perhaps we should not have the
man-made storms of hate and fury.

A Sad Departure

Howell Cook has always read this column, and he wouldn't have liked to think that I'd be writing about him this week. For his own death was a foreign thing to him—he loved life too well to think of leaving it. Even as the last weeks dragged on and it was evidently a matter of only a little time before he must go, his mind was on Belchertown and his school bus and how soon he could leave the hospital bed and come back home.

His own enjoyment of living and his desire to have everyone else share in the enjoyment were perhaps the most significant elements in his character. Good cheer and a smile were his daily contribution to our village.

Howell loved Belchertown and the people in it, and looked only for the best in them. I have never heard him speak maliciously of any person, old or young. His was a large and tender heart. I shall always remember how, when my father died, he leaned against the doorpost and wept. Later, when I asked him if he could get me a load of loam to surface the cemetery lot, he went directly to his newly-prepared garden plot and took the loam from there, soft and mellow for his spring planting.

Belchertown's organizations will miss Howell. He was ready to help the Eastern Star, the Grange, the

Masons, and the Church in any capacity, high or low. His last public appearance here was at the Double or Nothing Minstrel last May. He was much too weak and ill to go, but he told his family he just had to have a good laugh. He had his lawn chair set up in the aisle, and enjoyed every bit of the performance.

Howell leaves behind him a grief-stricken family, for they had always been closely-knit and devoted to each other. When he took sick, Betty ran the milk route and then Harold gave up a good job to come back and run the farm. He was so very proud of them all that he choked up as he spoke of them while lying there propped up in bed.

He was one of those husbands, who remain identified with their wives after the young, romantic years have passed. People around here said "Howell and Myrtle," almost as though it were one word. In these times of troubled family relations, such double identity is becoming a rarer thing. But those families, who carry on the grand tradition of the American home, are still headed by Howell and Myrtle, by Marion and Bill, by Rachel and Louis. And families strong at the top seldom fall to pieces at the bottom.

But when the combination is broken by death, the pain of separation is indeed hard to bear.

Men in Church

May I hastily preface this with the statement that I am too lax as a church goer. Whole sets of Sabbaths sometimes slide by without my being where I should be on Sunday morning. This is neither a boast nor an apology—just a shabby fact.

But when I sat at the solemn service last Saturday afternoon, and watched some forty men walk in together and fill pew after pew of the Congregational church, a strange feeling came over me.

Should we not have a stronger, better nation, if the same urge that brought our men before the altar to pay respect to a departed brother should bring them there regularly to pay respect to a living God? The occasional presence of death seems more real, more demanding that we bestir ourselves, than the daily presence of the Creator.

I know well all the excuses and use them regularly, at least to myself, but the fact remains. Only as the need for God becomes evident because of great sorrow, or because of the need of His traditional O. K. at a significant ceremony,—only then do we Protestant men turn to our churches in great numbers.

Church attendance is really not particularly painful. Never have I left a Sunday service feeling anything but glad that I have

gone, even if I could not remember the subject of the sermon. Usually then I resolve to go every Sunday. But regularly I backslide. The glow diminishes.

I am like one of our good citizens, who confessed to having taken a bath at one time and having felt fine as a result. "But," he said with a laugh, "it didn't last. Pretty soon I felt just the same as before." He did not think it worthwhile to return to the tub.

When "next Sunday" comes, I need the extra sleep or something, and rationalize beautifully, taking added comfort in being part of the majority.

But I wonder. If every man went to church every Sunday because he felt the inner pressure of an obligation to show where his allegiance lies, should we not be a better nation? I suppose if all the men went, then all the boys would want to go, being naturally imitative. Then I suppose church leadership would become stronger, because the privilege of interpreting God to all these men would be a very high one indeed, and boys would say, "I want to be a minister!"

Well, why ramble on and on. I'm not starting any revival, even of myself. Still, I am going to say this. I have known some very fine men, who hardly ever went to church. But those whom I have most greatly admired, those under whose leadership I have most rejoiced to be, those whom I have felt most worthy of emulation, have been regular church goers. To be sure, they were of the generation before my own and formed the habit when young, maybe under pressure. There I go rationalizing again.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Fear not that thy life shall come to an end, but rather fear that it shall never have a beginning."—*Cardinal Newman.*

—Bob Jackson

School Registration Figures

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Totals		
Boys	53	
Girls	49	
Total	—	102
8th Grade		
Boys	27	
Girls	24	
Total	—	51
Totals for the Five Grades		
Boys	80	
Girls	73	
Total	—	153

The enrolment at the Center Grade school is 203 this year. Last fall the opening registration was 204.

Figures for the several grade schools are as follows:

Union	22
Liberty	18
Franklin	66
Center	203
Total	—

8th Grade and High school 153

Grand Total for the Town 462

There are 33 first-graders in the schools of the town this fall.

The total registration as of December 23, 1943, was 470.

Schools Have Full Quota of Teachers

The full complement of teachers for the town was finally secured, but it was a close call. Miss Marie Agnes Snell of Medford, a graduate of the Lowell State Teachers' College, was engaged to fill Mrs. Austin's place at the Center Grade School; and Mrs. Guy Reed of Pelham was secured to teach at Union school at Dwight.

Superintendent Greenfield, whose district includes Belchertown and Ware, secured his last teacher for the Ware schools on Monday night.

Town Items

Mrs. Mildred Bousquet and Raymond Roser of New York City, who were married August 15 in New York, have been spending a few days with Mrs. Roser's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Peeso. Mr. Roser is a first class pharmacist in the navy.

Mrs. Mary E. Spencer has returned to her home on Jackson street after a visit with Mrs. Clara Lincoln at Laurel Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parker of Bay Rd. had as guests over the week-end Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ware and daughters, Audrey and Adele, also Miss Virginia Wriston, all of Waltham.

Lt. Everett Sporbert arrived this week to spend a 10-day leave with his wife and daughter at Shaker Pines Lake in Hazardville, Conn.

Mrs. Eleanor Sporbert had as guests last week at her cottage in Connecticut Mrs. Walter Viggers and son, Walter, Jr., and Mrs. Sporbert's brother, Freddie, all of Springfield.

Lt. and Mrs. Everett Sporbert attended the funeral of Lt. Sporbert's aunt, Mrs. William Ethier of Wilmington, Mass., last Saturday.



Mr. and Mrs. William Peeso received word yesterday that their grandson, Lt. Harry W. Rainey, Jr., has been missing since Aug. 26. He left for England two months ago and was a pilot of a B-17 flying fortress.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Bock of Allen street have received word from their son, Warren, seaman first class, that he met Don Geer, and told of what a wonderful time they had talking over old times. Warren said that it was one of the happiest days of his life, for Don was the first boy from town that Warren had met. Warren also wrote that he had been selected for the Navy Air Force and expected to return to this country to start school about November 15.

Ties the Score

A choice story has come out of Turkey Hill and it concerns more than just turkeys. It's come from several sources, so there must be some truth in it. Of course there are variations, but each only adds new color to the episode.

Ed Shumway started it all about a year ago when he kidnapped a stuffed pheasant from the room of his hired man, John Pranaitis, stuck it out in the lot, and later nonchalantly called the attention of his farm hand to the presence of a pheasant on the premises.

John swallowed the bait, hook, line and sinker, rushed for his gun and shot no end of times in a vain attempt to bowl the bird over. Then of course, there was a grand he-haw!

Well, John must have inwardly vowed vengeance and although he had to wait a year, it surely must have been sweet.

Fate played into his hands, for when he was cutting brush lately, he discovered a large, moth-eaten bear skin thrown over a stone wall. His line of duty was then clear. He stuffed the skin with a bag of hay, and stuck it in the cornfield.

Well, when Ed went to get some sweet corn he back-watered in a hurry, rushed to the house to inform his wife of the grizzly marauder, and was frantic to get hold of John's gun, but in lieu thereof had to resort to a pitchfork to finish off the old scoundrel that had apparently gone to sleep after feeding

too much on that exceptionally fine corn.

When the fork was duly poised for the kill, there was a grand he-haw from the barn—and the score was even.

This reminds us of how Cottage street gardeners were "terrorized" last season when Harold Peck unearthed a mannequin that had once graced some beauty parlor, and stuck it in one after another of the several squash vine patches on the street. As we recall, Byron Hudson was one of the last to get the jitters at first sight of this unexpected beauty with vines gracing her delicate shoulders.

Well, the Turkey Hill episode only proves that a day of reckoning is altogether possible.

Methodist Church Notes

Services will be resumed at the Methodist church on Sunday. Sunday-school will be at 10, morning worship at 11, and Youth Fellowship in the vestry at 6.

The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Carl Corliss on Wednesday evening, September 13, at 7.30. This will be our thank offering service, and it is hoped that all who have thank offering boxes will bring or send them.

Boy Scout Notes

Troop 507, B. S. A., Belchertown, held a meeting September 5, 1944, at 7 p. m. There were 15 boys present, as well as Scoutmaster Shattuck, Stanley Boyko, Mr. Ryder, and a member of the Royal Dutch Navy, Leo Neggars, who told of his adventures and gave the scouts some training in Dutch fashion.

Stan Boyko passed Stanford Harrington and Allen Tadgell on signalling.

Mr. Neggars passed Stan Harrington and David Dyer on compass. Mr. Shattuck wants it stressed that all boys who have uniforms, wear them to future meetings.

Allen Tadgell,

Reporter for Troop 507.

Town Items

George A. Poole has accepted a position as manual training teacher at the Belchertown State School, and begins his new duties September 11. His town clerk's office hours will be from 4.15 to 5.30 p. m., and Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Roger Taft and daughters, Jacqueline and Julia Taft, who have spent several weeks with Mrs. Taft's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dickinson, returned to their home in Sterling on Tuesday. Mr. Taft spent Labor Day at the Dickinson home.

The funeral of J. Howell Cook

Balances on Appropriations as of Aug. 31, 1944

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Selectmen	\$800.00		\$184.38	\$615.62
Town Accountant	425.00		200.00	225.00
Treasurer	690.00		282.50	407.50
Town Clerk	450.00		212.50	237.50
Tax Collector	725.00		303.21	421.79
Assessors	675.00		219.52	455.48
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	100.00		19.49	80.51
Election and Registration	700.00		582.77	117.23
Town Hall	50.00		40.19	9.81
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		187.44	12.56
Police	500.00		432.29	67.71
Civilian Defense	200.00		85.31	114.69
Fire Department	900.00		702.45	197.55
Forest Fires	900.00		776.98	123.02
Hydrant Service	1,500.00			1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00		186.16	413.84
Tree Warden	200.00		113.25	86.75
Sealer Weights & Measures	75.00		7.95	67.05
Health	1,000.00		472.96	527.04
Snow Removal	2,500.00		972.90	1,527.10
Highways—Streets	350.00		106.49	243.51
Highways—Bridges	400.00		72.68	327.32
Highways—Chapter 81	3,500.00	12,875.00†	5,832.25	10,542.75
Maintenance Ch. 90 work	1,000.00	2,000.00‡	2,053.27	946.73
Road Machinery Expense	1,500.00	200.18*	1,152.21	547.97
Street Lights	2,000.00		1,294.16	705.84
Public Welfare	5,000.00		2,803.83	2,196.17
Aid Dependent Children	1,500.00		1,262.50	237.50
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00		14,387.80	6,612.20
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00		508.58	1,491.42
Schools	49,300.00		30,225.06	19,074.94
Vocational Education	300.00			300.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	200.00		175.55	24.45
Rationing Board	150.00		56.98	93.02
Cemeteries	500.00		271.46	228.54
Soldiers' Graves	50.00		21.93	28.07
Maturing Debt	1,000.00			1,000.00
Interest	250.00		10.00	240.00
Memorial Day	100.00		81.43	18.57
Armistice Day	25.00			25.00
Honor Roll	100.00		47.78	52.22
Town Clock	50.00			50.00
Public Dump	50.00			50.00
Insurance	2,200.00	190.04†	1,706.91	683.13
Unpaid Bills	1,008.16		1,008.16	
Unclassified	400.00		311.00	89.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00			1,000.00

*1943 Balance †Refunds ‡State and County Allotments

was held Saturday afternoon at 2 at the Congregational church, Rev. John P. Manwell officiating. Mrs. Albert Markham was organist. Vernon Lodge of Masons and Mount Vernon Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, attended in a body. Bearers were Carl Peterson, Milton C. Baggs, William E. Shaw and Belting F. Jackson. Burial was in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Ritter of Baltimore, Md., have been recent guests at the Edgar Cannon home on South Main street.

Miss Marion Maschin of Westfield, and Miss Elizabeth Olson of Manchester-by-the-Sea, have been recent guests of Mrs. William D. Hackett at the William E. Shaw home on North Main street.

Mrs. Homer Powell, who has spent the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Shaw, resumed her teaching duties at the Milton High school, Milton, Vt., on Tuesday.

A daughter, Charline Marguerite, was born September 1st to Ensign and Mrs. Henry Miller of Shelburne Falls. Mrs. Miller was formerly Miss Elisabeth Outhouse, and was at one time a member of

the B. H. S. faculty. Mr. and Mrs. George Green of State street and their daughter, Miss Beverly Green, and Henry Banas of Indian Orchard have been visiting Mrs. Green's sister in Sherbrook, Can.

Offering for Chinese Children

The offering for suffering Chinese children, taken at the union service last Sunday, together with subsequent contributions, amounted to \$31.03.

Grange Notes

Tuesday evening was Hobby Night at Union Grange, with Fred E. Buss in charge. Mrs. Lola Shirlcliff had on display a beautiful collection of handkerchiefs, Mrs. Julia Shumway a collection of majolica ware, and Fred E. Buss a display of photographs—representing some of his own work. Following the program there was an informal discussion of hobbies.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Jane F. Shumway, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Edwin F. Shumway of Belchertown, in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the nineteenth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
1-8-15

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To Rita Nowak of parts unknown. A libel has been presented to said Court by your husband, Zygmunt M. Nowak, of Ware, in said County, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between himself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, within twenty-one days from the sixth day of February, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
1-8-15

Congregational Church
Notes

The Church School will resume its sessions on Sunday, following the summer recess. The Junior Department meets at 9.45 and the Primary Department at 10.45. Prizes are being offered in both depart-

ments for those perfect in attendance during the coming church year. The Junior Choir, which assisted at the morning service previous to vacation, will resume its participation on Sunday, with Processional, Introit, Response, and Recessional.

The following were received in membership last Sunday: George Jackson, Stanford Harrington and Miss Florence Brulotte, on confession of faith; and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harrington by letter from the Congregational church in Barre, Vt.

The Home Department of the Church School will meet with Mrs. Lewis H. Blackmer next week Tuesday afternoon at 2.30.

Arrive from Turkey

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Stene of Istanbul, Turkey, are at the home of Mrs. Stene's parents, Rev. and Mrs. John P. Manwell of South Main street. They arrived in a recent convoy from Cairo and were six weeks enroute. There were four alerts on the trip and a German submarine was sighted on which depth bombs were dropped. Mr. Stene was a teacher in Roberts college in Turkey, while Mrs. Stene served in the American hospital.

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Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the friends, organizations and fellow townspeople for the beautiful flowers and for the sympathy tendered at the time of our recent bereavement.

Mrs. J. Howell Cook and family
Mrs. J. V. Cook
Lincoln A. Cook and family
Wm. E. Bridgman and family

Town Items

Mrs. Beatrice Scott of East Bridgewater, formerly of this town, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Julia Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harding and daughter, Nola, of Worcester, will be guests at the Peck home this week-end.

The Pelham Picnic

The town of Pelham will have a picnic on Saturday afternoon and evening, at the City school, in place of the customary Old Home day, as the committee feels that due to conditions, the gathering should be omitted this year.

From 3 to 4.30 there will be a

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program of races and games; from 4.30 to 5.30 p. m., a volleyball game, Pelham against the Amherst college faculty; 5.30, picnic lunch and speeches; and at 7.30 p. m. there will be a square dance in the West Pelham Community hall.

In a news letter prepared by Miss S. Alice Collis, announcing the town picnic, note was made that the town now has 57 boys in the service, which is said to be a higher percentage than almost any other small town in the country. As far as she knows, only one, Curtis Knight, has been wounded.

The Curtis Knight alluded to is a nephew of Herman C. Knight of this town.

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The Coming Week
SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Questioning and Questing."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"I Am Persuaded."

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
Teachers' Association at 4 p. m.

TUESDAY
Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Women's Guild at Congregational Parish House at 2.30 p. m.
Speakers: Rev. and Mrs. Roderick MacLeod of Hadley.

THURSDAY
Executive Committee of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Alice Wildey at 2 p. m.

Open Meeting for Adults interested in Girl Scouting, at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee of Maple street at 8 p. m.

Boy Scout Meeting.

FRIDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

SATURDAY
Men's Club Outing at Parsons' Field at 4 p. m.

TODAY
TOMORROW

Legion Waste Paper Drive.
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Men's Club Outing

About thirty were present at the Men's Club outing at Parson's Field last Saturday afternoon. The croquet courts (2 sets were put out), under the direction of Frank Farrington, Sr., got into action shortly after 4, the horse shoes, in charge of Bill Young, started dropping soon after that, while soft ball, in charge of Paige Piper, was played shortly before the "eats."

Rev. Joseph Belcher and Ken Hawkins chose sides for soft ball. Bob Dodge pitched and Herbie Squires caught for the first group, while the opposing side used up two batteries. Roy Shaw started on the mound, but with the mounting score of the Belcher Boys, when the score was about 16-1, retired to the more private life of the outfield, (although he was rather vocal, even then). Ken Hawkins relieved him. Bud Sanford and Willard Young, Jr., took turns at catching.

There was no score keeper—more's the pity. Rev. Mr. Belcher made public pronouncements periodically, and although runs for his own side were coming in plenty fast, he inflated the score, first by one's and two's and later by ten's, to make the results seem all the more ludicrous. The score was rather ludicrous at the start, but later Hawkins' Heroes found the range, and an adding machine was needed for that side, until Roy Shaw took a leaf out of Belcher's book, and started a little inflation of his own. Belcher's Boys got at least 33 runs, while Hawkins' Heroes got about two-thirds that number, but all had a good time—and that was the chief thing. Roy Shaw main-

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Dates Spoken For

Sept. 27
O. E. S. Dance.
"Shower" at St. Francis Church.

Sept. 29
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward at 2.30 p. m.

Public Supper under auspices of Women's Guild of Congregational church, at 6.30 p. m.

Oct. 12
Annual Fair of Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

Waste Paper Drive Starts
Tomorrow

The Legion will start its waste paper drive Saturday afternoon and will continue as long as necessary. It will be appreciated if newspapers and magazines are tied in bundles.

Anyone having a goodly quantity of this type of material is asked to call Commander Frederick D. Farley, telephone 3084.

Legionnaires will meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall at 1 p. m. Aside from benefitting the local Legion Post, it should be emphasized that paper is one of the most critical of war materials. Below

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New Red Cross Hours

In order to accommodate mothers who would be glad to work at the Red Cross surgical dressings room while their children are in school, the hours have been revised as follows:

Thursdays
10 a. m. to 5 p. m.
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays
2 p. m. to 5 p. m.
Tuesday and Thursday Evenings
7 p. m. to 9 p. m.

During the canning season the number of workers dropped off quite materially, but with that work well along, they are beginning to report for duty again, which is very encouraging. There is always room for more.

The Children's Aid Drive

Mrs. Ruth Fuller and Mrs. Christine Holland, in charge of the Children's Aid solicitation, desire to call the attention of those who have not already responded, to the fact that gifts of money, food and clothing are urgently desired. Those having food and clothing are asked to call either Mrs. Fuller or Mrs. Holland, as the collection of material donated will be made Friday, September 22.

Postponed Till Next
Week

Due to the hurricane reports, the Girl Scout meeting of last night for adults was postponed till next week Thursday night.

Medical Society Meets
Here

The Hampshire District Medical Society met at the Belchertown State School on Wednesday. From 3 to 4.30 there were ward visits to observe the activities of the institution; from 5 to 6 there was a clinic in the employees' club room, conducted by Dr. Henry A. Taddell, superintendent, assisted by Dr. Raymond A. Kimmonth, assistant superintendent, and Dr. Lois E. Taylor, senior physician.

Dinner was served at 6.15 in the dining hall. At 7.30 a program of entertainment by the patients, much the same as the regular minstrel show, was presented under the direction of Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, with opening remarks by Superintendent Taddell.

Plan For Fair Day

A hope chest will be awarded by St. Francis church on the night of the annual fair, October 12. At a recent meeting, Miss Gertrude Riley and Miss Dorothy McKillop were chosen co-chairmen in charge. Linnen and fancy articles are desired for the chest, and it is announced that there will be a "shower" in the lower church on Wednesday evening, September 27, at 8, when parishioners are invited to come with their gifts. Refreshments will be served.

As the Granby Mission will contribute half the articles in the chest, a "shower" will be held in Kellogg hall in that place on Friday evening, September 29.

The chest will be exhibited in a local store a week before the Fair.

Mrs. Minnie Flaherty will have charge of the sandwich stand between the church and rectory on Fair day, and Mrs. Clarence Robinson will supervise the serving of the dinner in the church.

Resigns as Head Clerk

Mrs. Suzanne Piper, who has served most acceptably as clerk of the rationing board for the past two years, has resigned and accepted a position as teacher of domestic science at the Belchertown State School. Mrs. Frank Farrington, Jr., who has been junior clerk at the rationing board office, will take over Mrs. Piper's duties today.



"As Others See Us"

After one has lived for a long time in a town he becomes inclined to take most of its characteristics for granted, and to praise or to damn the place indiscriminately, according to the state of his fortunes or the progress of his dyspepsia.

There are so many things that sorely need to be done, so many ways in which Belchertown could be improved, that a Steeple sometimes feels that perhaps he has chosen the wrong Common over which to cast the shadow of his spire.

And then he hears a comment or two that sets him right again, and he realizes anew that he is living in a very grand place. "People have never been so nice to us as they have in Belchertown," a man said to me the other day. He had followed his profession into a good many other places before he came here. But the kindly interest which his new friends had shown to him and to his wife had impressed him greatly.

A woman who had hated to leave a town in another state to come to Belchertown with her husband confessed during the summer that she had never before experienced the cordiality and friendliness she had found here.

It's nice when people feel that way. I have never felt that Belchertown folks are over-demonstrative. They don't go in a big way for the "right hand of fellowship" and the "reception committee." But they do make pretty good neighbors and stand ready with the helping hand when it is most needed.

Goodness knows, we have little cause for patting ourselves on the back. But it does the soul good to know that people still come here and get to love the town so quickly for the good qualities which have become an old story to many of us.

Remember Rocky Smith's sonnet, "I Had Forgotten Belchertown at Night"?

I had forgotten Belchertown at night
Until I stood on the Common and through the trees
There softly fell like dew to my cloyed sight
The light of that August moon. The memories,
Like the tender light of that moon, like evening dew,
Like the body's easing, like peace after pain,
Assured me all I had dared hope was true:
God was alive; I was at home again.

Then solemnly there came from the white church spire
Like falling petals, discreet, clear notes of the bell
Tolling the hour; like a responding choir
The echoing hills sent back their "All is well."

Wind from the trees brought down their deep "Amen"—
I was at home, in Belchertown again.

Old Settlers Happier

I must not fail to mention the decidedly improved appearance of the Old South Cemetery since a thorough mowing job has been done. A few weeks ago it was one of the most neglected-looking spots in town, with brush beginning to overgrow the graves of our oldest settlers. Now all has changed. The cemetery looks worthy of the colonists who lie buried there.

Three Letters

I have read three letters this past week that contained disturbing lines. They were in no way related, either.

The first was from a city boy who had spent a wonderful summer in northern Vermont, and then returned to his home in New Jersey. While he had been away he had made a collection of many things new and marvelous to him, claystones, quills, and so on. His father met him in Grand Central:

"I told him that I had a hornet's nest, and a porcupine's paw, but he said that my stepmother wouldn't allow them in the house, so I had to throw them away. That made me pretty sad."

Imagine a woman so utterly selfish and cruel, so thoroughly unfit to associate with a boy! Or a man who would tie himself to such a critter for the sake of a home! Would I like to fill her so full of porcupine quills that she'd never sit down some more. The same lady, by the way, celebrated taking over the home by smashing ten or a dozen of young Frank's model airplanes that were mussing up the place.

The second letter was from a teacher and contained these fetching sentences: "School is a chore. I guess none—or few—of the teachers are enthusiastic about next year. Their programs are difficult; the children grow more difficult—the general topic of optimistic conversation seems to be how soon they can retire."

Now wasn't that something! Back to school after the longest vacation any profession ever dreamed of, back to a job that pays this teacher well, back to work with a generation of Americans who must learn the way of citizenship in the world's greatest democracy. And finding the most optimistic thought that of retirement! Let's hope that not many felt that way when they entered their classrooms last week.

The third letter was from a large insurance company, doing its best to solve the problem of teacher shortages by writing this: "Teaching, with all that it means to the youth and the future of the country, is one of the most commendable of callings. It is not, however, highly remunerative. "Life Insurance selling is similar to your profession in that you are teaching grown-ups, instead of youngsters. It differs, however, in one important respect—you are well paid for Life Insurance 'teaching.'"

We would like to talk to you about representing us—"

Once more big business "pities the poor teacher." Ever since I have taught, I have been alternately laughed at for choosing a profession that pays so little, and damned for having the nerve to be paid out of the taxpayers' money. The tone changes with the direction of the profit curve. Oh well, I'll stick to the schools, until they get sick of me. I feel pretty "well paid," really. What would the insurance companies do if they didn't have us on their lists of suitable prospects for policy purchasing!

It's fun to get letters!

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Lines in a Little Girl's "Autographs"

Within this book, you'll always see
The many friends you had.
But none were better, dear, than we
Your Mother and your Dad.

'Twas but one I had—
That was your Dad.
But I'm very glad
Your Mommy had two—
Cause the second was you.

I'm a nuisance, I'm a bum,
More than any other;
But maybe you still like me some
Because I am your brother.

—Bob Jackson

Classes Elect Officers

The several classes at the High school have elected officers as follows:

Seniors

President Mavis Dickinson
Vice-President Mary Sullivan
Secretary Jean Braden
Treasurer Dorothy Atkins
Class Reporter Florence Fay
Class Adviser Mrs. Pero

Juniors

President Shirley Hazen
Vice-President Mary McKillop
Secretary Nancy Farley
Treasurer Paul Barrett
Class Reporter Phyllis Cook
Class Adviser Miss Midura

Sophomores

President Jane Kimball
Vice-President Richard Wonsik
Secretary Peter Whitaker
Treasurer Shirley Williams
Class Reporter Helen Oseep
Class Adviser Miss Savoit

Freshmen

President Walter Henry
Vice-President Howard Morey
Secretary John McKillop
Treasurer Ernest Germain
Class Reporter Amelia Smola
Class Adviser Miss Mullen

Eighth Grade

President Ann Austin
Vice-President Francis Loftus
Secretary Shirley Snow
Treasurer Edna Lamoreux
Class Reporter Noel Normand
Class Adviser Miss Shaw

OPA Timetable

Weeks of September 10 and 17

Meats and Fats

Good Indefinitely—Red Stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 to G5 in Book Four worth 10 points each. Red tokens, worth one point each, used as change. Household are reminded that red stamps now become valid every 4 weeks instead of every 2 weeks. Thus the number of points is reduced to 15 for every 2 weeks instead of 30. No additional red stamps will be validated for use before October 1.

Processed Foods

Good Indefinitely—Blue Stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 to L5 in Book Four, worth 10 points each. Blue tokens worth one point each, used as change. No additional blue stamps will be validated for use before October 1.

Sugar

Good Indefinitely—Sugar Stamps 30, 31, 32 and 33 in Book Four, each good for five pounds. Sugar Stamp 40 in Book Four, good for 5 pounds for home canning through Feb. 28, 1945. Consumers may be granted up to 20 pounds per person for home canning by making application on Form R-322 at local OPA Boards. New England is now in the second period for such allotments (August 1 through October 31).

Shoes

Good Indefinitely—Airplane Stamps No. 1 and No. 2 in War Book Three good for one pair of shoes each.

Gasoline

November 8—Last day for A-11 coupons good for three gallons, B3, B4, C3 and C4 coupons good for 5 gallons each.

Fuel Oil

September 30—Last day of period four and period five coupons. AM coupons worth 10 gallons a unit. New 1944-45 fuel oil coupons will become good for 10 gallons upon their receipt by the consumer from local OPA Boards.



Sergeant Clarence R. Hubbard, Jr., has been transferred from Camp Maxey, Texas, to Camp Polk, La. His family has moved to De-Ridda, La., which is near-by.

Pfc. Melvin Bosworth has returned to Ft. Benning, Ga., after a leave with his wife, the former Christine Squires, and son, James, of this town, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bosworth of Holyoke. While here he attended a party in honor of his father's birthday.

John W. Avery, son of Mrs. Jos. H. Avery of Maple street, left last week Thursday for Sampson, N. Y., where he starts his "boot" training. Avery graduated from Belchertown High school in June.

Ensign Warren P. Barrett, U. S. Maritime Service, has been spending a week's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Barrett, of Maple street.

"Killed" Again

That "bear" at the Shumway place, although it's nothing more than hide and straw, instead of the proverbial skin and bones, still seems to be making the headlines, this time with Mary and Patricia Sellow the "heroines" and John Pranaitis still the prankster.

While on a visit to the farm, John invited them to go down with him to the cornfield to get some corn. He put on a grand act when they got here, reported he saw a bear, got the girls all excited, suggested that Pat use the gun while he prodded the old fellow with a pitchfork, but "Pat" wanted no prodding. Anxious to get all the glory herself, she banged away—and so the bear "died" once more.

Methodist Church Notes

On Sunday the pastor will preach the first of two sermons on "I Am Persuaded."

An executive committee meeting of the W. S. of C. S. will be held at the home of Mrs. Alice Wildey Thursday, Sept. 21st, at 2 p. m. It is desirable that the following officers be present: Mrs. Alice Wildey, Mrs. Amy Allen, Mrs. Annie Bruce, Mrs. Thera Corliss, Mrs. Louise Blackmer, Mrs. Anna Witt, Mrs. Iva Gay, Mrs. Ruth Kempkes, Mrs. Alice Suhm and Mrs. Cath-

erine Dyer. Rev. Mr. Belcher is expected to be present.

Congregational Church Notes

The Women's Guild will meet in the parish house next week Wednesday afternoon at 2.30. Devotions will be in charge of Mrs. Frederick Utley, while the speakers will be Rev. and Mrs. Roderick MacLeod of Hadley. Hostesses will be Mrs. Frederick Farley and Miss Irene M. Jackson.

Seventeen were present at the meeting of the Home Department of the Church School held with Mrs. Lewis H. Blackmer on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Walter Brown, president, presided at the business meeting, when it was voted to hold the next meeting at Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward's on the 29th. Readings were given by the members and refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Dwight C. Randall, chairman of the refreshment committee, and Mrs. Greenwood.

Rationing Board Notes

- Grade 1
- Alexander Baker 1
 - Leona Normand 1
 - Frank Robertson 1
 - William Stead 1
 - Philip Barnes 1
 - Wanda Squires 1
 - James Garrity 1
 - E. Clifton Witt 1
 - Frank Turcotte 1
 - Marion Corey 1
- Grade 3
- John Fletcher 1
 - Truck Tires 1
 - Walter Walas 1
 - Raymond Gay 1

Boy Scout Notes

Troop 507, Belchertown, B. S. A., held a meeting in Memorial hall on Tuesday, September 12. Mr. Neggars was on hand again to give some more training, this time in jiu-jitsu. He used Channing Kimball as his aid, and Chan sure was sore afterwards, but he loved it.

We were divided up into new patrols again. The patrol leaders are as follows:

- Bill Young
- Stan Harrington
- Chan Kimball
- Dick Wonsik
- Allen Tadjell
- George Jackson

We found out that the Massachusetts State College pool would not be open to boys Thursday because of repairs.

Mr. Shattuck liked the way the boys turned out in uniform, and wants a still larger turnout next week.

The meeting night has been changed, so our next meeting will be held Thursday, September 21. Dr. Tadjell will be on hand at the next meeting for first aid in-

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Town Items

The Teachers' Association will meet next Monday afternoon at 4.

The office of the treasurer and tax collector will be closed next week Thursday, the 21st, to allow William E. Shaw to attend the meeting of the Treasurers' and Collectors' Association in Springfield on that day.

Harry B. Sanford of Mill Valley Road, has purchased a house in Thorndike and will move there with his family in the near future.

Miss Joyce Spencer, a student at Bangor (Me.) Theological Seminary, who assumed the pastorate of the Congregational church at Sangerville, Me., for the summer, is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer. She will resume her studies September 25.

William D. Hackett of Franconia, N. H., who recently attended the wedding of his brother in Texas, returned here on Sunday night, and left on Monday with Mrs. Hackett for Franconia.

Mrs. R. A. Kinmonth and Mrs. J. Howell Cook are visiting Mrs. Kinmonth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer of Stonington, Ct.

Edward Robinson has purchased the Cummings farm at Ware Center, where he expects to move with his family soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer

observed their 30th wedding anniversary on Sunday.
Mrs. George Clifford recently opened a lunch room in the store next to the post-office.
John Wood has bought the bungalow on Jackson street belonging to C. R. Aldrich, and expects to move there the first of October.

Waste Paper Drive

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are listed some of its uses:
—From the day a soldier goes to war, he is dependent on paper. From his draft card to his honorable discharge, his records are kept on it.
—His barracks are built with paper wall-board, paper roofing, paper insulation.
—He shoots at paper targets, eats from paper plates, drinks from paper cups.
—His food is wrapped and shipped in paper.
—His battles are planned, his orders are issued on paper.
—His life-saving blood plasma is protected by paper and shipped in paper cartons.
—His food is dropped by paper parachutes.
—His cartridges are wrapped in it; his helmet and shoes are lined with it; his letters are written on it.
—Literally, he lives, trains, travels and fights with paper, his indispensable ally.
—And, of course, his "honorable discharge" will be handed to him on a piece of paper—after a beaten Axis has signed the peace terms on paper!

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Jane F. Shumway, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Edwin F. Shumway of Belchertown, in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the nineteenth day of September, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register

1-8-15

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To Rita Nowak of parts unknown. A libel has been presented to said Court by your husband, Zygmunt M. Nowak, of Ware, in said County, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between himself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, within twenty-one days from the sixth day of February, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register

1-8-15

Picturesque Belfast

When Fred Wood recently came home from Ireland, where he was employed by Lockheed in building a government air base there, we asked him concerning the scene of his labors. He handed us a copy of *Stars and Stripes*, in which was an article on Belfast, and said that possibly a reprint of a few paragraphs might be of interest in these days of global geography. We quote:

War-time Belfast, the first capital in the United Kingdom to be "occupied" by United States troops, has a population of over more than 500,000.

It is a strange mixture of the old and the new world where olive-drab Army cars move behind ancient horse-drawn vehicles. Instead of grace and tradition, Belfast has vigor and ambition.

Belfast seems solid and enduring, yet its magnificent city hall rests on a series of piles. Its telephone building is an anchored concrete raft which preserves it from the

slimy deposits of the sea.

This Northern Ireland capital, like the London of Chesterton's poem, is a town built upon mud and loam.

Belfast derives its name from its origin at a spot where the River Lagan anciently crossed a "farsel" or sandbank. Its location led to its being called "Bel-feirde" or the "bel" or ford of the farsel. The name, in the course of time, was altered to its present form.

The second largest city in Ireland—Dublin is bigger—Belfast started to grow in earnest during the time of the Stuarts when James I granted the town its first charter. During these days, its people were villagers, its houses were roofed with thatch, and the streets could be counted on one hand.

Today, GI Joe walks over the same city streets that once echoed with the staccato hoof beats of nobleman's horses.

When Britain declared war on Germany in 1939, Belfast had the largest ship yards in the world—and the Luftwaffe didn't forget it. Two years later, spring and Nazi planes came to Belfast and the city endured the severest ordeal of its history. For hours, without a let-up, relays of planes rained fire and bombs on a semi-defenseless city. Many were killed and wounded. But the dead were buried, the wounded treated, and Belfast continued to make ships as fast as the mother country could take them.

Men's Club Outing

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tained that some of his outfit should be sold to Cincinnati.

Harold Ryder was umpire, but although he was nearly mobbed at times, came through the experience quite unperturbed.

Everyone ran up high scores at "eats." The hamburger and hot dog men competed for "sales talk," with honors about evenly divided. Chocolate milk and soft drinks softened up the supper.

At its conclusion, croquet got under way again. Frank Farrington, Sr., in charge of that aspect of recreation, made the last shot of the night, he and Shaw winning over their opponents. And it was night when the last shot was made. In fact, it was with difficulty that all the balls and wickets could be found.

Some of the croquet devotees hated to quit so badly, that one offered to contribute \$5 if the club was interested in putting in lights at the field. This brought another offer of \$5 more, so that this club, which has already built two fire-places at the field, may find itself engaged in another project.

The committee for the event consisted of Willard Young, Frank Farrington, Sr., Charles Sanford, Kenneth Hawkins, George Booth

HOLLAND FARM

Old Enfield Road

Baldwin Apples for sale on trees.

WANTED—Will call for hand-painted plates, tea cups and saucers, and other nice china. Write M. S. Lannon, 974 State St., Springfield, Mass.

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Mrs. W. D. Wilson
Robin Farm
Tel. Belchertown 2057

FOR SALE—A wood or coal burning green enamel kitchen range. Small.

Shirley Rawson Cook
Amherst Rd., Town

Card of Thanks

To My Friends and Neighbors:
My sincere thanks to each of you for the thoughtful ways you remembered me while at the hospital.
May Rose Dewey

and Paige Piper.

The men had such a good time at the outing, that it was voted then and there to hold another on Saturday, September 23, with the following committee in charge: Fred Utley, Charles Sanford, Bud Sanford, Wallace Chevalier, Harold Ryder, Donald Terry and Fred Farley.

Town Items

Mrs. Etta Randolph, Miss Mary Chaffee and Mrs. Fannie Upham attended a birthday party in honor of Mrs. Dora Spaulding's birthday at West Pelham on Monday. There were twelve present.

Miss Almira G. Martin of Springfield has been spending the past two weeks with her cousin, Mrs. Frances Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Markham and family have moved to their newly acquired property on Park street.

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Grange Notes
There will be a regular Grange meeting on Tuesday evening, when the 70th anniversary of the founding of Union Grange will be observed.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "Spiritual Husbandry."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m. Mrs. H. F. Curtis, guest speaker.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor. Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m. "I Am Persuaded."
Official Board Meeting.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
Firemen's Association Meeting.

TUESDAY
Double or Nothing Club in the Congregational Parish House at 8 p. m.
Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Carrie Booth.

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Alice Wildey.
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.
O. E. S. Dance.
Shower at St. Francis church at 8 p. m.

THURSDAY
Boy Scout Meeting.

FRIDAY
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward at 2.30 p. m.
Public Supper under auspices of Women's Guild of Congregational church, at 6.30 p. m.

SATURDAY
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY
Legion Meeting at Lawrence Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW
Men's Club Outing at Parsons'

Week-day School Starts on Monday
The week-day school of religious education gets under way next week. The first class will be on Monday at 2 at the Congregational parish house. The grades to be accommodated are the 6th and 7th. Miss Worthington will be assisted by Miss Adams. There will also be a second assistant.
Mrs. Byron Hudson is chairman of the religious education committee, Mrs. Anna Witt is vice-chairman, Lewis H. Blackmer is secretary, and Mrs. Isaac Hodgen is treasurer.

Supper Next Week
The Women's Guild will serve a public supper in the parish house next week Friday evening at 6.30. The committee in charge is: Co-chairmen, Mrs. Donald Hazen and Mrs. Stanley Rhodes; Mrs. Leon Hislop, Mrs. Douglas Rhodes, Mrs. Lawrence Rhodes and Mrs. Charles Howard.

Hurricane Does Some Damage
The hurricane of last week Thursday night caused only minor damage here, chiefly to electric light and telephone installations. Part of a maple tree to the north of St. Francis church fell into the road, breaking electric light wires and blocking traffic. The remainder of the tree was taken down that day. Power was turned on in town about noon.
Tree-damage work was carried on by Harold Cook, son of Tree Warden J. Howell Cook, who recently died. No successor has been appointed.
A large tree fell near the B. Jos. Kelley house, but fortunately away from the building.
The barn at the rear of the house at the corner of Main and Jackson streets, which was in a dilapidated condition, collapsed in the storm, which came from a northeasterly direction. Even many well-built houses were penetrated by the driving rain.

Field at 4 p. m.
Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For
Oct. 5
Girl Scout Meeting at Parsons' Field at 3.30 p. m.
Oct. 6
Semi-annual meeting of Belchertown Historical Association at the Stone House.
Oct. 12
Annual Fair of Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

Death of Arthur E. Warner
Arthur E. Warner, 73, lifelong resident, died Monday at his home on Warner Road, after a short illness. He was born Jan. 15, 1871, in the house in which he died. He was the son of George and Dura (Cushman) Warner. For 26 years he was employed as a meat cutter in Hazen's Department Store. He then engaged in farming and worked the farm which had been in his family for three generations.
He leaves his wife, Della (Conkey) Warner; a daughter, Mrs. Albert Sheets; and one granddaughter, Mrs. Randolph Petersen; a grandson, Arthur Sheets and a great grandchild, all of Granville.
The funeral was held in the Methodist church yesterday afternoon at 2, Rev. Joseph Belcher officiating. Mrs. Burt Collis was organist. Bearers were Albert C. Sheets, Randolph Petersen and Arthur C. Sheets of Granville and Edward B. Conkey of this town. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery.

Drive Continues
Chauncey D. Walker Post, A. L., put in last Saturday afternoon collecting old paper, and probably collected about a ton. Five Legionnaires gave of their time, also Evans Westwell. Commander Frederick D. Farley makes the following announcement about future collections:
The Legion will continue the Waste Paper Drive Sunday afternoon. It will be appreciated if the paper is tied in bundles, to make collection easier.
The collectors will try to cover Maple, Jackson, North Main and Federal streets during the afternoon.
Our armed forces also serve on Sundays.

Chauncey D. Walker Post, A. L., will meet at Lawrence Memorial hall this evening at 8.

Dance Next Wednesday
Mount Vernon Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a public dance on Wednesday, September 27, at 8 p. m., in Memorial hall. Old-fashioned and modern dancing will be enjoyed to the music of Ed Tierney's orchestra. Refreshments will be on sale.
The following are assisting Mrs. Belding F. Jackson, chairman—Mrs. Gould Ketchen, Mrs. Fred Farley, Miss Bernice Shaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maynard Witt.

Resume Work Today
Mrs. Annie Wood, in charge of the Red Cross surgical dressings room, announces that material has arrived, so that activities at the room will be resumed this afternoon at 2; this after a closure because of lack of anything with which to work.

Making Plans for the Fair
The Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' club expect to issue shortly a list of judges and premiums for the Annual Fair to be held Thursday, October 12. The front page contains a list of the officers of the organization, in which several changes are noted. The slate as now comprised is as follows:
President E. F. Shumway
Vice-President W. S. Piper
Secretary J. T. Shumway
Asst. Secretary Mrs. Evelyn Ward
Treasurer George A. Poole
Directors W. S. Piper, Fred Lincoln, George A. Poole, Charles Sanford

E. F. Shumway will be in charge of police, W. S. Piper and George A. Poole are ground renters, and Dr. F. M. Austin will be chief marshal.
Several changes are noted in the premium list. E. F. Shumway will be in charge of the parade, succeeding Jacob V. Cook, who recently died. Instead of offering ten prizes for "best appearing horse and rider," regardless of sex of rider, five prizes will be offered to men, and five to women, the prizes for each group being \$10, \$8, \$6, \$5, \$4. This makes a total increase of \$11 in prizes offered in this class. Parade judges this year will be C. L. Randall; Alfred La Croix of Fairview, and Mrs. Albert Couture of Warren.
Fred Lincoln succeeds J. V. Cook as superintendent in the cattle class, where the same prizes are offered as heretofore.
In Draft Horses, the classes are differently designated this year. One class will be "3,000 pounds and under," while the other will be

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Outing Tomorrow
The Men's Club will hold an outing at Parsons' Field tomorrow afternoon at 4, with the following committee in charge: Donald Terry, Frederick Utley, Charles Sanford, Harry Sanford, Wallace Chevalier, Harold Ryder and Frederick Farley. Wallace Chevalier has the sports in charge, while the supper responsibilities have been divided among the members. In the event of rain, the outing will be held on Monday.



Universal Military Training
Big Post-War Question

The question of a permanent policy of universal military training for all American boys of 18 after the war ends is bound to be debated in Congress and perhaps resolved into law once the election is over this fall and there remains no trace of partisan politics to cloud an issue of tremendous importance to our national way of life.

Right now, as for some time past, the majority of American citizens seem strongly to favor the idea. The memory of 1941 and 1942 is still very clear in our minds and there is too much bitter fighting on all fronts to allow the tones of pacifism to sound pleasing to many ears.

But I have an idea that once Germany and Japan have been thoroughly defeated and no great force seems left to oppose us, many people who quiescent will rise and hurl diatribes against the idea of "brutalizing" a new generation by exposing them to the experience of a year in military service.

Our impotence at the time when the Nazi hordes swept first over Poland, then over western Europe, will be more readily forgotten than seems possible now. A sense of security will again envelop us, and we shall be tempted to believe that God is actually on our side however tardily we rise to arms. How nearly we came, if not to actual defeat, at least to many long years of lone conflict, will not be so clearly evident if certain optimistic souls are able to guide our thinking during the next few years.

It took Pearl Harbor to make a military nation out of the United States. When the danger of another tragedy of the sort seems definitely past, there will be plenty who will say, "It can never happen again."

Because all our past history has been against the idea of even encouraging our boys to take military training (say nothing of forcing them to), and because we have regularly changed after each war from the most powerful to among the least powerful of nations, I am frankly suspicious of our willingness to carry on a vast program of training in peacetime. Yet I want to record myself now as heartily in favor of a year of military training for my own boy, whatever may be the apparent state of the world when he is 18.

I say this because all my reasoning points to the fact that when and if another world conflict comes, the enemy is going to try first to cripple the nation whose potential power won World War I and is now the one force which is overwhelmingly deciding this one. Our enemies have underestimated our ability—they aren't going to make the same error forever.

Another thing. It will behoove a country with lots of ideas for straightening out the troubles of the world and with the popularity

which is always the fate of the well-to-do among the poor, to maintain a strength commensurate with its position. With few exceptions, most nations are not going to love us at the end of this war half so much as we may feel that we should be loved. Once more we shall leave the battle with our homeland unscarred. Envy and suspicion are bound to be our share of the spoils.

Probably the most effective argument against compulsory military training in peacetime, other than that it is not necessary, will be the "break" in education, the loss of a year from a young man's life at a time when he should be preparing for a career. This is a very real argument, too, but not necessarily conclusive. If the government uses intelligence in its program, the year will be a combination of education and training which will advance the youth toward his goal rather than retard him.

Those of us who remember the worst days of depression will recall that many a high-school graduate "lost" more than a year before he could find employment. If he was under 18, he was out of luck. I hope that the new law will provide that the year of military service shall begin with graduation from high school or with the arrival at 18, whichever comes first. If that provision is made, I think there need be little break in the boy's career.

I further hope that 4F and preferential classifications will be out in this law. It should be possible to provide valuable training for all young men who are not absolute cripples. Punctured ear drums and other disabilities which are hazards in actual battle should not preclude service. Neither should the fact that the boy is preparing for some special career like the ministry be a cause for sparing him. If some have to train while others are exempted, the plan will not work. Even in wartime, it is a little hard to understand the fairness of exempting as physically unfit young men who are able to endure the rigors, say, of professional football or baseball.

The argument that military experience soon becomes valueless because of changes in military techniques does not appear valid to officers high in the Army's present training program, who assert that the experience will be invaluable even if several years have elapsed between the year of training and a call of the individual to the Army.

Properly planned and administered, the year will provide a discipline and respect for authority which all youngsters need but do not often get in America today. Also they will be taught a citizenship responsibility which other agencies have signally failed to provide.

Who will oppose this law? In addition to those groups who made America First a power up to the very afternoon of Pearl Harbor, many of our American women, both mothers and sweethearts, are likely to fight it. Significantly, when polls were taken in high schools last year, the boys favored the idea, while a majority of the girls voted against it. Many returning veterans may be surprisingly against their own sons sharing their military experience.

However, Americans must keep their eyes on the dangerous world which will emerge after the peace. It becomes daily more apparent that victory will not settle even a fraction of the mess. As I write this, Finland and Russia have just con-

cluded an armistice. The terms, agreed to by the United Nations, though they are just, must show how few of the old questions are going to be settled by this war.

For many years to come, armed might must be behind those who desire peace and progress. If we believe that the United States truly wishes aggressions to cease and all nations to go forward, if we believe that our ideals and those of our allies are likely to bring happiness, then we must keep our strength. We gave disarmament and pacifism a most thorough trial between 1920 and 1938.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

I wish I had a row of desks
Extending endlessly away,
For then I'd never clean them up—
I'd use a new one every day.

Rebecca McCann
—Bob Jackson



The unexpected meeting of the four Ross brothers at Pearl Harbor, as recorded in the daily press, was of considerable interest. It seems that this meeting took place August 20. Stanley was at Pearl Harbor, when Allen and Malcolm arrived by ship, and then in came Bill who is serving on a destroyer. They hadn't met for five years, when they were all serving aboard the Indianapolis. Promotions had scattered them far and wide, although Allen and Malcolm are on the same ship, Allen as captain (Lt. Commander in the U. S. Maritime Service) and Malcolm, chief engineer—a rather unique set-up.

Early in the year Allen passed a stiff examination to get the rank of captain, and most interesting of all, his licence is not restricted, as are so many licences. He is entitled to take out any ship, to any destination, not being confined to coast-wise shipping or any particular type of ship.

Stanley is an ensign in the U. S. Navy, while William is a chief machinist's mate in the Navy. Stanley is connected with the Commander Service Force and goes here and there to make repairs. It happens that he was flown to his present task at Pearl Harbor.

The Ross brothers are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ross of this town. They have received by air mail a photograph of the four boys. It is expected that this will be on display at Jackson's.

Up to the present time—the boys have escaped any serious injury. Bill suffered minor injuries.

Cpl. Donald C. Rhodes has just completed a four-weeks' course in specialized training at the Military Police Training Center (Aviation), Barksdale Field, La., and has returned to his home station at Cochran Field, Macon, Ga.

Sergt. George H. Chapman, Jr.,

grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hurlburt, is back from England on a 21-day furlough, which he is spending with his parents in Mamaroneck, and his wife. He has been on thirty missions.

Mrs. Herbert Story of Jackson street has received word that her husband, Master Sgt. Herbert Story, has arrived in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Noel have received word that their brother-in-law, Lorenzo Greene, pharmacist's mate, is in the Pacific area.

Pfc. Oscar Boyea, who has been spending a two weeks' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Boyea of Indian Orchard, and visiting friends in town, has returned to Kelly Field, Texas.

News has been received that Staff Sergeant Walter McKillop is in France.

Pvt. Albert Dewhurst, who is a guard with the M. P. at Laredo, Texas, is home on leave, extending from September 13th to the 26th, and is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Grindle of Federal St.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffer have leased of William Squires the restaurant on Main street, formerly operated by him. They plan to open about October 1. Mr. Shaffer has had considerable restaurant experience.

The annual chicken pie supper at Granby will be held on October 25.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Stene are parents of a daughter, Ingrid Edith, born Wednesday at Dickinson hospital, Northampton. The child is a granddaughter of Rev. and Mrs. John P. Manwell. The parents recently arrived from Turkey.

Mrs. Sidney T. Wheble, Jr., has been appointed part-time clerk at the rationing board office and has begun her duties.

Plans Progressing

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan of St. Francis church, announces that the Granby Catholic Mission has donated a beautiful, lace tablecloth for the hope chest to be awarded on the day of the Annual Fair. The Misses Dorothy McKillop and Gertrude Riley are co-chairmen as concerns this feature. The chest will be of the high-boy type and of solid mahogany. Ernestine McGuirk, a member of the display committee, announces that the chest will be on display at the vacant store next to Phillips' a week before Fair day.

A shower, when friends are asked to bring contributions for the hope chest, will be held in the lower church next week Wednesday evening. There will be refreshments.

Mrs. Thomas Flaherty, in charge of the sandwich stand, reports progress. Mrs. Clarence Robinson, in charge of the dinner, is contacting her helpers. Mrs. Walter Henry will supervise the kitchen.

Certificates Ready

Scoutmaster Ira Shattuck wishes to announce that he has the swimming certificates earned by the several boys passing the recent tests at the State College swimming pool, and that any who have not received the same can get them at any regular scout meeting, now being held on Thursday nights.



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There were thirty-three at the meeting of the Women's Guild on Wednesday afternoon at the Congregational parish house to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Roderick McLeod of Hadley, who gave a pleasing program of Negro spirituals. Rev. Mr. McLeod sang, accompanied by Mrs. McLeod at the piano. These were interspersed with humorous selections, also having to do with the colored people.

Mrs. Raymond Kinnmonth, secretary, opened the meeting in the absence of the president, while those giving the program were introduced by Mrs. Rachel Shumway.

It was voted to give the Youth Fellowship \$25 as their share of the June dinner. \$25 was also voted to the servicemen's committee toward the Christmas fund. It was voted to omit the October card party, by reason of other events.

Programs for the year were given out at the meeting.

To Hold Outdoor Meeting

The Intermediate Girl Scout troop, girls from ten to 14, will hold its opening meeting at Parsons' Field, on Thursday, October 5, at 3.30.

At this first meeting we will talk about the program for the year, divide into patrols, elect patrol leaders and treasurer, and welcome new members and tell them about scouting and what scouts do. Please come with plenty of suggestions and ideas for badge work, hikes, interesting meetings, and the like. We will cook supper at the fireplaces. Will you each bring ten cents toward the cost of the food, and let Mrs. Holland or Mrs. Chaffee know who is coming, so we'll surely have enough?

Plans for a Brownie Pack and a Senior Troop for High School girls are under way. Watch for announcements in the Sentinel.

house at 8. The entertainment committee consists of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Shattuck and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer.

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Evelyn Ward next week Friday afternoon at 2.30.

Fire Department Calls

Sept. 20. Chimney fire at Lewis Austin's.

Town Items

The Farleys of Cottage street had a pleasant surprise last week Thursday evening while listening to the program, "Everything for the Boys." Their niece's husband, Lt. Roland Gullixon of Los Angeles, Cal., spoke from a hospital in Hawaii. He was wounded in the arm by a Jap while fighting on Guam in August.

The Teachers' Association held its first meeting on Monday afternoon, with President W. Paige Piper presiding. The following committee was appointed to make plans for Friday: Osborne O. Davis, Mrs. Marion Shaw, Miss Mildred Sullivan, Mrs. Bernadette Bowler and Mrs. Gladys Reed. The following committee was chosen to plan for Education Week, Nov. 5 to 11: High School Principal Guy Harrington, Mrs. G. E. Harrington, Miss Nellie Shea, Mrs. Bowler and Mrs. Reed.

Alvin Michel of Dover, N. J., is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Mary Michel, of Maple St. Edward Belcher, son of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Belcher, sustained a multiple fracture of the right wrist while cranking a tractor at the Wm. French farm in Granby on Wednesday afternoon. Dr. Hogan reduced the fracture, and an x-ray was taken at the Providence hospital.

The railroad station was broken into Tuesday night, but nothing was reported missing. According to Constable Frank L. Gold, who is investigating, assisted by state police, entrance was gained by breaking the glass in one of the windows on the west side of the building. The place was entirely ransacked, but the ticket supply was intact. A break was attempted at the A. H. Phillips' store the same night. The lock on the door to the main entrance was tampered with.

Fred Wood, who for two years was employed by Lockheed in building an air base in Ireland, has returned to the employ of the same concern, and is now stationed in Reseda, California.

Belchertown people note with regret the passing of Mrs. George F. Bell of Granby at the Springfield hospital on Monday. Mr. Bell is a member of the Bell and Hudson Insurance Agency in this place.

William F. Kimball of Federal street underwent an operation at the Holyoke hospital on Wednesday.

Historical Association
Notes

The fall meeting of the Historical Association will be held October 6.

The fall meeting of the Bay State Historical League will be held with the Cohasset Historical Society, Cohasset, on Saturday, October 21.

Attention is called to the excellent exhibit of early wooden utensils at the Addison Gallery, Phillips Academy, Andover, which will be on display until October 15. No admission fee. Hours 9-5 daily.

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Hurricane Experience

Mrs. Pearl Green left town the morning of the hurricane to visit a sick friend in Union, New Jersey, and had some very exciting experiences.

On a trip to the same place some months ago, she had to stand on the Trailways bus all the way to Bridgeport, so this time friends were to take her to Springfield and she would get a bus from there.

She had heard over the radio on Wednesday talk about the hurricane but had been too busy getting ready to go to listen on Thursday. But by the time she got to the city, she had heard enough, so she said to her friends, "If the Belchertown bus has not gone, I am going home." But it had gone and her friends urged her to go on as she had planned. So she started.

It was a nice trip all the way to New York. She arrived there at 6.30 p. m., and the rain was coming down in sheets. She got the bus to Elizabeth, N. J., all right but when she reached there, her troubles began. Lights were out, poles crashing in the streets, trees falling, live wires spitting fire everywhere, and water in the streets up to the floors of the buses. Lots of people and some autos were on the streets, but no one she spoke to had even heard a hurricane was expected.

Union is a ten-mile ride from Elizabeth, but it took her two hours to get there. After a long wait she saw a bus marked Union and wad-

ing in water up to her knees, managed to hail it and get aboard. After a talk with the bus driver, she found he could land her at the street where her friends lived, but it was too dark to see the house numbers and the houses were all dark or lighted only with candles. After walking a way, and over and under all the debris, she saw a house with the piazza half crushed by a fallen tree and the door open a way. She managed to get up to the door and asked the people what number their house was. She found she was on the wrong side of the street and about two blocks from her destination. There was a phone there and it happened to be usable, so she contacted her friends.

The man where she was said, "I have not dared to look out, but I had a car out front and if it will run, I will take you to your friends." On investigation, it was found to be all right, and telling her folks to be on their piazza calling to her, so that she could find the house, she started out and finally reached her destination in the darkness about 10 p. m., hungry, physically worn out and nearing hysterics, her clothes nearly ruined and soaking wet. The friends' house proved to be whole; but there were no lights and ruin was everywhere.

Pearl says: "If I had not been able to talk and argue, I would still be down in Jersey, but by much persuasion I was able to get a bus home and get them to stop and let me off at Coney's corner, and I arrived home Sunday night at 10 o'clock more dead than alive."

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WHITE HOLLAND TURKEYS for sale, commencing October 4, at OPA dressed prices to consumers at the farm. Deliveries on Wednesdays of orders received not later than the previous Saturday. We will also be pleased to accept orders for later delivery including Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, as long as the supply of birds of our own raising lasts.

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Making Plans for Fair

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"free for all." A fifth prize has been added in each group, so that the sums offered are \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$5. Testing will be by dynamometer, in charge of C. J. Fawcett of M. S. C. I. M. Fuller of Ware has been designated clerk of the judges, and W. F. Forward of Granby constituted a new member.

Harlan Davis will be judge of dogs, and Mrs. Blanche Austin will judge children's pet stock. Charles H. Sanford succeeds C. H. Egleston as superintendent of the hall. Entries are not to be taken from the hall this year until 4.30 p. m., instead of 4 p. m. as previously.

L. H. Shattuck and Ira Shattuck are to be the judges in the vegetable and grain class. A judge from M. S. C. will make the awards in the fruit class.

Judges this year on canned goods are to be Mrs. Guy Reed of Pelham and Mrs. Harry Upton of Amherst. Mrs. Dwight Randall and Mrs. Clarence Moore will judge dairy products, bread, cake and honey.

A judge from M. S. C. will make the awards on fancy articles. Judges on babies are to be Mrs. Emma Loftus, Mrs. Guy Harrington and Mrs. Alma Lindquist.

A judge from M. S. C. will judge the Grange exhibits.

Aside from changes noted, the prizes offered are the same as heretofore.

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Dwight Items

Services at the Chapel started at 9.15 a. m. on September 10, with Rev. Maxwell Welch in charge. Services will continue at 9.15 a. m. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bartlett of Ludlow were recent guests of their cousin, Raymond Jenks.

Mrs. Walter Pratt and Mr. and Mrs. Winford Fay visited Mrs. Pratt's brother, Charles Marsh, at Chicopee hospital on the 10th. Kenneth Jenks recently visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Fiske of Feeding Hills.

Mrs. Guy Reed of Pelham is the new teacher at Union School. There are twenty-one pupils. Major Ives, who has been stationed at Bradley Field the past two years, has been transferred to Colorado.

Rationing Board Notes

September 14, 1944

Grade 1—(1 each)—Raymond Johnson, Eva Webb, Mary Holden, Ethan Holden, Euclide Labrecque, Teckla Boyko, Robert Witt, Horace Fay, Galen Fay, Walter Henry, Raymond Dana, Fred Fontaine, Kenneth Hawkins, Clifford Rawson, Wanda Squires, Phillip Barnes, Milton Stone, Alexander Baker, Edw. Schmidt, Carl White, Merton Alden, Wm. Kimball, Jr., Charles Sanford, Leonora Shyloski, Burt Collis, Evelyn Archambault, Victor Smola, Frank Hoaglin, Leona Normand, John Izyk, E. Clifton Witt, Edw. Henrichon, James Garrity, Sophie Stokosa, Mildred Cook, Francis Quink, Paul Squires, Godfrey Wenzel, Maurice Sullivan, Fred Goodrich, Raymond Sullivan, Louis Henrichon; Antoine Bronner (2).

Truck Tire—Joseph Socha, Walter Bobowiec

Observes 80th Birthday

Mrs. Lilla M. Olds, now of West Brookfield, was honored at a family party at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Myrtle L. Williams, on Sunday, that being Mrs. Olds' 80th birthday.

Mrs. Olds for 50 years held membership in Swift River Valley, Pomona Grange and was a long-time member of Enfield Grange, until the organization was disbanded with the coming of the Quabbin project. She is a member of Quabog-Pomona and West Brookfield Grange.

Mrs. Olds has a hobby of showing beautiful gladiolus beds, also an attractive flower garden. She also cares for a large vegetable garden and a strawberry patch.

She is a native of Enfield, and also resided in Ware many years. She is the widow of Merton Olds.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "The Claim to Race Superiority." Communion Service—World Communion Sunday.
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m. "Young People at Work in the Church." Leader, Barbara Hudson.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor. Church School at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 11 a. m. "The Sacrament of Silence." Communion Service.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m. State School, 8.15 a. m. Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

District No. 2 American Legion Meeting at Memorial hall at 2 p. m.
District No. 2 American Legion Auxiliary Meeting at Grange Hall at 2.30 p. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY
Grange Meeting, followed by public card party at 8.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.
Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Teachers' Association Meeting at 3.30 p. m.
Girl Scout Meeting at Parsons' Field at 3.30 p. m.
Boy Scout Meeting.

FRIDAY

Semi-annual meeting of Belchertown Historical Association at the Stone House at 8 p. m.

SATURDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

TODAY

Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. E.

Men's Club Outing

The men's club held its outing at Parsons' Field last Saturday afternoon. It was so cold that few will mourn the fact that the next meeting will be an in-ning rather than an out-ning. There was a good attendance, nevertheless, between 30 and 40 being present. Croquet was played, also horseshoes, but knocking out flies, and soft ball, were about as popular as anything, furnishing the necessary exercise.

When it came to soft ball, Dick Hennemann, and Albert Dewhurst, home on furlough, chose sides. Bob Dodge pitched for Hennemann's side, and Ken Hawkins and Dewhurst for the latter's side.

At the last game Rev. Mr. Belcher was charged with inflating the score to the benefit of his own side. This time with a layman on the opposite side recording the tallies, it was small wonder that the above-mentioned gentleman eyed with suspicion that 6 to 30 score with which he himself was faced. Seven innings were played. The game started out with about 7 on a side, but at the close there were nearer 17 in each line-up.

"Win" Forward of Granby was commandeered for umpire and certainly put snap into the ball game. He was quick on the trigger and the players knew better than to mess with his decisions.

At the conclusion of the game, all hid for the fireplace, the warmest spot on the grounds. Here even youngsters embraced the chimneys, and older ones tried warming their chocolate milk on the bricks. A couple of the men came with overcoats. One such took his friends aside and revealed the successive layers that covered his anatomy—more than the number of bathing suits that the clown diver wore at the Aquacade at the New York Fair.

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Registration Dates

The registrars of voters announce the following dates for the registration of voters:

Wednesday, October 4, at Memorial hall, from 7 to 9 p. m.

Saturday, October 14, at Franklin school, from 2 to 4 p. m.

Wednesday, October 18, at Memorial hall, from noon to 10 p. m.

elyn R. Ward at 2.30 p. m.

Public Supper under auspices of Women's Guild of Congregational church, at 6.30 p. m.

TOMORROW

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Oct. 12
Annual Fair of Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

Renovation Completed

The year of 1944 is proving a noteworthy one in the history of St. Francis church, by reason of the extensive renovations that were begun and completed under the direction of Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, pastor. Only just recently has the project reached its culmination with the arrival of certain statues long delayed.

Only parishioners and those who have been invited in to see the transformation realize the extent to which a rather dismal interior has given place to an inspiring place of worship. The list of specific accomplishments include the following:

The main altar has been tinted in two-tone ivory and highlighted in gold leaf. Sanctuary walls, redecorated in red and gold in tapestry-like effect are in liturgical style. On the walls near the altars are four emblems of the Evangelists. Above the two sacristy entrances are the papal and episcopal emblems.

The six statues on the side altars are in natural flesh colors, gilded in gold leaf. Two new statues are in this group—a statue of St. Joseph, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sears, and a statue of St. Anthony, gift of Mrs. Maisie Dalgren, R. N., of Belchertown State School.

New hardwood floors cover the sanctuary and aisles of the Church. White boards have been placed over the ceiling; new octagonal bases for the fixtures have been done in gold color. All pews, kneelers, and communion rail have been painted grey. New fixtures have been installed in the sanctuary, sacristies, main church and outside over the main entrance.

The side and rear walls of the Church are in French grey. Stations of the Cross and all Crosses have been regilded with gold leaf.

Both sacristy walls have been extended higher and ceilings placed upon them. A new confessional in the rear of the church has velvet draperies in royal blue.

The choir platform, with new, hardwood flooring, has been raised. Two new side altars grace the Sanctuary—the Blessed Virgin Altar, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose LaBrecque; and the Sacred Heart Altar, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Leo A. Dugre.

In the priests' sacristy, the vestment case was donated by the late Dr. Leonard Logiodice, and his wife.

A beautiful missal stand, used at daily Mass on the main Altar, was given by Mrs. Thomas Flaherty. Gifts were received of \$500 from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hanifin of this town; \$75 from Nardino G. Nardini of Leominster, whose concern, Nardino G. Nardini & Sons, were the decorators of the church. The large cross over the church was regilded in gold leaf, the contribu-

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Supper Tonight

The Women's Guild of the Congregational church will serve a public supper in the parish house tonight at 6.30. The menu will include covered dishes, salads, rolls, pickles, pie and coffee. The price is 45 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. Mrs. Donald Hazen and Mrs. Stanley Rhodes are co-chairmen of the committee in charge.

Semi-annual Meeting

The semi-annual meeting of the Belchertown Historical Association will be held at the Stone House next week Friday evening at 8. The speaker will be Mrs. Olive Crittenden Robinson of Longmeadow, who will speak on clocks. It will be remembered that she spoke before the association a year ago and was most cordially received.

According to David Malcolm, writing in the Springfield Union-Republican of September 17, Mrs. Robinson had an article on Crittenden clocks in the August number of Antique magazine under the title of "A Forgotten Clockmaker," and wrote very interestingly.

It is requested that members and friends bring old clocks to the meeting, as the speaker can probably shed some light on their history. Suggestions as to their repairs and rejuvenation will be made by both Mr. and Mrs. Robinson.

District Legion Meeting Sunday

There will be a meeting of District No. 2, American Legion, Sunday afternoon at 2 at Memorial Hall. All members of the Legion are urged to be present.

Auxiliary Meeting Sunday

There will be a meeting of District 2, American Legion Auxiliary, at Grange hall, Sunday afternoon at 2.30. Among the officers expected to be present are State President Mary Lakeman; Department Secretary Adelaide Fitzgerald; and Department Chaplain Mildred Kilgus. Several officers will go on the air over WHYN at 1.30, being introduced by Mrs. C. V. Morey of the local Auxiliary. Following the meeting here, refreshments will be served at 5.

Public Card Party

Following the regular Grange meeting of next Tuesday evening, there will be a public card party at 8.20.



Sergeant Austin Warren Finds Liberation March Full of French Hospitality And American Armed Efficiency

I am very much pleased to be able to share with you this week a large part of the last two letters received from Sergeant Austin Warren, son of L. G. Warren of Maple Street, who is now with the American Army engaged in liberating France from the south. Austin has been overseas a long while now, moving from Africa to Italy to Corsica, before entering this new phase of his great adventure. Some time ago, I gave you a letter of his, telling of the eruption of Vesuvius. Austin writes splendid letters, and his descriptions mean much more than the newspaper accounts, coming as they do from a boy, who only a short time ago was one of the Belchertown kids, enjoying school and Boy Scouts with the best of them.

August 29, 1944

"We were a pretty excited bunch on the boat trip over (from Corsica) which turned out to be entirely uneventful and quiet. I guess we all had visions of strafing Jerry planes and such. But old Jerry had his hands full elsewhere, much to our satisfaction. We saw neither sub nor plane. And though we didn't have to assault our beach or anything like that, as soon as we got ashore, we saw plenty of evidence of the fighting that had gone on there just a few hours before. I'm afraid it would violate censorship to tell you any details, but it gave us plenty of reasons to believe the Americans did a bang-up job. The Jerries had to get out of there plenty fast, with no time for their usual destruction of buildings, roads, and bridges. What few defenses there were soon were smashed by the Navy's big guns and our air force.

"But in spite of perfect timing by the Allies, it was the French partisans, who really paved the way. Their organization and leadership must have been top-notch. As soon as they got the arms, they soon showed their ability. They are tough characters, entirely devoted to revenging the last four years of German occupation. Lots of the boys have seen these partisans arresting French Nazi collaborators, and will remember those scenes for a long, long time. They really mean business.

(Austin, who is a heavy bomber service squadron, tells a bit about the terrain and weather at their first base). "Just four days ago, I finished my third year in this here Army!! I was laid up most of the time (several days of rest period) with a vicious horse fly bite, that gave me a lot of misery, and with a cold I caught sleeping out on the steel deck plates of the ship. But as soon as I had something to do again, I soon forgot all that foolishness.

"However, I had time to make

only one sight-seeing trip before we started work. That was to the town of Draguignan, a fair-sized town of quite some importance. Takes a lot of imagination that while we were landing on the beach, the German troops were just withdrawing from that town! And the day I was there was only the third since the Germans had left. It was hardly touched at all by the war, except for the ever-present wrecked enemy vehicles. They are everywhere. Rosey, Gene, Woody, another lad you don't know, and I were on this little excursion. First, we sat in one of the sidewalk cafes, drinking iced (repeat: iced!) orangeade, and watching the folks pass by. They are all extremely friendly, and as soon as they discovered that I speak and understand their language, I got acquainted fast. (Austin majored in French at college!) If I were anything but a happily married man, these French girls would soon have me eating out of their hands! They are a glorious change... clean, good-looking, and apparently with a brain or two in their pretty heads. Then we all went to the villa of two ladies whom the other boys had met previously. Both about 45 years old, they were positively delightful. Neither of them over 5 feet tall, they were full of life and great good humor. One was a native of this section and spoke only French. I talked with her in her own tongue and got along fine... They broke out some white wine, as all French families do on the slightest provocation, and we really had a very pleasant afternoon."

September 8, 1944

"There has been so much confusion lately... It was a long, bumpy jaunt from our first station up to this one, but so much happened on the way that we hardly realized how weary we were until we finally arrived and started to unload our trucks. In every village we passed through, we were greeted with shouting crowds, tossing in melons, peaches and grapes, waving their hands, throwing kisses, and using every means they knew to let us understand how glad they were to see us. And out in the country between towns the folks rushed to the roadsides, clapped their hands, and if we stopped, walked up with full bottles of wine. It was an experience I'll never forget, folks, much more impressive than anything that has happened to us yet. For these people seemed absolutely sincere, just falling all over themselves in their gratitude to 'Les Americains'.

"And since we followed so close on the heels of the front-line troops, we saw much more of what the war leaves behind it. In one place our fighter planes had knocked out a large bridge, and for almost 15 miles in front of it German vehicles had crowded the road. After they had halted that huge convoy by bombing the bridge, the planes blocked off the rear by knocking out the last few vehicles. Then they systematically destroyed every single car, truck, tank, wagon and bus in that convoy. Just imagine—15 solid miles, double parked, of wrecked and burned-out cars! Think of the Ludlow road from our post-office right in to Winchester Square, a double line of cars. Doesn't seem possible, does it? I know I never would have believed it if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes! By the time we got there, they (the Americans) had pushed the junk off the

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road onto the shoulders in most places, but the road itself was still littered with glass and small stuff. It was some sight. "It's a beautiful country, fertile and green, good crops of fruit and vegetables, a great deal like New England. Starting to get cold now at night—fall is definitely in the air. I am living in an old French farmhouse—comparative luxury!—have a dandy fireplace and wish we could stay on here. We have little trouble bartering for plenty of fruit and fresh eggs and cook often over the open fire. After the first confusion of the landing and the long trip inland, we are settling down a bit. Seems good. The news from the front is so good that we never know when we shall be on the move again. Of course, we are hoping to see Paris, but I personally have my doubts. Berlin seems like a much better bet!

"So goodnight from a little French farmhouse in the heart of France."

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Town Items

Lightning struck the house of William Squires of Jabish street last week Thursday night, ripped off a few shingles and caused other slight damage.

Fifteen were present at the open meeting for adults interested in Girl Scouting, at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee last week Thursday night. Speakers present for the occasion were Mrs. Gustaf Lindstrom and Miss Doyle of Palmer, and Mrs. George McPherson, Jr., of Granby. Instead of set speeches, the question and answer method was followed, bringing out much helpful information. It was definitely decided to start a Brownie Pack and a Senior Troop.

Robert Dunbar has purchased of H. E. Kimball the house on Sargent street recently vacated by Mrs. Benjamin Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar have moved there.

Funds Still Welcome

Funds are still coming in for the Children's Aid Association. If any have neglected to send in their contributions, gifts will still be welcomed by the local chairmen, Mrs. Louis Fuller and Mrs. Hudson Holland. Last Friday a nice assortment of food, canned goods and toys was taken to the home in Northampton. The financial outcome will be announced later.

Women's Guild Program

- 1944-45 (Reprint)
- SEPTEMBER 20—2:30 P. M. Chapel Devotions—Mrs. Fred Utley Hostesses—Mrs. Fred Farley, Miss Irene Jackson Speakers—Rev. and Mrs. Roderick MacLeod
 - SEPTEMBER 29—6:30 P. M.—Supper Co-chairmen—Mrs. Donald Hazon and Mrs. Stanley Rhodes; Mrs. Leon Hilop, Mrs. Douglas Rhodes, Mrs. Lawrence Rhodes, Mrs. Charles Howard
 - OCTOBER 12—Fair Day Dinner
 - OCTOBER 18—2:30 P. M. Home of Mrs. Myron Ward Devotions—Mrs. Edwin Shumway Hostesses—Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth, Mrs. A. D. Moore Speaker—Mrs. Arthur Davis—"Life in Morocco"
 - NOVEMBER 1—Card Party
 - NOVEMBER 15—2:30 P. M. Chapel Devotions—Mrs. Louis Fuller Hostesses—Mrs. Roy Shaw, Mrs. Kittle Spellman Speaker—Mrs. William G. Dwight—"Current Events"
 - NOVEMBER 26—12:30 Noon—Dinner Chairman, Mrs. Louis Shumway; Miss Bernice Shaw, Mrs. William Kimball, Mrs. Hudson Holland, Mrs. Louis Fuller, Mrs. Carl Peterson
 - DECEMBER 6—Card Party
 - DECEMBER—Roll-Call Dinner
 - DECEMBER 20—2:30 P. M. Home of Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth Christmas Party in charge of Entertainment Committee
 - JANUARY 3—Card Party
 - JANUARY 17—8 P. M.—Chapel Hostesses—Miss Dorothy Peeso, Mrs. William Pero, Mrs. Arthur Hennemann Speaker—Dr. Henry Tadgell
 - JANUARY 28—12:30 Noon—Dinner Chairman, Mrs. William Pero, Mrs. Luther Shattuck, Mrs. Walter Howland, Mrs. Edward Schmidt, Mrs. Harold Ketchen, Mrs. Clarence Moore
 - FEBRUARY 7—Card Party
 - FEBRUARY 21—2:30 P. M. Home of Mrs. Harry Ryther Devotions—Mrs. Louis Shumway Hostesses—Mrs. Walter Brown, Mrs. Edward Hunter Speaker—Miss Alida Hodgkins, Probation Officer of Hampshire County
 - FEBRUARY 25—12:30 P. M.—Dinner Co-chairmen—Mrs. Henry Lindquist, Mrs. Guy Harrington; Mrs. Leland Miner, Mrs. Fred Utley, Mrs. Raymond Gould, Mrs. Dale
 - MARCH 7—Card Party
 - MARCH 21—8 P. M. Chapel Musicales and Guest Night Hostesses—Mrs. Raymond Gould, Mrs. Harold Peck, Mrs. Harold Ketchen
 - MARCH 23—6:30 P. M.—Supper Chairman—Mrs. Guy Allen, Jr.; Mrs. Charles Sanford; Mrs. Ira Shattuck, Mrs. Richard Hennemann, Mrs. Marjorie Tilton, Mrs. Harriet Chevalier
 - APRIL 4—Card Party
 - APRIL—Home Department Supper
 - APRIL 18—2:30 P. M. Home of Mrs. Henry Tadgell Devotions—Mrs. Luther Shattuck Hostesses—Mrs. Charles Sanford, Mrs. Dwight Randall Speaker—Rev. Albert J. Penner
 - MAY 2—Card Party
 - MAY 16—2:30 P. M. Home of Mrs. Guy Allen, Jr. Devotions—Mrs. A. D. Moore Hostesses—Mrs. Clarence Moore, Mrs. Blake Jackson Speaker—Miss Sally Gibson—"Making Dress Trimmings by use of Sewing Machine Attachments"
 - MAY 25—6:30 P. M.—Supper Chairman—Mrs. Edwin Shumway; Mrs. A. D. Moore, Mrs. Howell Cook, Mrs. Ethel Giles, Miss Dorothy Peeso, Mrs. Arthur Westwell
 - JUNE 6—Card Party
 - JUNE—Youth Fellowship Supper Chairman—Mrs. Roy Kimball, Mrs. Harold Kimball, Mrs. Eugene Lofland, Adviser of the Group
 - JUNE 21—2:30 P. M. Home of Mrs. Byron Hudson Devotions—Mrs. Fred Farley Hostesses—Mrs. Edwin Shumway, Mrs. Ethel Giles Annual Meeting



Donald Morey, who recently enlisted in the Marines, reported for duty last Thursday at Parris Island, South Carolina.

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Robert N. Lee have a son, William Edward Lee, born on September 3. Mrs. Lee, the former Lillian Isaac, and son, are with her father and grandparents at the Isaac farm. Staff Sgt. Lee is in England with the ground crew of the 8th Air force.

Robert White, R. M., of Holidaysburg, Pa., spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Henry Baggs. He expects to graduate as a radio operator on October 10.

William H. Squires, Jr., S 2-C G. M. Barracks, 522L Class 2C45, Sec. 400 U. S. N. T. C. Bainbridge, Maryland

Pvt. Donald Morey, 569285 Plt. 526, 4 Rec. Bn. Marine Barracks Parris Island, So. Carolina

September 21, 1944

Dear Mr. Blackmer: Have just gotten through reading some Sentinels a month old, but nevertheless enjoyed them very much. The last time I moved I neglected to change my address, so as a result, my Sentinels took longer to reach me.

Guess the boys and girls from Belchertown are pretty well scattered all over the world. Have had a lot of melons lately. They certainly are a break from eating pineapple. If my wife (if I am that lucky) ever gives me any pineapple for dessert, I'll divorce her. Time for lights out, so will close. Ray Butler

15th AAF IN ITALY—Corp. Edward C. Camp, 20, aerial engineer-gunner, of Jabish St., Belchertown, Mass., has been assigned to an AAF B-17 Flying Fortress unit of the 15th Air Force, commanded by Maj. General Nathan F. Twining. Cpl. Camp joined the army on Mar. 30, 1943, and received his gunners' wings on February 28, 1944, at Fort Myers, Fla. He received his engineering training at Roosevelt Field, N. Y.

He has been awarded the European-African-Middle-East theatre ribbon.

Roland Sellow, Water Tender, 3d class, of Middletown, Ct., returned yesterday after a visit at the E. F. Shumway home, while on a 15-day leave. Sellow participated in both the Normandy and Southern France invasions, being stationed on an important ship. No one was hurt on the ship, nor was it damaged, but on his way to this country he was stricken with appendicitis and underwent an operation on the high seas.

Congregational Church Notes

Communion will be observed on Sunday, this being World Communion Sunday.

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Evelyn Ward this week Friday afternoon at 2:30.

The Double or Nothing Club, at its meeting Wednesday evening voted to contribute \$10 to the church's servicemen's Christmas fund. A husking bee and other games were enjoyed.

Emergency Clothing Drive

The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration has turned to the churches of America as an agency capable of doing this important short-order job.

15 million pounds of good, used clothing are needed immediately. Sufficient quantities of new clothing simply cannot be manufactured now. The needy people of Europe, in their moments of new hope, are looking to the people of America for help.

Saint Francis church and the Congregational church have joined the Methodist church in this worthy cause.

Won't you take a few minutes right now, look through the closets, bureau drawers and in those boxes in the attic! How about those garments that are out of style, too small, a little worn perhaps? Now is your opportunity to make good use of them.

They can be left at Phillips' vacant store, Ryther & Warren's grain store, or the library. Bring them to church or let the children take them to school. Or phone one of the committee—we would be happy to call for them.

Come on, Belchertown, let every family contribute something to clothe these people this cold winter. Committee—Mrs. Harry Ryther, Mrs. Roy Kimball, Mrs. Leland Miner.

Methodist Church Notes

Communion will be observed at the service on Sunday morning.

The Youth Fellowship will meet in the vestry on Sunday at 5 p. m. Note the change in hour.

Eighteen were present at the meeting of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. at Mrs. Carrie Booth's on Tuesday evening. The resignation of Mrs. Amy Allen as leader was reluctantly accepted, and Mrs. Isaac Hodgen was chosen to fill out the unexpired term.

The church has voted to serve a dinner on Fair Day.

Shower at St. Francis Church

About 50 attended the shower at Saint Francis church on Wednesday evening, when parishioners and friends brought articles for the hope chest, which was decorated for the occasion. At the shower, the several packages were opened, and the names of those donating read.

The committee on the chest is: Miss Dorothy McKillop, Miss Gertrude Riley, Miss Ernestine McGuirk, Mrs. Raymond Menard, Miss Alice Flaherty, Mrs. Clarence Robinson, Miss Alise McKillop.

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The gifts will be transferred to Granby tonight for the shower there, following which the chest will be on display for a week at Dupont's Shop at Appleton and Main Streets in Holyoke; then transferred here for a week's display in Phillips' vacant store previous to the Fair, when it will be awarded.

More Letters Coming

We are pleased to announce that we have another sheaf of breezy letters that Mrs. Kinmonth has received from her sister, who is a nurse at the front, from which we hope to quote in succeeding issues.

Town Items

All dairy farmers who have not signed up for their July and August milk subsidies, should contact Mrs. Emma Loftus.

All those who are contributing to the Eastern Star stand on Fair Day are asked to hand articles to Mrs. William Pero or Mrs. Frederick Utley by October 7.

Mrs. Elliott Clark and daughter of New York are guests of Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Baggs.

Miss Bessie Thayer of Springfield is visiting her sister, Mrs. William A. Kimball, of South Main street. Mrs. Robert R. White of East Orange, N. J., who has been spending two weeks at the A. E. Warner home, returned yesterday.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of James Smith, late of Ware, in said County, deceased, for the benefit of Elizabeth B. Smith and others.

The second and final account of Jeremiah F. Sullivan, the trustee of said estate, now deceased, has been presented to said Court for allowance, by his administrator, Peter J. Sullivan.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the seventeenth day of October 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register. J. T. Storrs, Attorney Ware, Mass. 29-6-13.

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Candidate Joins the Army

Albert E. Lumley of Harkness Road, Pelham, Republican nominee for state representative from the 4th Hampshire District, was called to duty with the armed services last week. He was sworn into the army at Westover Field, with the rank of major in the medical administrative branch of the service.

It is stated that if Mr. Lumley should be elected (he couldn't withdraw at this date, anyway), and be unable to serve, he could tender his resignation January 1, and the House could then authorize an election.

Maj. Lumley is chairman of the board of selectmen of Pelham. He has served as track coach and professor of physical education at Amherst College for 16 years. Since the war started he has directed the college's successful farm-labor program and has been active in the training of military and naval trainees assigned to that college.

Dies in Easthampton

Mrs. Ida Belle Parker, of Easthampton, 84, widow of Edgar W. Parker, who died on Sunday afternoon in that place, resided with her husband and son in this town for several years, living on both Sargent and East Walnut streets.

Besides her son, Lieut. Col. Wm. E. Parker, now stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., well known here, she leaves two grandchildren and a sister. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery, this place, on Tuesday afternoon.

Renovation Completed

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tion of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sears. The Collins Electric Shop of Springfield contributed the lighting fixtures.

Not only has the church been renovated, but the grounds around the church have been beautified with evergreens, only recently set out.

Both Fr. Sullivan and Rev. Joseph T. Collins, the curate, take a personal interest in the property under their care and spend much time at menial tasks connected with its upkeep.

Fire Department Calls

Sept. 27. Truck fire on Amherst road.

Men's Club Outing

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The suggestion at the last outing that the field be lighted, brought some fruitage at this meeting, as a cord was run from the Hussey home to the fireplace area, where a light was hung on a stake driven into the ground. Some horseshoes were thrown, just to say it could be done, but the folks did not linger long.

The committee officiating at last Saturday's event was Donald Terry, Frederick Utley, Harold Ryder, Harry Sanford, Wallace Chevalier and Frederick Farley.

Bill Young, president, named a nominating committee to bring in a slate of officers at the next meeting, October 17; this committee consisting of George Booth, Guy Harrington and Harlan Davis.

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Mrs. Harold Cook

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our grateful appreciation to relatives, friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral tributes and the many acts of kindness shown during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Arthur E. Warner
Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Sheets
and family

Town Items

Next week and the week after, the ration board will meet on Friday evening instead of Thursday evening.

Members of the Historical Association are asked to take note that the fall meeting of the Bay State Historical League will be held October 21, when the Lowell Historical Society will entertain the League. The meeting will be held in the Whistler House at 2 p. m. The historical rooms in the City Building Library will be open to members and guests in the forenoon.

The dance sponsored by Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., on Wednesday evening was well attended, a number coming from out of town, including several from Haydenville. Tierney's orchestra furnished music and refreshments were served. The committee was Mrs. Belding F. Jackson, Mrs. Gould Ketchen, Mrs. Frederick Farley, Miss Bernice Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Witt.

There will be a meeting of the Teachers' Association next week Thursday afternoon at 3.30, in the commercial room at B. H. S., when Mr. Sherren of Springfield will speak on Blue Cross insurance.

It develops that the chief damage done by the hurricane was to the fruit crop, most of it being blown to the ground. In some cases, even apples left on the trees were injured.

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PROBATE COURT

To Noel Moise Lanctot Jr. of parts unknown. A libel has been presented to said Court by your wife, Elizabeth Lanctot of Ware, in the County of Hampshire, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion, and praying for custody of minor child.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, within twenty-one days from the sixth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.
Albert E. Addis, Register
James F. Shea, Attorney
Ware, Mass.
29-6-13.

Conclude Paper Collection Tomorrow

The Legion's collection of waste paper last Sunday afternoon netted about 800 pounds. Those taking part in the collection were: Aubrey Lapolice; Dr. A. E. Westwell, Harold Ryder and Fred Farley, assisted by Evans and Dickie Westwell, Herbert Squires and Howard Lemon.

The collection will be continued Saturday, and that will wind up the Legion's part for the present, because of manpower and gas shortage. Lincoln Cook donated his truck for the collections.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Making Life Ring True."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"How to Get the Most out of Life."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

O. E. S. Meeting.

THURSDAY

Annual Fair of Belchertown Farmers' and Mechanics' Club.

Boy Scout Meeting.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Public Installation of Vernon Lodge, preceded by supper served by O. E. S. at 6.30 p. m.

TODAY

Brownie Pack at Mrs. Chester Mussey's.

Semi-annual meeting of Belchertown Historical Association at the Stone House at 8 p. m.

Clothing Wanted for War Victims

Special appeal is made for infants' garments. All types are in urgent demand, particularly knit goods.

Men's and Boys' Garments—Overcoats, topcoats, suits, jackets, shirts, all types of work clothes, including overalls, sweaters, underwear, robes, pajamas, etc.

Women's and Girls' Garments—Overcoats, jackets, skirts, sweaters, dresses, underwear, aprons, jumpers, smocks and night wear, bedding, blankets, afghans, sheets, pillow cases and quilts.

Please contribute, if only one garment. This will be a welcome Christmas gift for one less fortunate. Bring or send them to your church, school, Phillips' Store, or phone one of the committee—Mrs. E. F. Blackmer, Mrs. Harold Suhm, Mrs. Lloyd Chadbourne, Mrs. Iva Gay and Mrs. Harry Ryther.

More Breaks

Wednesday Night

Quink's market was broken into Wednesday night and a little cash and some food taken. Entrance was made by boring a hole through the door near the lock.

The Belchertown Pharmacy, next door, was broken into by boring about 50 holes around a lock on a cellar door to the north of the building, then gaining entrance to the main store through a hatchway. The loss was estimated as between \$50 and \$60, including some ten cartons of cigarettes. An ax was left behind by the thief or thieves.

Registration Dates

The registrars of voters announce the following dates for the registration of voters:

Saturday, October 14, at Franklin school, from 2 to 4 p. m.
Wednesday, October 18, at Memorial hall, from noon to 10 p. m.

TOMORROW

Stone House open. Hours 2-5 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Oct. 18
Women's Guild with Mrs. Myron Ward at 2.30 p. m.

Men's Club Meeting.

Nov. 3
Legion and Auxiliary Installation in Memorial hall.

Girl Scout Program

The Girl Scouting program has been outlined for the coming year as follows:

The Brownie Pack, for girls 7 to 10, will meet on Fridays, the first meeting being today at the home of the leader, Mrs. Chester Hussey. (If it is a nice day, adjournment may be made to Parsons' Field). The assistant leader is Mrs. Harold LaBroad. The troop committee consists of Mrs. Guy Allen, Jr., Mrs. Francis Austin, Mrs. Henry Renouf, Mrs. Walter Howland and Mrs. Douglas Rhodes.

The Intermediate group for girls 10 to 14, meets on Thursdays at the parish house. The leader is Mrs. Hudson Holland, and the assistant leader, Mrs. Dudley Chaffee. The troop committee comprises Mrs. Byron Hudson, Mrs. Gould Ketchen, Mrs. Charles Sanford, Mrs. Claude Smith and Mrs. Willard Young.

The Senior troop, including older girls who are of High school age, will hold its first meeting on October 18, at 7.30, with Mrs. Louis Fuller, leader, at her home. The assistant leader is Mrs. A. E. Westwell. The troop committee comprises Mrs. Frederick Farley, Mrs. Arthur Henneman and Mrs. Carl Peterson.

The Intermediate troop will enter a float in the Fair Day parade, and Brownies, as well as members of the Intermediate group, will march in conjunction therewith.

In each troop, any girl, whether a scout or not, is urged to join.

Semi-annual Meeting Tonight

The semi-annual meeting of the Belchertown Historical Association will be held at the Stone House this week Friday evening at 8. The speaker will be Mrs. Olive Crittenden Robinson of Longmeadow, who will speak on clocks.

It is requested that members and friends bring old clocks to the meeting, as the speaker can probably shed some light on their history. Suggestions as to their repairs and rejuvenation will be made by both Mr. and Mrs. Robinson.

Further word from Mrs. Robinson stresses the desirability of bringing clocks.

Legion District Meeting

About 30 attended the meeting of District 2, American Legion, in Memorial hall last Sunday afternoon. Solomon J. Provost, of Chicago Falls, district commander, presided. His officers were installed by Past Department Vice-commander Arthur E. Westwell, of this place. The Legion joined the Auxiliary at Grange hall at 5 for the salad supper.

13 Register

The following registered at the meeting of the board of registrars on Wednesday evening:

Men—Raymond V. Burke, Joseph G. Carter, Frank Kruszyna, Wm. E. Aldrich, Norman R. Wilson.

Women—Evelyn J. Langelier, Alice M. Burke, Jennie A. Trudeau, Ernestine P. McGuirk, Bertha C. Aldrich, Gertrude M. Becher, Lena N. Wilson, June S. Henneman.

Auxiliary District Meeting

About 50 women were in attendance at the District 2 Legion Auxiliary meeting in Grange hall last Sunday afternoon. The installation of two officers took place at this meeting. Mrs. John A. Lakeman, Jr., department president, spoke of the drive for 3 million dollars in defense bonds for a hospital ship. Reports on this activity are requested to be in by December 6. A larger purchase of poppies was urged, this project benefiting disabled veterans, mental cases and non-compensated service men. It was stated that 30 boys are thus employed, whereas 75 are available for this type of work.

Ware brought 119 books out of a total of 300 to help equip a new hospital ship not having these facilities.

Miss Adelaide Fitzgerald, department secretary, spoke of the hospitalization course now starting, and of the visitors' code at the hospital. Those completing the above-mentioned course are entitled to orchid uniforms.

Mrs. Alexander Baker, one of the delegates to the national convention at Chicago last month, reported at this meeting.

A salad supper was served the Legion and Auxiliary at 5, under the direction of Mrs. Romeo Joyal, Mrs. Frederick Farley, Mrs. Aubrey Lapolice and Mrs. Iola Shircliff. The color scheme at the tables was red, white and blue; the napkins being in these respective colors. For favors, poppies were placed in the center of gum drops.

Through the kindness of a friend, plus an added donation of the 8 and 40, Grange hall was resplendent with new curtains used for the first time on this occasion.

Elected Director

At the annual meeting of the Mary Lane Hospital Association, Mrs. Harry Ryther was elected a member of the board of directors.



Bits of Random Thought

In the Midst of a Busy Week

There is no value in apologizing for lack of time to sit down and plan a coherent column, for the total of hours given each of us is about the same. Mine just seem to get used up too soon. Last week I was rescued by the fine letters of Sergeant Warren, but the Army has not sent relief for today.

It is busy business, though, getting an Evening Adult School under way, with about a thousand signing up the last couple of nights, and needing more advice than one could possibly give them. It looks good to see the fathers and mothers, the older brothers and sisters, soldiers and sailors stationed near-by, and even one blind man with a seeing eye dog, come back to school only a few weeks after the kids have started their yearly grind.

Perhaps I could quote myself from a radio talk to the citizens of Springfield last week:

"Early fall used to be the time when Mom and Dad got the kids ready for school and then sat back to enjoy a little rest. There wasn't much chance of us older ones carrying on our own education, a few years ago. There were evening classes for those who had not completed the elementary grades, and some high school classes for those who were seeking a high school diploma at night. But most of us had to be content with what we could pick up at the library or at occasional lectures. It was the general opinion that if the taxpayer had seen a fellow through high school he had done his duty—and then some. Surely older folks could shift for themselves. They didn't need any more education than they had. If they thought they did, let them get it by home correspondence or take time off and go to a college somewhere.

"All that has changed now. The new philosophy of public education does not go in for age limits. On the contrary it strongly tends toward education for all the people at any stage of their lives, just as long as the people want it and the benefits seem to justify the expense. That is why, here in Springfield, right on the tail of the September daytime procession of youngsters trailing back to school, there comes an October flood of adults faring forth in the dusk of the stimulating fall weather to take advantage of opportunities which give everyone a chance to take part in the program for pleasure and profit offered in three evening schools: The Evening Trade School for those who wish to maintain or increase their skill in the trades or practical arts; the Adult Alien School for non-citizens and new citizens; and the Evening Adult School, where there are courses ranging all the way from Current Books to Calculating Machines.

"Surely as one sees the 7 o'clock buses crowded by fathers and mothers, older brothers and sisters, all going back to school again, he

should be convinced that the adage, 'You can't teach an old dog new tricks,' has been thoroughly displaced by that other saw, 'It's never too late to learn.'"

Few Seconds Change Life

As usual, the school day is crowded with all sorts of events—and one at the close of this afternoon has left me very solemn indeed. A 14-year-old boy in our school stepped out into a rear street between parked cars and somehow got struck—whose fault, I do not know. In fact, he had been taken to the hospital by the driver before we had heard of it. I went to the hospital after I had got his name from the operator, and arrived there just as his father, mother, and high school sister (his older brother is in France) were going up to see him. His leg was broken, how badly we and he did not know, but he was a swell soldier and showed most concern lest some one forget to bring him in funny books and that he was missing a football game Friday. After a bit we turned to go and met a serious-faced supervisor in the hall. She asked the father and mother to sign a permission slip, as it looked as though the leg might have to be amputated! "Tragedy!" 14-years old, his future changed by a couple of wrong steps and a few seconds—tonight we hope for the best, but I shall be a long time forgetting the mother's face when she heard the word *amputate* and the father's soft exclamation to me, in concern that his wife, whose heart was weak, should have had to be told just then. One does not need to go to the battlefields to find sorrow and pain—or courage.

New Life at 25

But on the brighter side, there was the 25-year-old mother of two children, who came to see me yesterday, and whom we are helping plan her education, which was broken off years ago, when she ran away from Roy Greenfield's Ware High School to be married. Her husband now dead, part of her time now her own as she rests from a recent operation, she wants to take up the threads of an education, which she has always regretted having dropped. Terrified but firm in her decision, she will probably start it again soon. She already has a good bit of what we prize most in education: poise, honesty of purpose, and ambition to go ahead.

Said Judge Doyle

When Judge Doyle acquitted Jackie Cooper in South Bend this week, he said a few words that parents far from Indiana would do well to listen to. He concluded: "There are two types of girls in this world, those who cannot be picked up by strangers and those who can. If all girls were of the former variety, cases such as this would never occur. But unfortunately, some parents fail or refuse to teach their daughters the sanctity of minds and persons, or those daughters fail or refuse to heed the teachings."

Only When It's Final!

A good many of us are very glad that Springfield has decided to postpone any official celebration of V-Day until Japan has joined Germany and made it unanimous. As long as there are fine American boys waging desperate battle on Pacific islands, it would be worse than bad taste to parade or even to cheer unduly at the cessation of hostilities in Europe. The best part of it is that

everyone seems to be in agreement. A roving reporter failed to find any one on Springfield's Main Street that believed in celebrating the more-or-less swiftly approaching collapse of Germany.

More Than Refrigerators!

One Brigadier General Robert L. Denig dropped words of wisdom at the feet of 200 New Jersey editors and publishers this week: "It could do the fighting spirit of American forces overseas no good to hear that some at home are thinking of victory over Germany in terms of new automobiles and refrigerators, rather than in terms of total effort against Japan." The general probably knows that some of our national advertising, which has been breathlessly announcing wonder-luxuries galore as soon as the boys get their job done, must be read by the lads resting between foxholes.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

A town may do a thousand honest deeds

And no one listens, no, and no one heeds;

But let it perpetrate just one small mess,

Then watch its speedy welcome by the press!

—Bob Jackson

Dwight Items

The pupils at Union School, under the supervision of Mrs. Reed and Mr. Styles, have organized a 4-H club, to be known as the "Victory Helpers' 4-H Club." The following officers were elected: president, Ruth Jenks; vice-president, Francis Bartholomew; secretary, Richard Moore; chairman of program committee, Robert Stanchfield; radio reporter, Robert Fay. There are 15 members, and at present they are collecting milkweed pods to make life belts for the aviators. Next week, they will start their real projects.

There were 31 out to the services on Sunday at 9.15 a. m. at the Chapel.

Little Kenneth Welch, son of Rev. and Mrs. Maxwell Welch, is ill with whooping cough.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lemon have taken a position on a farm in Ludlow.

Mrs. Cassie Fay has resigned her position at the Amherst College Infirmary.

The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ross, who have been spending a few weeks at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ross of the Gulf Road, have returned home.

Captain and Mrs. George B. Saunders and daughter, Jeanne, of Westwood were Sunday guests of their cousin, Raymond Jenks.

Miss Helen Brookes has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Nellie Schwarz, and her father, George Brookes, Sr., in Brattleboro, Vermont.

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Congregational Church Notes

The Hampshire Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers will hold its fall meeting with the Hatfield church on Sunday afternoon and evening.

Twenty-seven were present at the meeting of the Home Department at the home of Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Walter

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Brown, superintendent, on behalf of the group, presented Mrs. Ward a writing portfolio stamped with her initials, in appreciation of what she had done for the Department. It was voted to give \$5 to the servicemen's Christmas fund. Readings were given by the members and refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Frank Rhodes and Mrs. Rowland Greenwood. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mary Jackson, October 27.

Serve Dinner Fair Day

The Women's Guild of the Congregational church will serve a turkey dinner in the parish house on Fair day, with the following committee in charge: Mrs. William Perro, Mrs. Louis Shunway, Mrs. Roy Kimball and Mrs. Luther Shattuck. The price will be \$1.25, plus 7c tax.

Dinner Fair Day

A dinner will be served, cafeteria style, at the Methodist church on Fair day, the committee being Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Collis, Mrs. Isaac Hodgson and Mrs. Harry Plant.

St. Francis Church Notes

Arrangements have been completed for the serving of dinner in the lower church on Fair day from 12 to 2. Fifteen waitresses will be in attendance to serve patrons. The dinner will be supervised by Mrs. Clarence Robinson. Mrs. Walter Henry and Mrs. Alexander Baker will be co-chairmen of the kitchen.

A sandwich stand, in charge of Mrs. Thomas Flaherty, will be located between the church and rectory, and will be open following the parade, for the rest of the day and evening.

The hope chest, brought here to Phillips' vacant store, will be on exhibit there till Fair day, when it will be placed outside the rectory. Co-chairmen of this enterprise are Miss Gertrude Riley and Miss Dorothy McKillop. The chest will be awarded Fair Day night at 7 o'clock.

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Letters From a Nurse at the Front

Excerpts from letters received by Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth from her sister, Lt. Myrtle M. Krone, A. N. C.

August 15

Dear Folks:

At last I'll get a letter off to you. We moved yesterday, left our old field at 10 a. m. There were 14 of us in our truck. Before we pulled out, the boys at the clearing station gave us a big box of bread, tomato juice, orange juice and three cans of salmon, so we were all set for our long ride.

We had just about started when the kids decided we should have sandwiches. I wish you could have seen them trying to make sandwiches and pour juice while bouncing along in a truck.

I had my rabbit in his box, Mallet her dog, and Ahearn her cat, so the happy family rode along.

It was a very pretty ride, though very dirty and dusty, due to the destruction that we rode through. Really one cannot describe the horrors of it all. I am in Normandy now, but that covers a large area.

Going through some of the towns, the French people that have returned to their "dwellings"—that once were homes—shouted as we rode by, "American Nurses." I believe we are known better here than at home. In the U. S. A., most people thought we were WACS. It was pathetic, though, to see all the French women in mourning. This being a holy day, they were all either going to or coming from services. The churches are just half buildings now; there are very few that are standing. Strange though was a shrine, everything around it just a mass of crumbled brick dust and there stood the shrine with the "Virgin Mary".

I am now on duty, waiting for patients which I expect any minute, as we are now receiving them.

Here's one for our page in the history of the 96th. We had Mrs. Goat at our old field and she ate everything she could find, so when we left we bequeathed her to the Clearing Company that had taken over our area. told them to watch out for her and milk her twice a day. We left with all our tribe of animals and rode here peacefully, only to find when we pulled in that Mrs. Goat was here to greet us.

Some of the boys put her in the truck with the German Prisoners and alone she came. So the 96th has "A Goat" completely attached to the Unit. Goodness only knows what else will be added. Col. Mac did not know they had put her in the truck and how he did laugh!

Our patients are beginning to come in. I have a chap from Hartford, Conn. Just a fracture, so he is not too bad.

Decided I'd cut my leggings down a bit, so only left three holes, English type, you know. I'm "rawther" in style. Easier to get on, too.

It feels like a thunder storm, but can't tell if it is guns or thunder so will just wait and see what "rains".

Patients arriving, so must move along.

P. S. Dot Peeso asked if there is something I really would like. Well, if you want, show this to the Post Office and have them O. K. it—My request—A Chevrolet town sedan, four rubber tires and five gallons of gas. I'd like to travel in luxury.

So long.

Bud

In a list of 76 nurses serving with the first General hospital to be set up in the field in the European theatre appears the name of 2nd Lt. Gladys C. Smola of this town. William E. Isaac, who has been stationed at Memphis, Tenn., graduated from a naval training school last Saturday and is now seaman first class.

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PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of James Smith, late of Ware, in said County, deceased, for the benefit of Elizabeth B. Smith and others.

The second and final account of Jeremiah F. Sullivan, the trustee of said estate, now deceased, has been presented to said Court for allowance, by his administrator, Peter J. Sullivan.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the seventeenth day of October 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.

J. T. Storrs, Attorney

29.6-13.

By that time it was pouring, so I put on my rain coat and went out to see where the bed rolls were. They were getting soaked, so Jibby, Ray and I took a tent and covered them. Then I went back and since I only had one blanket with me, Dot gave me one of hers. This was at 1.30. I crawled in and came to at 4.30. Our tent had fallen down. I looked up and found myself looking at the stars that had come out. Pitch-black, I could not think where I was. I knew I had a tent over me when I hit the cot.

All of a sudden I heard a voice say, "Bud, where are you?" The tent had fallen on the other kids. There were nine of us in the tent to begin with, but Nelson and I were outside and the other seven were covered by the tent. It struck me funny, so I said, "I'm out here enjoying fresh air. How are you?" The kids who slept outside all night were soaked to the gills. At 5.30 we had some coffee, then sez me, "I'm going to sleep." So after the boys got our tents up to stav? ? ? we moved in and I slept till time for noon mess.

We got eats and waited for the rest to come. Finally they began to put up tents. They got three up and it was so dark they could not put any more up, so some had to sleep out. I got a cot, put it under a tree, and as usual fell asleep waiting for a tent. At 12.30 I came to as it began to rain. I floundered around in the dark and found a tent. It had an empty cot, so I took it.

So long.

Bud

—to be continued—

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Tires Awarded Sept. 21:
Grade 1—Peter Shyloski, Mildred B. Cook, George Davis, Marie Sullivan, Gould Ketchen, Milton Stone, Raymond Sullivan, Euclide Bleau, Joseph Mercure, Sidney T. Wheble, Jr., Antoine Bronner.
Grade 3—Walter P. Piper, Helen Spears.
Truck Tires—Joseph Socha, Walter Bobowiec.

Tires Awarded Sept. 28:
Grade 1—Arthur L. Allen, Carl Corliss, Robert E. Hanifin, Milton Stone, Nellie Lysick, Gerard Cartier, Kenneth Jenks, Arthur Henneman, Maud LaCross, Sidney T. Wheble, Jr., Gould Ketchen, Lafayette Ayers (2), Antoine Bronner, Euclide Bleau.
Grade 3—Alfreda Clifford.
Truck Tire—Lewis Lyon.

Recipe for Victory

Blend time with speed for victory, Salt it with silver and gold, Mix in the efforts of millions, Then weigh the needs, untold, Fold in miles of cotton To swab each severed vein, Then sprinkle in bright humor To ease the wounded pain, Pour in a greased container, The largest size, if you please, And send it to our allies With a prayer, on bended knees.
—Mrs. Alvin Bush
Sept. 28, 1944

Fire Department Calls

Oct. 2. Brush fire at Soja's.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts had their first meeting at the Parish House

on October 5. We divided into four patrols. Patrol leaders are Barbara Young, Shirley Rose, Constance Noel and Gloria Wildie.
There were 24 Girl Scouts present. Six of them were new members: Doris Purington, Carrie Fay, Bella Ross, Emma Ewell, Suzanne Piper, Marjorie Jackson.
We talked over plans for a float for the Fair Day parade. Constance Noel read a letter she had received from a Girl Guide in England. Susan Squires was named treasurer for the first half of the year. We all had a dog roast at the playground and played games until 5.30.
Barbara Young, Scribe

Draft Board Notes

In accordance with directives, quotas are largely being filled with men in the 18-25 group. Older ones are being taken now, only if they are delinquents or volunteers, or are doing non-essential work. Jurisdiction in the 18-25 group, as to occupational deferment (save agricultural, when the County War Board is consulted) lies solely with the state director of selective service.

Town Items

E. C. Howard & Son exhibited at the Stafford Fair again this year. Their display included 107 varieties of apples, as well as a collection of pears and plums, and won 148 first prizes and 20 second prizes. The daily press stated that "experts judged the exhibit the most outstanding in the state, due to the number of apples originated by Howard and his son."
The selectmen have drawn the names of Harold LaBroad and Carl

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Hill to serve as jurors for the coming term of court.
Louis Peet of Turkey Hill road is in the veterans' hospital at Newington, Ct.

The marriage of Kenneth D. Witt of this town and Rita Johnson Kraft of Springfield will take place in the Methodist church here on Saturday, October 14.

A daughter, Alice June, was born October 5 to Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Sanford at Wing Memorial hospital, Palmer.

Mrs. Frances Peck returned to Meriden, Ct., on Sunday, having been the guest for several weeks of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck. Miss Mary Chaffee gave a small farewell party last week in honor of Mrs. Peck. Mrs. Rowland Greenwood, Mrs. Winslow Piper, Mrs. Annie Austin and Mrs. Lottie Slater were the invited guests. A very nice supper and two tables of cards were enjoyed. Fifty-eight enjoyed the husking bee at Alvin Bush's on Saturday night.

The next meeting of the Men's club will be on Wednesday, the 18th, instead of the 17th as announced last week.

Mrs. Arthur Warner leaves tomorrow for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Sheets, of Granville.

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PROBATE COURT

To Noel Moise Lanctot Jr. of parts unknown. A libel has been presented to said Court by your wife, Elizabeth Lanctot of Ware, in the County of Hampshire, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion, and praying for custody of minor child.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, within twenty-one days from the sixth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
James F. Shea, Attorney
Ware, Mass.
29-6-13.

Grange Notes

Five tables were in play at the Grange card party Tuesday evening. High scorers at bridge were Mrs. Austin and Mrs. Spencer; Mrs. Harriet Chevalier was high scorer at whist.

ONE DAY LATER NEXT WEEK

Next week's paper will be printed one day later, by reason of the Fair, unless bad weather should cause a postponement. In any case, copy available on Wednesday will be greatly appreciated.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"If My Words Abide in You."
Guest preacher, Rev. William D. Hackett of Franconia, N. H.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Four Reasons for Attending Church."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Informal War Fund Rally at Memorial Hall at 7.30 p. m.
Grange Meeting.

TUESDAY

Women's Guild with Mrs. Julia Ward at 2.30 p. m. Guest Speaker, Mrs. Arthur Davis of Ware.

Annual Meeting of Men's Club at Congregational Parish House. Supper at 6.30 p. m.

Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Rev. and Mrs. Harold D. Suhm at 7.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Sophomore Dance at Memorial Hall.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

THIS SATURDAY

Public Installation of Vernon Lodge, preceded by supper served by O. E. S. at 6.30 p. m.

Men's Club Next Week

The men's club of the Methodist and Congregational churches will hold its annual meeting in the Congregational parish house next week Wednesday evening, preceded by a supper at 6.30. Dr. A. E. Westwell, chairman of the program committee, announces that the speaker will be William Lewonis, contact officer for the Veterans' Administration. He is stationed at the Veterans' Facility, Leeds.

House Burns

The house of John W. Merrill of Jensen street burned to the ground on Thursday evening. William Squires, a neighbor, reported the fire, seeing the blaze and hearing calls for help.

Mr. Merrill escaped, with only a single piece of underwear. He was taken in at the Lofland home for the night. The fire department was called, but the building was all in flames when they arrived.

Extra Trip Sundays

W. E. Ballou of Ware issued this week new timetables for his four bus routes (all on one folder). This new schedule went into effect this week Friday. Attention is called to the fact that on the Ware-Holyoke line an extra trip has been added on Sunday—leaving Belchertown at 8.55 a. m., and Holyoke at 9.30 a. m. The Ware-Holyoke schedule appears in this issue.

Partial Closing

For about a month the rationing board office will be closed to the public on Monday and Friday morning, while getting out the A books.

To Take Physicals

The following from this town are slated to take their pre-induction physicals on October 21.

Ernest M. Gay Main St.
Charles B. Joyal Maple St.
Earl J. Lamoureux Pond Hill Rd.

Registration Dates

Saturday, October 14, at Franklin school, from 2 to 4 p. m.
Wednesday, October 18, at Memorial hall, from noon to 10 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Nov 2
Annual Chicken Pie Supper at Dwight Chapel.

Nov. 3
Legion and Auxiliary Installation in Memorial hall.

Plan War Fund Drive

Plans are being made for the local War Fund Drive, of which Dr. Henry A. Tadgell is chairman this year. Dr. Tadgell announces that captains have been appointed as follows: Mrs. Harry Ryther, Harold Ryder, Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, Roy Kimball and Mrs. Raymond Kimmonth. Canvassers will subsequently be appointed.

It is announced that there will be an informal rally, which the townspeople are asked to attend, at Memorial hall next week Tuesday evening at 7.30, when Blake Hoover, regional director, will speak, and show a short movie entitled, "Memo for Joe." Quentin Reynolds being the narrator. Carl Peterson will operate the projector. Dr. Tadgell states that the rally is not expected to last more than an hour.

The drive will extend through the week of Oct. 22-28, inclusive. Last year the drive was in charge of Rev. Richard F. Manwell, who is now a chaplain in the Navy.

This is the combined drive for the several service groups.

Death of

Milton H. Chamberlain

Milton Halsted Chamberlain, 28, died at his home on Federal Street last Friday night. He was born in this town February 12, 1916, the son of Robert E. and Jennie (Halsted) Chamberlain.

He leaves his wife, Ella (LaBroad) Chamberlain, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chamberlain, a sister, Mrs. Ruth Johnston, all of this town, also two brothers, William Chamberlain of Boston and Leonard Chamberlain, in the navy.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon at 2 at the home of his parents on North Main street, Rev. Joseph Belcher, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Bearers were William Chamberlain of Boston, Raymond Johnston and Harold LaBroad of this town, and Ralph W. Goodell of Springfield. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery.

Speaks on Clocks

There was a good attendance at the fall meeting of the Historical Association at the Stone House last Friday evening to hear Mrs. Olive Crittenden Robinson of Longmeadow give a talk on clocks.

She spoke of the several periods of clock making, from the all-wooden clock era to the modern metal ones, and said that the clocks of today are not half as interesting as those of older vintage, which were often sold by itinerant vendors.

Mr. and Ms. Robinson brought with them a Terry clock, said to be the queen of mantel clocks.

H. C. Knight, former president of the Association, brought to the

87th Annual Fair

If Dame Nature ever smiled on a Belchertown Fair, it surely did on this one. It was a perfect day and no mistake, and everyone made the most of it. Buffaloes, babes and bawlers galore basked in the benevolent rays of the autumnal sun. It hardly seemed possible that snow flakes had ever fallen on a shivering multitude at this annual classic, although that is what the history books show.

Early-comers started out in fog, but when the mists had rolled away, there was Belchertown hill-top in all its autumn splendor. The common had, as usual, its carnival-like appearance, ferris wheel, chairplane and merry-go-round highlighting the north end, while buffaloes, cattle and horses featured the south end, with a myriad of tents strung in between. The brawny wrestlers were absent, as were some other shows, but all the space was taken. Chief attraction in the entertainment area was the "circus," with its multiplicity of attractions.

In mid-forenoon, entries for the parade came around one corner or another. Some were pre-fabricated, while some were given their make-up in public. Harold B. Ketchen drove up with a layer of hay covering his low-wheeled wagon. It looked like rather of a dull entry, but when the Girl Scouts scrambled aboard for the "Hay Ride," it took on new meaning and color.

A distinctive feature of the fair this year was the participation of the State School, both in the parade and at Agricultural hall. Prize money in the case of the former, and one exhibit at the hall, went to the Patients' Fund at the School, while individual prizes at the hall went to the participating pupils.

Possibly those of our readers scattered over the world would like to get a pen picture of the parade. Of course Doc Austin was marshal. He was on his mount, "Do or Dare." Then came the Hardwick High School band (with its feminine high stepper), which also furnished music for the day.

Next came Stanley Boyko, World War II veteran, with the colors, with color guards, Frederick D. Farley, commander of the American Legion, and Harold Ryder, past commander, both shouldering guns. The entry of Granby Grange came next. Surrounded by shocks of corn, a husking bee was staged by the Granby young folks. As there were a number of red ears, there were, of course, shocking consequences, or at least brave attempts therat. Those on the float were Lorraine Isabelle, Jane Fuller, Mary Lou Newell, Douglas Newell, Nelson Ingham, George

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Vermont Villages Keep Best American Traditions

A kindred spirit of mine lives over in Granby and shows excellent judgment by reading this column and even "thoroughly enjoying" it.

This one was in a recent Holyoke Transcript whose "Oracle" copies it from the Congressional Record, where Representative Charles Plumley of Vermont had caused it to be placed after reading it in the Christian Science Monitor.

As one who loves Vermont too much ever to confuse it with heaven, and who recognizes that the devil may be found even in the Green Mountains, may I hasten to say that Miss Macaulay's is an idealized village.

However, I like the "Vignette" and have received from it some of the calm and peace which Vermont itself gives to one who comes to it tired and confused from larger and less tranquil places.

To take the night train from New York and then in the early dawn to step off into a sleeping Vermont village is to enter another world. True enough, I had known that world was there all the time, the elm-shaded streets, the sedate white houses, the circling blue hills, the glittering-clean, cool air, the peace flowing like a river.

"There is no state in the whole of our lovely America quite like old Vermont. Among Americans there are none more rock-ribbed than these tall, lean, sunburned Vermonters.

"You must live in a Vermont village, enter into its communal life to really know it. The tourist driving through its shady streets, or buying postcards at the drug store, sees only the picturesque surface.

Efficiently but completely unhurried. Once I saw the tall, lean postman come down the street, stop

next door for a good half-hour to inspect the garden and give advice to his friend.

"I have never met happier or better-behaved children than in this Vermont village. They have their work to do in home or store, but they play too in field or yard. When the curfew whistle blows at 8.45 they go inside their homes. I have not once heard those ominous words 'juvenile delinquency' since coming here.

"Sunday morning is the time to see our village at its best. The church bells ring from hill to hill. With the shortage of gas, most families now walk to church, dressed in their decent best, the children gloved and hatted, following primly behind their parents.

"Forebears of these men and women helped to build our country, to fashion its very forms of government. Sons of these men and women fight even now in far-flung places of the world to preserve the liberties they love.

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Immediately following came

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And life seemed very hard to bear And we two far apart.

But suddenly a star's bright ray Broke from the Eastern sky, And on the column's marble base I saw... "Shall Never Die."

Then I remembered Jesus' words And Martha's trusting heart. When two have lived and believed in Him, They will not stay apart!

Same Paper—Two Headlines

In the same evening paper last Tuesday appeared these two headlines. They furnish food for thought, if one cares to think: "Relief Costs Hit All-Time Low For City"—and "Armory Will Lay Off 1,000 Before End of Year."

Listen to the old clock below me —tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"The social, friendly, honest man, What'er he be, 'Tis he fulfills great Nature's plan, And none but he."

Robert Burns —Rob Jackson

87th Annual Fair —continued from page 1—

Perreault and George Randall Next was a baby cart, with Paul Barrett the infant, snuggled in beside a nursing bottle and other accessories, and Helen Baril the nursemaid, pushing him. Placards such as "Junior cuts his teeth on a Junior stand hot-dog," put the intended message across.

The float entered by State School personnel was a dignified and appealing one. Standing on successive pedestals, duly designated, were Liberty (maiden with torch), Justice (girl with balances), Freedom (maiden holding aloft severed chain), and Democracy (girl holding in her hand a charter. Added was this inscription, "For These Principles Our Men Now Fight."

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Percy Fuller's entry in a sylvan setting. This was drawn by four oxen, while a couple of young stock were aboard, enclosed by a replica of a Virginia rail fence.

Dr. Austin headed the procession, as before mentioned, while his brother, Paul Austin, came near bringing it up. This patriotically trimmed outfit was drawn by Billy Thumb, prize pacer at Fairs hereabouts, while seated at Paul's side was Master Peter Hanifin, all decked out in headgear of gay-colored feathers.

The horses and riders came next—just about the right number to take up all the prizes offered. In fact, one 5th prize was split, so all went home happy.

The procession was brought up on its last lap with a three-horse hitch.

Thus ended a rather colorful parade. At its conclusion the judges, C. L. Randall of this town, Alfred LaCroix of Fairview, and Mrs. Albert Couture of Warren, traveled down the column, handing out the badges, pausing at the end of the procession to put the horses and riders through their paces, in a final attempt to administer justice. Parade prize-winners are appended.

The display in agricultural hall was well worth the 15 cents charged for admission. Vegetables were a scarcity, but E. C. Howard & Son had two long tables filled with fruit in endless variety, truly a grand display.

Union Grange ran off with first prize in a tastily arranged exhibit staged against a scenic background. Granby grange came in second. Their exhibit featured a horn of plenty.

The Domestic Science Department of B. H. S. exhibited some 75 jars of canned goods, displayed educational charts as to food values, and featured soy bean products produced at the school. This exhibit was of special interest by reason of the fact that though Miss Mullins is a newcomer this fall to the school faculty, practically all of the exhibit was consummated under her direction.

Fancy Goods and Domestic Articles were there in great variety, pupils from the State School augmenting the exhibit with many fine specimens.

There was a large display of flowers from the Dickinson gardens, as well as from other gardens. There was a good 4-H exhibit, and many intriguing bed covers hung above the tables.

Of course, mothers of babies in the baby show would tell you that this exhibit alone was worth the price of admission.

The horse-drawing was as popular as ever, attested by the number in the reserved seats in the trucks and treetops.

The fair used to fade at sunset. Now it lingers along into the night—and the weather of Thursday was of just the right type to lure one to linger.

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To all persons in the trust estate of James Smith, late of Eliza-

deceased, for both B. Smith and Jeremiah F. Stee of said estate, no allowance, by his J. Sullivan.

If you desire, you or your written appeal at Northampton, Hampshire, before noon on the day of October 1944, citation.

Witness, W. Esquire, Judge of this twenty-second and forty-fourth

Albert B. J. T. Storrs, 29-6-13.

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Isaac A. Hodgen, TM 1-C, returned Thursday night, after spending a leave at his home in town. He has seen service in the Southwest Pacific—in fact, he has seen more than he thinks wise to tell about. He reports at Los Angeles after a 14 days' leave.

Sgt. T-4 George Ryan, who has seen service in North Africa and Italy, was in town on Fair Day.

Pvt. Kenneth Rhodes of Fort Knox, Ky., returns this week Saturday after a furlough spent at his home in town.

Corp. Robert T. Parsons Squadron Y, Flight 2 315 AAF Base Unit (AWUTC) Drew Field, Florida

Mrs. Henry Baggs has returned from attending the graduation of her son, Robert White, at the Naval Radio School at Bedford, Pa., Robert returning with her for a furlough here. He reports at Newport, R. I., on the 18th. His title is seaman second class. R. M.

PARADE WINNERS

Decorated Carriages—1st, Paul Austin.

Comics—1st, Junior Class; 2nd, Clown from Granby; 3rd, Sophomore Class

Floats—Horse-drawn—1st, Senior Class; 2nd, State School; 3rd, Granby Grange; 4th, Girl Scouts.

Floats—Oxen-drawn—1st, Reg. Griswold, Granby; 2nd, Percy Fuller, Granby.

Horse and Rider—Women—1st, Marion Hatch, Granby; 2nd, Cecilia Ross; 3rd, Ruth Bean, Florence; 4th, Mrs. Alvin Bush.

Horse and Rider—Men—1st, Dr. Francis M. Austin; 2nd, Herbert Trombley, Fairview; 3rd, Vincent Ross; 4th, Homer Cowles, Amherst; 5th, Walter Kenfield, Amherst; 5th, Joseph Bush—last two tied.

BABY AWARDS Handsomest, Sandra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tirrell of Greenfield; second, Lillian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Armand Cartier; best natured, Diane, daughter of the late Julian, and Mrs. Leona Cassady of West Springfield; second, Lillian Cartier; fattest, Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fabion of Amherst; 2nd, Diane Cassady; youngest, Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Page of Warren; second youngest, Lee Fabion.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Lura Hamel, late of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, deceased:

The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance his first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this third day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four. Albert E. Addis, Register 13-20-27

Speaks on Clocks

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gathering a baby steeple clock, which instead of having a pendulum, operates with a sidewise movement. Mrs. Robinson spoke of the several clocks at the House and ventured the approximate dates of their making. She told of methods of restoring pictures on the glass fronts and the woodwork.

Her talk had touches of human interest. A rat running across her foot in an attic once cheated her out of the purchase of what proved later

New Schedule, Ballou's Bus Line - Effective Oct. 13, 1944

Table with columns for Ware, Belchertown, Granby, Holyoke and various times (Week Days, Week Days, Sun. & Holidays).

RATES: Ware to Holyoke, 1 way, 75c tax 11c 15 per cent tax over 35c. Belchertown to Holyoke, 50c, tax 8c, 1 way. Round trip ticket good for 3 days only between Belchertown and Holyoke. Connections between Holyoke, Brookfield and Southbridge on week-days.

to be a rare specimen and which sold for 50 cents—a clock which she has since tried several times to purchase, but thus far without success. Mrs. Robinson answered questions at the conclusion of her talk.

George A. Poole, president, presided, while the speaker was introduced by Mrs. Julia Shumway, chairman of the program committee. Refreshments were served by a committee consisting of Mrs. Frederick Farley, Mrs. Belding F. Jackson and Mrs. H. L. Ryther.

Congregational Church Notes

Rev. William D. Hackett of Franconia, N. H., will be guest preacher on Sunday morning. He is on his way to Cornell University to take a course intended to make him more efficient as a missionary.

The tenth annual fall conference of the Greenwich Union of Young People's Societies will be held in the East Congregational church in Ware on Sunday, October 15. The meeting opens at 4 p. m. Ralph Ernest Bayes of Boston will speak on "Essentials for Youth." Supper will be served at 6 p. m. at a charge of 35c. At the evening meeting, Harry J. Robinson will speak on "The Land of the Incas in the Peruvian Andes," with colored motion pictures. All Youth Fellowship members, who wish to attend this meeting, are requested to meet at the Parish House at 3 p. m. on Sunday.

The Women's Guild will meet with Mrs. Julia Ward next Wednesday afternoon at 2.30, when the guest speaker will be Mrs. Arthur

Davis of Ware, who traveled extensively in the Mediterranean area before the war. Her subject will be, "Life in Morocco." Devotions will be in charge of Mrs. E. F. Shumway. Hostesses will be Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth and Mrs. A. D. Moore.

Town Items

The hope chest, a Fair day project of St. Francis parish, was awarded to Mrs. LaFlamme of 81 Park street, Holyoke on the evening of that day.

Mrs. Clara Fuller Lincoln is spending a few days with Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward of North Main street.

Mrs. Cornelia Holland and daughter, Miss Carolyn Holland, of Boston, are guests of Mrs. Sarah Fuller this week.

Mrs. Frances Moore entertained on the holiday, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fargo and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown and three children of So. Berwick, Me. Mrs. Brown is the former Mary Fargo of Enfield, a graduate of B. H. S.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. French of East State street, Granby, are the parents of a son, George Richard, born Tuesday morning at the Holyoke hospital.

Advertisement for Ken-Tone wallpaper and Sherwin-Williams Floor-Enamel paint, featuring a woman's face and product details.

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Dwight Items

Mrs. Ruth Jenks has been named chairman for collection of clothing for the UNRRC, and those having donations are asked to leave them at the Chapel on Sunday, or at Union school with Mrs. Reed.

Fourteen were present at the Chapel on Friday to reorganize the Friendly Neighbors' society. The society has been rather erratic since the president, Mrs. Harold B. White, moved away last spring. Officers elected for this year were: President, Mrs. Maxwell Welch; treasurer, Miss Evelyn Kimball, and clerk, Mrs. Gladys Jenks. It was voted to hold the meetings every two weeks at the Chapel, from 1 to 4 p. m., as this will enable people to come on the one o'clock bus and

return on the 4 o'clock bus. Instead of the covered dish dinners, basket lunches will be the style, with the hostess furnishing the coffee. The next meeting will be October 18.

It was voted to hold the annual chicken pie supper on November 2, from 5.30 to 7.30.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fay, Jr., and three children, Jane, John, 3rd, and William, from Akron, Ohio, are spending a two weeks' vacation with his parents here.

Thirty-two were present at the services at the chapel on Sunday.

Mrs. Etta B. Randolph and Miss Mabel Brazee, attended the husking bee of the "Lord's Acre" popcorn, held at Mrs. Grace Kimball's in Pelham on Saturday.

Miss Elsie Madden of Ludlow is visiting relatives in town.

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Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the floral tributes, cards and acts of kindness shown us during our bereavement.

Mrs. Ella Chamberlain
Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Chamberlain
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnston

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Carl Corliss, Galen Fay, Arthur Henneman, Louis Henrichon, Gould Ketchen, Earl Martin, Joseph Mercure, Luona Normand, Edward Parsons, Charles Sanford, Edward Schmidt, Ross Sillman, Wanda Squires, Lorna Weston.

Grade 3—John Garvan, Edward Lapolice (2).
Truck Tires—Alvin Bosworth, Raymond Gay, Harold Kimball.

Methodist Church Notes

The Springfield District W. S. of C. S. will hold a meeting at the Mittineague Methodist church, West Springfield, on Thursday, October 19, at 10.30 a. m. There will be election of officers and a special program. This is the church of which Rev. H. F. Robbins is pastor.

The W. S. of C. S. cleared \$179.20 on their sale on Fair Day. Some \$25 worth of articles, suitable for gifts, are now on sale at Mrs. Iva Gay's.

The October meeting of the Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will be held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Harold D. Suhm on Wednesday evening, October 18, at 7.30.

Town Items

The collecting of old clothing goes on apace. Attention is called to the fact that the goods have to be sorted and packed and in Boston on the 21st, to make the outgoing boat, so there is no time to waste.

The Sophomore class of B. H. S. will sponsor a dance in Memorial hall next week Thursday night, music being furnished by Ed Tierney's orchestra. Admission is 60c, including tax.

The public installation of the officers of Vernon Lodge of Masons will take place this week Saturday night, preceded by a supper served by the O. E. S. at 6.30.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Rindge of Westfield and Mrs. Fred Rindge and grandsons, Harold and David, of Monson, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Collis. Other guests at the Collis home this week are Lt. Col. Alden Reynolds, wife and son, 1st Class Pvt. Donald Reynolds and wife of Georgia.

The Kraft-Witt wedding will be held in the Methodist church this week Saturday afternoon at 4.30. Friends of the couple are invited.

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and
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

L. S.

PROBATE COURT

To Noel Moise Lanctot Jr. of parts unknown. A libel has been presented to said Court by your wife, Elizabeth Lanctot of Ware, in the County of Hampshire, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion, and praying for custody of minor child.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, within twenty-one days from the sixth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of September, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
James F. Shea, Attorney
Ware, Mass.
29-6-13.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton W. Scott of Ashfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Gladys Rosemary, to Roland Edward Sellew, petty officer (3c), USNR, son of Mrs. Mary Sanford Sellew of Middletown, Ct., and Lieut. Colonel Roland W. Sellew of Baltimore, Md. Miss Scott attended Sanderson academy and Massachusetts State college, and is now a student nurse at Springfield hospital, Springfield. Mr. Sellew attended Admiral Billard Naval academy, Madison Military academy, and is now connected with the engineering force on the USS Quincy.

We hope to resume our service letters next week.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Meaning of the Kingdom of God."
Youth Fellowship Outing, leaving the parish house at 1 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Christ and the World Today."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Margaret Bock.
Double or Nothing Club in the Congregational parish house.

WEDNESDAY

Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Lillian Kimball at 2 p. m.

THURSDAY

Special Service at M. E. Church at 7.30 p. m., in observance of Week of Prayer and Self Denial.

FRIDAY

Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Mary Jackson at 2.30 p. m.

SATURDAY

Dates Spoken For

Nov. 1
Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. E. F. Shumway at 8 p. m.
Nov. 2
Annual Chicken Pie Supper at Dwight Chapel.
Nov. 3
Legion and Auxiliary Installation in Memorial hall.

83 Register

An election must surely be in the offing, as 83 registered with the board of registrars this past week. The compilation is as follows:
October 14—Franklin School
Women 7
Men 9 16
October 18—Memorial Hall
Women 39
Men 28 67
Total 83

Kraft-Witt Wedding

The wedding of Rita Johnson Kraft, daughter of Mrs. Grace V. Johnson of Milford, Ct., and Kenneth Douglass Witt, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt of Rural St., took place last Saturday afternoon at 4.30, at the local Methodist church, Rev. Horatio F. Robbins of the Mittineague Methodist church, a former pastor here, performing the double ring service, being assisted by Rev. Robert Johnson of Hartford, Conn., a cousin of the bride. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Harold Johnson of Natick.

Mrs. William E. Shaw played the traditional wedding marches and Miss Helen Kuznick was soloist, rendering "I Love You Truly."

Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, Jr., of Schenectady, N. Y., was maid of honor, and E. Clifton Witt, Jr., served his brother as best man. Robert Maynard Witt and Gould Ketchen ushered.

The bride wore a gown of rose velvet with shoulder height veil, and carried a bouquet of white pompons with center of gardenias. The maid of honor wore a blue velvet frock with Dutch cap to match and carried a bouquet of bronze and yellow pompons. The church was decorated with autumn foliage and white chrysanthemums.

Guests at the wedding were from Centredale, R. I., New Haven, Ct., Stafford Springs, Ct., Schenectady, N. Y., Natick, Springfield, Wellesley, Wilbraham, Holyoke, Williamsburg, Ware, Mittineague and Shrewsbury.

A reception followed for 100 guests at the home of the groom's parents. In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt, Sr., and Mrs. Johnson. The bride's —continued on page 4—

Mayor Tobin Here Sunday

It is announced that Mayor Tobin of Boston, Democratic candidate for governor, will be in town (probably in front of Memorial hall) on Sunday afternoon at about 1.45, to greet any who may care to meet him.

War Fund Rally

Those who attended the public informal War Fund rally at Memorial hall on Tuesday evening were largely canvassers who had consented to assist in the forthcoming drive. Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, local chairman, introduced Blake Hoover of Springfield, regional director, who by means of a chart summarized the activities made possible by the cooperating organizations.

Mr. Hoover said that 115 million dollars is the goal in this drive. Only two appeals are now made to the American people, he said, for war services—the War Fund and the Red Cross. The War Fund represents the combined activities of 27 different service organizations and saves the American people from being bombarded by 27 different groups.

Of every dollar raised, only one cent, it was stated, goes for administration. High-salaried entertainers only get their expenses, in spite of some stories to the contrary. Of the 135 million dollars being raised, 52 million is designated to the U. S. O., which is very popular with the servicemen. It was stated that if one wished to designate his gift to a certain participating agency, it could be so earmarked.

No very satisfactory workable solution was given as to how local people working in city war industries can get due credit for Belchertown. It was pointed out that in the cities, the drive is tied in with the Chest drive, so that not as large a percentage of the total given goes to the war services.

A movie, "Memo to Joe," giving a picturization of war fund activities, was shown at the conclusion of the question period.

Supplies required by the canvassers were passed out at the meeting. The drive here is scheduled for October 22 to 28, but some of the solicitors plan to get started earlier. Following is a list of captains and canvassers:

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To Meet at State School

A regional meeting of the American Association on Mental Deficiency will be held at the State School, Saturday, October 21. Following dinner at 12.30, there will be a scientific session in the employees' club room at 2.

Speakers include Olive A. Cooper, M. D., director Springfield Child Guidance Clinic, of Springfield; Clemens E. Benda, M. D., clinical director Wrentham State School; and Ethel Horsfield, junior industrial instructor, Belchertown State School. The latter will have over 100 plates and photographs on display demonstrating the theme of her paper. Adjournment will be at 4.

Clothing Shipped

The clothing drive has terminated very successfully. There have been shipped to government headquarters for clothing relief the following:

153 Overcoats
148 Men's and boys' woolen garments
157 Men's and boys' cotton garments
178 Women's woolen garments
413 Women's cotton garments
122 Infants' articles
There were 27 boxes, weighing 887 pounds. There were 1,172 pieces.

St. Francis church, the Methodist and Congregational churches, and Dwight chapel united in bringing in the above items. Many individuals gave generously. The small church at Dwight was not behind in its gifts.

Nearly 20 ladies spent the greater part of two days in assisting in the work of assembling and packing, to whom thanks is extended. In fact we thank most heartily all those who in any way furthered the enterprise.

We appreciate the splendid cooperation of Rev. Andrew Sullivan, Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Rev. Joseph Belcher, Rev. John P. Manwell and Rev. Maxwell Welch for publicizing the drive in their Sunday announcements.

The Committee

Attention, Parents and Guardians

Do we still need to worry about diphtheria? Only continued vigilance can keep this disease at its present low level. Diphtheria toxoid inoculations build a wall of immunity which, like the dikes of Holland, keeps the disease out of the community as long as we have the wall. In spite of all modern knowledge, usually one child out of ten who catch the disease, dies of it. Only those who have been protected need not fear diphtheria.

This is why we are asking all parents and guardians to help us in establishing the number of children who would be desirous of receiving the injection of diphtheria toxoid. Three injections are given, generally three or four weeks apart. Before giving the injection we give the Schick test to see whether or not the child can catch the disease. If a large enough number of children's names are submitted, we will have a clinic. Will you please fill in the sheets brought home by your school children and have them returned promptly. Any parents who have children of pre-school age and wish to have this service, please contact Mrs. Gould Ketchen, Maple Street, Belchertown, either by phone or writing, for this service is for you also.



Does Belchertown Need A Full-Time Policeman?

When October 12 proved to be just about the finest day of the entire fall, we were sure that Belchertown "gets the breaks" as far as fair weather is concerned.

But this year we were used to the "breaks." We've been getting them all fall, breaks in the real sense.

The State Police have spent a considerable amount of time here, the local police have been very busy, and a number of youngsters have been fingerprinted, interviewed, and so on.

Coming at the beginning of a new school year, after the close of a school year in June, when other investigations by police were filling the community with rumors and unrest, these new evidences of delinquency must raise questions in the minds of many citizens, and must have a disturbing effect upon education, among other things.

Belchertown may need the protection which can be furnished only by a regular full-time police official, paid an annual and adequate salary. We can no more expect adequate crime prevention here on a part-time basis than we could expect prevention of illiteracy, if we called in a teacher from some other job only when we had found someone who couldn't read or write his name.

I believe the chief of police and the constables in Belchertown are very much on the job. Please underline this. But they can't cover a beat every night in the center of town, and question those who are around after the stores are closed and most folks are in bed. A regular policeman, paid an annual and adequate salary, could do just that.

A good many of us would welcome a curfew here, an hour after which no youngster under 16 or 18 could be on the streets without a bona fide reason for being there. But it would be silly to have a curfew, unless it could be regularly enforced.

There are those who would look horror stricken, and gasp, "Good Lord, the tax rate!" if it were proposed that we hire a policeman and pay him, say, \$1,500 a year to be on the job each night. But it would be a small price to pay for removing the feeling that we are wide open for any sort of delinquency, juvenile or adult.

This is no longer a little town tucked away among the hills, accessible only after a long walk or buggy ride. It is a little town on several widely-traveled highways, very near several cities and large towns where undesirable people own cars, very near a large army camp.

If it is troubled by breaks now at a time when money is plentiful, and when almost everyone has a

job, what is likely to happen when conditions get worse and folks have more time than money on their hands?

For a good many years, we had no running water and little fire protection here. Attempts to improve the situation were met by much opposition on the part of those who feared the expense of protection. Now that we have the protection, I doubt if many feel that we have paid too much for it.

I am pretty sure that enough Belchertown people care enough for the town's reputation, and the good name of its citizens in general, and its young people in particular, to be willing to stand the expense of a regularly-paid policeman, if one is needed. If a few weeks of 1944 are any indication, it would seem that we can ill afford anything less.

At least the matter deserves discussion and possible presentation to the voters. We have no representative town body, such as the old Board of Trade, or even the P. T. A., who could bring this to a head. By the by, we need such a body, too, for many, many things.

Why not, perhaps, have the Men's Clubs of the churches invite the chief of police, a constable or two, and a State Trooper, and have a panel discussion on the best sort of protection for Belchertown? Out of such a meeting, open to the public, we might find a solution.

Otherwise, we may face a series of breaks, investigations and suspicions, periods of quiet with every car being watched, followed by more breaks, and so on. That is not good for Belchertown.

Let me repeat in all sincerity my belief that our own constables and chief of police are doing a very good piece of work. They will still have plenty to do, if a regularly-paid policeman is on duty each night. It simply seems to me that the time may have come to supplement them with a full-time man, or to pay one of them enough to make it possible for him to devote all his time to police work. As it is, being chief or constable must be actually a money-losing proposition to men who must spend sporadic days and nights trying to run down something which could conceivably have been prevented.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"On the whole, I proposed a more effectual watch, the hiring of proper men to serve constantly in that business. . . This idea, being approved by the Junto (Franklin's club) was communicated to the other clubs, but as arising in each of them; and though the plan was not carried immediately into execution, yet, by preparing the minds of people for the change, it paved the way for the law obtained a few years after. . ." from Franklin's Autobiography. . . 1788.

—Bob Jackson

Women's Guild Meeting

At the Women's Guild meeting held at the home of Mrs. Julia Ward on Wednesday afternoon, the guest speaker was Mrs. Arthur Davis of Ware, who spoke most interesting and informally on "Life in Morocco." Mrs. Davis traveled extensively in the Mediterranean countries previous to the war.

At the business meeting an added \$20 was voted to the church's serv-

icemen's committee. It was also voted to purchase a loud speaker for the church, with Mrs. A. E. Westwell and Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth the committee. The executive committee announced the appointment of Mrs. Harold Ketchen as auditor. The Guild was asked to sponsor a dinner for the Worcester West Firemen's Association in November. A committee was appointed to purchase needed kitchen equipment and make repairs. Note was also taken of the 90th birthday of Mrs. Bathie S. Stebbins, which occurs tomorrow. 33 were present.

Men's Club Meeting

About thirty attended the men's club meeting in the parish house on Wednesday evening. A fine supper was served by a joint committee, consisting of Harold F. Peck, Lincoln A. Cook, Albert Menard and W. Paige Piper.

At a business meeting following the repast, at which C. L. Randall pinch-hitted for Bill Young as presiding officer, the following slate of officers submitted by the nominating committee, Guy Harrington, chairman, was elected:

- President Rev. Joseph Belcher
Vice-President Kenneth Hawkins
Secretary Walter Dodge
Treasurer Donald Terry
Program Chairman Dr. Arthur E. Westwell

The speaker of the evening was William Lewonis, contact officer for the Veterans' Administration, who served with the marines in the first world war.

He explained in considerable detail the many benefits accruing to returning soldiers, including disability benefits, hospitalization, unemployment benefits, opportunities for further education (the length to be determined by the time in service), loans, etc. The rules governing the last named feature have not been fully developed.

Mr. Lewonis counseled the conversion of life insurance to a smaller amount that could be comfortably carried. He stressed the fact that as concerns loans for business purposes, one must classify as to business training and ability. In other words it will not be a case of hand-outs. A question period followed the talk.

The supper committee appointed for the next meeting is Chester Hussey, Walter Dodge, Rev. Harold Suhm and Harold Cook.

Grange Notes

Hope Grange of Hadley will hold a dance at Hopkins' Academy on October 26. Southampton Grange will hold its annual fair October 26. Roast pork supper from 5.30 to 7. Pomona Grange will be held at Amherst November 2, at 8 p. m., preceded by supper at 6.30 p. m.



"My neighbor on next street had a telephone installed. Why did he get one before me?"

The above question is often asked of telephone people. The basis on which new telephones are installed today is that they must be essential to the proper discharge of the user's duties in the armed forces, war work, or public welfare and security. Your neighbor may be in one of these classifications. Or if he had telephone service before, and moved within his immediate area, he would be entitled to transfer his service. Nobody will be put ahead of you on the waiting list except reasons like these.



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Pfc. Walter M. Wadsworth. 2503 7th Avenue North Trailer No. 27A Great Falls, Montana

Corp. Henry E. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Brown, returns to Camp Shelby, Miss., on Monday, after spending a furlough at his home in town. His leave was for 15 days.

Pfc. Herbert D. Hines, stationed with the Coast Artillery in Bermuda, is spending a 15-day furlough with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pierce of Federal Street.

Mrs. John R. Fairchild and son, John, Jr., of Encinitas, Cal., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Fairchild of Jabish Street. They are the wife and son of 1st Sgt. John R. Fairchild, formerly of this town, now stationed in Hawaii.

Cpl. Russell Donovan of West Medford, who is home on furlough, has been a guest at the home of F. D. Farley for a few days. Donovan is a buddy and friend of Cpl. David Farley. They are both stationed at Walla Walla Air Base in Washington.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

—continued from previous week—

Note.—Mrs. Kinmonth has also received from her sister a piece of camouflaged parachute cloth and a German knife she would be glad to show to friends.

August 25, 4.35 a. m. I could not get this out yesterday. It's darned cold here so I put on another shirt and my combat pants. Wish you could have seen Sully and me trying to find the "mess hall". It's a darned long walk in pitch black night air. We floundered around, bumped into the "Lister" bag, and got tangled up in our barbed wire. Struck us all so funny but even a plane could have heard us.

Right at present I have a ward almost filled with German patients, and are they delighted to be in an American hospital! They surely do not want to go back to the front. We get some real Nazis, though; these we told where to go and to be quiet. Hitler is Caput. We are working plenty again and we do get some messes out of this run, but most are Germans and French. My German will be par excellent when I get out of this run.

We know now how Roosevelt feels to have people on sidewalks waving and cheering at him. We had the French all along the way. So, president or "nuts," people will wave and cheer. He "ain't" got nothin' on us. Ha! Ha!

29th Aug., 7.10 p. m. We've surely had some bad cases, and they keep you stepping. It is

very interesting what can be done in three tents. That gives us 60 patients, and though that is not many, when they are so badly wounded, it does keep you stepping. I think they still have a back log in the operating room.

We have had "fun" tonight, and with it all my ward man got drunk. I put him to bed and told him to stay there and get out of my sight, but he bounced around, so I got mad and you can bet he went off flying. He is a grand fellow when he can't get drunk, but this country is poor for a fellow that likes booze. He'll get up at 6 and do his work or I'll know the reason why.

I wouldn't like a station hospital—too much gypsy in me. I like this moving along the front. At least you can see something. When we were at St. Mere Eglese it was very interesting; this place right here is even too quiet for me. I'd like the S. Pacific—maybe it's warmer. All I hope is that they don't decide to go to Iceland?—ha! ha! No mail for some time. We'll be so glad when it does come in. Don't worry.

August 31 Fritz and I just had a cup of coffee. He said that if I get to Germany to go and visit his people, and gave me the address. He lives in Essen. I really have had some grand prisoners. Fritz is not a Nazi and he said when this war is over, there will not be any more Nazis in Germany—they are not satisfied with it at all. On their jackets they have a big, white P. W., and Fritz laughed and said, "The Americans don't have to worry about the real German prisoner running away—if they go back, they will only be put back in the army."

He gave me the insignia from his coat, as he says he is not a Nazi. My boys like him and they get along very well.

Sull just came over for me to go to her ward and look at a cast. That kid will go back to Germany with only one leg. Last nite I had mostly all Germans here, which was very "goot." First, when I fill up "mitt Germans," it means our boys are giving more than they are getting. Second, in Big letters, my German is improving.

I really do feel sorry for these kids. They are made to fight, the same as ours. We get along very well, and I can't forget that someone loves them the same as someone loves ours. I treat them as I'd want them to treat Ray, Jr., or William, if they were in a German hospital. Some of our patients that have been returned from the German hospital, said they were treated very well, and they gave them the best treatment they could. Also, I do not forget the obligation I took many years ago—Race, Color, Creed—and I hope I never forget it while I'm a nurse (or supposed to be).

Fritz says this war is not for civilized people—a man should be home with his family. That's true, too, and be he German or American, I'd give him my shirt if he needed it. Must go to work now.

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Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Phillip Barnes, Harvey Sampson, Robert Hanifin, Nellie Lysik, Euclid Blasi, Gould Ketchen, Raymond Sullivan, Victor Smola, Milton Stone, Mildred Cole, Edward J. Parsons, Ross Sillman, Richard Jacques, John Izyk.

Grade 3—Harry Sessions. Truck tire—Stanley Grela.

War Fund Rally

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Dr. Henry A. Tadgeil, Chairman Captain Harry Ryther Assistants

Mrs. Carl Peterson, Mrs. Hudson Holland—Sargent St., Enfield Rd., Allen St. to Shays Highway. Mrs. Nellie Shattuck—Shays Highway from Allen St. to Pelham line.

Mrs. Raymond Jenks—Dwight. Mrs. Marjorie Tilton—Pond Hill. Mrs. Willard Young, Mrs. Harold Peck—Jackson and Cottage Sts. Mrs. Donald Hazen—Around Comm.

Miss Bernice Shaw, Mrs. Wm. Pero—North Main St. Miss Nellie Shea, Miss Eleanor Fitzgerald—Franklin District. Fred E. Buss—Federal St. to Shays Highway.

Mrs. Paul Bock, Mrs. Max Bock—B. Hawley's up the Amherst Rd. and around on Allen St. to Shays Highway.

Harold Ryder Assistants

Mrs. Charles O'Reilly, Mrs. Belting Jackson—Maple St.

Mrs. Alfred Squires, Mrs. Alma Lindquist—South Main St.

Mrs. Helen Allen, Mrs. Barbara Henneman—Jabish St., Everett Avenue, East Walnut St.

Mrs. Clarence Morey—No. Washington St. to underpass.

Mrs. Clifton Witt—Boardman, Underwood and State St. to railroad tracks.

Mrs. Pearl Green—Turkey Hill and Rockrimmon St. to Croney's corner.

Mrs. Elliott Corder—Cold Spring District.

Mrs. Thomas Hanifin—Mill Valley Road to Shuttleworth's.

Mrs. Rachel Baker—Old Springfield Road, Chauncey Walker St., Shumway's to Granby. Mrs. Everett Geer, Mrs. Francis Austin—Liberty District, all south of Bardwell St. to the line.

Roy Kimball Metropolitan Water District Group Assistant Mrs. Roy Kimball—Ware line to Jabish St.

Dr. Arthur E. Westwell State School Group Assistant Paul T. Austin Captain Mrs. Raymond A. Kinmonth Telephone Contacts

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. John Banas of Lacomia Street, Indian Orchard, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennie Theresa, to Hubert F. Greene, only son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Greene of State Street. No wedding date has been set.

Mrs. Carrie Wakefield of Barnstead, N. H., is guest for a month of her sister, Mrs. Lottie Slater, and other relatives.

The committee having in charge the Children's Aid solicitation, announces that total receipts to date are \$101, besides many gifts of merchandise taken to the Home.

Dr. and Mrs. James L. Collard had as week-end guest, Mrs. Collard's sister, Mrs. Muriel Bower of New York City.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth have had as guests Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer, Miss Violet Meyer, Miss Marjorie Rosebrooks, and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Smith, all of Stonington, Conn., and William Krone of New York City.

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THREE RIVERS

Dies in Northampton

Mrs. Leila (Blackmer) Ahearn, 38, wife of William J. Ahearn, of Northampton, died last week Thursday night at Dickinson hospital after a short illness.

Born in this town, the daughter of the late Nelson and Nettie (Chamberlain) Blackmer, she had lived in Northampton for 4½ years. Besides her husband Mrs. Ahearn leaves a daughter, Rosalie; four sisters, Mrs. Celia Pratt of this town, Mrs. Doris Gollenbusch of Oakland, Cal., Mrs. Myrtle Favre of Hazardville, Ct., and Mrs. Emma Pierce of Thompsonville, Ct., and one brother, Milton Blackmer of Hazardville.

The funeral was held at the Ahearn funeral home on Monday morning at 8.15, with a high mass of requiem in St. Mary's church at 9. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery.

an outing Sunday afternoon, when they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimball of the Metropolitan area. The party will leave the parish house at 1. All the young people of the parish are invited. A fine time is guaranteed.

A Halloween party will feature the Double or Nothing club meeting next Tuesday evening in the parish house. The committee is Mr. and Mrs. Guy Allen, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shumway and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Henneman.

The Home Department of the Congregational Church School will meet with Mrs. Mary Jackson next week Friday afternoon at 2.30.

The Women's Guild will hold a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Shumway, Wednesday evening, November 1st, at 8 o'clock. Both bridge and pitch will be played.

Lodge Installation

The public installation ceremonies of Vernon Lodge of Masons were largely attended in Masonic Hall last Saturday night. A supper preceded the seating of officers.

R. W. Edwin L. Davis and suite of Chicopee installed these officers: worshipful master, Dr. Raymond A. Kinmonth; senior warden, Warren E. Tyler; junior warden, Frank E. Farrington, Sr.; secretary, William E. Shaw; treasurer, Everett A. Geer; chaplain, Rev. Harold D. Suhm; marshal, Dr. James L. Collard; senior deacon, Stanley F. Rhodes; junior deacon, Gould Ketchen; senior steward, Henry Randall; junior steward, Kenneth Hawkins; organist, Dr. Arthur E. Westwell; Tyler, Roy G. Shaw.

Supper arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Belding F. Jackson, chairman; Mrs. D. Donald Hazen,

Congregational Church Notes

The Youth Fellowship will go on

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Senior Scouts Hold First Meeting

The Senior Scouts held their first meeting Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Louis Fuller. Sixteen girls were present. Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Westwell explained to us about Senior Scouting. We chose the plan of electing officers. The following officers were elected:

President Barbara Hudson
Secretary Diane Allen
Treasurer Charlotte Dube

We are planning to start with a Good Grooming project, having people come in and tell us how to take care of the hair, nails and skin. We also hope to have someone who is a buyer for a large clothing store come in and tell us the type of clothing best suited to each girl. All the girls are also planning to go in groups to the Red Cross rooms and put in a good deal of time making bandages.

The next meeting will be held on November 1 at 7.30 p. m. at Mrs. Fuller's home. By next meeting we expect to have even more girls belonging to our Club. It is very different from regular Scouting and is loads of fun.

Diane Allen, Sec'y

Kraft-Witt Wedding

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mother wore a gown of lavender crepe with an orchid corsage. Mrs. Witt, Sr., wore a blue crepe dress with orchid corsage.

The couple left on an unannounced wedding trip, the bride traveling in an aquamarine wool suit, with brown accessories and orchid corsage. They will be at home after November 1, at Milford, Ct.

The bride was born in Bangor, Me., attended Springfield schools, and Bay Path Institute, and has been employed by the Springfield Ordnance district. The groom was born in this town, graduated at the local high school and Massachusetts State college. He is employed as accountant with General Electric Company in Bridgeport, Ct.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts held their second meeting today at the chapel. There is a chart for the dues and attendance for each patrol. At the end of the year, there will be a prize for the patrol having the best attendance and paid up dues.

On Nov. 4, from 9 to 12, the

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A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by George F. Bell of Granby in said County, praying that he be appointed executor thereof, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventeenth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
Oct. 20-27-Nov. 3

Scouts will collect papers. We would like to have them tied and placed in front of the house, so as not to bother the housewives. They are to go to the Springfield hospital.

The Girl Scouts will be around selling cadet cards from the 20th to 27th.

The badges to be worked on this year are nature, which Mrs. Hussey will give; first aid, which Mrs. Miner will give.

Barbara Young, Scribe

Fire Department Calls

Oct. 16. Chimney fire at Earl Howland's.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Answer to Cynicism."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
"Hobbies."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Modern Lessons from an Ancient Vision."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Firemen's Association Meeting.

TUESDAY

Extension Service Meeting at Mrs. Ruth Kempkes' at 2 p. m.
"Home Life Today and Tomorrow."
Methodist Youth Fellowship Halloween Party at the home of Miss Lois Chadbourne.

WEDNESDAY

Senior Girl Scouts with Mrs. Louis Fuller at 7.30 p. m.
Monthly meeting of the Official Board of the Methodist Church with Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt at 7.45 p. m.

Women's Guild Card Party with Mrs. E. F. Shumway at 8 p. m.
Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Annual Chicken Pie Supper at Dwight Chapel from 5.30 to 7.30 p. m.

FRIDAY

Legion and Auxiliary Installation in Memorial hall.

TODAY

Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Mary Jackson at 2.30 p. m.

TOMORROW

Congregational Youth Fellowship Halloween Party at Parish House at 8 p. m.

Exhibit at Jones Library

Belchertown people will be interested to know that Richard Gabel of this town now has on display at the Jones Library in Amherst a collection of paintings, drawings, and prints. Since several of the items on display are of local scenes, the exhibit will be of interest to Belchertown residents. The exhibit opened Monday and will last for three weeks.

Mr. Gabel is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, and studied in the John R. Frazier School of Painting, Provincetown, and Syracuse University. He has exhibited his paintings in group shows in Providence, R. I., Pittsburgh, Pa., and Washington, D. C., and has had one-man shows in La Salle, Ill., and Rock Island, Ill.

Previous to moving to Belchertown, Mr. Gabel taught art, wood-working and metalwork in the public schools of Providence, R. I. He married the former Evelyn Sessions of this town.

Takes Plane for Africa

Dr. Newell S. Booth, recently appointed by the Methodist Church as bishop for Africa, left this week by plane for that country, first flying to Miami, and from there on to Africa, with only a few stops for refueling. The Miami-Africa route is a new plane route, this particular trip being the first time with passengers.

The plane trip will consume four days, but when Dr. Booth reaches Africa, it will take him six days to get to Elisabethville.

Dr. Booth's parish is an area of 10,000 square miles. He did not know until this last Tuesday noon that plane accommodations were being made immediately available, so his leave-taking was a hurried one.

Resigns from B. H. S. Faculty

Miss Bernice Shaw, eighth grade teacher in the High school, has accepted a position as teacher of science and mathematics in the Danielson, Connecticut High School. Besides doing excellent work in the schools here the last three years, she has made valued contributions to the community. She begins her new duties November 27.

Dates Spoken For

Nov. 8

Extension Service Christmas Gift meeting.

Nov. 9

Public Supper in the Methodist Vestry under the auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. Conference following.

Visit Pike's Peak

Excerpts from Letter from Chaplain Richard F. Manwell

At 4 a. m. on Tuesday we went for our 5-day leave to Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs is a famous resort town. The Presbyterian minister loaned us his car. We saw the Seven Falls, Helen Hunt Jackson's grave on Inspiration Point of Cheyenne Mountain, visited the zoo, and could see on a pinnacle above the zoo the beautiful shrine to the memory of Will Rogers on Cheyenne Mountain. We could hear the beautiful chimes from his shrine ringing the hours.

The zoo was most interesting to me—the first I ever visited, thus filling in an educational gap in my life. It was apparently very complete: snakes, lions, leopards, coyotes, deer, camels, bears, etc.—almost every animal except the elephant, absent perhaps because of the election year. The donkey was especially interesting, being native to this region.

The amazing sight to me was the view from Inspiration Point and Pike's Peak. The Rockies rise abruptly from the plains. One can see the plains stretching into the infinity of the horizon—perfectly flat and almost entirely devoid of trees.

We had climbed Pike's Peak via the cog railroad—the steam locomotive and single car practically identical with the conveyance up Mount Washington. In fact the ancient railway car bore the caption: made in Springfield, Mass., by the Wason Mfg. Co.!

Imagine coming to Pike's Peak from Belchertown, only to ascend in a car made in Springfield, Mass. My, how the engine huffed and puffed up the steep grade—much of it at a 25 degree angle.

Pike's Peak has an elevation of slightly over 14,000 feet (14,110 to be exact) and it was bitterly cold on top. There was a good deal of snow, and the observation tower and telegraph poles were thickly covered with frost feathers. The view was magnificent. In the distance could be seen ranges of snow-clad peaks, and to the east stretched the endless expanse of plains. The trip up was beautiful, too—the yellow aspens making splashes of fall coloring against a background of evergreens, mostly spruce. Near the summit was a beautiful glacial lake, fed by the melting snows.

Imagine ascending to the summit of Pike's Peak! I have often seen pictures of it, and read in history of the familiar legend painted on the sides of the old Prairie Schooners, "Pike's Peak or Bust!" but I never expected to see it, say nothing of climbing it. The guide on the train had pointed it out last spring.

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Chicken Pie Supper at Dwight

A chicken pie supper will be held at Dwight Chapel next week Thursday evening, November 2, from 5.30 to 7.30. The menu will include mashed potato, chicken pie, boiled onions, squash, cranberry sauce, celery, bread, butter, coffee and choice of apple, squash, mince and pumpkin pie. Price is 75 cents for adults; 40 cents for children 8 to 10; 25 cents for children under 8.

This is expected to be the one supper of the season and it is hoped that there will be a large turnout. If the attendance equals that of last year, the chapel expenses for the coming year will be largely taken care of.

Hazelites Meet Here

A group of worthy matrons and worthy patrons and associates of the Order of the Eastern Star in Western Massachusetts, called the Western Hazelites, met here Sunday afternoon at 4 at Masonic hall. Thirty were present, with the worthy matron of Mount Vernon chapter, Mrs. Frederick Utley, and Mr. Utley, the worthy patron of the chapter, as hostess and host.

A meeting at 4 was followed by a turkey dinner at 5. C. M. Jepson showed colored slides of "Views of New England." A Halloween party concluded the evening program.

The officers of the group present were: Mrs. Erwin Reed of Longmeadow, president; Mrs. Charles Gallup of Pittsfield, vice-president; Mrs. Horace A. Weake, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Mary Gardner of Westfield, historian; and Mrs. C. M. Jepson of Springfield, publicity chairman. Members were present from Springfield, Amherst, Longmeadow, Easthampton, Holyoke, South Hadley Falls, Haydenville and North Brookfield.

Dissolution Completed

In a communication from Atty. J. H. Schoonmaker of Ware, dated October 19, he says:

"You will be interested to know that last Monday the Court decreed the dissolution of the Enfield Library Association, and this completes two years' work out of our office on this matter from the beginning to the end.

"I am today mailing to each library the amount of \$5,353.07, and for your files, if you ever wish to know about it; I append the items making the total to each library."

Incidentally we understand that the Court complimented Attorney Schoonmaker on the way the case had been handled.

Thanks should go again to the Enfield people interested in Belchertown, who made this "bequest" possible.



October 1st Season Of Stuffed Stomachs

Among other things, fall is the season of the church supper, the harvest dinner, the post-meeting refreshments, the fraternal fattening. It seems the ambition of every group of people, large and small, to imitate the harvest moon, and become as round and full as possible before winter sets in and some of the food gets stored in a more permanent pausing place than the intestinal tracts.

There is something about the piles of vegetables, the well-fed animals and birds, the general lazy and hazy condition of the atmosphere that puts most of us into the frame of mind enjoyed by the famed Ichabod Crane in Irving's Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Do you remember those tasty paragraphs of description of the countryside as seen through the eyes of that lean and hunger-ridden school-master?

"The pedagogue's mouth watered, as he looked upon this sumptuous promise of luxurious winter fare. In his devouring mind's eye he pictured to himself every roasting pig running about with a pudding in his belly, and an apple in his mouth, the pigeons were snugly put to bed in a comfortable pie, and tucked in with a coverlet of crust; the geese were swimming in their own gravy; and the ducks pairing cozily in dishes, like snug married couples, with a decent competence of onion-sauce. In the porkers he saw carved out the future sleek side of bacon, and juicy relishing ham; not a turkey but he beheld daintily trussed up, with its gizzard under its wing, and, peradventure, a neck of savory sausages; and even bright chancicleer himself lay sprawling on his back, in a side-dish, with uplifted claws, as if craving that quarter which his chivalrous spirit disdained to ask while living.

(And later) "His eye, ever open to every symptom of culinary abundance, ranged with delight over the treasures of jolly autumn. On all sides he beheld vast store of apples; some hanging in oppressive opulence on the trees; some gathered into baskets and barrels for the market; others heaped up in rich piles for the cider-press. Farther on, he beheld great fields of Indian corn, with its golden ears peeping from their leafy coverlets, and holding out the promise of cakes and hasty-pudding; and the yellow pumpkins lying beneath them, turning up their fair round bellies to the sun, and giving ample prospects of the most luxurious of pies; and anon he passed the fragrant buckwheat fields, breathing the odor of the bee-hive, and as he beheld them, soft anticipations stole over his mind of dainty slapiacks, well buttered, and garnished with honey or treacle, by the delicate little dimpled hand of Katrina Van Tassel.

(Still later, as he views the charms of a genuine Dutch country

tea table): "Such heaped-up platters of cakes of various and almost indescribable kinds, known only to experienced Dutch housewives! There was the doughy doughnut, the tenderer oly kock, and the crisp and crumbling cruller; sweet cakes and short cakes, ginger-cakes and honey-cakes, and the whole family of cakes. And then there were apple-pies and peach-pies and pumpkin-pies; besides slices of ham and smoked beef; and moreover delectable dishes of preserved plums, and peaches, and pears, and quinces; not to mention broiled shad and roasted chickens; together with bowls of milk and cream, all mingled higgledy piggledy, pretty much as I have enumerated them, with the motherly tea-pot sending up its clouds of vapor from the midst..."

There may be more edible lines in literature, but I have yet to find them. Never have I discussed them in class before lunch without acute suffering.

Ichabod Crane lived and dodged heads long ago, but the appetizing nature of the autumn has not changed. Festal boards groan the length and breadth of New England, and stop groaning only to have the diners carry on where the boards leave off. Locally, this is undoubtedly the time of the year when our village relives the undainty origin of its first syllable. Our colonial ancestor could probably trace his lineage back to him who sat so often at autumnal English banquets that his gastronomic enthusiasm lent a name to succeeding generations.

One has neither time nor stomach to take in all the delicacies offered in October. For instance, in order to sit at a Longmeadow dinner last Wednesday afternoon, your servant was forced to pass up an educational feast in Springfield, a Scout dinner in Amherst, and a church supper here at home. Such a waste—such a waist!

This blast of banquets has its serious and solemn side in many of our family circles. Week after week we watch food being cooked in our kitchen, smell the savory aroma escaping from oven and stove top, and then tearfully behold the products being carted away to stuff the mongrel maws of visiting brethren and sisters. Verily twice within a fortnight have tremendous turkeys come to roost in our home, their pale breastbones rising from mounds of plumpness. Here they have been cooked to brown perfections, filling huge roasting pans with stuffed lusciousness. Here they have been lovingly prepared, and then—oh, sad mystery of fate—they have flown away, leaving an atmosphere of Thanksgiving to whet our appetite for hot dogs. All during the autumnal season, the most perfect of pumpkin pies, the corkingest casseroles, the craftiest cakes, the brownest beans, the succulentest salads—all leave their birthplace to be devoured by others for the glorious cause of fraternal friendliness or something similar.

In vain we beg a wedge of pie, a hunk of drumstick, a scoop of salad, or a cut of casserole—our sacrifice must be complete! As we carry our unburnt offerings to the temple and view the sleek and plumpish ones who are about to gorge on that which we may only smell, we feel like a Rumanian refugee in the presence of Goering, and barely stifle

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our "Hopeitohokesyer" before we slink back to our soup and saltines. It must be truly terrible to wake from the bliss of the honeymoon and discover that one's bride cannot cook; but it is more acutely painful to discover too late that she is destined to an annual round of "servin' on suppers" at the very time when our sinful stomach most needs her skillful ministrations.

And yet—come close and let me whisper—once, yes once—set it up in three-point type!—she came home with a half-pound of butter! And when winter has really settled down and all the fellowships have been fed to the fetlocks, if I'm very good, I'll have a pumpkin pie all my very own (unless there's a committee meeting!)

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"For nothing keeps a poet In his high singing mood Like unappeasable hunger For unattainable food." Joyce Kilmer —Bob Jackson

Girl Scout Notes

We met at the parish house yesterday. Made plans for collecting newspapers for Springfield hospital on November 4. The second class Scouts will have a Juliet Low birthday party for the new Scouts next Thursday. We started our badge work, Mrs. Hussey giving the nature badge and Mrs. Miner the first aid.

Betty Robertson

Grange Notes

Worthy Master Charles H. Sanford, Mrs. Iola Shircliff and Mrs. Pearl Green attended the State Grange meeting at Worcester on Tuesday. Another member of the local Grange in attendance was Arthur E. Pease of Northampton.

Town Items

David M. Hunter returned Tuesday from a few days' visit with his brother, Walter Hunter, of Avon, Conn.

Judith Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Sanford, was taken yesterday to Wing Memorial hospital, Palmer, for an appendectomy.

All the registrants from Belchertown taking pre-induction physicals last Saturday, were rejected.

The Senior Girl Scouts will meet with Mrs. Louis Fuller next Wednesday evening at 7.30.

The first Extension meeting of a series on "Home Life, Today and Tomorrow" will be held Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ruth Kempkes. It will be open to the public, and will be conducted by Mrs. N. Mae Larson, State Child Development Specialist.

Visit Pike's Peak —continued from page 1—

and I could see its snow-covered head in the distance. There wasn't much snow on it this week, but enough to sink ankle deep in spots.

Another interesting sight was the Garden of the Gods, where the famous Easter Sunrise Service is held annually. It consists of strange rock formations, richly colored in varying shades of red, eroded into odd shapes by wind and water.

We also visited "The Cave of the Winds," but didn't enter the cave. The price was a bit steep, and besides, we thought it would be little different from the caves around Glenwood Springs.

We took kodachrome pictures with the last of the films given us by the Double or Nothing club. It will certainly be fun, sometime, to show these pictures back home, and we hope this roll is as successful as the others.

So much for the trip. I wish I could give a more complete description of the western ways of dress (bow legs and cowboy boots are still a familiar sight here), of the ranches we passed, the frequency of the peaks, mountains, hawks, the mining towns such as Leadville, etc. Will tell you more some other time.

After completing our trip to Colorado Springs, we are both more than ever convinced that Glenwood Springs is unsurpassed for beauty of scenery—of a different sort, perhaps. The Glenwood Canyon is a really unique work of nature, and the surrounding mountains offer an endless wealth of beauty. But it was surely fine getting away for a few days. The hospital can get depressing at times, and it's been a steady grind for nearly seven months now.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN Office of the Collector of Taxes

To the owners of the hereinafter described parcels of land situated in the Town of Belchertown in the County of Hampshire and The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and to all others concerned.

You are hereby notified that on Friday, the tenth day of November, 1944, at four o'clock P. M., Eastern War Time, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intention to take for the Town of Belchertown the following parcels of land for non-payment, after demand, of the taxes thereon, with interest and all necessary intervening charges, or any unpaid balance of said taxes, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

Taxes of 1943 Joseph Kulig, Heirs or Devises Heirs of Joseph Kulig as shown by records of Hampshire County Probate Court: Anna Lignar, Albert Kulig, Bertha Lanon, Edward Kulig, Andrew Kulig, Mary Lanon, Stefania Kulig.

A certain tract of land, known as Champagne Lot, containing about one-fourth of an acre, situated on westerly side of Keyes Street

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Lura Hamel, late of Woonohock, Rhode Island, deceased: The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-first day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register Oct. 27-Nov. 3-10

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Celia A. Slein late of Ware in said County, deceased: The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-first day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

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Robert A. White, Seaman 2nd Class U. S. N. R. Gen'l Delivery Building 4102 NT's Newport, R. I.

William E. Isaac, Seaman 1st Class A. M. M. Section 32-4 NAFGTU Dam Neck Virginia Beach, Va.

Staff Sergt. Clifford Holt has been serving with the first base Ordnance Depot in France, helping to reconition captured motor and other equipment for use of the allied armies.

Tech. Sergt. Andrew T. Sears has been transferred from Columbia Air Base, S. C., to Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas. Sergt. and Mrs. Sears and another couple made the trip by auto.

Pvt. and Mrs. Arthur L. Desormier are parents of a daughter, Alberta Ann, born at Ludlow hospital on October 18. Pvt. Desormier is now overseas. The child is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. H. Tucker. In fact there are five generations of the Tucker family now living. The mother and grandmother live on the old Knight place on Turkey Hill, and a great grandmother and a great, great grandmother live in West Springfield.

Corp. John Hanifin, who has been with the Special Service Engineers' Group in India since last January, arrived at his home here last Saturday night, returning on Sunday to Lovell hospital at Fort Devens. He was flown by plane to Miami, and from there to Fort Devens.

Coxswain and Mrs. Roy Adams of Dorchester spent a few days recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hubbard.

Sergt. and Mrs. Clarence R. Hubbard, after spending his furlough with his parents, have returned, he to Camp Polk, La., and his wife to Holyoke where she will remain after having spent six months with him in Texas and Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hubbard entertained on Monday Staff Sergt. Neil Epperson, Mr. Epperson having returned from 66 missions over Germany. He is brother-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Hubbard.

From a recent letter received by Mrs. Hazel Hubbard from her husband, Pvt. 1st Class Ralph Hubbard, it will be of interest to friends to know that he is with Gen. Patton and has been through two major battles, receiving two silver stars. He is in the best of health.

Ensign Robert Dyer, Jr., who has been stationed at Jacksonville, Fla., is home for a few days.

Warrant Officer Joseph Pinski, Jr., is a trouble shooter stationed at the 7th AAF base, where the young man is assistant engineering officer. He has been nine years in AAF maintenance work and was line chief at Ft. Sumner, N. M., before going overseas in April, 1943.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

—continued from previous week—

September 6 I did not have to go on duty yesterday as we were to go to Paris, but learned Paris is off limits, so would not let us go. Monday nite, while talking with the kids, Peg came in and said they were going for a trip to the ration depot Tuesday, so I said, "I'm off, so I'll go for the ride." We were to leave at 9 a. m. At 8.50 the kids said, "Bud, we can hitch hike it to Paris from the depot—soooo—changed my fatigues and got into my O. D. slacks, and believe you me, it was a quick change. We left here at 10 a. m., 5 nurses and 2 M. D.'s. The truck took us as far as Versailles, where they dumped us out and we were to thumb from there. Along came a weapons' carrier with 6 G. I.'s, and they picked us up. There were 11 of us in the back in a space for 6. We rode about 2 miles from "Gay Paree," when the boys saw some of their convoy with a flat tire, so they had to stop. We got out and found a Frenchman in a small sedan, so we got him to take us into the city. We landed in Paris at 2 p. m. The boys went their way and we started out to see what we could see. It is a very lovely city, decidedly different from London. The people are by far, more dressy—better looking women and very sociable. Of course they speak very poor French (they could not understand mine!!!), but we had loads of fun getting acquainted. The first thing we did was to do some shops. Then we took a "taxi," a wicker cart pulled by a Frenchman on a bicycle. The 3 of us got in—it only holds 2—but we crowded in, American style, and laughed. All the Frenchmen hooted and waved at us and laughed, too.

They all ride bikes—hundreds of them—that's the only way they have of getting around. You can't cross the street because of them, and they have traffic cops directing bicycle traffic.

We finally got the Frenchman to understand we wanted to go to the "La Tour Eiffel." We started off, and did he pant and puff with our load. Finally we landed there at a cost of 3 packages of American cigarettes each. But he earned them. We saw a jeep with some G. I.'s, so chatted with the boys, 3 of them, so the three of us got in the jeep and saw Paris. Left them at the Opera House, did some more shopping, and met the rest at the "Ambassador" for dinner. It was the only place in Paris where we could get any food, and that was G. I. rations. They have not any food to sell at all.

It was then 6 p. m. and none of us knew how we were getting back to Paris, which was only 80 miles away.

We decided to ride in one of those two-wheeled carriages, "A Calache." The old buzzard wanted 300 francs to take us about a mile, so out we got and had an argument with him. Along came these French people, and were they angry! They said he should take the Americans free. We said, "No," and walked off. With that we heard some shooting and saw a crowd running a German down an alley. There are still a few Germans left, posing as Frenchmen.

This was 8 p. m. Luck was with us again. There stood a truck with

some nurses in it. One recognized me. I had seen her somewhere, but could not remember. I said hello! and found out she was from the 41st. Five of us got into their truck. It was to leave at 8, but we got started at 10. Got lost coming out of Paris and rode around the same square three times. Then when we got as far as Dreux, got lost again.

It was a real thrill to ride out of Paris in a blackout. We got her at 1.15 a. m., frozen.

I want to send this out, but there is such a shortage of gas, that they can't send or get mail, so I do not know when this will go out. We still have some very sick boys left in the hospital, which we can't evacuate until the ambulances get gas. Bud

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Telephones for applicants whose names are on our waiting lists are being installed as rapidly as conditions permit.

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Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bilodeau of Chicopee Falls are the parents of a son, William Earl, born at Providence hospital on the 14th. The

child is a grandson of Mrs. Henry Baggs of this town. Miss Lyda Spence and Miss Alice Alcott of Torrington, Ct., spent last week Thursday with Mrs. John T. Flaherty.

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Card of Thanks

My sincere thanks to the friends and neighbors, who with their gifts of flowers and cards of greeting, helped to make my 90th birthday one to be remembered with great pleasure.

Bathie S. Stebbins

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson of Boston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Collis.

Mrs. Laurretta Amico and son, Francis, are spending a few weeks with relatives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Trefle Beaudoin are spending a few weeks in St. Gabriel and Montreal, Can.

Mrs. Bertram E. Shaw of Leverett, formerly of this town, sang two solos, "In the Garden" and "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me," during the devotional hour over WHAI yesterday morning.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Regina Bryla, Nellie Lysick, Robert Hanifin, Ross Sillman, Wanda Squires, Raymond Kinmonth, William Tucker, Peter Whitaker, Odilon Forest, Edward Endelson, Andrew Sullivan, Carl Corliss, Henry Witt and Antoine Bronner.

Grade 3—Donat Demers (2).
Truck Tires—Walter Walas, Jos. Socha.

Congregational Church Notes

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Mary Jackson this afternoon at 2.30.

The Youth Fellowship will hold a Halloween party at the parish house tomorrow evening at 8.

The Women's Guild will hold a card party with Mrs. E. F. Shumway next week Wednesday evening at 8. Reservations should be made of Mrs. Shumway.

Fourteen couples were in attendance at the Double or Nothing Club Halloween Party on Tuesday evening.

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PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Myrtle D. Bell, late of Granby in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by George F. Bell of Granby in said County, praying that he be appointed executor thereof, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventeenth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
Oct. 20-27-Nov. 3

Methodist Church Notes

A Youth Fellowship Halloween social will be held with Miss Lois Chadbourne next Tuesday evening, October 31.

Fourteen were present at the meeting of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. held with Mrs. Margaret Bock on Tuesday evening. Plans were made for a public supper to be held November 9, to be followed by a conference, open to the parish. Mrs. Albert Menard is chairman of the supper committee.

The monthly meeting of the official board will be held next Wednesday evening at 7.45 with Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt.

Clapp Memorial Library

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Maxwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Maxwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Making a Success of Life."
—Communion Service.
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
"Hobbies."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"He Took the Cup." Communion Meditation.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Teachers' Association in Commercial room at B. H. S. at 3.45 p. m.

TUESDAY

National and State Election. Polls open at both precincts from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.
Annual Grange Meeting, preceded by Family Night Supper at 6.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Extension Service Christmas Gift meeting in recreation room at Memorial hall at 2 p. m.
O. E. S. Inspection. Opening at 5, Supper at 6.30, Inspection at 8. Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Richard A. French at 7.30 p. m.

THURSDAY

Public Supper in the Methodist Vestry under the auspices of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. from 5.30 to 7 p. m.

FRIDAY

Extension Meeting in Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.

TODAY

Legion and Auxiliary Installation in Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW

Girl Scout Paper Collection from 10 to 11 a. m.

Quiet Halloween

According to Chief of Police Albert Markham, Halloween in town was the quietest in years and quite in contrast with some "celebrations" in other communities. Not even the store windows were soaped. Chief Markham believes that there was more parental oversight this year, which he wishes to commend. Halloween parties were held, but the parents saw that their offspring got home. In recent years, following Halloween parties, gotten up to appease youth, there has often been more devilry than ever afterwards. Then, too, unsavory youthful episodes this summer, followed by court action, has undoubtedly been a restraining influence.

Chief Markham was on duty till 1 a. m., but had no cause to exercise his official function.

Joint Installation Tonight

There will be a joint public installation of the officers of Chauncey D. Walker Post 239 and the Auxiliary, this evening at 8 in Lawrence Memorial Hall. District Commander Solomon Provost of Chicopee and suite will install the Legion officers, and Mrs. Norman Stockhaus, district president, of Greenfield and suite will install the Auxiliary officers.

The installation will be followed by refreshments and dancing with the use of the B. H. S. victrola.

Dies in Gardner

News has been received in town of the death last week Wednesday night of Herbert Franklin West, 77, at the Gardner State Hospital. He was born in this town, the second of five children of the late Howard C. and Mariet (Cady) West, only one brother surviving, Myron C. West, of Wilmette, Ill.

Mr. West attended Massachusetts Agricultural College, and was a railway telegraph operator by occupation. He was a charter member of the Belchertown Historical Association (Rev. J. B. Adkins, a former pastor of the Congregational church, is now the only surviving charter member), a member of Vernon Lodge, and of the Congregational church.

Grange Notes

The annual Grange meeting next Tuesday evening will be preceded by a Family Night Supper at 6.30, with Mrs. Ethel Giles and Mrs. Veronica Dana co-chairmen. Each member attending is asked to bring a favorite dish. Election of officers will follow. A large attendance is urged.

Nov. 15

Meeting for adults interested in Girl Scouting.

Special to Belchertown Women

Let's have a fall housecleaning of excuses, and in these next few months, starting with Monday, Nov. 6th, give a couple of hours each week to the work at the surgical dressings rooms.

Yes, it's such a busy time of year (when isn't it busy?) Yes, we know you haven't finished your fall cleaning. Yes, we know you have intended to go, now that the canning season is over. But these thread-bare excuses are not going to help bind up jagged wounds. Just suppose giving up a few hours of your time is a sacrifice. Those boys of ours aren't spending days, even weeks, in muddy foxholes or at lonely hours at sea, out of sheer love for their surroundings, and they are sacrificing so much—even perhaps their lives.

When the need is so urgent, how can so many of you be so callous and ignore the repeated requests for help? The old saying is still true, "We find the time to do the things we really want to do."

First Extension Meeting

The first Extension meeting was held with Mrs. Ruth Kempkes on Tuesday afternoon and was conducted by Mrs. Larson. After an interesting discussion on Emotion, a short skit was put on by four women to illustrate some points.

The next meeting will feature "Is Your Family Ready for Tomorrow?" and will be held Friday evening, November 10, at 7.30, in the recreation room at Memorial hall. This will be conducted by Miss Sally Gibson. This meeting will take up the problem of adjustment of returning service men, and should prove of interest to men as well as women.

Statistics show that 25 per cent of returning service men will adjust themselves, and 50 per cent will need some help at home. This talk should prove of interest to this group. Each one is asked to bring colored crayons.

The Gift Suggestion meeting will be held next week Wednesday afternoon at 2 in the recreation room at Lawrence Memorial hall. Be sure to come.

Supper Next Thursday

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will serve a public supper in the Methodist vestry next week Thursday evening from 5.30 to 7. The menu will include baked beans, scolloped potato, coleslaw, mashed turnip, rolls, coffee and pie. Price for adults is 60 cents; children, 35c.

American Education Week

The Center Grade school is taking note of American Education Week, November 5-11, and is sending home notices to parents regarding its observance. These notices say in part:

"The theme of this year's program is Education for New Tasks. The children who are in school now will have to settle future problems which will be complicated and intricate. Already we have found a keener interest and greater need for knowledge of people in distant lands. America will share in the task of making the Four Freedoms a reality for all the peoples of the world."

To prepare our boys and girls to take their places in the World of Tomorrow is the goal of the schools of this community, not only during American Education Week, but at all times. The schools invite the interest, co-operation and personal visitations of parents.

Inspection Next Wednesday

The official inspection of Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., by Grand Conductress Mrs. Alice F. Watson, deputy grand matron, assisted by Mrs. Mertie A. Chase, deputy grand marshal, will take place Wednesday evening, November 8, with opening at 5 and supper at 6.30. Inspection will be at 8.

The supper committee consists of Mrs. Marion Farley and Mrs. Freda Jackson, co-chairmen; Mrs. Fannie Morey, Mrs. Frances Hodgson, Mrs. Hilda Westwell, Mrs. Annie Dodge and Mrs. Julia Ward. Mrs. Daisy Kimmonth will be in charge of decorations.

Scout Paper Collection

The Girl Scouts ask householders in the center to take note of the newspaper drive for Springfield hospital on Nov. 4. It is requested that papers be tied up and placed out in front. The collection will be between 10 and 11 a. m.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts celebrated Girl Scout Week by having a Juliet Low party. The older girls put on a pageant. Games were played and refreshments were served.

Four girls were given their Girl Scout pins at an investiture service. The girls were Marjorie Jackson, Emma Ewell, Bella Ross and Dorothy Purrington.

Hazel Morey, Scribe



"Survive or Perish I Give My Hand"

The American people go to the polls next Tuesday faced with a dilemma which all the oratory of the past few weeks has done little to clear up. The "best minds" of the nation have assured the voter that whichever way he votes he will throw his country and the whole world into confusion, guarantee another war within twenty-five years, and condemn his posterity to total and awful darkness. To be sure, it has been said only of the other party by any one speaker, but summing up the speeches by all the honest orators makes the result total just that.

Fortunately, few Americans really believe their leaders when a campaign is at its height. They know that whoever wins, the United States will go along its way toward victory and toward a standard of fair living for its people that will be imperfect but still the best in the world. They further know that when a president is elected, he cannot disregard the fact that almost half the voters were on the other side.

Both Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Dewey know very well that the American people have become almost unanimous upon many issues. In fact, when one discounts and cancels out the invective and accusations which have messed up the last weeks of the campaign, he seems to find both parties aiming at exactly the same results. The current issue of *Liberty* clearly states what the people expect of their government during the next few years:

"1. The continuance of a liberal, enlightened, humane, and progressive government which will stimulate the economic life of the nation so that all its citizens will have ample opportunity to advance their well-being;

"2. A government which will see that all its citizens get a fair shake and that no individual or group gets pushed around by anybody;

"3. A government which recognizes the imperative necessity for the fullest cooperation with other nations to prevent war.

"4. A government which realizes America must in its own interests help the rest of the world back to its feet and take the lead in fostering a higher standard of living for all the world's inhabitants.

"5. A government sufficiently aware of the facts of life so that it will make honest efforts to understand and get along with Great Britain and Russia. Both of these nations, whether some of us like it or not, will emerge from this war in positions of world leadership. We must pursue a course which will lead to a more complete understanding and a deeper friendship with them."

It is my belief that whichever party stays or gets into power will honestly try to assure us of these fundamental courses.

So it boils down to which of two men we wish for a leader toward

these ends. As I may have said before, I am neither a Roosevelt hater nor a Roosevelt worshipper. I voted for our present chief executive in 1932 and again in 1936. I did not vote for him in 1940. At that time I wrote here:

"There are doubtless many issues in this campaign which are as important as they sound when ballyhooped over the air. To me no issue is as important as that of the theory of 'indispensability' on which the Democrats are depending so much. With 'indispensable' men in absolute control of the world, as the result of the careful elimination of those who might have lessened their indispensability, I do not think that this country can afford to break with the third-term tradition. If there is only one man in the nation capable of leading us through the next four years, and if he is the man who has been leading us for the past eight, then something is wrong with the leader who has not allowed any party to associate the opportunity of rising high enough to take his place. At this time I can see no chance for such associate being allowed to rise that high in the next four years, either. By then, 'indispensability' may have become a habit which can be broken only by death."

The passing of four years has not changed my mind. "Indispensability" is now definitely a habit, and the theory of indispensability is an insult to the character of a democratic nation of 135 million population.

There is no fact more harmful to Mr. Roosevelt's record as an administrator than that, in 12 years, he has been able to produce no follower, no friend in his party, capable of carrying on in his place. It has surely been "Roosevelt or Ruin."

The passing of four years has had its effect on Mr. Roosevelt. He has come to be regarded by many, perhaps even by himself, as the only "voice" to which the post-war world will listen as the authentic voice of America. I am not an alarmist, but neither am I blind regarding the physical appearance of this leader of ours. Wilson before him, in apparently better health in 1918 than Mr. Roosevelt is now, was wrecked by the strains of peace. The almost pathetic parading of the President in inclement weather to prove his strength indicates the concern of his party over the ability of its head to stand the pace. Mr. Willkie, indefatigable globe girdler and pioneer of democracy, succumbed quickly. There remains Mr. Truman, if Roosevelt's own health should give the lie to indispensability.

And what of Mr. Dewey? In the first place, I believe he is an honest and able man, who has amply proved both honesty and ability in those offices which he has filled in his own state. Although in his speeches, he has carried too far the business of blaming the Rooseveltians for all the errors of pre-Pearl Harbor, his invective has certainly been no worse than the Chief Executive's tendency to assume full credit for everything accomplished by the cooperation of all Americans during the war years. Although he has been too cautious to condemn certain men in his own party for isolationism, obstructionism, and so on, he has not been more careful not to lose supporters than the President who has not been exactly loud in displeasure

over certain dark sheep in his own fold. The necessity of getting votes causes all candidates to fall short of a sincerity we could wish them to use.

But I am convinced that economic reaction and an isolationist attitude are not going to return to America if Mr. Dewey is elected. Republicans and Democrats alike have learned much since 1929. Moreover, Democrats and Republicans alike have worked together to come in this fall of 1944 to the verge of victory over the most threatening combination of powers ever to take the road of war.

Washington needs a younger man in the White House. The outer world may shake somewhat, if it has to see a new American hurrying off to Quebec or Moscow. But it will get that shock sooner or later, anyway. Perhaps it can stand it better now, than in the midst of a 1948 Peace Problems Conference. Mark my words, there will be as much need of indispensability four years from now, as there is now. And if anything should happen to Tom Dewey, there remains Bricker.

So I shall vote Republican next Tuesday. However, if my vote proves later to have been cast for a defeated candidate, I shall not despair. The America which has risen to war since last we elected a president is greater than any one man, or any one party. It is writing its own platforms for the future. It has expressed itself so co-

herently that the platforms of both major parties seem built largely from the same lumber pile. It has boiled the election down to a choice of leaders, rather than one of issues. It is a question not of what game, but of where to sit.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"You say your taxes are too high, But do you vote? About extravagance you sigh, But do you vote? How long, you wail, must we endure This state of things which keeps us poor? How long? I do not know, I'm sure: But do you vote?"

The lights are bad, the streets a mess; But do you vote? Your indignation you express, But do you vote? You say the bosses rule the show, That graft is reaching high and low, And doubtless all you say is so, But do you vote?"

You growl at rotten politics, But do you vote? You howl at bosses and their tricks, But do you vote? You say, O Decent Citizen, (We've heard you time and time again) We want things run by business men! But do you vote?"

Unless you do (I wonder, You've got just what is you."

Mass. Federation



Pvt. John J. Shea A. S. N. 31417913 Co. B, 2 Bn., A. S. F. T. 1st Platoon Fort Belvoir, Va.

Walter Clark, S 1-C with his grandfather, Smith of Washington street well deserved 32-day Walter (Bud) just ca that he is really back and roam the woods with dog Bud was sworn in Dec. and has been on active du amphibious and salvage ever since. He took pa first surprise landings in then two in Sicily, and the dy "D" Day invasion. engagement stars decor campaign bars. He now add a few notches to his the more peaceful pastime bit and bird hunting. home, Bud, and have a go

We want things run by business men!

Town Items

B. Joyal of Maple street dilled to take his pre-induc sical next Monday.

Mrs. William Chevalier of street, underwent an opera the removal of tonsils last

will be a meeting of the town Teachers' Association commercial room at the high next Monday afternoon at

and Mrs. G. H. Forsythe of gion, Cal., are parents of a er, Jean Ellen, born October the child is a granddaughter and Mrs. Eugene Lofland of street. boy Scouts, with Scoutmas Shattuck, enjoyed a Hallow- party Tuesday night at the Kimball camp on Swift River.

WARTFORD Insurance Co. B, 2 Bn., A. S. F. T. 1st Platoon Fort Belvoir, Va. Walter Clark, S 1-C with his grandfather, Smith of Washington street well deserved 32-day Walter (Bud) just ca that he is really back and roam the woods with dog Bud was sworn in Dec. and has been on active du amphibious and salvage ever since. He took pa first surprise landings in then two in Sicily, and the dy "D" Day invasion. engagement stars decor campaign bars. He now add a few notches to his the more peaceful pastime bit and bird hunting. home, Bud, and have a go

Political Advertisement

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Harold Cook (2), Alce Flaherty, Gerard Cartier, Sid- ney Wheble, Jr., John Wezniak, Arthur L. Allen, Andrew Sullivan, Odelon Forest, Raymond Dana, Frank Dzwonkoski, Peter Whitaker, William Tucker, Carl Corliss, Kenneth Jenks, Hilda Jewett, Henry Witt, Homer Poole, Jr., Milton Stone, Fred Fontaine.

Grade 3—Royal Gay (2). Truck Tires—Stanley Grela, Al- vin Bosworth.

Political Advertisement

Methodist Church Notes

The November meeting of the Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will be held with Mrs. Richard A. French on Wednesday evening, November 8, at 7.30.

There was a good attendance at the official board meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt on Wednesday evening. It was voted to hold these meetings every other month, instead of monthly as heretofore.

Political Advertisement

Truth·Character·Ethics
The Attorney General must be a man who is not bought and sold at the stroke of a politician's pen.
Elect
CLARENCE A. BARNES
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Mrs. Mary Bailey, The "Beeches", Northampton

Political Advertisement

FIRE DEPT. CALLS Oct. 31. Grass fire at Mechon- Oct. 30. Railroad fire at Dwight, ski's.

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Semi-gloss finish for kitchen and bathroom walls and all interior woodwork. Durable - washable.
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First Honors (Averages of 90 or over)

Seniors: Charlotte Dyer

Juniors: Rita Bouchard Nancy Farley Shirley Hazen

Sophomores: George Jackson

Freshmen: Amelia Smola Evelyn Squires

Eighth Grade: Ann Austin

Second Honors

(No grade below 85 for all)

Seniors: Mavis Dickinson Florence Fay Teresa Stolar Margaret Sullivan

Juniors: Florence Brulotte Claire Lamoureux Alice Lofland Mary McKillop

Sophomores: Ann Hanifin Jane Kimball Helen O'Seep Louise Romaniak Shirley Williams

Freshmen: Diane Allen Lois Chadbourne Elinor Heath Sophie Jusko Elizabeth Suhm

Eighth Grade: Rose Noel Dorothy Socha Ruth Sullivan

WHAT ABOUT THE PEACE?



Born March 17, 1900
Education, public schools, Gardiner Maine; Amherst College and Harvard Law School
U. S. Army October 10 to December 12, 1918
Secretary, Trustees of Deerfield Academy
Trustee, Greenfield Savings Bank
Selectman, Deerfield, 1932-35
President, Maj's Selectmen's Association, 1935-36
Secretary, Deerfield Republican Town Committee, 1928-33
Member, Republican State Committee, 1936-38
District Attorney, Northwestern District, 1939 and re-elected 1942

AFTER the war has ended, America will face the most serious problems in our history--problems of how to provide jobs, how to reconvert industry to profitable peace-time manufacture, how to avoid future wars!

TO WIN THE PEACE
ELECT men you can trust, men you can depend on, men of courage and honesty, men like

JOHN W. HESELTON
Republican Candidate, 1st Massachusetts District
FOR CONGRESS
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Now is your chance to obtain **STEADY** work in a growing **ESSENTIAL** industry

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NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

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THREE RIVERS

Our thanks to a Country Editor



The Banner is one of the last papers in the country to raise its subscription price, many over or more ago. The cost of a year to the production of a newspaper has advanced, except electricity used in running the plant. In normal times there was little if any profit in subscriptions at \$1.00 a year. If the information contained in even a newspaper publication

We're grateful for this frank statement by the editor of The Dierks (Arkansas) Banner. He points out the fact—that at a time when most things are scarce and expensive, electricity still is plentiful and cheap. . . . It shows what companies like ours can do by hard work, experience and sound business management.

Paddy Kilowatt
YOUR ELECTRIC SERVANT

Central Mass. Electric Co.
Palmer, Mass.

Congregational Church Notes

There will be a special offering on Sunday for the Congregational Christian Committee on War Victims and Services.

At the service on Sunday, Mrs. Louise Sherman, necrologist, will read In Memoriam for those who have died during the past year—Mrs. Hattie Towne Taylor, Dwight R. Towne, Deacon Jacob V. Cook, J. Howell Cook and Herbert F. West.

Jane Kimball will lead the worship service at the Youth Fellowship meeting on Sunday evening. Several will speak on "Hobbies."

The Home Department met with Mrs. Mary Jackson last Friday afternoon with a large attendance. After the usual devotional exercises, readings were enjoyed by the members. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. W. S. Piper of Maple Street.

TRIP TO METROPOLITAN AREA

The members of the Youth Fellowship were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimball on a tour of the Quabbin area, October 22. Mr. Kimball and several other friends of the Group, drove us over some of the territory, and we stopped at several places.

We were taken through the hangers and saw several of the boats, and were also allowed to go up into the tower, from which surrounding towns could be seen clearly.

After our tour, we were taken over to their camp on Swift River, where we enjoyed a wonderful picnic. Jane Kimball, Sec'y

Town Items

Mrs. John Stratton of Milwaukee, Wisconsin is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hudson Holland.

Mrs. Chester G. Smith of Hadley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Randall of this town, is in the Weston Memorial hospital in Springfield, where she underwent an operation on Monday.

Twenty-eight members of the Brownie troop were given a party by Mrs. Willard Young last week Friday. Ann Young is a member of the Brownie troop. The children had a very gay time playing Halloween games, singing and eating a bountiful lunch. Barbara Young, Suzanne Piper and Jane Hudson assisted Mrs. Young.

Six tables were in play at the Women's Guild card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Shumway on Wednesday evening. High scorer for ladies was Mrs. Guy Harrington, with Mrs. Byron Hudson, second. High scorer for men was C. L. Randall, with Byron Hudson, second.

Beginning this week, library hours are from 1.45 to 5 p. m. on Thursdays and Fridays. The library will be closed all day Saturdays.

Miss Joyce Spencer, a senior at the Bangor Theological Seminary, spoke over the radio last week on the Chapel on the Hill program, a daily broadcast from the seminary. Her topic was "Where is God?"

Mrs. Elizabeth Jensen has gone to Holyoke to live with her daughter, Mrs. H. Plouf.

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E. O. Lofland

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Mrs. Burt Collis

Political Advertisement

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Celia A. Slein late of Ware in said County, deceased:

The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-first day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register.
Oct. 27-Nov. 3-10

CASINO

WARE—Mat. 2 P. M. Eve

FRI., SAT., NOV. 3 & 4
Frederic March Alexis S
"Adventures of Ma
Twain"

SUN., MON., NOV. 5 & 6
Constance Bud Jerry
Moore Taylor Colom
Paul Whiteman Louis
Armstrong's Bands

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Albert E. Addis, Register.
Oct. 20-27-Nov. 3

Political Statement

To the voters of the Fourth
shire Representative Dis

In order to correct the impression that I have no opposition for office of Representative, I should know that my opponents still seek his election.

In that in all probability he is unable to serve you, in that later, at a special election of his friends may be elected office. In the interest of fair and good government I ask condemn such tactics by your X opposite my name on election day. I stand ready, willing to serve you.

James F. Shea, Ware, Mass.
Dem. Candidate for Representative

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Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Fidelity."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
"Hobbies."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Eternal Vigilance." Sermon in keeping with World Order Sunday.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Public Card Party, sponsored by the Grange, at Mrs. Iola Shirliff's.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Guild at Parish House at 2.30 p. m. Speaker, Mrs. William G. Dwight.

Men's Club Meeting in the Methodist Vestry. Supper at 6.30 p. m.

Meeting for adults interested in Girl Scouting at Recreation Room at Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.

Senior Girl Scouts.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Home Department of the Congregational Church with Mrs. W. S. Piper of Maple Street at 2.30 p. m.

TODAY

Extension Meeting in Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.

TOMORROW

Armistice Day Observance at 11 a. m.

Public Card Party under auspices of the Grange at Mrs. Pearl Green's at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Nov. 29
Community Dance

War Fund Drive Results

Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, chairman of the local War Fund drive, reports that receipts to date total \$1,498.81, with a few workers still to be heard from.

Dr. Tadgell states: "While we set no total this year, we did arbitrarily 'shoot' (in our minds) at \$1,500. Undoubtedly we shall pass the \$1,500 mark."

Dr. Tadgell wishes to thank most heartily those who gave so generously of their time to bring this worthy project to such a satisfactory conclusion.

Later—Final figures are given as \$1,500.81.

Pass Military Swimming Tests

Ira Shattuck, Boy Scout leader, announces that the following four boys of the ten who took the preliminary swimming tests at State College, have passed the military swimming test which was taken October 20, and are receiving certificates: Dicky Hazen, Channing Kimball, Willard Young and Richard Wonsik.

The test took nearly two hours and included the following requirements: 200 yd. swim fully clothed. Remain afloat in deep water fully clothed for 10 minutes. 50 yd. swim on the back, fully clothed.

Swim under water fully clothed for 15 yards. Make a 20 yd. carry of a person of equal weight, both rescuer and "victim" fully clothed. Disrobe in deep water and remain afloat for 5 minutes.

A good Scout meeting was held last week with five prospects present.

Extension Service Notes

Seventeen women and two children were present at the Christmas Kit meeting of the Extension Service on Wednesday, when many things to make were shown, and ideas exchanged. Mrs. Winnie Shattuck was chosen chairman of the Extension Service; Mrs. Nellie Shattuck, vice-chairman; and Mrs. Catherine Dyer, secretary and treasurer.

Attention is called to the meeting this week Friday night at 7.30 in the recreation room at Memorial hall.

Grange Notes

A public card party, sponsored by the Grange, will be held this week Saturday evening at Mrs. Pearl Green's, promptly at 8.

Another public card party will be held with Mrs. Iola Shirliff next week Tuesday evening, with Miss Helen Lister co-chairman.

First Local Boy Killed in Action

The death of the first local soldier in action was reported here Saturday afternoon. Sgt. Raymond Germain, 20, was killed in action in Germany on October 21, according to a telegram received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adelphis Germain of Old Springfield Road.

He entered the service May 6, 1943, and received his first training at Camp Croft, S. C. He was home on furlough in June, returning on June 15 to Fort George Meade, Md., leaving for overseas sometime before July 1. He went to England, France and then to Germany. Sgt. Germain was a branch infantryman, operating machine guns.

He was born in this town and graduated from the local high school in 1942. He worked at the Watershop division of the Springfield Armory after leaving High school. Besides his parents he leaves a brother, 1st Sgt. Edward L. Germain, now fighting in France; another brother, Ernest, at home, and three sisters, Mrs. Geo. Charron, Mrs. Sidney Wheble and Miss June Germain, all of this town.

A solemn high mass of requiem was held at St. Francis church on Tuesday morning at 8. Rev. Joseph T. Collins was celebrant. The choir was under the direction of Rev. Andrew Sullivan, with Miss Lorraine Noel, organist.

Annual Grange Meeting

Following the Family Night supper at Union Grange on Tuesday evening, of which Mrs. Ethel Giles and Mrs. Veronica Smola were co-chairmen, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Master Charles F. Austin
Overseer Mrs. Iola Shirliff
Lecturer Mrs. Frances M. Moore
Asst. Lecturer Mrs. Blanche Austin
Steward Harold F. Peck
Assistant Steward Charles Sanford
Chaplain Miss Helen Lister
Treasurer Mrs. Celia Pratt
Secretary Mrs. Myrtle Williams
Gatekeeper Theron Pratt
Ceres Mrs. Marion Plant
Pomona Miss Dorothy Blackmer
Flora Miss Elsie Thresher
Lady Assistant Steward Mrs. Pearl Green

Exec. Com., 3 yrs. Fred Buss
Exec. Com., 2 yrs. Stanley Rhodes

Men's Club Next Week

The men's club will meet in the Methodist vestry next week Wednesday evening. Supper will be at 6.30.

In addition to a panel discussion on current local problems, Dr. Westwell of the program committee announces that there will be talking pictures—construction of the Alaska highway, and factual pictures of Pearl Harbor, also the take-off and bombing of Tokyo by Jimmie Doolittle. These pictures are furnished by Philip Littlefield of Amherst.

Joint Installation

About 75 were in attendance at the joint public installation of the American Legion and Auxiliary at Memorial hall last week Friday evening.

Comdr. Frederick D. Farley called the meeting to order and immediately turned it over to Mrs. Blanche Joyal, Auxiliary president. Mrs. Norman Stockhaus, district president of the Auxiliary, and suite, installed the Auxiliary officers as follows:

President Mrs. Frederick Farley
Senior Vice-President Mrs. Eugene Lofland
Junior Vice-President Miss Helen Boyko

Treasurer Miss Gertrude Riley
Secretary Mrs. Romeo Joyal
Chaplain Mrs. Mary Ayers
Sergeant-at-arms Mrs. Howard Shirliff

Historian Mrs. William F. Kimball
Executive Board Mrs. Clarence Morey

Commander Farley resumed as presiding officer, when District Comdr. Solomon Provost and suite installed the Legion officers as follows:

Commander Frederick D. Farley
1st Vice-Commander Aubrey D. Lapolice
2nd Vice-Commander Kenneth F. Bristol

Adjutant Howard B. Davis
Finance Officer George A. Poole
Chaplain Stanley Boyko
Historian Dr. Arthur E. Westwell

Sergeant-at-arms Harold Ryder
Miss Lorraine Noel was pianist for the installations of both groups.

At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies there were presented Legion Gold Star citations to the next of kin of two Belchertown men who had made the supreme sacrifice. Presentations were to Mrs. Edward Bukowski, sister of Francis P. Kulig; and to Mrs. V. Jutkiewicz of Westfield, sister of Arthur Barry.

Present for the evening's ceremonies were two department vice-commanders, John J. Sullivan of Water-town, who gave a short Armistice Day address, and John P. Murray of Chelsea, who made a few appropriate remarks.

Following these felicitations there were refreshments, and dancing to the music of a victrola.

The recent collection of old papers, sponsored by the Legion, has reached a total of 4,600 pounds.

Armistice Day Observance

Plans have been made for the observance of Armistice Day tomorrow. Ceremonies will begin at 11, with the line starting from Memorial hall. All those who have served or are now in the service and are home on leave, are invited to participate.



Week-Day Religion Seems To Be Working

What we hear from those who have taken the trouble to visit the classes in religious education held at the Parish House each Tuesday afternoon for children of the sixth and seventh grades indicates that the experiment is progressing very well indeed.

A wise decision seems to have been made in selecting these particular grades for the instruction. At these levels children are old enough to understand the subject matter without having to spend the time cutting out and pasting, and not so old that they are likely to consider religion as "sissy".

The fact that religion cannot be taught in the public schools as a part of the regular course of study is all to the good inasmuch as children of all faiths are in compulsory attendance. However, a great deal was lost when the Bible left the classroom.

Our older children are often pathetically ignorant of the history and the literature which are found in the Bible. Disregarding the great moral truths, the rules of conduct laid down for the relationship between man and his God, and the controversial issues of what is and what is not sacred and holy, we still need to be thoroughly acquainted with the Bible as one of the great source books of our civilization.

Its stories permeate all our great prose and poetry, its verses are found everywhere. Just for a little example, take this poem by Thomas Brown, called "My Garden."

A garden is a lovable thing, God's wot! Rose plot, Fringed pool, Ferned grot— The veriest school Of peace; and yet the fool Contends that God is not— Not God! in gardens! when the eve is cool? Nay, but I have a sign; 'Tis very sure God walks in mine.

One does not need to be familiar with the Bible to enjoy these verses, but how much greater will be the pleasure and understanding, if he remembers from Genesis: "And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day."

Unless one has the most significant of the Psalms at his memory-tip; unless he knows the stories of Abel and Cain, of Abraham and Isaac, of Joseph, of Gideon, of Samson, and of David (to mention only a few); unless he has made

the parables of Jesus and the teachings of St. Paul a part of his reading experience, he has missed a part of his education so important that, without it, many of the doors of art, of sculpture, of music, and of literature are closed to him.

Moreover, no matter to what denomination or what faith one owes his allegiance, he will be a more understanding, a more thoughtful, and a more tolerant citizen, if he has made the Bible one of the foundations of his education.

If our week-day classes in religious education are able to induce some of our young people to read the Bible for themselves, and to become familiar with its priceless contents, they will be worth many times over the slight expense and inconvenience.

Liberated Belgian Children Write To American Kids

The following letter was loaned me the other day by a little ninth grader, whose uncle is a corporal with our army in Germany. He had it from an American soldier, who had come to the outfit from Belgium. It has a tone and a message, which tell us again how great our obligation is to make our future policies in Europe of a sort that will continue to warrant the admiration and affection so evident in this letter from children newly liberated from the terror of German occupation.

To our friends, the little children of the U. S. A.

We are the little children of a small village in small Belgium. For four years, we are remaining under the yoke of a wicked and cruel enemy. America and England were keeping up the morale of our dear home country.

Every day our sky was crossed by big white birds. They flew so high that we could not send our friendly greetings.

Since a few days our hearts were beating higher for we know that Allied troops have landed in France, almost three months ago and we unceasingly hear, "Yanks are coming nearer, they will be here soon." "When Daddy?" "Next week," and we clapped our hands with joy.

Today on Saturday September 2nd, everyone says that they are close to the border a few minutes from here as the crow flies, they will be here in the afternoon.

We must go down to the cellars for machine guns are to be heard. A few Jerries remain to protect their Armies' retreat. The volley to grape shot is all the go. For 12 o'clock... silence.

We hear nothing more. Our daddies go upstairs and venture on the street. What do they see? Allied uniforms. Quick, they are the Yanks. Our village is freed.

There is jostling on the streets. Everyone comes to shake the hands with Yanks, to kiss and thank those heroes. Your dear daddies and brothers; People laugh and cry with joy. Our dear dear liberators forever! We fetch American and Belgium flags from their hiding places, the village is now adorned with flags. Our servitude is over.

Flowers, tarts, bottles of beer are offered to the brave soldiers who crossed the ocean to come and free us. We receive chocolate, biscuits, and so on.

American sweets are so good. Our daddies are glad to smoke some delicious American cigarettes. This day goes on in incredible happiness

and since that Saturday we shall never forget. American convoys come and go. If they stop, they are enclosed on all sides, they take some photographs and show pictures of their families, of their wives and nice babies. And from the morning to the night we stand along the road, we cheer the soldiers and give them little Belgium and American flags.

Now their planes fly very low, we make signals to them and we are so happy they answer our greetings.

Be fierce of your soldiers, little brothers of U. S. A. Tell them how great our thoughtfulness. We owe them our happiness, present and future, when our prisoners come back home.

Soon, say our Dads, war will be over and you will be able to kiss those dear heroes.

Farewell, dear friends, and if you come and visit our dear Belgium you will be received with open arms!

America for ever! President Lord Roosevelt for ever!

The Allies for ever! The school boys and girls of Salles-les Chemay, Heinant, Belgium.

Armistice Day again. We stand with bowed heads in memory of our first Belchertown boy killed in action in this war. May it all be over soon, with no Armistice this time, but with complete victory and complete assurance that it will not happen again.

"We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved, and now we lie

In Flanders' fields. Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from falling hands we throw

The torch; be yours to hold it high.

If ye break faith with us who die, We shall not sleep, though poppies grow

In Flanders fields." John McCrae —Bob Jackson

Congregational Church Notes

Miss Charlotte Dyer will lead the worship service at the Youth Fellowship meeting on Sunday night, when the subject will again be "Hobbies."

There will be a meeting of the Church Cabinet following the morning service on Sunday.

The Women's Guild will meet in the parish house on next Wednesday afternoon at 2.30, when Mrs. William G. Dwight will be guest speaker. She will take for her subject, "Current Events." Mrs. Louis Fuller will have charge of devotions, while the hostesses will be Mrs. Roy Shaw and Mrs. Kittie Spellman.

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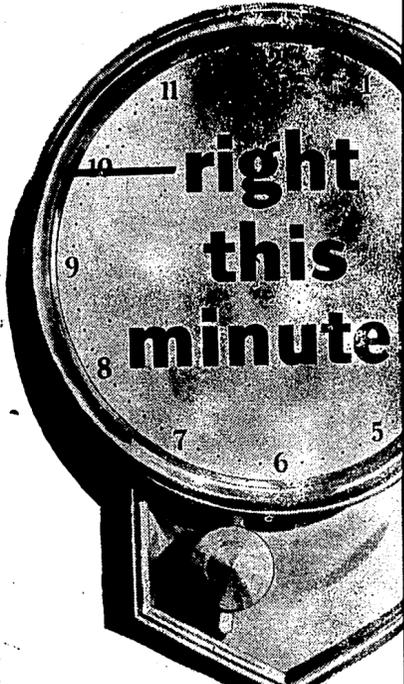
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Robert A. White S2-C (RM) USS Venango Detail USNR Naval Training Station Newport, Rhode Island

Just a few lines to let you know how everything is going. I stopped in a week or so ago and gave you my new address, but you know how the Navy is, nothing permanent. They have again changed my address. I think that this will be it for two months at least.

They have me in the mess hall to pass away the time till we start our final classes before shipping out.

I met one fellow from the home town since I've been down here. He has been sailing the seas some. Maybe you know him. His name is Arthur Rockwood.

As long as I keep you posted as to changes in my address so the home town papers come through, I'll be all set.

Yours sincerely, Bob White

Corp. Malcolm E. Dorey, son of Mrs. Anna R. Gold, is spending a 15-day furlough with his family in North Wilbraham. Corp. Dorey received his wings at Harlingen Field, Texas, and has also passed his examinations for turret engineer and radio gunner.

15TH AAF IN ITALY—Staff sergeant Edward C. Camp, 20. of Jabish St., Belchertown, Mass., has been awarded the air medal for "meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight." He is an aerial engineer-gunner in a B-17 Flying Fortress.

Sgt. Camp joined the army on March 30, 1943, and received his gunner's wings on February 28, 1944 at Fort Myers, Fla. He has been overseas two months and has taken part in 17 combat missions.

He is a graduate of Belchertown High School. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Camp, live at Belchertown.

Ensign Robert Dyer, Jr., who has been spending a leave at his home in town, has left to report at San Diego, Cal.

Tech. Sergt. and Mrs. Andrew T. Sears are spending a 21-day delay en route at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sears. Formerly stationed at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas, Sgt. Sears is now transferred to Langley Field, Virginia, where he will report at the expiration of his leave. Mrs. Sears will accompany him. The entire trip is being made by automobile.

Town Items

The inspection of Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., of Wednesday evening followed the schedule as announced last week. Soloist for the evening was Mrs. Ruth Astley of South Hadley Falls. Several were present from surrounding chapters. It was announced that the December meeting will be the annual meeting and that the supper will be put on by the men, C. F. Austin, chairman. Mrs. Della Warner left town on Wednesday to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Sheets of Granville.

All the stores will be closed all day Saturday, but will be open until 9 Friday night.

N. C. Holland, local turkey grower, has just received word that the OPA price on turkeys dressed at the farm is 53 cents per pound. This price is good through November, December and January.



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1	1	2	256	128	384
583	46	629	556	43	599
271	138	409	713	82	795
2	2	4	588	45	633
2	2	4	242	127	369
598	44	642	343	117	460
226	126	352	601	58	659
4	2	6	752	131	883
633	53	686	343	117	460
201	115	316	601	58	659
441	32	473	752	131	883
361	137	498	343	117	460
9	4	13	601	58	659
5	5	10	752	131	883
268	124	392	343	117	460
562	44	606	601	58	659
3	1	4	752	131	883
587	46	633	343	117	460
259	121	380	601	58	659
3	2	5	752	131	883
187	96	283	343	117	460
669	80	749	601	58	659

ALCOHOLIC QUESTIONS

No.	Prec. A	B	Tot.
1—All Alcoholic	457	139	596
Yes	265	17	272
No	448	135	583
2—Light Wines and Beer	234	14	248
Yes	478	134	612
No	223	16	239

TOTAL VOTE 882 194 1076
 TOTAL REGISTRATION 1279

Teachers' Association Meeting

At the meeting of the Teachers' Association on Monday afternoon there was further discussion on the Blue Cross, and it was decided to put in applications for membership in the Blue Cross and the Blue Shield. There was a report by the V-Day committee, and the committee on National Education week reported sending home informative material to parents.

It was voted to have a Christmas get-together during the Christmas season.

Methodist Church Notes

The W. S. of C. S. held its annual meeting in the vestry last Friday evening at 7.30. The 1944 officers read their reports for the year and the following new officers were elected:

- President Mrs. Ruth Kemples
- Vice-President Mrs. Alice Suhm
- Recording Secretary Mrs. Iva Gay
- Corresponding Secretary Mrs. Frances Hodgen
- Treasurer Mrs. Catherine Dyer
- Sec'y Missions Mrs. Thera Corliss
- Sec'y Social Relations Mrs. Anna Witt
- Sec'y Literature Mrs. Margaret Bock
- Sec'y Supplies Mrs. Louise Blackmer
- Sec'y Children's Work Mrs. Marion Plant
- Sec'y Student Work Mrs. Annie French
- Secretaries Spiritual Life Mrs. Annie French, Mrs. Annie Bruce
- Membership Committee Mrs. Iva Gay, Mrs. Lillian Kimball, Mrs. Helen Menard, Mrs. Amy Allen
- Publicity and Printing Mrs. Iva Gay
- Status of Women Mrs. Ruth Belcher

Town Items

There will be a meeting for adults interested in Girl Scouting in the recreation room at the High school next week Wednesday evening at 7.30. A movie put out by the Massachusetts Girl Scouts for lone troops will be presented. It is hoped to form an association of the troop committees at this meeting. All interested in Girl Scouting are cordially invited.

Friends of John Fairchild surprised him at his home on Wednesday evening, the occasion being his birthday. The home was prettily decorated in pink and blue. Music and singing were enjoyed. Refreshments were served and a good time was had by all.

Mrs. Baldwin Steward, the former Grace Shattuck, has gone to Manlius, N. Y., where her husband is on the staff of the military school there.

Mrs. Harrison Lyman, whose late husband was the older son of Rev. Payson W. Lyman, former pastor of the Congregational church, called on Mrs. Leila S. Curtis last week Friday.

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Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the people of Belchertown, our neighbors, and our friends, and all those who helped share our sorrow, for their kind expressions of sympathy, also for the many beautiful cards, and spiritual bouquets.
 Mr. and Mrs. Adelphi R. Germain and family
 Mrs. Lillian Charron
 Mr. and Mrs. Sidney T. Wheble, Jr.

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PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Celia A. Slein late of Ware in said County, deceased:
 The administrator of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-first day of November 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

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 Three years ago we placed it With loving hearts and with care, For then the war had just begun And in the space, the stars As time marched on as time The stars we added number And for the cause to keep Now in the space, the stars THREE.

These boys had gone to join To serve their country with might, With farewell kiss our hearts tore, Now in the space, the stars FOUR.

But four were not enough To win the cause which we And to the goal for which we Now in the space, the stars FIVE.

We pray to God for their rest But sorrow comes as all men hold, Now in the space, a Star is

Oh God Above, we beg of Thee To bless the cause of Liberty To end the strife, that we cease, And give to us, THY BLESSING.

A star of gold, and four of blue Our flag no longer looks so blue But still it hangs that you may see These boys fight on for Victory.

Girl Scout Note

The Girl Scouts held their meeting at the parish house. Mass land could not be there. Chaffee took charge.

Mrs. Miner and Mrs. came and held their classes.

The American Legion invited the Girl Scouts to with them Armistice Day at Gloria Wilder.

There will be a movie Girl Scouting in the room of the high school at on November 15th. Everyone interested, is invited. The Girl Scouts will meet at 7.30 the movie at the high school will all go to Mrs. We where a meeting will be held.

Lt. Barbara Colman, an nurse, who is a friend of Mrs. ler's, will be our guest speaker the evening. She is going us some of the experiences had in the army.

Diane Allen, Sec

Tin Can Collection

William E. Shaw, salvager, announces that a tin can collection will be made next week in Wednesday noon, and all news matter by Thursday noon, earlier if possible. Please cooperate all you can!

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Dates Spoken For

- Nov. 29 Community Dance.
- Dec. 2 Public Grange Card Party in Grange hall.
- Dec. 6 Women's Guild Card Party with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ryther.
- Dec. 8 Annual Church Meeting, Supper and Roll-Call of Congregational church.

A Association Formed

At the meeting for adults interested in Girl Scouting on Wednesday evening, an A association was formed, made up of the several troop committee members and leaders. Officers were chosen as follows:
 President Mrs. Ruth Fuller
 Secretary Mrs. Douglas Rhodes
 Treasurer Mrs. Marion Farley
 In view of the interest, another Brownie pack was organized with Mrs. Henry Renouf as leader.
 Two new members are serving on the Brownie troop committee—Mrs. Guy Harrington and Mrs. Belding F. Jackson.
 It develops that there are now 70 Girl Scouts, and 21 adults actively assisting in Girl Scout work.

Fire Chiefs' Meeting

Over 100 attended the monthly meeting of the Western Massachusetts Fire Chiefs' Association held at the Congregational parish house on Tuesday evening, when the Women's Guild served the dinner. Following a business meeting there was an interesting talk on football and the duties of football officials, by Ted Barry of Holyoke, a former football coach and official. After his talk he answered questions. The next meeting will be held in Amherst.

Armistice Day Observance

Armistice Day was observed last Saturday morning. The line formed on South Main street and consisted of members of the Legion, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. A wreath was placed at the bronze tablet for World War I veterans by Past Department Vice-Commander Arthur E. Westwell. The governor's proclamation was read by Belding F. Jackson, and a wreath was placed at the World War II Honor Roll by Dr. Westwell. Taps were sounded by Frank Farrington, Sr. The line then marched to Mount Hope cemetery, with Aubrey D. Lapolice, 1st vice-commander, as marshal; Harold Ryder, color bearer; and George Poole and Howard Davis, color guards. The graves of veterans of World War I were decorated and taps were sounded by Frank Farrington.

The line then marched to the Memorial trees on the common, where wreaths were placed and taps again sounded by Frank Farrington.

Following the ceremonies, 1st Vice-Commander Lapolice called at the home of Mrs. Lucius Wright of Dwight, sole surviving gold star mother of World War I, and presented her with a flag and a bouquet of flowers.

The observance was in charge of 1st Vice-Commander Lapolice, as Commander Farley had been called out of town by the death of his father.

Discuss Town Hall Renovation

The renovation of the old town hall for the use of the young people of the town for recreational purposes came in for major discussion at the meeting of the men's club in the Methodist vestry on Wednesday evening. Dr. Arthur E. Westwell of the program committee presided during the discussion. He said that the idea had been put forward that the best way to meet the local delinquency situation here was to "shoot a few of the parents, but as this is off season, that can't be done."

Charles Sanford, local carpenter, said that unless the roof and chimneys are repaired, there just won't be any building. Dr. Tadgell was in favor of the enterprise, but was somewhat staggered at the possible expense.

All seemed to feel that in case it is fixed up, there must be supervision and plenty of it. Harold Cook saw no reason why some Old Age Assistance recipient couldn't handle it at little expense.

W. Paige Piper, athletic coach at B. H. S., said that out of town basketball teams almost refused to play in the hall by reason of the conditions. He said that he presumed that in case of fire, he would be "it."

Plans suggested included removal of balcony (already condemned) and the stage, allowing the basketball court to run the other way of the hall, and excavating at the rear of the hall for heating apparatus and showers.

Harold Suhm said that with plenty of volunteer labor, raising the building somewhat would be feasible, would help out on the excavation, and be less expensive.

Byron Hudson believed that a supervisor of activities would be desirable, and that such an one could make recommendations based on experiences elsewhere. He believed that though the expense each year might be considerable, it would be worth it.

Among others discussing the matter were Guy C. Allen, Jr., C. L. Randall and Guy Harrington.

The new president, Rev. Joseph Belcher, took over at the close. He said that although a newcomer, he had sensed a moral sag, and said that although in favor of providing facilities for the young people, he felt that the cause for the slump lay deeper than lack of material facilities; but postponed development of his thesis to a later date.

To carry out the expressed opinion that all the churches be represented on a committee, Paul Austin, guest for the evening, suggested that the three pastors get together and choose two each from their respective churches. This was so voted.

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Union Thanksgiving Service

A union Thanksgiving service will be held at the Methodist church next week Wednesday evening at 7.30. Rev. Joseph Belcher will preach the sermon and Rev. John P. Manwell will assist in the service.

Community Dance

A public dance will be given at the Lawrence Memorial Hall, November 29, the proceeds of which will be used for some worthwhile community enterprise. The sale of tickets is in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Gould Ketchen and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fuller.

Mrs. Dwight of Holyoke Guest Speaker

Most interestingly did Mrs. William G. Dwight of Holyoke speak before the Women's Guild meeting at the parish house Wednesday afternoon, commenting on the news in the morning paper of the day, on the recent election and what it revealed, on events on the battle fronts around the world, on the shape of things to come, and holding the close attention of the 42 women present, for more than an hour.

She stated that we did not know all that had happened, the terrific destruction in England, for example, and could not know until later, but she expressed the opinion that F. D. R. did not give us the complete picture of world events that Churchill gives to England.

Commenting on the Fourth Term election, she said that it was clear the majority of the voters dared not risk a change. She quoted someone as saying that when Roosevelt was first elected, everything in Washington was changed, and he feared that a similar wholesale change would be probable with another change in administration and that the whole war effort would be slowed thereby. For instead of having reached the peak of production in weapons of war, the demand is for more and more, and the supply of munitions is being put to use immediately on arrival at the front. Consequently we cannot risk any slowing up at home.

Mrs. Dwight said that the election revealed one thing very clearly. Isolationism is not possible. In every case of isolationism against internationalism, the isolationist representative went down, if not in the primaries, then in the election. She also said that in this election people voted for individuals and what they stood for more than ever before. A few more women were sent to Washington in this election, and very capable women they are, the speaker

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Clapp Memorial Library



A Challenge To Read In "Freedom's Book"

When I was commending the work in week-day religion last week, and was recommending familiarity with the Bible as one of the necessities of a true education, I did not know that a concerted effort is being made to help more people make or renew an acquaintance with the "Book."

In the current issue of the Journal of the National Education Association, Rome Betts, general secretary of the American Bible Society, writes as follows:

"Those children in America who go to a religious school on Sunday mornings know something about the Bible. But there are many thousands, shut off from religious instruction of any kind, who are deprived not only of the source of the great Christian and Jewish religions, but also of what many have called 'freedom's textbook.'"

"The Bible was the chief text in colonial schools. From it the founders of our Republic learned the principles of justice, equality, and brotherhood of man which inspired the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights."

"Many notable figures of history—statesmen, philosophers, poets—have said that no man is truly educated if he has not studied the Bible. Yet today in most of our elementary schools the Bible is generally ignored save during assembly periods. Even the magnificent literary values of the Bible are overlooked in secular education. However, it is significant that during the D-Day observances held in the New York public schools, an appropriate Scripture passage was read in every school assembly."

Naturally, I approve of the above, having stumbingly said much the same thing a week ago. Then Mr. Betts goes on to announce a nation-wide Bible Reading Campaign to be carried on this year between Thanksgiving and Christmas. "This Bible-reading emphasis on a scale never before attempted in our country is being undertaken because the American Bible Society has a deep conviction that a faithful devotion to the Bible can provide the supreme needs of these crucial times—clearer moral insight, more unyielding devotion to truth, a more steadfast and farseeing spirit of brotherhood, a new determination to be more worthy of the great sacrifices that are being made in our behalf."

"The Society has received hundreds of unsolicited letters from servicemen and chaplains revealing the importance of the Bible in their lives. Many ask their families and friends at home to join them in their reading to establish a spiritual bond which knows no limits of distance. Simultaneous Scripture reading on the home and fighting fronts is one of the major features of the Nationwide Bible Reading."

"Weeks" and such-like regimentations ordinarily leave me cold.

Our calendar is so filled with them that they stick out into the full moons.

But I am impressed with this non-sectarian effort to read the Bible together as a nation. I am also impressed by the fact that Congress, state governors, churches, civic organizations, newspapers, radio stations and many other agencies are cooperating in this movement. Most of all, I am impressed by the passages chosen. They are not little "golden texts," but essays of some length and much beauty.

There are 33 in all, beginning with Psalm 103 for Thanksgiving Day and ending with Luke 2 for Christmas. Perhaps by the latter date some of us will have formed a new habit.

Perhaps there are those among the readers of this column who will enjoy renewing an acquaintance with some of the passages which have made possible much that is good in our lives today. Maybe there are some who will find pleasure in lifting from the shelf the book most dear to their mothers, but neglected a bit of late.

Here, at any rate, are the first assignments from "Freedom's Textbook." I shall give the others as the days come. Thanksgiving, Nov. 23, Psalm 103; November 24, John 14; November 25, Psalm 23.

Another Thanksgiving Coming Our Way

Next week another Thanksgiving comes to Belchertown. Somehow it doesn't seem quite time for it. Even the various dictionaries still call for the holiday on the traditional last Thursday of November, but we have outsped our dictionaries and have arrived at the home festival ahead of time.

Possibly we shall duplicate last year and have a white landscape for the occasion. But as I write this, we are still very much in the most lovely autumn weather. Since our second-class hurricane in September, we have had some of the most beautiful bright-blue days in our history. The ground has hardly frozen once; late petunias, chrysanthemums, and candytuft blossom near the doorsteps; and many a late cabbage still loiters in the garden.

It is another holiday with the family scattered over the world. Thoughts will go forth to Italy, to England, and to France; to India, to China, and to Leyte, as the blessing of God is invoked on those gathered at the harvest feast. But hope is higher than it was a year ago. D-Day has come and gone—Paris and Rome and Brussels are free—the Philippines are invaded and the Jap fleet met and conquered. This may be the last Thanksgiving "alone" for those at home and for those away.

We have certain things to be thankful for here in town, too. War's horrors have not yet touched us deeply. Community interest is beginning to awaken for the first time since Pearl Harbor—interest in our everyday living. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts are thriving; Sunday schools are active and flourishing. Many young couples are busy raising fine families throughout town and are getting ready to "do things" to give their children a better community life. The air is beginning to clear after a rather dismal summer, and Belchertown may well soon be something more than a place for rest between shifts.

In short, as we prepare to "count

our blessings" in this latest Thanksgiving, we somehow feel that "it won't be long now." We have unbounded confidence in our boys abroad—our hope is that we may merit some of their confidence in us.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Dear the people coming home, Dear glad faces long away, Dear the merry cries, and dear All the glad and happy play, Dear the thanks, too, that we give For all of this, Thanksgiving Day."

Harriet Spofford —Bob Jackson

Mrs. Dwight of Holyoke Guest Speaker

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observed.

Speaking of women in war industries, Mrs. Dwight raised the question as to what they would want to do when the returning soldiers, some say eight million, are back home looking for jobs. Some of these women have money such as they never had before. Will they want to keep on working, or will they be glad to return to home life? The speaker thought that in some cases women who had plenty of money preferred working now because of loneliness. Now there is no husband to come home at night and hear about the baby's latest doings and relieve her of the tedium of household routine. With father back from the war, she felt that many women would prefer to remain at home.

But whatever the future may hold, women will be better prepared than ever to take their place in it. Parents who had saved their money to send John and Joe to college are now sending Jane and Josie. At Mass. State the proportion of women to men is six to one (and Mrs. Dwight remembers when she fought to open this institution to the first woman). At another university the proportion of women to men is nine to one. Harvard Medical School, established in 1847, is opening its doors to women—"Took them 98 years to do it." And so the opportunities for women to prepare themselves for the future are growing.

Mrs. Dwight spoke of Dunbarton Oaks and explained the proposed working of the Security Council and the International Court of Justice, also some of the problems which must be solved in connection with this effort called the League of Nations, which got off to a bad start, but the United Nations.

Mrs. Dwight touched on the youth problems of our home front and said that there must be more religious training than we have had, and when at the close of the meeting the Guild voted \$50 toward the expenses of the week-day religious education school, she applauded vigorously. Her comments on a great variety of world events included also a gracious one on the Guild program of dinners, card parties and prayers, which she termed "very choice".

The speaker was introduced by Mrs. Hudson, president of the Guild. Following this interesting talk, refreshments were served by Mrs. Roy Shaw and Mrs. Kittie Spellman. Devotions were in charge of Mrs. Louis Fuller.

At the business meeting it was re-

ported that kitchen equipment had been bought. It was voted to send \$15 to the Upland Sanatorium as a Christmas gift, also \$50 to the week-day religious education fund.

It was decided to omit the public dinner scheduled for November 26. A card party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ryther on the evening of December 6.

Methodist Church Notes

Rev. George E. Heath, D. D., of Boston, will preach at the morning service of worship on Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Joseph Belcher, will conduct the service.

The baked ham supper served by the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. was attended by about one hundred people. The tables were beautifully decorated with orange and black ruffled crepe paper, and in the center a large horn of plenty, over-running with Baldwin apples, scalloped potato, mashed turnip, coleslaw, apple and squash pie and coffee completed the menu.

Grange Notes

Neighbors' Night will be observed next Tuesday night, with Granby, Ware and Palmer Granges invited. At the public card party scheduled for December 2, Mrs. Celia Pratt will be chairman, with Mrs. Myrtle Williams co-chairman.

Winners at the progressive whist party for the benefit of Union Grange at Mrs. Pearl Green's on Saturday night were: women, first, Mrs. Eva Webb; second, Mrs. Harry F. Plant; men, first, Charles H. Sanford; second, Mr. Pierce; other award, Mrs. William F. Chevalier. Six tables were in play at the party held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Iola Shirlcliff. Winners were: women, high scorer, Mrs. Pearl Green; low, Mrs. Ethel Driscoll; men, high scorer, Stanley Boyko; second, Charles Sanford.

Discuss Town Hall Renovation

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The town has a fund for the renovation in mind, but the whole matter presumably bogged down by reason of the expense.

Preceding the discussion, Philip Littlefield of Amherst, Caterpillar tractor representative, showed pictures of the Pearl Harbor catastrophe, the building of the Alaska highway, and the Jimmie Doolittle bombing of Japan.

The supper committee, Chester Hussey, Walter Dodge, Harold Suhm and Harold Cook, put on a sumptuous supper. Mrs. Hussey furnished the greens for table decorations. About 35 were present.

Rationing Board Notes

There will be no regular meeting of the rationing board next week, due to Thanksgiving, but applications sent in will be taken care of.

W. Paige Piper, Osborne Davis and Gould Ketchen have been appointed members of the War Price and Rationing Board to act as a price panel.

Tires Awarded Oct. 31 Grade 1—John Wezniak, Angelina Boudreau (3), Hilda F. Jewett, Harold Cook, Frank Dzwonkowski, Peter Whittaker, Ross M. Sillman, William Tucker (2); Robert M.

Advertisement for Williams Paints featuring 'PERK UP! PAUP! LOVELY KITCHENS LOVELY BATHS!' and 'i-Lustre' paint. Includes a list of colors and a price of \$3.50 per gallon.

Advertisement for Trust Co. featuring an illustration of a woman sitting at a desk. Text includes 'YOU HAVE FOOTWORK, TIME AND ENERGY. CHECK ACCOUNT AT THIS BANK.' and 'TRUST CO. Massachusetts'.



Pvt. Kenneth Boyea, 31130796 Sq. "V" Morris Fld. (R.T.U.-L.B.) Charlotte, N. C.

Pvt. Elwyn H. Wood, 31467854 Co. H, 12th Group, 4th Regt. Camp Reynolds, Pa.

Raymond Kinmonth, Jr., seaman first class, stationed at Key West, Fla., was recently commended by J. H. S. Johnson, Comdr., U. S. N., commanding, for "outstanding efficient performance of duty and for materially assisting in obtaining weather data and weather predictions, the result of which made possible plans for effective and adequate defense measures against the hurricane which swept Key West on 18 October."

The Misses Sophie and Julia Smola have enlisted in the Waves, and left yesterday for training at Hunter college.

Dear Mr. Blackmer: I have finally found a home with a permanent address and am anxious to receive the Sentinel once again.

The Fair has come and gone and another year of war. I imagine the Common was a scene not unlike that of any other year. This was the first I have ever missed and I hope it is the last.

Until that time when we do come racing home, I am glad to be able to keep in touch with things through the Sentinel.

Gil Geer

Pvt. Kenneth Thayer, who has completed training at Camp Blanding, Fla., spent a 15-day leave with his family, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred K. Thayer. He returned on Tuesday to report at Ft. Meade, Md.

William Squires, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Squires, Sr., of Main St., has graduated from the Gunners' Mate School at Bainbridge, Md., and is now seaman first class. He spent the past week-end at his home in town.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Although the following letter from Mrs. Kinmonth's sister, Lt. Krone, is some weeks' old, we still think it of interest and will be appreciated by our readers. It tells of her second trip to Paris.

September 10 I must tell you about our second trip to Paris. Four of us started out of here at 8 a. m. We hiked 'cross lots to meet the A. P. O. truck. By the time we met the truck, six more of our girls came along, so ten of us rode in as far as Versailles which is 20 miles from Paris.

We got there and the four of us left the other six. Along came a weapons carrier. He said he was

going two miles toward Paris. Well, that was only 18 miles left, so in we got, rode two miles, got out and stood on the side of the road.

Along came a "Turner Pull", that is a tractor with a big derrick on the back that hauls smashed tanks. The driver yelled: "Do you girls want a lift to Paris?" Laugh, we surely did. It was like climbing the side of the boat, only No rope ladder. Sull and I got on. Marge and Dot couldn't make it, so he lowered the derrick; on they got and he hauled 'em up. We have ridden on everything now.

We had gone about three miles when along comes a French funeral. Though it was sad, it really was funny. Before the hearse walked the altar boys, then the Priest, then another black hearse with the driver as pious as punch with a Napoleon hat on his head. It was the queerest thing yet. Behind the hearse the mourners were walking. Even they looked at us as if we were something out of a nut factory. They forgot all about their mission.

Of course the tractor made a great deal of noise and every town we went through, the natives gathered to see if the Germans were coming back. We rode five miles on this contraption but, all in all, I bet it was ten. You see there is not a steering wheel on the thing, it is controlled by levers, and you zig-zag all over the place. It really was fun. We got into one part of the city where this thing could not go, so off we got and got a ride in a jeep. Arrived in Paris at 12.45. went and had lunch at the G. I. Restaurant, and then went shopping. Got a "calache" and crept to the shopping district. Cost us 150 francs. Bought gloves, etc. for

which they gypped us, but at least if they get home, you ladies will have some French mits. The tie, Dad, is the most expensive one you've ever had. Cost 5 bucks and it isn't worth it, but at least it is Paris made.

It's so cold here I don't know but what I'm ready to go to the Pacific, but we are heading for Belgium, and I'm sure it is cold there, if not more so. Brr!!!

Bye now. More later from Belgium. Berlin soon.

Bud

Town Items

Dr. Henry A. Tadjell, chairman of the War Fund drive, announces that final figures are \$1,530.01.

Mrs. Dorothy Rabinovitz of Holyoke, a graduate of the State college, has been secured to take the position on the High School faculty, vacated by Miss Bernice Shaw.

Miss Elvira Galindo of Brooklyn, N. Y., was the week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. James L. Collard.

Miss Dorothy Hassell of Boston was a week-end guest of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth.

Advertisement for Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company Insurance, featuring the name 'ANNA R. GOLD GENERAL INSURANCE' and contact information.

Large advertisement for U.S. War Bonds featuring an illustration of a man holding a bond and a refrigerator. Text includes 'While you're waiting for your new post-war ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR' and 'SAVE FOR IT BY INVESTING IN U. S. WAR BONDS'.

Greenlawn Restaurant

Thanksgiving Dinner

Soup		Fruit Juice
	Celery	
Roast Turkey with dressing		Rib Roast of Beef with gravy
Mashed Potato		Sweet Potato
Onions	Squash	Cranberry Sauce
	Pies	
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THREE RIVERS

Congregational Church Notes

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Winslow Piper this afternoon at 2.30.

Miss Barbara Hudson will lead the worship service at the Youth Fellowship service on Sunday evening, when Henry Renouf will give a talk on stamp collecting.

The church cabinet, at a meeting last Sunday, appointed the following nominating committee to bring in a slate of officers at the annual meeting: Mrs. Harold F. Peck, Mrs. Louis Shumway, and Louis Fuller.

The trustees announce that the annual meeting, supper and roll-call will be held Friday evening, December 8.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Rindge of Westfield were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Collis.

Frederick D. Farley was called to West Windham, N. H., last Wednesday by the illness of his father, Fred N. Farley, who died on Friday at a hospital in Nashua. He

was 85 years of age and had been ill only a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason W. Hurlburt of Turkey Hill will observe their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Garvey, who for many years conducted a lunchroom on Main street, and later resided at the Hoag home on Maple street, has gone to the Mount St. Vincent home in Holyoke.

Mrs. Annie French was injured in an automobile accident in Granby last Saturday night, when the car she was driving collided with a car coming out of the Hatch driveway. She suffered face, knee and chest injuries. She has been at the Holyoke hospital for X-ray examination. Miss Catherine French, who was with her, suffered shin injuries and had three stitches taken. The cars were somewhat damaged.

Harry B. and Dorothy Sanford, who recently moved to their newly purchased home in Thorndike, have sold their property on Mill Valley road to David E. and Agnes M. Fournier of Holyoke, who have taken possession.

NOW SELLING—Apples, pears and sweet cider. Please bring containers, if possible.

E. C. Howard
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FOR SALE—Coal burning circulating Heater, A-1 condition, \$45.; Oil burning Glenwood range, \$12.; Wood burning Range, small, \$6.; 3 H. P. single phase, 110-220-V motor; Rabbits, 4 young does, ready to breed or butcher, 20c lb.; 110 Volt elec. fan; bolt action clip Carbine, \$18.; double bed, including spring and mattress, \$8.; 110-V portable Elec. Drill, large; young sow, about 6 mos. old, 200 lbs.; Breakfast table with 4 chairs; hand-made curly maple bench; old-fashioned maple parlor set, \$10.; 200-chick incubator, Buckeye, \$7.; plow points, LeRoy, Wiard, Oliver.
E. O. Lofland

FOR SALE—Nice big roasting chickens for Thanksgiving, 43c a lb. dressed. Place your orders early.

Frank E. Towne
Phone 3653

FOR SALE—Village Crawford Kitchen Range with oil burner; single and double beds; also Home Herald chunk heater.

William Squires
Main Street

Card of Thanks

My sincere thanks for the lovely cards sent while I was in the hospital.

Blanche Kimball

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts held their meeting in the recreation room at the High School.

Mr. Peterson showed us interesting movies of Girl Scouts. The Brownies came and enjoyed the movies with us.

Another new girl joined our troop today—Beatrice Chamberlain.

We are packing Thanksgiving baskets.

Jane Hudson, Scribe

Mrs. Arthur H. Hope of Fairfield, Iowa, formerly of this town, writes that her address is now 105½ West Adams Street.

ONE DAY LATER

This paper will be issued one day later next week by reason of Thanksgiving. Any copy available Wednesday will be appreciated.

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., NOV. 17-18
Olsen and Johnson

In the 1000 Laff Show
"GHOST CATCHERS"
and
"Roger Touhey—Gangster"

SUN., MON., NOV. 19-20

Phil Baker and his
Radio Gang in
"Take It Or Leave It"
John Caradine
"The BLACK PARACHUTE"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., NOV. 21

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"BRIDE BY MISTAKE"
Chester Morris
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PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of Andrew Bryson, late of Ware, in said County, deceased, for the benefit of any particular educational or charitable work carried on by the East Congregational Church of said Ware, and for other purposes.

The trustee of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its third account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of December, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register

John T. Storrs, Attorney

Ware
Nov. 17-24-Dec. 1

Well Completed at 122 Feet

The artesian well being drilled on the Robert Ritter place at the junction of the Ware and Enfield roads, was completed at 122 feet on Monday. A flow of two and three-eighths gallons per minute was secured, including a 20-ft. water level, with a reserve of 135 gallons. After the first 22 feet the drilling was entirely through ledge.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Putting the Christian Spirit Into Life."

Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
Mrs. Flora Stene, Guest Speaker.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Certainty For Uncertainty."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Double or Nothing Club Annual Meeting, preceded by covered dish supper at 6.30 p. m.

Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Mildred Bock.

WEDNESDAY

Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Jessie Mason of Maple street.

Senior Girl Scouts at Mrs. Louis Fuller's.

Community Dance.

THURSDAY

Boy Scouts.

FRIDAY

Special Town Meeting in Memorial Hall at 8 p. m.

SATURDAY

Public Grange Card Party in Grange hall.

Dates Spoken For

Dec. 6
Women's Guild Card Party with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ryther.

Dec. 8
Annual Church Meeting, Supper and Roll-Call of Congregational church.

Dec. 21
Christmas Entertainment at Memorial Hall.

Will Get Library Books

The Girl Scouts of this town are going to the library to get books for the older people of the town not able to go themselves. Barbara Young is chairman of the committee. If you would like us to get books for you, call any of the following:

Barbara Young 3581
Jane Hudson 3761
Suzanne Piper 3781
Marjorie Jackson 3231

All these girls have bicycles and are willing to go to the library Thursday and Friday only.

Community Dance

A civic minded group is sponsoring the Community Dance to be held in Memorial hall next week Wednesday evening, when it is expected that certain community projects designed to benefit the young people of the town, will be presented and possibly acted upon, if not that night, then at a later meeting.

The group sponsoring the dance represents no organization or sect. This was purposely avoided, so that it might have a real community appeal. The proceeds of the dance itself will go toward some community enterprise to be determined.

Remembered on 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jason W. Hurlburt received one hundred cards and thirty-one callers on their 60th wedding anniversary last Sunday. Callers came from Springfield, Somers, Ct., Amherst, Northampton and East Longmeadow. The Congregational church sent flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurlburt were married in Somers, Ct., and have spent all of their married life in Belchertown, and nearly all in the same house.

They have three daughters, Mrs. Ethel Giles, who lives with them, Mrs. George Chapman of Mamoroneck, N. Y., and Mrs. George Williams of Amherst and two grandsons, one in the Army Air Corps, and the other in the Navy.

Groups Meet Here

About 50 were present at the monthly meeting of the 8 and 40, and 40 and 8, held here on Monday evening, the women meeting in the Grange hall, and the men in Memorial hall. Refreshments were served both groups in Grange hall following the respective meetings.

Red Cross Says "Thank You"

It was with great surprise that a notice was received recently by Mrs. Anne Wood saying that the National Red Cross office had reached its quota of surgical dressings for the present, and so the work should be discontinued. Thus the work which has been going on here since March of 1943 has ceased until an emergency should rise again.

With this Thanksgiving issue of the Sentinel, we want to express grateful thanks to the many friends who made this town's record an excellent one.

THANKS—
To Anne Wood for your more than 3,000 hours spent in supervising the work. What a record!

To the many organizations and individuals who contributed money to pay for the rent of the rooms.

To the Masonic organization for their loan of the chairs.

To Mrs. Marjorie Tilton and Mrs. Frances Moore for furnishing transportation for some of the workers.

To the workers who gave many hours of their time unselfishly.

It might be of interest to note that from January 1, 1944 to November 14th, 539 workers put in 5,980 hours making 141,316 dressings. The grand total of dressings completed from March 2, 1943 to Nov. 14, 1944, was 247,900 dressings.

Should we receive a call for help in the future, we hope the response will be as great.

Special Town Meeting

A special town meeting will be held in Memorial hall next week Friday evening at 8. Following is a summary of the articles slated for the warrant:

To see if the town will appropriate money from available funds for Old Age Assistance.

To see if the town will appropriate money from available funds for Aid to Dependent Children.

To see if the town will appropriate money from available funds to repair the old town hall.

Going-Away Parties

Miss Bernice Shaw, who is leaving town to take up her new duties in the Danielson, Ct., High school, was tendered a going-away party by neighbors and friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kempkes last Friday evening, when she was presented a suit case. Following school on Tuesday, her fellow teachers presented her with a gift of money. Her pupils also remembered her.

State School Opened 22 Years Ago

The Belchertown State School was opened 22 years ago last week, the anniversary date being November 15. The first annual report and a recent one are rather interesting when compared.

According to the earlier report, 193 were enrolled on Nov. 30, 1922, of whom 187 were actually resident.

When the board of trustees took up its work, "the following buildings were completed, or in process of completion: the farm colony, head farmer's cottage, temporary house of superintendent, storage house and bakery, power house, 1 dormitory for boys, 1 custodial building for boys, 2 employes' cottages. There were two resident physicians, 197 male patients and 87 employes."

On the 22nd anniversary, the population at the school is 1,300 in residence, with 1,474 actually on the books, and with an employees' quota of 315. The valuation as of June 30, 1944 was \$2,311,764.85, so it will be seen that the institution has grown to considerable proportions.

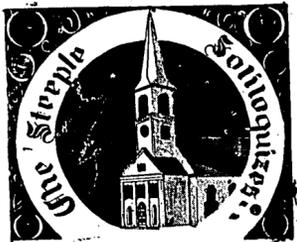
Dr. George E. McPherson was superintendent of the institution from the beginning, retiring only in June 1943, when he was succeeded by Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, the present incumbent. Dr. McPherson guided the institution during its formative years, and most of the construction was during his tenure of office. With the coming of the war, of course new construction practically ceased.

Of the doctors enumerated in the earlier report, only one remains, Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, who not only has had charge of dental needs, but has contributed as much or more in supervising entertainment features at the institution. John Cronin, head farmer at the opening of the institution, is still on the staff and two local men, Frank E. Farrington, chief engineer, and Aubrey D. Lapolice, foreman mechanic, are still on the roster.

Of course, as one ponders the school as it is today, with all its personnel, one calls to mind those early meetings of the Board of Trade held in what is now firemen's hall, when various members were deputized to see what could be done to bring the school to Belchertown. Many will remember the torch light procession that went to the railroad station to meet Daniel D. Hazen (Don Hazen's father), president of the Board of Trade, who arrived on the evening train from Boston with the news that the school was assured.

The good that has been accomplished her.

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Local Sergeant Sees Another Side of France
 Master Sergeant Herbert Story, perhaps the only Belchertown boy to be in France for the second time with the fighting forces, has just written a letter which is in interesting contrast to one in this column some weeks ago from Sergeant Austin Warren.

The fact that Herb's missive comes through uncensored should be proof, if any were needed, that Uncle Sam's boys are able to express opinion on the opposite side of the fence from that on which the State Department may stand.

Each soldier sees the war through his own eyes. One who is helping do the job a second time is likely to have a bit less idealistic point of view than his who is at it fresh and young. Of course, the opinions in no letter are necessarily those either of the "people" or the Editor.

"I read with interest, Bunny Warren's account of his trip north from the south coast of France. Bunny was looking at this mild, yes, very mild scene of modern war through the eyes of youth. He was seeing things as the French want him to see them—a nation grateful for its liberation; the cup of wine; the kiss of a damsel; the waving of flags; the mayor out in his comical array of office finery, a plug hat, long multicolored sash, with the upper lip mustache well waxed—sure, a great stuff. I saw the same thing a quarter century ago and we got hooked in every deal we made.

"These people had no one but themselves to blame. Through their own wilful misconduct their government became weak and they became easy prey to the Hun hordes. The government was rotten to the core, every politician had to have his little cut on every deal that involved the national security. This was true in every province of France. To my way of thinking that is the way it is in all democracies, unless the people take it upon themselves to exercise their prerogative to vote and to keep the national house in order. If the government becomes weak through indifference, then you will face a stronger nation. That is what happened to France.

"I have been in some of the cities and towns blasted by every type of modern arms—cities flat with nothing but a few walls standing. Old churches that stood for centuries, nothing but rubble, towns in name only, this through American gun fire. Don't get the mistaken idea that the French love us for it. They don't. Hitler's gang did a good job of colonizing here. These people still have all their cattle. They lost nothing; in fact they gained from German occupation. The Boche was no fool and his job was well done. Through this butter, milk and cheese area it is not an uncommon sight to have someone spit at you as you go by in a truck. All the people give you nothing but a stony glance, till you want to buy something (then get your breath back if you can)—they are not ashamed to ask you ten times the value of any article. You are a sucker if you buy it, and a pig if you don't.

"I hope we can gain a better peace when the last shot is fired and not be the world's Santa Clauses. We gained nothing by it before, and there is no reason why we should not treat them as customers. There are too many white crosses with good old American flags flying over them to be too generous with anyone but our own people who need and deserve help. Gifts of money will bring us nothing but contempt and the promise of another war.

"Please give my best regards to your wife and children. As ever, Herb"

Nationwide Bible Readings
 Here are the selections for the Bible readings for this coming week. Are you familiar with them? Sunday, November 26, Psalm 1; Monday, Matthew 5; Tuesday, Romans 8; Wednesday, I Corinthians 13; Thursday, Psalm 91; Friday, Matthew 6; Saturday, John 3.

Local Interest
 Although none of the details of the movement behind the Community Dance coming next Wednesday have officially reached the writer, it has all the appearance of deserving the support of the townspeople, whether or not they waltz, do the polka, and fill out sets in square dances. Those who are "getting it up" are unselfishly planning to enlist the support of Belchertown people in behalf of the town's young folks. The time may be drawing near for us to decide whether we shall do things or just stand around and complain because things are not done. The dance itself is the right sort of gathering for all to attend. Why wait until someone solicits you to support it?

 One of the seventh graders in the Center School has a fresh slant on the subject of Americans. He told the teacher that anyone could land on Plymouth Rock; it was just a question of getting there and landing was free and unhampered. On the other hand, those who came here later, such as his own forebears, had to pass examinations, prove they were going to be assets to the country, and so on. On this basis, he sees no reason for any of the oldtimers being too snooty on the subject. Personally, I think he has something there!

 Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

If you your lips would keep from slips,
 Five things observe with care:
 Of whom you speak, to whom you speak,
 And how and when and where.
 If you your ears would save from jeers,
 These things keep mildly hid:
 Myself and I, and mine and my,
 And how I do and did.

—Anonymous
 —Bob Jackson

Rationing Board Notes
 The rationing board wishes to advise the recipients of A ration books that these should be endorsed with the name of the one to whom issued. Also, this year's license plate numbers should be written or stamped on all coupons. When new numbers are received, these should be written in on the book covers.

Tires Awarded Nov. 16, 1944
 Grade 1—Chester Dzwonkowski, Angelina Boudreau, Evelyn Archambault, Dudley Chaffee, Stephen Stolar, Evelyn Cartier, Munroe Wood, Harold Ketchen, John Eurus, John Berube, Mary Holden.
 Truck Tires—Thomas E. Hanifin, Ryther & Warren Co., Edward Robinson.

State School
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 plished for the deficient, the economic salvation that the school has meant for this community, especially in the lean years, and the helpful, friendly cooperation of the personnel in the life of the town has made the enterprise even more valuable than was at first anticipated.

A requiem mass was sung Wednesday morning at Saint Francis church for the repose of Sgt. Raymond Germain, who was killed in action in Germany, October 21.

Congregational Church Notes

Mrs. Flora Stene, daughter of the pastor, recently arrived from Turkey, will be guest speaker at the Youth Fellowship Sunday night.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT
 To all persons interested in the estate of Karol Jezyk, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Helen Paydos of Ware, in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the nineteenth day of December, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
 John T. Storrs, Atty.
 Ware
 Nov. 24-Dec. 1-8

The Double or Nothing Club will hold its annual meeting in the parish house on Tuesday evening, preceded by a covered dish supper at 6.30. The executive committee will furnish dessert and coffee. Each couple is asked to bring a casserole dish.

The Home department met last week Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Winslow S. Piper of Maple street, with 17 members and guests present. Miss Suzanne Piper and Miss Gloria Wildey gave piano selections, followed by a varied literary program. It was announced that the next meeting would be held at the home of the president, Mrs. Walter Brown, on December 22, with a Christmas party in connection. Refreshments will be served.

COMMUNITY

Wednesday Evening
NOVEMBER 29

Proceeds to be donated to community winter project

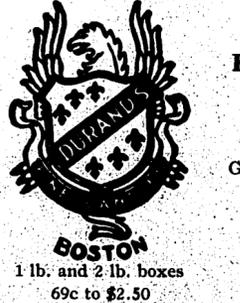
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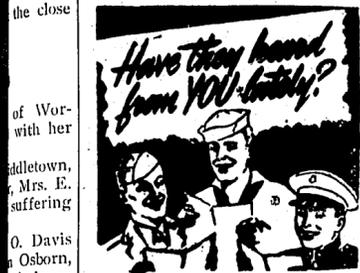
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According to a press release, Sergt. Raymond F. Dahlgren, who is with the U. S. Forces in France, took part in the building of the breakwaters floated to the Normandy beaches and sunk to make improvised harbors, on D-Day. The constructing units, it is said, are now in action in Europe.

Warren Bock is stationed at the William Jewel College in Liberty, Mo. He is taking a V-5 course.

Warren Bock, Bat'n 1, Co. C Plat. 1, NARUCV-5 Liberty, Mo.

Albert Weston, who is evidently in France, writes Bill French, "Well we had a couple of movies here in France, but not too cosy sitting on a steel helmet, or in the rain, but we do it."

George Henry and John W. Avery have been home on eight-day leaves from training at Sampson, N. Y.

Naval Mine Warfare School Yorktown, Va.

Well, I got here last nite about 9. Boy, this is a swell base. It was originally a marine base, but now it is mostly navy; some marines and a few soldiers. Most of the fellows are rated men. The school runs from five to sixteen weeks, all depending on the course you take.

This base is out in the woods, and I don't mean maybe! Lee Hall is the nearest town—about 500 people. The trains are few and very slow. The only road to the base is an old tar one, about like the old Enfield road. The base only covers about five acres; it's really small, but it's the best base I've been on. The chow is exceptionally good.

The Chesapeake Bay or James River is only about 150 feet from the barracks. We went aboard some mine sweepers this morning and looked them over—are they small!

This base is super. We have a post-office box of our own, so we have to go after our own mail. Like civilian life.

Sonny Squires
 William H. Squires, Jr., S 1-C Naval Mine Warfare School Draft No. 1081-44 Yorktown, Va.

Pfc. Georgia Lee, A115208 WAC Det., 3803 S. U. Regional Hospital Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark.

Senior Girl Scout Notes

A meeting of the Girl Scouts was held at the home of Mrs. Westwell on Wednesday evening, November 15th. Lt. Barbara Colman was present to tell us about some of her experiences while overseas. Lt. Colman is a friend of Miss Gladys Smola of this town, who is also an army nurse and is now in France. Lt. Colman has seen both Ireland and England. While in Ireland

she acted as hostess to greet Queen Elizabeth. She said people in both countries she was in were extremely nice to the American nurses and soldiers.

The next meeting will be held November 29th at Mrs. Fuller's home. It was decided that the meeting for December 13th would be a progressive dinner, which will start at 5.30 p. m. At our next meeting the national dues will be collected (\$5.50), and also the regular dues of \$1.00.

Diane Allen, Secretary

Boy Scout Notes

Six Scouts spent last Sunday afternoon at Scoutmaster Ira Shattuck's, where they tried the outdoor firebuilding and cooking test. This requires the preparation of two potatoes and a quarter pound of steak, using no utensils. Four of the six succeeded in passing the test.

The regular meetings of the last two weeks were given over to the passing of Tenderfoot requirements by the younger boys, the older ones acting as instructors. Arrangements have been made to use the Control Center to store equipment between meetings.

Scoutmaster and Mrs. Shattuck and Harold Ryder of the Troop Committee attended the annual

banquet of the Hampshire-Franklin council at Greenfield on November 16.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday of next week.

George Jackson, Reporter

Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Mildred Bock next Tuesday evening. Assistant hostesses will be Mrs. Celia Pratt and Mrs. Marion Plant. Mrs. Helen Menard will have charge of the entertainment.

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will hold their monthly business meeting on Wednesday, November 29, at 2 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Jessie Mason of Maple street. Mrs. Laura Bruce of Amherst will be assistant hostess.

SOME THANKSGIVING PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lapolice and daughter, Miss Kathleen Lapolice, spent Thanksgiving with Miss Olive Lapolice of Ware.

Guests at the Albert Markham home included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corry of Amherst, Mrs. Mary Markham and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shum-

way and son, Ralph. Donald Terry and family were guests at the George Smith home. Members of the Ira Squires and William Chevallier families attended a family gathering of 14 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Prescott of West Pelham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hurlburt and daughter, Mrs. Ethel Ghes, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Williams of Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Collis entertained a large party.

A party of seventeen, including the Gould and Ketchen families, were guests of Harry Gould at The Homestead in Ludlow.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Goodell had as guests their son, Ralph and family. Mrs. Louise Sherman was the guest of her niece, Mrs. Robert Bardwell of Northampton.

The Cook family reunion at Harold Cook's included Mrs. J. V. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. William Bridgman and daughter, Jane, of Stoneham, Mrs. Myrtle Cook and Betty Lou Cook.

And scores of others.

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No—we cannot connect it if you

are moving outside of your present telephone exchange or geographical area, and we cannot connect it if you do not have telephone service at your present address, unless you are in one of the above listed groups that are entitled to immediate service.

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Card of Thanks
On November 19, our 60th wedding anniversary, our church sent us a large bouquet of beautiful flowers, making us think of our God-given manifold blessings. Then there were personal and telephone calls, the presenting of many varied gifts, followed by thoughts of cheer and kindness expressed in the even one hundred letters and cards. All this with the help of our loyal, grand friends, has given us courage to start bravely for the next milestone. With many thanks.
Albert E. Addis; Register
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hurlburt

Card of Thanks
Dr. J. L. Collard desires to thank all those who expressed their friendliness to him following his recent fall.

Town Items
Mrs. Clarence Pierce entertained 50 friends and relatives on Monday night at a party in honor of her son, Leon Capen, who leaves soon for boot training at Sampson, N. Y.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lapolice are parents of a daughter born at Mary Lane hospital.
Arthur R. Ketchen is ill with

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., NOV. 24 - 25
Linda Lynn Jack
Darnell Bari Oakie
Benny Goodman Orch.
"Sweet and Low Down"
and
"THAT'S MY BABY"

SUN., MON., NOV. 26 - 27
Susanna Foster Boris Karlof
"THE CLIMAX"
in Technicolor
Wm. Boyd Hop-a-long Cassidy
"Riders of the Deadline"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., NOV. 28
Gail Dianna Chas.
Russell Lynn Ruggles
"OUR HEARTS WERE YOUNG AND GAY"
and "GIRL IN THE CASE"

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT
To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of Andrew Bryson, late of Ware, in said County, deceased; for the benefit of any particular educational or charitable work carried on by the East Congregational Church of said Ware, and for other purposes.
The trustee of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its third account.
If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of December, 1944, the return day of this citation.
Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.
Albert E. Addis; Register
John T. Storrs, Attorney
Ware
Nov. 17-24-Dec. 1

pneumonia in the Leonard Morse hospital in Natick.
Mrs. Annie French of Jabish St., who has been in Holyoke hospital with injuries suffered in an auto accident in Granby, returned home last Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Sanford entertained on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Shumway, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hennemann, Mrs. Mary Sellev and daughters, Mary and Patricia, Mrs. Iva Gay and Mrs. Ada Akers.
Mrs. Annie Austin spent Thanksgiving with her daughters in Springfield.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Maxwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Maxwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Prisoner's Conquering Message."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
"The Meaning of Patriotism."
Diane Allen, Leader.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
TUESDAY
Grange Meeting.
Public Community Project Meeting in the Recreation Room at Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

WEDNESDAY
Women's Guild Card Party with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ryther, 8 p. m.
Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY
Pomona Grange Meeting in Grange Hall. Supper at 6.30 p. m. Business meeting at 8.

FRIDAY
Annual Church Meeting, Dinner and Roll-Call of Congregational Church. Dinner at 6.30 p. m.

SATURDAY
TODAY
Special Town Meeting in Memorial Hall at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW
Public Grange Card Party in Grange hall.

Dates Spoken For
Dec. 12
Legion Auxiliary Meeting.
Dec. 21
Christmas Entertainment at Memorial Hall.

Death of Mrs. Daisy B. Martin
Mrs. Daisy Belle Martin, 55, acting postmaster in Hampden for the past five months, died last Friday at the Springfield Infirmary, following an operation.
She was born at West Springfield on Oct. 17, 1889, the daughter of the late Benjamin F. and Mary E. Thompson. She was married to the late Thomas J. Martin on Dec. 1, 1911 at Springfield.
She was a member of the Federated church of Hampden and served also as choir mother, a member of the Ladies' Aid and a charter member of Hampden Grange No. 413.
Mrs. Martin leaves a son, Sydney G. of Indian Orchard, two daughters, Mrs. Stanley F. Rhodes and Mrs. C. Lawrence Rhodes of this town, a sister, Miss Maude Thompson of Springfield, seven grandchildren and a nephew.
The funeral was held in Hampden on Monday with interment in Mt. Hope cemetery. Bearers were Jay M. Peck of Springfield, Quentin L. Wolcott of East Longmeadow, L. O. Howlett of Hampden and F. S. Warren of Longmeadow. Rev. Glenn W. Douglass officiated.

Death of Edmund L. Lincourt
Edmund L. Lincourt, 54, died Sunday night at 11 at the home of his son, Harvey A. Lincourt of George Hannum St., after only a short illness. He was born in Chicopee, Mar. 21, 1890, and came here to live about ten years ago. Up until three months ago he was employed by B. F. Perkins & Son.
Besides his widow, Rose (Theroux) Lincourt, he leaves a son, Harvey A. Lincourt; two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Ireson of Saugus, and Mrs. Dolores Charron of Springfield; and four brothers, George Lincourt of Wilbraham, Octave Lincourt of Washington, Leo Lincourt of Chicopee, and Edward Lincourt of Holyoke; besides two half sisters and a half brother.
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Grange Notes
A military whist card party will be held in Grange hall this week Saturday evening at 8, with Mrs. Celia Pratt and Mrs. Myrtle Williams co-chairmen.

Community Dance
The Community Dance of Wednesday evening was a grand success, about 125 attending, and proceeds amounting to over \$50. It was truly a family affair. Some of the older ones who hadn't danced for years, had the time of their lives, and the younger ones had just as fine a time. Both square and modern dances were enjoyed.
During the intermission, Chester Hussey spoke of the popularly accepted project of providing skating rinks for the young people of the town, but definite action was deferred to a public meeting next Tuesday evening at 8 in the recreation room at Memorial hall, when all interested in the young folks of the community are urged to come out and decide on a definite program.
An added suggestion of community benefit was made, to the effect that there be a center for first aid equipment and sick room supplies.
Refreshments of cider, doughnuts, cheese and coffee were served. Those sponsoring the event want to thank not only those who assisted that evening, but those who contributed, but did not attend. Ed Tierney's orchestra officiated.

Sending Out Booklets
The Belchertown Veterans Rehabilitation and Re-Employment Committee, Dr. Henry A. Taddell, chairman, announces that booklets entitled "Rights and Benefits for Massachusetts Veterans," prepared by the central state committee, have been mailed to the residences of all boys and girls in the armed services whose names appear on the Belchertown Honor Roll, or whose names are about to be included on the roll.
It was felt that it would be wise to address the envelopes to the servicemen's residence, since the family or the folks with whom the service man or woman lived would know the correct addresses, if they desired to forward the booklets. In some instances the service man or woman might be home on furlough, or might be expected on a furlough, at which time the booklet will be at his residence awaiting him.
Included within the pages of the booklet is a loose-leaf indicating the names of those on the local committee (Dr. Taddell, Charles F. Austin, Louis Endelson, Frederick D. Farley, Romeo J. Joyal, Roy E. Kimball), and also the name of the Hampshire County Contact Officer for medically discharged veterans (William Lewonis, Leeds).
If any folks do not receive a booklet for a relative or friend in the Service from Belchertown, one will be forwarded to them if they will drop a card to Dr. Taddell.

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Pomona Grange Here Next Week
Pomona Grange meets here in Grange hall, Thursday evening, December 7. Supper will be at 6.30, followed by a business meeting at 8. The welcome will be given by Charles Sanford, master of the local Grange, and the response by John Comstock of South Hadley.
There will be Christmas carols with tableaux, and a Christmas party with exchange of gifts. Each Patron attending will please bring a gift for a child from 2 to 12 years old, with package labeled as to age, and whether for boy or girl.

Town Meeting Tonight
Attention is again called to the special town meeting tonight at 8 to act upon appropriations from available funds for:
1. Old Age Assistance.
2. Aid to Dependent Children.
3. Repairs on old town hall.

Holds Annual Meeting
Thirty-seven were present (the pastor was privileged to attend "unescorted") at the Double or Nothing club annual meeting, preceded by a covered dish supper, in the Congregational parish house on Tuesday evening.
The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

President Kenneth Hawkins
Vice-President Phyllis Markham
Secretary Rachel Shumway
Treasurer Guy Harrington

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harrington and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lindquist were named a program committee.
It was voted to buy black-out shades for the dining room to permit the showing of motion pictures in connection with the religious education work.
A collection was taken, amounting to \$16.75, to help defray the added cost to the Congregational church of the week-day religious education school; by reason of the fact that more pupils from that church constitute its membership this year.
It was also voted to put on another minstrel show early in the spring.

Women's Guild Card Party
The Women's Guild will hold a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ryther next week Wednesday evening at 8.



Christmas Seals Again! 1944 Honors Postman

Our envelope of Christmas seals came in the mail last week. The current issue in a series now 38 years old does honor to that friend of all, the postman. It is typical of the American character that a truly great crusade such as the fight against tuberculosis goes on successfully through peace and prosperity, through depression and war. There is hardly a need to urge continual cooperation. The purchase of seals is a national habit!

It is significant of the times that our local chairman is the bride of a boy now in his second year in the South Pacific. "Wedded through separation," as Masters once said of Anne Rutledge. Yet how smilingly and sweetly these youngsters carry out their assignments. The postman is indeed the friend of Dick and Marjell.

So thoroughly does the National Tuberculosis Association carry forward its work that an educational booklet is now sent to the nation's schools in order that all children may know the enemy. Would that all our enemies could be engaged so totally!

Beginning this year, public schools have been asked to prepare the booklet, and to nearby Springfield came the honor of being the first. The result, *By Land and Sea and Air*, is a most commendable unit. Besides teaching materials for all grades, it contains chapters on "The Story of the Mails," "Electricity and Communication," and "Communication and Health."

I wish you could meet the editor of this book. She is one of the best history teachers I have ever known. But more than that, she is a most courageous soul. Death has taken practically all of her near relatives, and a painful disease has forced her from one operation to another for many years. But she has risen triumphantly from all her troubles, teaches half days (ancient history and the most modern global geography), and writes the rest of the time. It is appropriate that she should edit (and largely write) a booklet dedicated to the banishment of pain.

If you want to know how powerful a foe modern science tackled when Koch located the tubercle bacillus in 1882, walk through any burying ground in New England, and note the tremendous number of young people whose deaths are recorded there. "A consumption" took more of them than any other single trouble. In 1917, well along in the battle, the United States death rate from T. B. was 180 in 100,000—now it is only 44. "There is reasonable hope that in time the disease may be virtually wiped out."

The booklet speaks of the interesting fact that communication, of which the postman is the symbol, has made possible the effective battle against disease, but has also made inevitable the spread of new

troubles. "War always brings disease in its train. Disease often starts in crowded and unsanitary camps and then travels from country to country as the army moves, or as they disband and the soldiers return home. So the Black Death moved from country to country. So the influenza pandemic which began in Europe during the last months of World War I spread to America and the rest of the world. Already in World War II tropical diseases, such as amoebic and bacterial dysentery, and other maladies rarely seen here, have been brought home by soldiers and sailors returning from foreign service."

So, as in other international relations, though the world has been made smaller and all people brought closer together, "much remains to be accomplished."

Your purchase of Christmas seals, in a larger way than you may realize, will hasten the end of a war that carries on through all other wars—the war of science against what was once called "incurable pain." * * *

Nationwide Bible Reading Proceeds Under Difficulties

I wonder how many of you have tried this Nationwide Bible Reading idea. We have had quite a time finding an hour when even a majority of the family was together. These modern American homes!

I know of one lady who has such a job arranging meals and lunches for her "all-hour" household of workers and school children that she has arrived at the idea of "calling it a quorum and serving a meal" whenever three of her flock are in the house together.

It was past midnight Saturday night when I remembered that the readings had not been done. The selection was Psalm 23, as you remember. So eight of us paused over the salad and made a round robin of it, taking a verse or two a piece around the table. There was some hesitating and a few hastily rescinded improvisations, even with a chapter so familiar. But we enjoyed it. No one really likes to admit a lack of speaking acquaintance with the Bible.

I am reminded of the unconfirmed story of those two unholy reprobates, Lewis Blackmer and Harold Peck, who were once fishing far from shore when a board dropped from the bottom of the boat and no bailing would avail. It seems that neither could swim. Even their irreligious hearts were touched at the cold approach of the inevitable. Said Lewis in the stern to Harold in the bow, "You know, it may sound funny to a cuss like you, but if I knew the Lord's Prayer, I'd say it now."

"Well," murmured Harold modestly, "I know it." "Yeah, you do like heck," jibed Lewis, pulling a five-dollar bill from his fish-filled jerkin and laying it on the all but submerged center seat. "Here's five dollars that says you can't quote it." "Covered!" shouted Harold, dragging several rolls of change from the bait can and planking them down on the fiver. "Go ahead, said Lewis; 'it's getting late.'" Both bowed their heads.

"Now I lay me down to sleep," said Harold shyly, and carried on to the end. "I should never have believed it," sighed the astonished Lewis—"take up the money." Fortunately the boat sank over a sand bar.

But seriously, here are the read-

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ings for the coming week: Saturday, December 2, John 3; Sunday, Isaiah 40; Monday, Psalm 46; Tuesday, Romans 12; Wednesday, Hebrews 11; Thursday, Matthew 7; Friday, John 15; Saturday, Ps. 27. Why not join? * * *

What About Tonight?

If local interest in our young people has reached the point where it should be, there will be no trouble in finding a quorum for tonight's Special Town Meeting.

"To see if the town will appropriate money from available funds to repair the old town hall." If you stay home with that article on the agenda—well. * * *

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds." Herodotus (describing the Persian postal system.) —Bob Jackson

Dies in Anacortes

News has been received from Fred G. Abbey of Anacortes, Wash., of the death of his sister, Alice May (Abbey) Lewis in Anacortes on November 14th. She was born in Belchertown, April 2nd, 1872, and was the daughter of George Mason and Sarah (Ramsdell) Abbey who lived on Federal street in this town.

Mrs. Lewis graduated from the Belchertown High School with the class of 1889, and a few weeks later went with her parents and all the family, to the then Territory of Washington, where the two eldest brothers had taken up homesteads. She married William F. Lewis, April 28th, 1896, in Seattle, Wash., where they resided until removing to Anacortes in 1923, where Mr. Lewis died several years ago.

Surviving members of the family are William H. Abbey, Riverside, Cal., Judge Fred G. Abbey and Mrs. Grace (Abbey) Lewis, of Anacortes; Mrs. Sadie (Abbey) Lewis, Bellingham, Wash.; and Mrs. Lottie (Abbey) Thompson of Portland, Oregon; also many nephews and nieces.

In sending note of the above, Mr. Abbey writes:

While the above notice may not meet the eyes of many people who remember our family as residents of Belchertown, there may be a few who have not forgotten us. Fifty-five years is a long time, and not many of the adults of those days

are left there who knew us. My great grandfather, Mason Abbey, moved from Amherst to the house on Federal street in 1810; my grandfather lived in that house, and my father was born there one hundred and eleven years ago, so you can see that our family roots are deeply planted in the soil, records and memories of good old Belchertown. We often gather and talk of the old days and the many friends we knew and loved so long ago. Blessed memories that only time can erase.

Belchertown is still "back home" after 64 years away, except for short visits. For one loyal son—Fred G. Abbey.

Surprise Party

A surprise party was given Allan Taddell, son of Dr. and Mrs. Henry Taddell of the State School, on the occasion of his 16th birthday last Saturday night, the 25th, by his classmates of the High School.

The party started with a hay ride of about an hour, after which they returned to his home and spent the evening in dancing. Refreshments were served and a grand time was enjoyed by all. He was the recipient of many gifts, including money and cards.

Town Items

Beverly Shaffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffer, was taken to the Mercy hospital on Monday for a tonsil and adenoid operation.

Rev. Robert Hodgen of Manomet was the week-end guest of Mrs. Isaac Hodgen and family.

Mr. Kline, Mr. and Mrs. Danek, and Mr. and Mrs. Merlo, of Westfield, and Mrs. Gertrude Baker of Springfield, were holiday guests at the home of Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Mason of Maple street over the holiday week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertram E. Shaw of Leverett, formerly of this town, announce the engagement of their daughter, Eleanor Marie, to Ernest J. Pidlund, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Pidlund of Amherst. The ceremony will take place on Christmas day at 4 at the Shaw home.

New bus schedules went into effect on Monday on the Pocumtuck line, but there were no changes between Amherst and Springfield.

Rationing Board Notes

Tires Awarded Nov. 24, 1944 Grade 1—Robert J. Braden, Chester Dzwonkowski, John Eurus, Horace Fay, Alice Flaherty, Louis Henrichon (2), Cecil Holden, Har-

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Word has been received that Clifton Cleveland, formerly of Federal St., has been wounded in action in France and has been hospitalized.

Corp. Harry Shakarian, who used to make his home with the Cartiers, and went to school here, was a holiday and week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Armand Cartier. He has been in the army for six years and has been overseas for five years. It is interesting to know that Corp. Shakarian met Herbert Story, Jr., in New Guinea, and had a long talk with him. Corp. Shakarian expects to be in town again shortly.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Missives from Lt. Krone

September 22 I met some boys down street and I want to tell you about the dogs they have in their outfit. Not pets, but G. I. dogs. They have their service records just as we do. Their Serial No. is burned in one ear. They are all females. Very friendly off-duty hours, but as soon as they are put on duty no one can leave his tent. One dog takes the place of 10 men on guard. They have their regular hours on guard duty and are very vicious while there. They think that when we get to Germany we will have dog protection. After the war they have to retrain them to

be sent back to their owners. They are most intelligent. If their master says Halt! and you do not stop, these dogs will tear you to pieces. They use them to guard German prisoners. These are all British, ours are in the Pacific.

I am glad to hear the hurricane wasn't too great. Somehow I cannot help but feel that this world of ours is so wicked, we are given these things to make us see that God is more powerful than man. Unfortunately the good suffer with the bad.

I must tell you about the Red Cross conducted tour to the Palace in Versailles. It cost 10 F. It is the most elaborate architecture I believe I have ever seen or hope to see unless we go to India. This is where the Peace Treaty of World War I was signed. It has spacious grounds with 1,500 orange trees and all sorts of flowers; 202 steps going up to the palace, which we counted. It was built by Louis XIV in 1634 at a cost of 70 million pounds; has 375 windows and 600 rooms.

The Hall of Mirrors where the King gave his formal affairs is immense. At sundown it is aglow with the reflection on the mirrors. In this room the Treaty was signed.

The Germans in this war were very careful not to bomb this structure as it is understood they felt the treaty would be signed there this time in their favor. The Madam who escorted us through said, "Thanks to our good friends from America and England, they will not be privileged to do so."

We saw many beautiful paintings but to my astonishment we went through the room which has paintings representing each war France has had. I said to Madam, "It appears to me that man cannot and will not live without 'warring' against his neighbor, since you have had wars dating as far back as 408. Each picture has a date and as far as I can figure, every 20 or 30 years France has fought with some nation." I did not realize the fact that they got into a scrap every 20 years

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built. The people are not quite as friendly, though. Some are Germans, and since we cannot tell the difference we are very careful not to overstep and get into trouble.

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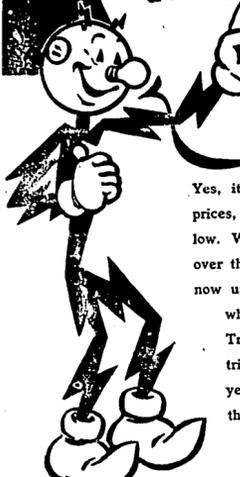
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M. Plant

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Harlan Davis, Dog Officer

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our deep gratitude to the many friends, who were so thoughtful and kind at the time of the loss of our mother. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley F. Rhodes. Mr. and Mrs. C. Lawrence Rhodes. Mr. and Mrs. Sydney G. Martin

School Bus Transportation

CALL FOR BIDS

The School Committee of Belchertown, Massachusetts, will accept bids for the transportation of pupils up to four o'clock on Wednesday, December 13, 1944, on routes now operated by Lincoln A. Cook, Donald Hazen, and Raymond Gay—as follows:

Route 1 (Lincoln A. Cook)—From Center to Pond Hill—Taylor's to Jewett's—to Center School. From Center to Buss's; back to Center School. About forty miles per day. Sixty children more or less.

Route 2 (Donald Hazen)—From Rockrimmon School District to the Center Schools. Forty pupils more or less. Twenty-three miles per day, approximately.

Route 3 (Raymond Gay)—Beginning at the point where North Washington Street starts from the Three Rivers Road, then to Dr. Austin's corner, then to North Liberty Street to South Street, and then to Liberty School, where the pupils from Grades one to six inclusive in the Liberty District shall be left; and where elementary pupils that have been collected in the Washington District shall be conveyed to Franklin school, bringing such High School and Eighth Grade pupils as are entitled to attend the same, to those schools. Forty pupils more or less. Thirty-six miles per day, approximately.

Contracts will operate for a period of three years, beginning January 1, 1945. Further information may be obtained from the Superintendent of Schools or the Chairman of the School Committee.

The School Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Secretary of the School Committee

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., DEC. 1-2
Helen Vinson Lyle Talbot
"Are These Our Parents?"
Joan Davis Bob Crosby
"KANSAS CITY KITTY"

SUN., MON., DEC. 3-4
"IN THE MEANTIME,
DARLING"
Laurel Hardy
"THE BIG NOISE"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., DEC. 5
"When Irish Eyes are
Smiling"
and "The Singing Sheriff"

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Hampshire, ss.
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of Andrew Bryson, late of Ware, in said County, deceased, for the benefit of any particular educational or charitable work carried on by the East Congregational Church of said Ware, and for other purposes.

The trustee of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance its third account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of December, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Attorney
Ware
Nov. 17-24-Dec. 1

Town Items

The Witt families of this town had a gathering on Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shores of North Main street. Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Witt and children of Stafford Springs, Ct., were also present.

Mrs. Roy Kimball is recuperating from an operation undergone at the New England Deaconess hospital in Brookline last week Friday. She is very appreciative of cards received, some of which arrived almost before she got there.

Clapp Memorial Library

Belchertown Sentinel



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**The Coming Week
SUNDAY**

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "Members or Supporters."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m. —Methodist Church—

Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m. "Protecting What is Vital."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY
Legion Auxiliary Meeting.
Meeting of Directors of Belchertown Community Association.

WEDNESDAY
Annual Meeting of O. E. S., preceded by supper at 6.30.

Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss at 7.30 p. m.

THURSDAY
Scout Meetings.

FRIDAY
American Legion Meeting.

SATURDAY

TODAY
Annual Church Meeting, Dinner and Roll-Call of Congregational Church. Dinner at 6.30 p. m.

TOMORROW
Methodist Youth Fellowship Party at Mrs. Marion Plant's, starting from the vestry at 7.15 p. m.

Congregational Youth Fellowship Social at Parish House at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For
Dec. 21
Christmas Entertainment at Memorial Hall.

Banas-Greene Wedding

Miss Jennie Terese Banas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Banas of Indian Orchard, became the bride of Herbert Francis Greene, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Greene of Holyoke road, Saturday morning at 9 in Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Church, Springfield. Rev. George Donahue, pastor, performed the ceremony, using the double ring service. The bride wore a white slipper satin gown with court train and fingertip veil, and carried a cascade of orchids and pink roses.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Stella Ziemia, sister of the bride, was attired in a gown of orchid chiffon with matching head-dress, and carried pink roses. The bridesmaids, Miss Beverly Greene, sister of the groom, Miss Cecelia Bigos of Chicopee, Miss Stella Sharon of Ludlow, Miss Helen Gouzek of Indian Orchard, and Miss Charlotte Rys of West Warren, wore gowns of deep aqua taffeta, period style, with shoulder veils and carried bouquets of pink roses.

John Banas of Indian Orchard, brother of the bride, served as best man. William Cordner and Edward Benoit of this town, and Gordon Wade of Granby ushered. Bronze pompoms were used in decorating the church.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Receiving,
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**Death of
Charles H. Dickinson**

Charles H. Dickinson, 63, of Wright Street, died last Sunday at Holyoke Hospital after a long illness. He was born in Amherst Feb. 27, 1881, the son of Chester and Adelia (Farrington) Dickinson. When four years of age, his parents moved to Belchertown, where he had since resided. He married Miss Olga Page of Amherst on Dec. 14, 1934, at the First Congregational church in Amherst.

Mr. Dickinson was a charter member of Dwight Chapel, a member of the Sons of Union Veterans, and of the Railroad Maintenance Brotherhood. He was employed by the Central Vermont Railroad in the maintenance department for 32 years, retiring because of ill health about three years ago.

Besides his wife he is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Charles Cook of this town, Mrs. Leota Calvert and Mrs. Charles Bemis; an uncle, Arthur Farrington, of Athol, and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held Tuesday at 2.30 p. m. at the residence. Rev. John A. Hawley of Amherst officiated. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

**Belchertown Community
Association Formed**

A new organization was born in the recreation room at Memorial hall, Tuesday evening. Its name is the Belchertown Community Association. It was all an outgrowth of the community dance held recently, when \$67.80 was cleared for community enterprises, with skating and hockey rinks particularly in mind.

This was sponsored by six couples—Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hussey, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Westwell, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Gould Ketchen. The committee preferred to recede from the scene, but the meeting of Tuesday evening was hesitant to have them do so. In fact Chester Hussey, the presiding officer and said to have been the "father" of the idea, was requested to name his brain child, with the result as mentioned above.

A proposed organizational set-up was to elect a board of directors, who in turn would elect officers and appoint committees. The chief concern of the meeting was to have the board of directors be representative of the several sections of the town. Action in choosing the board was deferred until the field is canvassed.

In the meantime it was felt that the skating rink project should be carried out without delay, and Mr. Hussey and his assistants were delegated to have charge. Mr. and Mrs. Gould Ketchen were asked to continue as treasurers, and Mrs. Paul Austin was named as secretary.

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**Death of
Mrs. Ellen M. Sears**

Mrs. Ellen M. Sears, widow of Patrick Sears, died yesterday morning at 5.30 at her home on Turkey Hill.

She was born in West Springfield Aug. 15, 1856, the daughter of John and Ellen Sears of Chicopee. She has made her home here for the last 65 years, and was one of the oldest members of St. Francis' church.

Mrs. Sears is survived by one son, Andrew J. Sears, Granby mail carrier, also three grandchildren, Mrs. George Smith and Mrs. Donald Terry of this town, and Tech. Sgt. Andrew T. Sears, now stationed at Langley Field, Virginia. She also leaves six great-grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Mary Austin of Chicopee, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be held at St. Francis' church tomorrow morning at 9. Burial will be in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, Chicopee Falls.

Special Town Meeting

The special town meeting of last week Friday evening was an interesting one. It was the first meeting since the reduced quorum of 25 was effective, but more than the previously required 50 were on hand ere the business really got under way.

Evidently the article relative to the repairing of the old town hall was what drew people out, as it is to be doubted whether either Old Age Assistance or Aid to Dependent Children would have greatly interested them.

Evidently the voters were ready to vote a few thousand dollars for town hall repairs, so their breath was quite taken away when the motion presented at the meeting was for only \$50, to cover repairs to roof and chimneys.

W. N. Webster of the finance committee asked if anyone had any plans for renovation, but none seemed to be forthcoming. So it was voted that the moderator appoint a committee of seven to report as soon as possible (the original motion was to report at the annual meeting) and make recommendations.

It developed that the \$1,500 raised a few years back was for use only with Federal grants, so new action would be necessary to make the sum available.

The sum of \$5,800 was appropriated for Old Age Assistance, and \$800 for Aid to Dependent Children.

The committee appointed to make recommendations concerning repairs at the old town hall comprises Guy Harrington, Charles H. Sanford, Paige Piper, J. J. Kempkes, Sr., Thomas Landers, Andrew J. Sears and Albert Markham.

Birthday Calendars Issued

The Belchertown Birthday Calendars, listing the birthdays of several hundred Belchertown people and designating the stated meetings of the several organizations—a project of Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., have been issued and are now on sale.

The cover sheet carries a wood cut of the Stone House, made by the late Fred Underwood, a wood engraver.

Calendars may be secured of any of the Ways and Means Committee of Mt. Vernon Chapter, who had the project in charge.—Mrs. Sophia Pero, Mrs. Marion Farley, Mrs. Irene Hazen, Mrs. Lucy Hislop, Mrs. Ruth Johnston, Stanley Rhodes and Charles Austin.



OUR CHURCH

O this my church, whose clean white spire
Has lifted toward the sky
The thoughts of thousands down the years,
I hope, before I die,
That of the love, and of the faith,
And of the trusting heart
That built you here so long ago,
I too may share a part.

Our fathers chose the finest spot
Upon the town's main street,
And made you for a holy place
Where God and they could meet.
You were the center of their lives.
On every Sabbath Day
Each pew was filled, as hundreds
here

Opened their hearts to pray
It is not that we love you less,
Our church upon the green;
But O so many other things
Have somehow come between
Our daily living and the Life
Of Him whose name you took.
We do not seem to feel the need
Of sermon, prayer, and Book.

But stand you proud, our tall white church,
Keep pointing toward the sky!
Your children yet will understand
And know the reason why
No nation, town, or single life
Can live outside of fear
And face the future with full faith
Unless it centers here.

Written for the Annual Meeting of the Congregational Church in Belchertown, held tonight.

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Bible Readings Help Prepare
World for Christmas and Peace

"And those who walk with Him
from day to day
Can never have a solitary way."

In this Advent season, when we wait eagerly for the coming of Christmas and for the coming of a good peace, there can be no better preparation for the individual than to put himself into step with the One who is higher than kings or presidents or prime ministers, the One of whom Isaiah said (remember last Sunday's reading?) "Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance."

As one reads his Bible, he feels again the smallness of any generation in the sight of God, and yet feels reassured and not forgotten, as Christ says once more from the Mount: "Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?"

These are the Nationwide Readings for next week: Saturday, December 9, Psalm 27; Sunday, Isaiah 55; Monday, Psalm 121; Tuesday, Philippians 4; Wednesday, Revelation 21; Thursday, Luke 15; Friday, Ephesians 6; Saturday, December 16, John 17.

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Future of Old Town Hall
Brightens a Little Bit

While last week's Town Meeting did not solve many local problems, it did have its cheering aspects. More people were on hand

than came out for the Annual Meeting last February, and they came because they were interested in Belchertown's young people. That is something to remember.

Moreover, by now a committee has been appointed that knows it can do its planning, call for a special town meeting, ask for money to get work done, and in all probability get the money for immediate use.

This writer is not inclined bitterly to blame the Selectmen for not having provided good basketball facilities for the youngsters. They have not had any clear directions from the voters to that end. Plans have been too grandiose to insure any immediate action. Government aid went by the board just after real progress was in sight a few years ago.

The Selectmen have many, many duties, and unless definite things are voted to be done at a definite time, it is natural that there will be indefinite postponements. It is hardly fair to expect three busy men to do all the planning for a better Belchertown. They are "selected" to administer, not to devise new ways of spending money.

However, it is hard to justify the neglect which this building has suffered over the years since Memorial Hall was built. Any town-owned building deserves to be kept whole and clean. The condition of the Town Hall, from its broken front windows to its disreputable "lock-up," from its dirty walls to its splintery floor, from its fire-trap balcony to its sanitary inconveniences,—that condition must be the responsibility of the town.

Just as it is the responsibility of the School Committee to keep its buildings safe and healthful for their occupants, and to see that someone is employed to keep them clean and warm, so it is the responsibility of the Selectmen to see that the Town Hall is properly kept up. Otherwise, if such care is impossible, it becomes the duty of the Selectmen to close the building against public use. At least, that is the way it has always seemed from here.

Some concern is being felt about the care of the building after improvements have been made. If carpentry, painting, and other repairs are done; if the floor is made into a decent playing surface and the place is adequately heated—what is going to stop possible vandalism? That, it seems to me, does not need to cause worry. The selectmen have full authority over the building, and the full responsibility which accompanies the authority.

At their request, and by the vote of the town, the authority could be delegated to a committee, who could care for the building and O. K. the expenditure of appropriated funds. There has been no indication that the Selectmen wish to give up the direct supervision of the Town Hall, and I am willing to believe that they will see it properly cared for if it is repaired. Perhaps heretofore they have not sensed an awakening public interest in the building. Most of us, including this column, have never gone beyond the talking stage.

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Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

My grandad, viewing earth's worn cogs,
Said things were going to the dogs;
His granddad in his house of logs

WEBSTER'S STORE

Christmas Gift Suggestions

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PYREX
BOOKS AND TOYS
SLEDS
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AUTOMOBILE CHAINS

Gift Cards and Wrappings

Said things were going to the dogs;
His granddad in the Flemish bogs
Said things were going to the dogs;
His granddad in his old skin togs
Said things were going to the dogs;
There's one thing that I have to state—
The dogs have had a good long wait.

Anonymous
—Bob Jackson

High School Honor Roll

First Honors
(Averages of 90 or over)

Seniors:

Charlotte Dyer

Juniors:

Rita Bouchard
Nancy Farley

Sophomores:

George Jackson

Freshmen:

Sophie Jusko
Amelia Smola
Evelyn Squires

Eighth Grade:

Ann Austin

Second Honors

(No grade below 85 for an average)

Seniors:

Mavis Dickinson
Florence Fay
Wilfrid Noel
Margaret Sullivan

Juniors:

Florence Brulotte
Shirley Hazen
Claire Lamoureux
Mary McKillop

Sophomores:

Frank Antonovitch
Charlotte Dube
Ann Hanifin
Jane Kimball
Helen O'Seep
Louise Romaniak
Robert Smith
George Wezniak
Shirley Williams

Freshmen:

Diane Allen
Frances Bartholomew
Elinor Heath
Elizabeth Suhm

Eighth Grade:

Betty Bishop
Virginia Booth
Anna Geslock
Marie Hubbard
Edna Lamoureux
Rose Noel
Shirley Snow
Dorothy Socha
Ruth Sullivan

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.
PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Karol Jezyk, late of Ware, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased, by Helen Paydos of Ware, in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the nineteenth day of December, 1944, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Albert E. Addis, Register
John T. Storrs, Atty.
Ware
Nov. 24-Dec. 1-8

for
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Rationing Board Notes

Tires Issued Nov. 30, 1944

Grade 1—Alvin Bush (2), Stephen Crimmins (3), Henry Lindquist, Bertha Harris, Dorothy Thayer (2), Raymond Burke, William F. Kimball, Robert Braden, Mary Holden, Cecil Holden, Frank Dzwonkowski, Evelyn Cartier, Lafayette Ayers (2), Walter Dodge, Sr. (2), Blanche Austin (2), Earle Howland (2), C. Herbert Camp (2), William Kulis (2), Forrest Nichols, Stephen Socha (2).

Grade 3—Alois Zitka (2), Mabel Dean.

Truck Tires—Raymond Gay (3), William Squires (2).

Large Tractor Tire—Belchertown State School.



Corp. Robert Parsons
Signal A. W. Det. No. 50
Drew Field, Florida

Arthur Wheeler is a patient in a naval hospital. His address is:

Arthur A. Wheeler
Pharmacist's Mate 2nd Class
U. S. Naval Hospital No. 21-3
San Diego, Cal.

Pvt. Albert F. Dewhurst, 11071213
Sec. A Barracks, T-965
2126 AAF Base Unit
LAAF, Laredo, Texas

Pvt. Donald H. Sessions, who has been at Camp Blanding, Fla., is home on a 10-day furlough, and is to report at Fort Mead, Md. on Sunday.

Word has been received that Pvt. Albert E. Weston, who is in Co. A, 378th Inf., 95th Div., was wounded in the invasion of Germany, and is in a hospital. He was awarded the purple heart. Pvt. Weston is a nephew of Miss Stella Weston.

Scheduled for Induction

Among those slated for induction for active duty in the armed services on Dec. 18, and due to report at Ware at 8.30 a. m., are:

Charles B. Joyal Maple St.
Clifford H. Armitage

Several Hunters Get Deer

Several local hunters have secured deer this week. David Kimball got a spike horn buck on Monday in this his first deer season. Henry Baggs secured an 8 point 175 pound buck Monday morning. Wilfred Weston got a 125 pound spike horn buck the same morning. William D. Kenney also got a buck, and Leland O. Bilz a large doe.

George Booth got a 9 point buck Tuesday afternoon, and William Kimball, Jr., secured a 6 point buck on Wednesday. Others said to have been fortunate were Kelly Hubbard, Happy Allen and Charles Downing.

Hunters apparently ganged up on the territory west of the Metropolitan area, so much so that many called it a veritable battlefield. From 25 to 75 cars were counted as being there at certain times.

Town Items

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet in the recreation room at Memorial hall next Tuesday evening.

Herman C. Knight left this week for Orlando, Florida, stopping for a brief visit with his daughter, Mrs. Rolan Mead, of Scarsdale, N. Y.

The American Legion will meet in the recreation room at Memorial hall next week Friday evening.

Holiday Program at
State School

The Belchertown State School has issued to "relatives and friends of those in our care" its customary holiday announcements. They were printed in red, green and black at the school print shop and carry a message from Governor Saltonstall, greetings from Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, superintendent, instructions to those sending gifts, the menu at the Christmas dinner and the holiday program. The latter includes:

Thursday, Dec. 21 Christmas Play
Sunday, Dec. 24 Church Services
Christmas Eve Carols

Monday, Dec. 25 Christmas Mass
Christmas Trees
Christmas Dinner
Motion Pictures

Thursday, Dec. 28 Motion Pictures
Sunday, Dec. 31 Church Services
Monday, January 1 Motion Pictures

Fire Last Friday

Fire early last Friday morning burned the house, with contents, owned and occupied by Aime Claprod of Holyoke road. Mr. Claprod was awakened about 1 by the fire and ran to the home of a neighbor, Joseph Miller, who called the fire department. The firemen laid hose to a small pond across the highway, and also laid 2300 feet of hose to the brook near Mrs. Elizabeth Eskett's, and protected other buildings. The blaze was fanned by a brisk wind, and the firemen remained there for some time.

The loss is partially covered by insurance. It is believed that the fire started from a defective chimney. Mr. Claprod plans to live in a building which was saved in the rear of the house.

The place is better known as the Melvin Bardwell property, by which family the place was owned for many years.

Grange Notes

Six tables were in play at the Grange card party at Grange hall last Saturday night. Prize winners were: 1st, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Terry; 2nd, Mrs. Thera Stead, Mrs. Harriet Chevalier, Mrs. Catherine Noel and Mrs. Catherine Dyer.

Methodist Church Notes

Sunday has been designated as Enlistment Sunday, and the people will bring their pledges for the work of the church for the coming year.

The Youth Fellowship hay ride, originally scheduled for this week Saturday night, has had to be called off. Maybe in the future we can have a sleigh ride. In the meantime, those who care to are going to Mrs. Plant's home tomorrow night for an evening of fun. Meet at the church vestry for transportation at 7.15.

The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Carl Corliss, Wednesday evening, December 13, at 7.30.

Girl Scout Notes

The last Girl Scout meeting was held November 29th at the home of Mrs. Louis Fuller. This meeting was short because of the community dance that night. However, we had some posture demonstrations given by some of the girls on how we should and should not walk and sit. Later in the meeting we all walked around the room with a book on our heads.

It was decided that our next meeting would be held December 14th instead of the 13th, because of an Eastern Star meeting that night. Our next meeting is a Progressive Dinner, starting at Mrs. Farley's with the first course, and the main course at Westwell's. Salad will be served at Hudson's, while dessert will follow at Mrs. Louis Fuller's. It's really going to be a good dinner as you can see. The dinner will begin at 5 p. m. as we are planning to walk to all the houses and work up an appetite.

Diane Allen, Secretary

Boy Scout Notes

The weekly meeting of Troop 507 was held in the Recreation room on November 30. Three leaders and twenty boys were present.

Billy Young, Channing Kimball, Richard Wonsik and David Dyer passed their oral First Aid under the leadership of Dr. Tadgell.

Several of the boys worked on a bulletin board display of mounted knots. Scout equipment is now being stored in the Control Center.

Games were played after the meeting.

George Jackson, Reporter

Congregational Church
Notes

Attention is again called to the annual church meeting tonight. Dinner is at 6.30 and business meeting at 7.30. All affiliated with this church are cordially welcome.

The Youth Fellowship will have a social at the parish house this Saturday night at 8 p. m.

Seven dollars was realized on the Women's Guild card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Ryther on Wednesday evening. Prize winners were: Ladies, Mrs. Edna Moore, 1st; Mrs. Carrie Dale, 2nd; men, Arthur E. Pease of Northampton, 1st; H. L. Ryther, 2nd.

The new mattress ordered last summer by the Women's Guild for the parsonage, has just arrived.

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that PANSY PARK, INC., Emil Haber, President and Treasurer, has applied for a license to sell alcoholic beverages of the following kind: All alcoholic beverages at Federal Street, Belchertown, Mass., dance hall, bar-room, kitchen and cellar for beer.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
FRANK L. GOLD

Licensing Board

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Notice is hereby given, under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that CLARENCE V. MOREY has applied for a license to sell alcoholic beverages of the following kind: Retail Package Store, all alcoholic beverages, Dillon block, Park St., 1st floor, corner store, north corner, facing west, street floor and basement.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
FRANK L. GOLD

Licensing Board

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Notice is hereby given, under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that STELLA GORZKOWICZ has applied for a license to sell alcoholic beverages of the following kind: All alcoholic as an innholder on North Main street, Belchertown, in two-story building, cellar used for stock.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
FRANK L. GOLD

Licensing Board

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that PATRICK J. KEYES and MICHAEL V. KEYES have applied for a license to sell alcoholic beverages of the following kind: All alcoholic as an innholder on Depot and Keyes Sts., Belchertown, two floors and basement, basement used for storage of beer.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
FRANK L. GOLD

Licensing Board

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Notice is hereby given, under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, that EDDIE A. TROMBLEY has applied for a license to sell alcoholic beverages of the following kind: All alcoholic beverages, in one-story frame building, on Springfield Road, Belchertown.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
FRANK L. GOLD

Licensing Board

There will be a hearing on the above petitions Friday evening, December 15, at 8 in the selectmen's room.

Fire Department Calls

Nov. 31. Fire at Mechonski's.
Dec. 1. Claprod house fire.
Forest fire at Renouf's.

The Hallmark
Charlotte Greenwood
Radio Show



3 P. M.
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SUNDAY

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Belchertown Community Association Formed

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In opening the meeting Mr. Hussey outlined projects admittedly sufficient to engage the association's attention for several years. Some of those enumerated were as follows: Skating and hockey rinks. Central headquarters for sick-room equipment. Place for sliding, tobogganing and skiing. Skinning baseball diamond. Wading pool and sand boxes for the children. Croquet and roque courts on the common. Playground supervision. Power lawn mower. Playground equipment for the schools. Transportation of pupils from the districts to playground facilities. Revival of All-Belchertown Christmas parties. Assisting of needy families. At the conclusion of the meeting, Guy Harrington of the newly appointed town hall committee, asked for suggestions as to what might be feasible. The feeling seemed to be that only a moderate amount should be spent at the present time. It was suggested that the balcony and stage be removed and a heating plant with blower installed at the rear, with possibly facilities for showers. It was stated in connection with the proposal that the balcony be removed, that the town has to main-

tain a lock-up, so that some provision would have to be made if the "birdcage" was disturbed. It was felt that recommendations might well include the cost of supervision, as it would be futile to fix up the hall and not provide it. There was a demand to hold another dance, the last one was so popular, but it was pointed out that other groups depend upon this type of affair for revenue and that this new organization should not monopolize the scene. There will be a meeting of the board of directors as at present constituted, next Tuesday evening, to complete the organization. Any having nominations to make to complete this board of directors to make it representative in character are asked to hand the names to any of the present group—the couples that sponsored the dance.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts had their meeting at the chapel Dec. 7. Last week, Nov. 30, there was no meeting, because of rain. We sent two Thanksgiving boxes. The Court of Honor, which met last week, made suggestions about patrol corners and neat meeting place, a smarter salute, a skating party and a play. Today we drew names for the Christmas party. Patrol 3 is going to put on a Christmas party for next Thursday. The nature group met at Mrs. Hussey's house, and then worked on the tree badge. Connie Noel, Scribe

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Card of Thanks
I wish to thank my many friends who so kindly remembered me during my stay at the hospital.
Pearl Davis

Card of Thanks
This is to express my sincere thanks to those who sent me flowers and cards while I was in the hospital, and since returning home.
Mrs. Annie French

Town Items

The annual meeting and election of officers of Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, preceded by a covered dish supper and exchange of Christmas gifts at 6.30. Charles Austin is chairman of the supper committee. Fifty relatives and guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Magrath of Brookfield road, Brimfield, this past week to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse M. Vaughn of West Brookfield, formerly of this town. The attendants of the bridal couple were all present. The roast pig at the dinner was served on a platter that was a 25th anniversary present of Mrs. Vaughn's parents. Guests were present from Amherst, Orange, Athol, Gardner, Warren, Avon, Springfield, Granby, Ct., and Belchertown. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Tiner of South East St., Amherst, announce the marriage of their daughter, Charlotte and Robert Russell, seaman I-C of the navy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. William Russell of Shays St. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ellery Clapp of Northampton Saturday evening. Seaman Russell is stationed at Newport, R. I. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Archambault of Federal street are parents of a son born in Dickinson hospital, Northampton. The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Archambault.

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Banas-Greene Wedding

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Mrs. Banas wore a gown of jungle green crepe with a corsage of yellow roses, and a gown of fuchsia crepe and a corsage of roses was worn by Mrs. Greene. Mr. and Mrs. Greene left on a wedding trip to New York, the bride wearing an army tan suit with mouton lamb fur coat with brown accessories. Upon their return they will make their home in Belchertown. The bride was educated in the Indian Orchard schools and is employed as a bookkeeper for the Banas Sand and Gravel Company in Indian Orchard. The groom is a graduate of Belchertown High school and attended Loyola College, Montreal. He now operates a large poultry business.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Maxwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Maxwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "Keeping Faith with Democracy"
—Forefathers' Day Observance—
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Rev. Charles W. Jeffras, D. D., Guest Preacher.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Christmas Party of Junior Department of Congregational Church School at Parish House from 3.30 to 5.30 p. m.
Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Guild Christmas Party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Henry A. Tadgell at 2.30 p. m.

Men's Club in Congregational Parish House. Supper at 6.30 p. m. Guest Speaker, Prof. A. B. Beaumont of Amherst.

Methodist Sunday School Christmas Tree Exercises in Methodist Vestry at 8 p. m.

THURSDAY

Christmas Party of Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Mary Ayers.
Scout Meetings.

FRIDAY

Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Walter Brown at 2.30 p. m.
Christmas Party of Primary Department of Congregational Church School at Parish House at 7 p. m.

SATURDAY

TODAY
American Legion Meeting.

Results of Recount

At the recount of votes for attorney general on Tuesday evening, results were as follows:
Clarence A. Barnes Original count 613 Recount 617
Francis E. Kelly Original count 380 Recount 375
M. C. Baggs and G. C. Allen, Jr., represented Mr. Barnes; and Thomas Sullivan and Daniel O'Connor, Mr. Kelly.

Annual Church Meeting

"The best annual meeting I ever attended" was the testimony of more than one attending the annual meeting of the Congregational church last Friday evening. It began with a message of appreciation from the church's oldest member, there was an appeal for the enrolment of babies on the cradle roll, the several reports revealed vitality as concerns the several organizations, and at the finish, there was a frank facing of the facts concerning church attendance—or lack of it. Lewis H. Blackmer was moderator and Mrs. Marion Shaw, clerk. The roll-call called forth more than one hundred responses, and included a message from the pastor, Rev. Richard F. Maxwell, who is now serving as chaplain. We cull the following from the several reports:
Clerk—Mrs. Marion Shaw—Baptisms, 11; removal by death, 3; received into membership, 6; total membership 222, a gain of 4 over 1943.
Treasurer—Miss Ella A. Stebbins—complete reimbursement of the Chapman fund reported and a balance on hand.
Deacons—Lewis H. Blackmer—reference made to the Deacons' fund.
Trustees—Charles L. Randall—attention called to the need of painting the church within a few years. Mention was made of the several trust funds "representing the love and thoughtfulness of twenty-one donors."
Religious Education Committee—Mrs. Belding Jackson—Mention made of the work of Mrs. Marion Shaw, a teacher in the Junior Department, and others.
Church School—Mrs. Jackson, superintendent—appreciation expressed of the work of Mrs. Pearl Davis, head of the primary department, who had to resign by reason of home duties, and of the work of Mrs. Edna Camp, who has left

Death of William Davis

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Cantata Canceled

Due to sickness in the schools, the Center Grade school cantata of next week Thursday night has been canceled.

Death of Mrs. Stella Fonde

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Dates Spoken For

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Annual Meeting of O. E. S.

The annual meeting of Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., was held Wednesday evening, preceded by a supper served by the men, Charles F. Austin, chairman. There was a Christmas party, and a past matrons' and patrons' organization was formed, officers elected being:
President Mrs. Sophia Pero
Vice-President Charles F. Austin
Secretary Miss Dorothy Peeso
Treasurer Mrs. Anna R. Gold
The Chapter chose the following officers for the ensuing year:
Worthy Matron Florence Jackson
Worthy Patron Belding F. Jackson
Associate Matron Miss Helen Lister
Associate Patron Nelson Hill
Secretary Mrs. Myrtle Cook
Treasurer Mrs. Julia Shumway
Conductress Mrs. Helen Rhodes
Associate Conductress Mrs. Virginia Witt

Town Hall Committee Meets

The installation will take place January 20, with Miss Irene Orlando, P. M., the installing matron. The committee appointed to see what can be done at the old town hall has held two meetings this past week, one on Sunday afternoon and another Wednesday night. At the earlier meeting, all were present and at the other all but one. Both were protracted meetings. At the first meeting the general situation was gone over, while at Wednesday's meeting the committee got down to more specific plans.

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An Inexpensive Present For Our Pastor—And Yours!

Perhaps the most thoughtful gift which one of the local church congregations could give to its pastor would be a very inexpensive one indeed. It would be simply to sit in the front seats of his church instead of filling the pews at the rear and leaving long empty stretches down in front of his pulpit.

I am not sure what instinct it is that makes mankind throng the front seats at the musical comedy and the back seats at the sanctuary, but it is pretty deep rooted. Maybe it can be traced to the day when fire and brimstone burst forth from the minister and fairly singed those within a radius of twenty feet. Perhaps the early settlers wanted to be near the door in case the Indians jumped the stockade.

Or could it be a throw-back from childhood when we hated to have anyone behind us who could peek at the back of our ears? Possibly it has no more romantic origin than the prosaic fact that once upon a time the stoves were in the rear of the church and only soapstones and religious fire warmed those in the front pews.

Whatever the cause, the effect of vacant front seats is saddening indeed to a pastor, particularly if he has used his voice for many long years of prayer, announcement, and sermon; and has to husband it a little now for the duration. He must invariably get the impression that his flock is a bit timid of its shepherd, a bit overmindful of the need of getting away fast to the Sabbath dinner.

He must be ever conscious of a gap between the speaker and the listener, a no-man's land which must somehow be crossed by the Word before it can fall upon the good ground. The empty seats are a sort of continuous reproach, too. Perhaps if he should put on a better show, they'd all be filled!

Of course, if there's something special, a peppy wedding or a solemn funeral, everyone will come down close. I wonder why. Respect? Curiosity?

Actually I suppose it's only a matter of modesty on the part of the churchgoer that causes him to scurry for a rear pew. He's there—sure. He's done his duty. Why make a show of it?

I have known anxious deacons who have seriously considered roping off the "choice" rear seats of a Sunday morning, even as the choice front ones are ribboned off for a wedding. Then only those who could prove chronic nausea would be permitted to sit there. Others have suggested removing all cushions from the rear seats, and so remove some of the basic comforts. Such drastic steps would be enough to proselyte a denomination—churches have split asunder on far less cause, I fear.

But to come down to cases. The distribution is almost humorous in

the local church that should make a gift of closeness to its minister. First there is a large choir with twenty-odd singers packed close. Then, alone and unattended, the minister. Then emptiness. Then a congregation, solid by the door and scattering farther and farther apart to outposts of two or three up near the battle-line. And then, far above in the balcony, from which they can see only the choir, the minister, and seven or eight rows of entirely empty seats, sits the Junior Choir. This is a splendid group of youngsters who have marched bravely up toward the sky and must stay there silent and isolated without even an Easter hat or a bald head to separate their minds from a sermon to invisible adults. Even if we should lead the pastor go without the gift of nearness, we could ask for a few churchgoers to sit where the kids could see them.

If all these appeals fall upon deaf ears, let's consider at the last the late-riser who dashes to church after the final bell has sounded. You might be in his unshined shoes some day. Wouldn't you appreciate it if the congregation were all down front and you could tiptoe in unnoticed? Wouldn't you like a nice empty seat left for you in the rear? Of course you would.

More Readings Before Christmas

The Bible Reading Campaign swings into the last week but one before Christmas with these selections: Friday, December 15, Ephesians 6; December 16, John 17; December 17, Isaiah 53; December 18, I Corinthians 15; December 19, John 10; December 20, Psalm 51; December 21, Psalm 37; December 22, John 1; December 23, Revelation 22.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Little Claude's mother had reluctantly allowed her precious child to attend public school. She gave the teacher a long list of instructions. 'My Claude is so sensitive,' she explained. 'Don't ever punish him. Just slap the boy next to him. That will frighten Claude!'"

Selected—Bob Jackson

Methodist Church Notes

Rev. Charles W. Jeffras, D. D., of Springfield will be guest preacher on Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. Joseph Belcher, will conduct the service and will also install the newly elected officers of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

At the Youth Fellowship meeting at 5 p. m., the pastor will give Henry Van Dyke's story, "The Other Wise Man."

The Methodist church school will hold its Christmas tree program of music, recitations, etc., in the vestry, Wednesday evening at 8. Parents and friends are cordially invited.

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will hold their Christmas party on Thursday, December 21, at 2, at the home of Mrs. Mary Ayers, with Miss Stella Weston assisting. Each person is asked to bring a gift not exceeding 25 cents in value, for exchange. Note the change in day from Wednesday to Thursday for this meeting.

The branch Sunday-school in Turkey Hill, organized last spring during the pastorate of Rev. H. F. Robbins, and of which Mrs. Cora

Newman is the teacher, will hold a Christmas party replete with tree, gifts, recitations, stories, etc., on the afternoon of December 24, from 2 to 5 o'clock. The class meets each Sunday afternoon at 2 and has an enrolment of 16.

Rationing Board Notes

Tires Granted Dec. 7, 1944
Grade 1—Blanche M. Hawley (2), Frederick Keller (2), John J. Fairchild, Edward A. Henrichon, Stephen F. Crimmins, Frank Dzwonkowski, Henry J. Lindquist, Rene Bouchard.
Truck Tires—Raymond Gay (2).

Boy Scout Notes

All the new Tenderfeet received their registrations at the Boy Scout meeting last week Thursday night. The patrol leaders decided to bring materials to the next meeting in order that each patrol may have a certain project to carry on. Several of the boys are now engaged in learning the correct use of the knife and hatchet. Scoutmaster Shattuck is hopeful that several of the older boys will soon complete their second class tests in order that they may go ahead to a new classification.

Scout Reporter,
George Jackson

Congregational Church Notes

A Christmas party for the Junior Department of the Church School will be held Tuesday afternoon from 3.30 to 5.30 in the parish house. Each child is asked to bring a gift costing not over 25 cents, suitable for either boy or girl.

The Women's Guild Christmas party, in charge of the entertainment committee, will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Tadgell, instead of at the Kinmonth home, next week Wednesday afternoon at 2.30.

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Walter Brown next week Friday afternoon at 2.30. A Christmas party will be enjoyed with an exchange of 10 cent gifts or a white elephant. Refreshments will be served by the hostess.

A Christmas party for the Primary Department of the Church School will be held next week Friday evening at 7. There will be a program and Santa Claus is expected to appear.

The trustees have organized with Byron Hudson, chairman, and Geo. A. Poole, clerk.

Men's Club Meeting

The Men's Club will meet in the Congregational parish house next Wednesday evening, December 20. Supper is at 6.30. Prof. A. B. Beaumont of Amherst will give an illustrated lecture on "Soil Conservation."

Funeral of Mrs. Ellen M. Sears

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen M. (Sears) Sears was held Saturday morning from her home on Turkey Hill, with a solemn high mass of requiem following at St. Francis church. Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan was celebrant, Rev. George Healy, deacon, and Rev. Joseph Collins, sub-deacon. The bearers were John F. Sullivan, William J., Andrew F. and Robert Sears, all of Chicopee Falls, George A. Smith and Joseph

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Mercure of this town. Father Collins, assisted by Father Healy, read the committal prayers at the grave in St. Patrick's cemetery, Chicopee Falls.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Sanford have sold the Asahel Shaw place on North Main street to Fred Thayer who buys it for a home.

Mrs. E. F. Flaherty and family have moved to the Sanderson home on Cottage street where they will spend the winter.

Four children of Russell Potter of Turkey Hill district are ill with scarlet fever.

Miss Gertrude Riley is enjoying a three-weeks' vacation from her duties at the State School. She will spend part of the time in Boston.

Annual Church Meeting

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town. Regarding the Junior choir: "The work of the Junior choir has definitely added something new and beautiful to our Sunday Morning Service."

Cradle Roll—Mrs. Louis Fuller—24 members enrolled, sixteen boys and eight girls. Four have been promoted into the primary department.

Primary Department—Mrs. Douglas Rhodes—Verbal report by Mrs. Jackson.

Junior Department—Mrs. Marion Shaw—enrolment, 33; average attendance 22.18; total collections, \$35.09; average \$1.25 plus. Cross and Crown system of awards has been started.

Home Department—Mrs. Walter Brown—34 members, 5 of whom are non-resident. 9 meetings have been held with an average attendance of 19. Donations given, to Red Cross and servicemen's Christmas boxes.

Week-Day School of Religious Education—Mrs. Byron Hudson—Fund oversubscribed for the coming year, leaving a reserve for the year following. Commendation of work being done at the school.

The Women's Guild—Mrs. Raymond Kinmonth, secretary—Average membership, 32. Some of activities: Christmas banquet, mother-daughter banquet, Friendship tea, picnic, silver tea, three public dinners and four suppers, musicale. Purchased 12 folding chairs, contributed to servicemen's boxes, week-day religious education fund, Upland Sanatorium, Second Mile project, Red Cross, Walker Missionary Home; farewell gifts to Chaplain and Mrs. Richard F. Manwell.

Women's Guild—Mrs. E. F. Shumway, treasurer—read by Mrs. Louis Shumway—tabulation of receipts and expenditures in connection with the above projects.

Men's Club—Walter Dodge, secretary, read by Harold Peck. Seven regular meetings and two outings. Average attendance, 27; speakers at 6 meetings and open forum on needs at town hall at last meeting.

Youth Fellowship—Jane Kimball, secretary, read by Barbara Hudson. Largest attendance, 15; lowest, 7. Fifteen were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimball on a tour of Quabbin in October. Socials held and contributions made to servicemen's Christmas boxes. Christmas pageant planned.

Youth Fellowship—George Jackson, treasurer. Balance on hand, \$25.92.

Music Committee—Mrs. Louis Shumway—who called attention to the amount of work put in by the choir, and of their being worthy of a larger audience.

Flower Committee—Mrs. Florence Utley—Flowers provided at all services. Memorial flowers furnished on 24 Sundays. Candles purchased for the Christmas candle-light service. Flowers sent to shut-ins.

Church Cabinet—Rev. John P. Manwell—Attendance letters sent out, weekly calendars continued, Bibles purchased for Church School, recommended that school have its own treasurer, and that expenses of week-day school of religious education be apportioned on the basis of membership.

Double or Nothing Club—Mrs. Louis Shumway—Average attend-

ance of 30; the outstanding event the minstrel show with a profit of \$234.40. Contributed to various drives, voted to buy blackout shades for parish house in order that moving pictures for the children might be shown. Picnic held at Pelham Country Club.

Collector—Frederick Utley—who reported contributions coming in very well.

Servicemen's Committee—Mrs. J. Raymond Gould—who reported 57 names on the church honor roll. Four have been discharged and there is one gold star. Twenty-three are overseas. Christmas gifts have been sent to all. Recognition was extended to F. E. Buss for keeping the honor roll up to date.

The interim pastor, Rev. John P. Manwell, in his report, commented upon the completion of a year's work here. He reported the baptism of 12 children, and the receiving of 3 adults and 3 young people into membership. He made 300 calls, not counting the times when he rang door-bells to no avail. He commended the work of all groups and said he was proud to be pastor of

such a church.
Nominating Committee—Mrs. H. F. Peck.

It was voted that \$250 be the goal for benevolences and that the Thanksgiving offering go to the Christmas fund for aged ministers. Appreciation was expressed of the many years of faithful service of the retiring clerk, Mrs. Marion Shaw.

The bounteous dinner preceding the meeting was served by a committee consisting of the wives of the trustees and deacons, assisted by Mrs. Louis Fuller and Mrs. Carl Peterson.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows:

- MODERATOR
Lewis H. Blackmer
- CLERK
Mrs. Florence Jackson
- TREASURER
Miss Ella A. Stebbins
- COLLECTOR
Frederick Utley
- DEACON FOR 8 YEARS
Lewis H. Blackmer
- DEACON FOR 6 YEARS
George A. Poole

- AUDITOR
Mrs. Ethel Hawkins
- TRUSTEES FOR 3 YEARS
David M. Hunter
Kenneth Hawkins
- CHURCH CABINET
(Members-at-Large)
Mrs. Edna Moore
Mrs. Iola Shurtcliff
- MUSIC COMMITTEE
Mrs. Phyllis Markham
Mrs. Nelson Holland
Mrs. Nellie Shattuck
- FLOWER COMMITTEE
Mrs. Julia Ward
Mrs. Ruby Dickinson
Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth
Miss Dorothy Peeso
- HEAD USHER
George A. Poole
- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Mrs. Gladys Hudson
Mrs. Sophia Pero
Mrs. Vera Harrington
- S. S. SUPERINTENDENT
Mrs. Florence Jackson
- SECY AND TREAS.
Mrs. Alma Lindquist
- LAYMAN REPRESENTATIVE
Harold F. Peck

Goin' Our Way?



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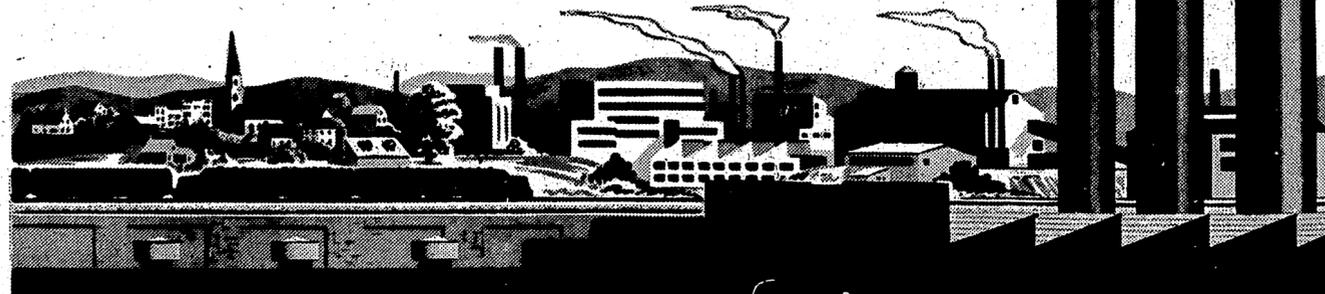


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Returns from Middle East

2nd Lieut. Barbara Baggs, an army nurse, who has served overseas in the Middle East Theater in the Persian Gulf Command, arrived home last week Thursday night on a 21-day furlough. She was one of a group of four Massachusetts army nurses to be flown across the ocean in a huge Air Transport Command plane, arriving in Miami, Fla.

Lt. Baggs enlisted in February, 1942, and sailed overseas in December of that year. She went first to Palestine, where she saw many places prominent in Biblical history. She then went to Iran, where she was stationed from May, 1943, to the time of her return home.

She served in a field hospital, where most of the cases were accident casualties occurring on the transport route to Russia. She saw only one Belchertown serviceman in the Middle East, Richard Lofland, and that was about a year ago. The hospital where she served was in the desert, where the weather was extremely hot, the temperature ranging from 100 to 140 degrees, with even the winds of a hot variety. Her biggest disappointment when she returned home was not to find snow, something which she hadn't seen for two years.

Entertainment consisted of movies and USO shows coming once in a couple of months for possibly a 2-day stay.

On her way home she met Albert Schmidt in Egypt, finding him hale and hearty, but of course wishing he was coming home, too. Lt. Baggs saw the sphinx and the pyramids, but they didn't quite come up to her expectations.

After a three-weeks' stay here, Lt. Baggs will report at North Carolina.

John Clark, Seaman 1-C, one of three grandsons of Albert Smith, Washington street, is home on ten days' leave. John has seen some of the world that the Navy promises so alluringly. He missed seeing his brother Bud, who has been in constant overseas service for two years and who was recently home on leave, by just a few days. They haven't seen each other since entering the service. Their youngest brother, Claude, is probably in the Pacific theatre with the Coast Guard, the largest Coast Guard assignment with the most coast to guard. John's leave forces him to return for duty three days before Christmas. He said they celebrated last Christmas on board ship just pulling out of port for points unknown.

He is wearing a bronze star for a major battle action which ended in another of the many victories of the U. S. Navy. He is now the proud possessor of the properly signed and sealed certificate that is awarded to those initiated into the ancient order of shellbacks. According to John

when the initiation is given aboard a Navy ship where the party is entirely "stag", the candidate is certainly entitled to the honor. Blindfolded, hands and feet tied, they are dumped from a chair fifty feet above deck into a canvass holding not over three feet of water. Another little stunt, they are stripped, the hose turned on them, and then made to roll on the wet deck. The deck is charged with all the electricity a man can stand by a live wire laid down on it. He also had the "Shellback Watch" which is done by holding up a fake pair of binoculars made by stuffing hose with lead. They weigh about fifty pounds and a man's arms ache for a week after. Welcome home, Shellback John Clark.

Rosemary Ryther, Radioman 3rd Class, who has been stationed on Long Island, has been transferred to the Naval Radio Station at San Diego, Cal.

Rosemary Ryther, R. M. 3-C U. S. N. Radio Station Point Loma San Diego 6, Cal.

Pvt. Donald Sessions, 31467004 AGF Replacement Depot No. 1 Ft. George Meade, Md.

J. W. Avery, S 2-C Co. A 7th N. C. B. Camp Parks Shoemaker, Cal.

William E. Isaac, Seaman 1st Class A. M. M. Naval Air and Gunnery School Purcell, Okl.

Harvey Dickinson, Petty Officer 3d Class, and Mrs. Dickinson are parents of a daughter, Judith Ann, born in Hollister, Cal., December 7. The child is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dickinson, and a great-granddaughter of Mrs. Julia Thresher.

Girl Scout Notes

A Christmas party was held yesterday in charge of Patrol 3. There was an exchange of gifts, refreshments, and the singing of carols. It is planned to go caroling next week Friday night.

Regret is expressed that the Cadet cards ordered in November have not arrived. They are expected next week and will be delivered at once.

Town Items

Daniel McPhee, who has been spending three weeks at his old home on Prince Edward Island, has returned.

Mrs. Roy Kimball, who has been at the New England Deaconess hospital in Brookline, has returned home.

Edgar Cannon secured a four-point buck last Saturday.

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Missives from Lt. Krone

October 16, 1944
Belgium

Dear Folks:

It has poured most of the day. And mud is now mostly up to our ears.

Dais, that piece that Lee Miller wrote in "Vogue", I read today. It is very good and is exactly as our hospitals are. The 45th was very near us in the Cherbourg campaign. We all operated together about that time. What she says is exactly how things are. The only thing different, she spent a couple of days with the unit, and we were 30 days trying to make some kid see he was "lucky" to come out of battle with only the loss of a leg or arm.

And when the Jerries came over in full force and some were so scared, you forgot the Jerries were flying over you—it was your job to try and convince them they were safe under that stiff piece of canvas that flapped so with the wind and ack acks, so that you really wondered yourself if it were going to fall down.

But the faith you have in three tent poles is marvelous. Really, I don't think anyone at home can imagine what it is like, much less have a tent for a hospital—wards with grass under your feet that make you more tired than all the tile floors. And that's going some when you run three tents with 60 to 100 patients on cots. By the time your day is done, you feel as though you are ready for a good sleep.

Most of the kids could not get much sleep from the Jerries strafing the road, but I am sorry to say I did miss out on the excitement. I am not sure if it is because I am so darned tired or that I am a "Smith" (mother's maiden name).

The way things are going now we aren't sure whether to get our duds ready for a retreat job or not. Last night at midnight the sky was lighted up like a Christmas tree. It really could be beautiful if it weren't war. The town very near us is the one you hear so much about over the radio lately. At present it is all afire. Over come some planes—Jerries I believe—sure nuff, it is

the devils. I hope they keep on flying, as I'd hate to dress now. More later.

They moved on, so I crawled in and in five minutes time I was on my way to "Slumberland". Just like a "Russian Lullaby" the way these motors can put me to sleep. At 3.30 I was awakened by knocking. Got up, looked around, but couldn't see a thing, so back under the blankets and said, "Knock, knock. Who's there!" Off to dreamland again. You don't even think about it. In the army you don't have to think for yourself, so when it comes time to, you have forgotten how.

October 19

Has been raining all day. Wonder if this gun fire here has so much to do with all this rain.

This morning some planes flew over very low, Jerries trying to bomb the railroad that's quite close to us here. They didn't get very far—behind came the U. S. A. Bombers and jip! The Heinies took to their tails and flew back home.

This morning I went to see Capt. H. He was talking with a woman. He asked me if I could understand what she was talking about. Again my German came in handy, even if it isn't "too gut". Between the two of us we learned her husband had been killed in the German army, leaving her with a six-weeks-old baby, no money, no food. She wanted a pass to get to one of the towns not too far from here, but into Germany. They cannot cross the border without a pass and even they come to us for help. Queer, isn't it?

There goes a Jerry now, the big bum. He'll get his wings clipped if he isn't careful. No doubt he will come back, they usually return to see their accomplishments. It's only 8.45 p. m. so he came calling early. Here he comes again.

We put on our helmets and went out, but I said to Doris, "I can't stand here in my underwear (G. I.) waiting for him to come back," so in I came. Too cold to watch for him. Guess he didn't get what he wanted, as we are still "sitting pretty".

The city that was taken by our boys is just a short way from here and we hope to set up there. Don't know how far in our boys have gotten—our move depends upon them.

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Card of Thanks

The flowers, cards and expressions of sympathy extended to me during the sickness and death of my late husband are greatly appreciated.

I would like to extend special thanks to the minister and friends of the Congregational church for their kindness in allowing the use of their church for the burial service; also to all who have helped me in my business.

Ada Davis

Card of Thanks

Mrs. Clifton Cleveland, Mrs. Frederick Fuller, Mrs. Julia Snow and Ellsworth Cleveland of Leverett wish to thank their relatives, friends and neighbors for the kindness and floral tributes received in their bereavement.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our relatives, friends, and neighbors for their many thoughtful acts of sympathy, also for the beautiful floral and spiritual bouquets tendered us during our recent bereavement.

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Mr. and Mrs. George A. Smith
Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Terry
Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Andrew T. Sears
Mrs. Mary Austin

The city was terribly battered, worse than St. Lo.

There goes that dope again, flying pretty low and dumped his pile not too far from here. Slipped up somewhere. He flew right over our house. Had he been any lower he would have gotten mixed in our chimneys. Doris grabbed her helmet and flew outdoors. She came in

with her head soaked; she had just used her helmet for a bath and forgot to dump out the water.
Bud

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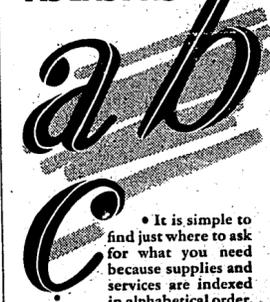
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Induction Notes

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John Paul Cronin Pond Hill Rd.
Scheduled for induction Dec. 18:
John F. Jewett Bay Road

Grange Notes

The Grange Christmas party will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 19th, and will be in charge of the officers. There will be an exchange of gifts.

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Bud

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"A Light Set in a Dusk."
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"The World at the Manger."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.
Candlelight Carol Service at 7 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
TUESDAY
Double or Nothing Club at Parish House at 8 p. m.
Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Anna Witt.
WEDNESDAY
Firemen's Association Meeting.
THURSDAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY
TODAY
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Walter Brown at 2.30 p. m.

Find Dead Deer on Scout Hike

Sixteen Boy Scouts enjoyed a hike on Monday under the leadership of Scoutmaster Ira Shattuck. While touring the woods they ran onto a dead eight-point buck weighing over 200 pounds. They appropriated the head for mounting. A feature of the day was a venison stew cooked in the open, the meat being from a doe taken by Scoutmaster Shattuck on the last day of deer week. Several passed their knife and hatchet test, and one, cooking and fire building.



Stars in the windows
Stars in the sky—
Another sweet Christmas
Is hurrying by.
Stars in the windows
For young sons abroad;
One star up in Heaven
For the young son of God.
O Star up in Heaven
Withhold not your light;
But let it shine kindly
On young men tonight!
Repeat them your message
Of peace and goodwill
That they may remember
And worship you still.
Stars in the windows
Stars in the sky—
Those in the windows
Will fade by and by,
And then the sweet Christmas
Will find once again
His Star still in Heaven
His Peace among men.
A Happy New Year to all our friends, especially those in whose windows are Service Stars and those for whom the Stars are in the windows.
—The Steeple and The Editor

To be Lighted Sunday Night

A large creche, or manger scene, has been erected this past week between St. Francis church and rectory and will be fitted with the appropriate characters and lighted for the first time on Sunday night. This interesting bit of Christmas scenery was built of white paper birch slabs by Aubrey Lapolice, assisted by Frank Hurd, who put on the thatched roof. Thomas E. Hanifin, local lumberman, furnished the birch.

No Scout Caroling

Girl Scout leaders announce that there will be no caroling tonight as planned. The girls are, asked to tell each other, so that all may know of the change.

Candlelight Carol Service

A candlelight carol service with the Nativity scene will be presented in the Methodist church on this coming Sunday evening at 7. Preceding the service from 6.30 to 7.00, recordings of Christmas carols will be played from the church tower. Following the service the members of the Youth Fellowship will sing carols at the homes of the shut-ins.

Firemen Meet Next Wednesday

The firemen will have their meeting on Wednesday night next week, inasmuch as Christmas comes on Monday when they usually meet.

Committee Making Progress

The committee appointed to investigate conditions at the old town hall and make recommendations concerning it have held three meetings and as a result have drawn up tentative plans to submit to the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety for approval.

At the meeting of the Men's club on Wednesday evening, Guy Harrington, chairman and member-at-large of the special committee, volunteered information as to proceedings thus far, stating that in a sense "this is your baby," having reference to the fact that this group initiated recent action, following which the town took over, the moderator in his appointments utilizing as far as possible the committeemen selected by the three pastors.

Mr. Harrington said they had run into "hundreds of problems," water, sewage disposal, need for state approval of plans, priorities, re-location of town lock-up, transfer of town safe, ventilation, etc., to name only a few. While the balcony could be torn out with volunteer help, much of the installation would call for skilled labor.

Tentative plans include a lean-to at the rear, 16 ft. wide, running practically the width of the building. J. J. Kempkes, Sr., another member of the committee was present and showed rough plans he had drawn, which he explained rather informally. According to these, there would be an entry 6 ft. x 16 ft. just inside the main door at the front, with a door to the north and one to the south leading into the main hall.

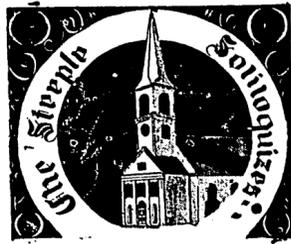
The lock-up would be housed in some other building, and the big safe would either be taken elsewhere or turned half way around where it is.

The removal of balcony and stage would provide playing space nearly 40 ft. x 60 ft. The plan is to cover the present floor with a hard wood floor. The fire exit would be between the last window and the back corner on the south side.

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Killed in Action

Pvt. James L. Beaudry, 26, was killed in action in Germany, Nov. 23, according to a War Department telegram received by his wife, of Jabish street. Pvt. Beaudry entered the service May 26. He received training at Camp Croft, S. C., and then went to Ft. Meade, Md., from where he was sent overseas early in November. A week ago Mrs. Beaudry received three letters and Christmas greetings from him. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Beaudry, who live on the place previously owned by Bertram E. Shaw.



This Is A Christmas To Try Our Faiths

A few weeks ago it would have been much easier to have written a Christmas column of good cheer and happiness than it is now. For a few weeks ago Americans were looking ahead most hopefully to a brighter day. True, they were resigned to another winter of war in Europe and to long campaigns in the East. But all the arrows were pointing the right way.

Progress in Europe had been tremendous since June. Practically all of France had been liberated after four years of servitude. Belgium was largely out from under the Nazi heel. Greece was free again. The news from the Pacific was equally bright. The battle-for-Burma was a matter of time, with all signs pointing toward nothing but an Allied victory. The Japanese advance into southern China had been stopped by the indefatigable Chinese and ground had been regained. The Philippine campaign was moving ahead by leaps and bounds. The Japanese homeland was under constant bombardment from new American bases. In short, though opposition was still tough everywhere, and no sudden collapses were occurring, everything shaped up for a distinctly more cheerful Christmas than we had seen in 1939.

During the last few days, however, our hopes have had several serious setbacks. For the first time in almost two years, the Nazi army has taken to the offensive. Americans are battling furiously to stem an advance back into Belgium and Luxembourg. No one doubts that defeat will be the eventual result of this German effort designed to build up home morale and to capitalize on evidences of disunity among the Allies. But the fact that the Nazis have been able to launch a major offensive, with tanks, planes, paratroops, and newer weapons, after their heavy losses for six months, and after the hammering from the air which has been the fate of the Third Reich for a long time, is a sobering thing to those who have settled world affairs in their own minds and have been making post-war plans involving all-electric kitchens and new automobiles.

This may be Hitler's (or some younger Hitler's) last glorious assault before surrender. Or it may not. In any case, American casualties are probably higher in Europe now than at any time since D-Day. Christmas cannot be merry when the carols are interrupted by special news announcements from Paris, when the blackout attendant upon any battle is shrouding with uncertainty the places where Belchertown boys are in action.

There is no other really black spot in the military picture. But there is another reason for pessimism this Christmas. Wherever liberation has been accomplished, the sickness of Europe has been tragically revealed. A nation cannot be defeated and then trampled over by

the conqueror for years without building up hates and fears which will take decades to obliterate.

Italy has been an increasing headache with every mile set free. Greece seems to be having more bloodshed now than it did when the Germans were leaving. Belgium is a nation divided against itself. France is quiet but seething with hatreds, suspicions, feuds. Prime Minister Churchill has been called upon to speak in defense of his policies more often during the last few weeks than at any time since his own England was being threatened with destruction from Berlin.

Poland provides so much tinder for future troubles that Churchill has already announced that the ally for which England originally went into this war, must lose 75,000 square miles to U. S. S. R., take Danzig and much of East Prussia, and go through a transfer of populations. There are those who believe that the Atlantic Charter was thrown back into the ocean by this declaration. Even if the Polish question is amicably settled among Russia, England, the United States, and Poland herself, there will be dissatisfied minorities everywhere who will be ready at any time to reopen arguments.

It is very hard for any of us in America to imagine what the results must be of invasion, mass murders, slavery, collaborations, and all other inhumanities which have been piled one upon another for years now, until we read of them almost in unbelief, although they are documented as the atrocity tales of World War I never were.

Those who hope for a new Europe to rise democratically and peacefully out of the chaos which has shattered the continent for 30 years will do well to think of the American South. Our own Civil War has been "over" for almost 80 years. Is there still bitterness below the Mason-Dixon Line? Yet here no foreign nation was involved. No one stood ready to seize South Carolina for self-protection. That war was, and is, a family matter. If 80 years have not sufficed wholly to dissipate the clouds of that conflict, when will a real United States of Europe rise to work and live together?

Also remember that General Stilwell was recalled from China! The unrest and unsolvable problems of the East will become more apparent as the Rising Sun sets in defeat. It is safe to say that as populations larger than those on jungle islands are liberated, they will be unpleasant in their post-war illnesses, too, even as those in Europe are.

It would be little less than silly nonsense to paint this Christmas in anything but sober colors. The Star shines on a sick world, whose convalescence will require the firmness and the tender care, which always must accompany a slow return to health. Most disheartening of all is the evident lack of enough great international doctors, and the small faith which the patients show in those that do exist. We have found military leaders as the needs have arisen. Shall we be successful in finding those who can lead the world back to peace?

But let us not despair. However complicated and troubled the Christmas picture may seem today, we may take heart by looking back a few years. In December, 1940, we wondered if there would be any world left to save. Was there

strength enough in decent people to hold back the triumphant armies of the enemy? Could democracies rise to halt and to conquer? These questions were only intensified in December of 1941, when Christmas news featured disaster after disaster in the Pacific. We have had the answers now. Victory is not a remote dream. It is a nearing actuality.

Under the guidance of Him for whom the Star shines this week, we can go forward to the problems ahead of us. But this is a Christmas for prayer and meditation, rather than for revelry and selfishness.

Bible Readings to New Year's
Friday, December 22, John 1; December 23, Revelation 22; Sunday, December 24, Psalm 90; Christmas Day, Luke 2; Tuesday, Joshua 1; Wednesday, Psalm 19; Thursday, Matthew 11; Friday, Exodus 20; Saturday, I John 1; Sunday, December 31, Hebrews 12.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

The earth has grown old with its burden of care
But at Christmas it always is young;
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair,
And its soul full of music breaks forth on the air,
When the song of the angels is sung.

Phillips Brooks
—Bob Jackson

Sunday Night's Pageant

There was a good attendance, considering the little publicity, at the Youth Fellowship Christmas pageant at the Congregational church on Sunday evening at 7.30. The presentation was in charge of Mrs. William Pero, while the lighting effects were in charge of Louis Shumway. Belding F. Jackson was reader and Miss Barbara Hudson soloist. The choir assisted in the service. Those having parts in the pageant were:

- Travelers
Shirley Hazen, Evelyn Squires
Joel Bruce Barrett
Fruit Vender George Jackson
Shepherds
Forrest Barrett, Irving Hislop
Angels
Barbara Hudson, Jane Kimball,
Nancy Farley
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Christmas Message from Chaplain Manwell

13 Dec., 1944

Dear Belchertown Folks:
At this Christmas season, it is natural for one's thoughts to turn homeward, and you are much in our thoughts all the time, but especially now. For Christmas is a time dedicated to the home and the remembrance of friends.

Mary and I wish that we might send each of you some token of our friendship, but conditions this year have rendered difficult the sending of cards. However, we do want to extend to one and all the season's greetings. Riki, in his own way, adds his best wishes, and so from all three of us, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the heart of the Rockies.

As we view the war-weary scene, the Star of Bethlehem and all it implies, is the world's brightest hope. To the church has been entrusted the task of spreading the light from that Star. This war should convince each of us of the necessity for increased devotion to that church, that the reservoirs of good will may be filled to overflowing. Only so can the angels once more sing their song of peace on earth to men of good will.

As I write, there come to us reports of a white Christmas back home. But here the only snow appears on the mountains. We're dreaming not so much of a white Christmas, but of the Christmases that seem so long ago, when we were back in New England among all those friends to whom we send a Merry Christmas and best wishes for a Very Happy New Year in 1945. May that year find the war over when all of us can return home.

The Manwells Three,
Mary, Richard and Richard, Jr.

Pvt. John J. Shea, 31417913
COC, 62nd Bn., 16th Rgt., IARTC
Camp Howze, Texas

Pvt. Donald Morey, 569285
Trng. Com, Camp Lejeune
North Carolina

Albert Smith, Claude Smith and family observed Christmas the 20th, as Claude's nephew, Seaman 1st Class John Clark, had to report for duty at midnight Dec. 22. John was pulling out of port last year on Christmas day, so it was thought that memories of a family Christmas with turkey and Christmas tree would give him something better to look back upon for the next 12 months.

BIG SPRING, TEXAS. WAC Cpl. Marjorie L. Aldrich has been awarded the AAF Technician

Badge at the Big Spring Bombardier School. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Aldrich of Jackson St., Belchertown, Cpl. Aldrich attended Belchertown High School and was employed at a beauty salon in Jamaica Plain before entering service. She is assigned to duty here as a radio mechanic.

Methodist Church Notes

There will be a Christmas sermon on Sunday morning, with special Christmas music by the choir directed by Mrs. Burt Collis.

Sunday evening's program is announced elsewhere.
The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Anna Witt next week Tuesday evening. Assistant hostesses will be Mrs. Joseph Belcher, Mrs. Isaac Hodgen and Mrs. W. Paige Piper.

Epidemic Cancels Activities

The schools closed last Friday until January 2, the initial week being by reason of the scarlet fever epidemic. There were 35 absent at the Center Grade school on the closing day.

The several Church Christmas entertainments for the children were canceled by reason of the epidemic, and now all Scout activities have been called off, even the caroling scheduled for tonight. The canceling of the Grade school entertainment was mentioned last week.

The children must think that Santa Claus is by-passing Belchertown this year.

Men's Club Meeting

The Men's club met in the Congregational parish house Wednesday evening. Supper was served at 6.30, in charge of Roy Shaw, George Booth and Charles Sanford.

At the business meeting which followed, President Belcher announced the resignation of Dr. A. E. Westwell as chairman of the program committee, and Harold Peck was elected to fill the vacancy.

Harold Ryder called attention to the fact that Boy Scout Week is February 7 to 14, and at his suggestion the club voted to hold their February meeting February 14, with the Scouts as guests that evening and furnishing the program.

The committee selected for the January meeting was Guy Harrington, Osborne Davis, Harlan Davis and Harold Ryder.

Guy Harrington and Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr., of the town hall investigation committee told of tentative plans for renovation, this being especially appropriate, as the club had initiated action along this line at its last meeting. Information concerning the matter is found in a separate article in this issue.

Prof. A. B. Beaumont of Massachusetts State College was guest speaker and was introduced by Rev. Mr. Belcher. His subject was "Soil Conservation." He showed colored slides and a sound movie depicting the damage done by soil erosion, and the methods used to combat it. Some of the views were taken in the Connecticut valley, and there was one picture taken at the State School. Prof. Beaumont answered many questions at the close of his talk.

Town Items

Lt. Col. Guy Randall, who has

been stationed at the McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Texas, for the last two years, where he is head of the psychiatric and neurological department, visited his father, Charles L. Randall, on Monday. Lt. Col. Randall came east to give a paper along medical lines, with which he is familiar, in New York City.

News has been received in town of the death of Mrs. Alexander Hackney of Chicopee Falls, who with her husband was involved in an automobile accident in Granby on Monday afternoon. Mrs. Hackney was the mother of Mrs. Walter Dodge of this town. Mr. Hackney, who is brother to Mrs. Helen Menard, is in the Mercy hospital.

Grange Notes

Grangers attending the Christmas party Tuesday evening were given a rare treat, the program consisting of readings by Miss Helen Lister, Mrs. Julia Shumway and Mrs. Iola Shircliff. Two appropriate solos were rendered by Mrs. Marion Plant. There was an impressive candlelight service, and a Christmas tree with exchange of gifts. The tables were tastefully decorated. Refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, cup cakes and coffee were served. Regular officers were in charge, with Mrs. Myrtle Williams chairman.

Making Progress

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vide a boiler room 11 ft. x 16 ft. in the center, with rooms 16 ft. x 16 ft. for showers and toilet facilities on either side. Plans would provide for steam heating equipment, with

the necessity of maintaining heat in the small rooms at the rear to keep facilities from freezing, but not the main hall.

It was emphasized that when these tentative plans are completed, they must be approved by state authorities. Only then can estimates be secured and a definite proposition put before the town.

The committee is anxious to get as much light as possible on its problem, is open to ideas, and has in fact called in specialists in their respective lines.

Congregational Church Notes

The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Walter Brown this week Friday afternoon at 2.30. A Christmas party will be enjoyed with an exchange of 10 cent gifts or a white elephant. Refreshments will be served by the hostess.

The Double or Nothing Club will hold its regular meeting next week Tuesday evening. This will be a Christmas party, with exchange of 25 cent gifts.

Twenty-one were present at the Women's Guild Christmas party at the Tadgell home on Wednesday afternoon. The event was in charge of a committee consisting of Mrs. Myrtle Cook, Mrs. Amy Witt, Mrs. Ruth Fuller and Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth.

Arrangements were made to send Christmas remembrances to shut-ins and \$50 was contributed to the Share an Annuity Fund.

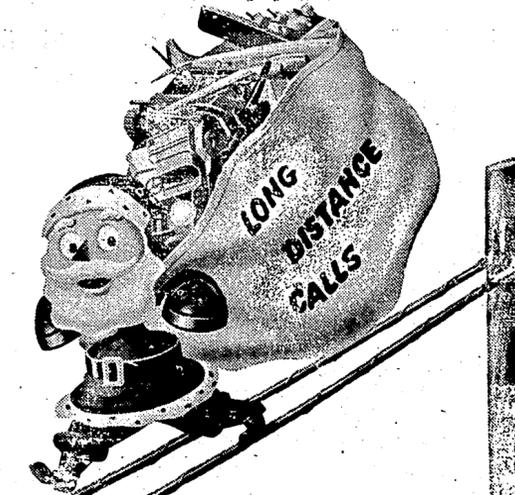
Games were played, carols sung, gifts exchanged and a sunshine box filled.

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ginning Dec. 26, it will be open
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six week days, and on Sunday it
will close promptly at 4 p. m. On
New Year's Day, a turkey dinner
will be served.

Card of Thanks

The Shattucks are appreciative of
the quick response of the fire de-
partment on Tuesday, even though
the blaze was under control before
the department arrived.

Card of Thanks

To the many friends who remem-
bered me with cards and newsy
notes, a grateful thanks. They
brightened the day and kept me
from feeling far away and being
homesick.

Blanche Kimball

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. George E. McPherson,
Jr., of Granby announce the
birth of a son, Jeffrey Eaton Mc-
Pherson, on December 16 at the
Holyoke hospital. The grand-
parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence
M. Eaton of Hingham and Dr. and
Mrs. George E. McPherson of Am-
herst.

Boy Scout meetings have been dis-
continued until further notice by
reason of scarlet fever.

The fire department was called to
a fire at the Shattuck home on Tues-
day morning, when a blaze started
from an oil-burning hot water heat-
er located in the basement. Chief
damage was from smoke. Calls
the same day were to fires at H. H.
Witt's and Kessell's at Turkey
Hill, where there was some room
damage, as well as to furnishings.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Holmes
and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holmes
of Greenfield were week-end guests
of Mrs. Pearl Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins
are parents of a son, Byron Nelson,
born at Mary Lane hospital on the
18th.

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**The Coming Week
SUNDAY**

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy
Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The New Date."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"The Call to a New Crusade."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5
p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Guild Card Party at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Witt
at 2.30 p. m.

Teachers' Association in Commer-
cial room at B. H. S. at 4 p. m.

Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Woman's Society of Christian
Service at Mrs. Iva Gay's at 7.30
p. m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW

School Notes

It is expected that the schools will
resume their sessions on January 2.
During the week following the close
of school, which was premature
by reason of the scarlet fever epi-
demic, the janitors, some of the
teachers at the High school and all
of the teachers of the grade schools,
washed the desks and did a thor-
ough disinfecting job in the several
grade school rooms of the town.

**Candlelight Carol
Service**

A candlelight carol service was
held at the Methodist church on
Sunday evening at 7. Carols were
sung, there was a short talk by the
pastor, Rev. Joseph Belcher, and
then came the candlelight service.
Members of the Youth Fellowship
handed lighted candles to each one
in the audience, which rose and
sang, "Silent Night," while the
manger scene was being portrayed
on the platform in front, David Dy-
er taking the part of Joseph, and
Eileen Dodge that of Mary.

Due to mechanical difficulties,
the recorded Christmas music sched-
uled to be broadcast from the church
tower prior to the service, was post-
poned till its close, when the fami-
liar carols followed the people home.

Shaw-Tidlund Wedding

The wedding of Miss Eleanor
Marie Shaw, the daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Bertram E. Shaw of Lev-
erett, formerly of this town, and Er-
nest J. Tidlund, Jr., the son of Mr.
and Mrs. Ernest J. Tidlund of Lev-
erett, took place Christmas after-
noon at 4 in the home of the bride.

Rev. Herbert Dixon, pastor of the
Leverett Congregational church,
performed the ceremony, using the
double-ring service. Traditional
wedding music was played by Mrs.
William E. Shaw of this town, an
aunt of the bride.

The matron of honor was Mrs. W.
Brooking Cully, Jr., of Brimfield,
sister of the bride. The best man
was W. Brooking Cully, Jr. The
bride wore a gown of white lace
over satin, with fingertip veil caught
with white rosebuds and carried a
shower bouquet of white Killarney
rosebuds and baby's breath. The
matron of honor wore a gown of
blue crepe and carried red roses.

A reception followed the cere-
mony. The home was in candle-
light for the service.

After a wedding trip, on which
the bride wore a green wool suit
with brown accessories, the couple
will live in Leverett.

Mrs. Tidlund was born in Bel-
chertown and attended the schools
here. Mr. Tidlund was born in
Amherst and attended the schools
in that place.

**Skating Rink Opened
Wednesday**

The skating rink at the south end
of the common, a project sponsored
by the newly formed Belchertown
Community Association, was used
for the first time on Wednesday.
Work started a week ago Monday,
when the snow was rolled. On Tues-
day, Wednesday, Thursday and
Friday evenings of that week the
flooding proceeded. This week
Monday it was rolled again, and by
Wednesday it was ready for use
and was used.

Chester Hussey, who heads up
the project, reports that there has
been a grand response as far as
helpers are concerned, not only by
the older ones, but by the young
people themselves, who have been
very cooperative.

Red flags (made by Herbert
Squires and George Lofland) will
be placed at the rink when weather
conditions are considered such as
to make its use inadvisable.

Mr. Hussey suggests that if
there are others (in any age group)
who would be willing and glad to
help keep the project going, they
call either him or Gould Ketchen,
as any extra assistance would be
gratefully received.

Progressive Dinner

The Senior Scouts had a Pro-
gressive dinner, as planned. De-
cember 14th. The dinner was ex-
tremely delicious. First we had
chicken soup at Mrs. Farley's, then
we walked to the Westwell's for the
main course, which consisted of bak-
ed ham, scalloped potatoes, green
peas and buttered carrot strips. We
all just gorged, it was so good.
Then we walked back up to Hud-
son's for salads. The salads were
individual and were very lovely.

After Hudson's we started out
for Fuller's—some girls were lucky
enough to get a ride, but some
weren't so lucky. At Fuller's we
had ice cream, cake, and coffee or
milk.

Everything at all the places we
went was wonderful, and all who
went had a grand time. All the
girls want to thank the women who
were nice enough to give up their
time to give us such a nice time—
we certainly do appreciate it.

Diane Allen, Secretary

**Local People in the Pic-
ture**

A feature article in last Sunday's
Union and Republican on "Amherst
Railroad Centenary Recalls Diffi-
culties of Early Undertakings," was
of considerable interest to Belch-
ertown people as it told of the early
days of the Amherst-Belchertown-
Palmer railroad, later to become a
part of the Central Vermont system.

This was the first railroad to run
through either Belchertown or Am-
herst, and its completion was some-
thing of an event.

There were two pictures in con-
nection with the article, one of the
first engine to run into Amherst and
Belchertown on rails, and the other
of the Amherst-Belchertown-Palmer
railroad station at Amherst.

Mrs. Everett C. Howard, formerly
Geraldine Fairchild, was quite
thrilled on looking at the latter pic-
ture, to note that her father, Rudd
E. Fairchild, was in the group in
front of the station, standing just
beneath the traffic signal, and that
her brother, Benjamin Fairchild,
who was agent there at the time,
was at the right of the doorway at
the left.

Mrs. Howard says that her brother
enlisted in the army when he was
21, so that he must have been rather
young at the time. Her father, who
was agent at Norwich, Ct., was evi-
dently in Amherst for the day.

A paragraph alluding to Bel-
chertown, says, "The road known as
the Amherst-Belchertown-Palmer
railroad did a good business, both in
passengers and freight, but the line
was never a financial success. Bel-
chertown was the scene of the
ground breaking. The name of the
section of that town through which
it ran was changed from Logtown to
Hopetown, and great interest was
centered in the project."

Town Gets Citation

Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, chairman
of the recent War Fund drive, has
received a citation in which the
town is commended for its outstand-
ing contribution to the 1944 War
Fund. The certificate has been
turned over to the selectmen for
posting in the vestibule at Memorial
hall. The drive went over the top
to the tune of 102 per cent.



WRAPPINGS AND RIBBONS FROM ANOTHER CHRISTMAS

Contagious Holiday

In fog and rain, in scarlet fever solitude, but in the sweetness and light of an American home, we have celebrated another Christmas. I say it almost with humility, for it seemed on the verge of the sacrilegious to enjoy a holy day with so many families around us with vacant chairs at their dinner tables, and with so much of the world in terrible trouble.

When one has a family too young for service and is himself too old to be worth much of a darn as a soldier, he has a sense of really not belonging to this generation which is giving so much of blood and tears on the altar of war.

With a contagious disease card on the door, we couldn't even share our perfectly scrumptious dinner with a soldier. We had to write and tell him to stay away. So our Christmas was very much by ourselves.

A Belt for Belding

A nice belt and buckle came to me from the family this year. No more umbrellas. Last Christmas, much to my dismay, I was presented with a perfectly beautiful umbrella, very mannish in style, with carved wooden handle, and a spread of cloth which would protect the Dionnes, one and all, from any shower. In fact, I was tempted to fireproof it and give it to Ringling Bros. last July.

I say "much to my dismay," for even there near the Christmas tree I could foresee trouble ahead. They had left the price tag on—8 bucks. How on earth could I keep track of an 8-dollar umbrella! As matters had stood before, I had a stock of three or four outworn female models, in sundry states of shabbiness—one in a locker, another in the car, another on a hook in the kitchen. If one or more of these should go the way of all umbrellas, 'twould give me no more than a passing pang.

Well, for about a year, out of sheer loyalty to a loving though extravagant family, I chaperoned that cockeyed bumbashoot. During a stormy spell, I couldn't even chew a contented hamburger in the diner without worrying about who might walk off with my eight dollars worth of rain insurance. Then, like as not, I'd get all the way

back to the office only to remember that it was still over in the diner. But no one ever stole it. It accompanied me down narrow theatre aisles and along crowded sidewalk, it dripped happily along hotel lobbies and over waxed linoleums for almost a year. But it was a continual source of worry to me and a constant aggravation to the public.

Then came that horrible Thursday morning a few weeks back, the one when they had no school here, but did where I work. Just as I stepped into the car, the tornado struck the inside of my tent and turned it wrong-side-which in one second. I left the wreckage in the kitchen and hurried on. When I saw it again, Florence had done a pretty good job at retwisting the ribs—but it was definitely a \$2.50 umbrella. I no longer need feel so anxious about it. Consequently, when I was trailing Guy Harrington through a revolving door (not a swinging one!) in Boston last month, I let a yard or two of it drag behind me. There was a splintering squeak to my rear and what I rescued was not worth more than \$1.62. Which is about what I want in an umbrella, anyway. The family has unanimously decided not to waste any more money on my personal flood control. I like the belt.

Best Surprise

My best-loved gift this year came as a complete surprise. Fred Buss, whom I had admired as an artist in antiques but did not know as a photographer, left me the best picture of the Congregational church I have ever seen, "in appreciation of many timely subjects discussed in the Steeple." This thoughtful gift will give your column something to live up to as it goes to an honored position on the study wall.

Countless Cards

Extravagant though they are, and repetitious though they may be in their messages and illustrations, I should not like to see the custom of Christmas cards discontinued. Both in the sending and receiving, there is much more of brotherhood than of boredom.

As one of ours so well says, "Christmas would always be welcome, if only because it gives us a chance to greet again treasured friends with whom, somehow, we've gotten out of touch." Years go by very quickly, new friends come into our lives, and some of our dearest old acquaintances are held to our hearts by the tenuous yet somehow lasting contact of the Christmas card.

Of course, we treasure most the cards which show us that the senders did something more than grab one from a pile and sign their

names. We tremendously appreciate the writing of a few words which bring us up to date with the fortunes of friends we haven't seen for ages. But we enjoy them all! It is good to have artists among our friends: Eleanor Baker, Jane Bridgman, and now Nancy Tilton, whose cherub has gladdened our living room all through the holidays. Writers of verse, too: Gertrude Cleverdon rhymes her year most winningly. Photographs in growing abundance: Fred Buss did a particularly good fireside scene, and the Pecks with their wood and apples looked mighty good on a card. The Rands up in Amherst gave us our best Christmas prayer:

"Holy night, peaceful night..."
O bells of irony!
But after darkness, cometh light;
Grant us, Father, second sight,
And outlook brotherly.

It just wouldn't be Christmas now without cards!

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

In the following I have substituted "New Year's" for "Christmas" and give you the greeting of Marshall Bragdon, book editor of the Springfield Republican:

"It is easy for us, as victory inches nearer, to be baffled and divided by the problems—personal, national, global—that peacetime's approach seems to multiply. It is hard to retain the dedicated unity of three years ago. But not impossible, if we are patient, strong, hopeful.

"My New Year's hope is that you and I can keep our faith and force, with contagious goodwill, clear thinking—and determination that Americans together can meet and master these times, these tests."

—Bob Jackson

Chapin-Henshaw Wedding

Forbes L. Henshaw, son of Mrs. Nellie Henshaw of the old Warren road, and Miss Cora I. Chapin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Chapin of South Bridge street, Warren, were married in the parsonage of the First Congregational Church, that place, by Rev. W. Winslow Lyon. The bride is attendant nurse at the State School, and the bridegroom is a bus driver for Ballou's Motor Service in Ware. They will make their home in West Brookfield.

Town Items

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Gay announce the engagement of their daughter, Janice Isabella, to John Alden Collis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burt S. Collis.

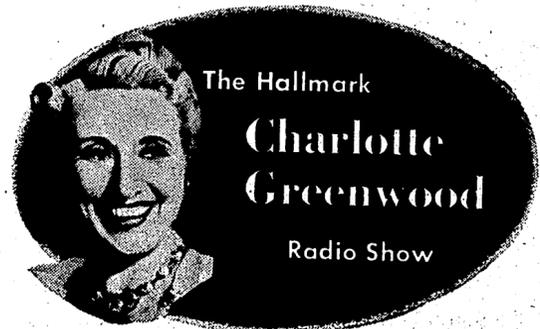
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Engel of Hannum street entertained a party of 16 on Christmas. The unexpected arrival of two nephews, one of whom has been in the Navy two years and the other three years, added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. William Engel of Holyoke.

Lafayette Ayers has sold his place on North Main street to John Flaherty, who will move there January 1.

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Mrs. Donald Dunbar has received news of the arrival of her husband, Pfc. Donald Dunbar, in India.

Cpl. Harold Kimball, stationed at Boca Raton Field, Fla., is on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Kimball of Cottage street, and will return Jan. 5.

Romeo LaBrecque, photographer's mate 3rd class, Naval Air Corps, now stationed at Elizabeth City, Va., is home for the holidays—through Christmas to January 4.

Winthrop Gates has enlisted in the navy and is apprentice seaman at Sampson, N. Y. Gates is brother to Mrs. Mariel Camp of this town.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Missives from Lt. Krone

October 23, 1944

Hello! How are you all? Completed my day's work at 4 p. m. Had all surgical today. Had two civilian German women. Gave each a bath but did not get them clean. They had eight weeks' dirt ground in, plus "jumpers" in their heads.

I did not do too badly talking with them, or understanding them, should I say. One is 23 years old and has one child three and a half; the other is 30 and has two children. The 23-year-old's husband is in a panzer division, but now a prisoner. The other's husband is in Italy. They had been shelled and got banged up badly. One lost her kidney, the other had her spleen banged up. They said they had been in their cellar eight weeks, very little food and could not bathe or even wash themselves at all. The 23-year-old said she was embarrassed to have the American nurses see them so dirty.

I can hear thousands of planes going over. They are on their way to Germany. No matter where they

are going, it makes your blood run cold to think of all those heavy bombers going to dump their load on some living creatures. But guess that is the only way we can clean it out. We listened to make sure they were ours. You can tell by the sound of their motors. Only one of ours sounds like the Jerries and that's our Black Widow. You know me—I just can't help but feel for those poor souls, yet it would be worse if it were the other way round.

October 28

Dear Mother and Dad:

We watched a Belgium funeral this morning. Some different than France. I presume in this part of the country people cannot afford as elaborate funerals as the one we saw in France. "Sparkplug" was not bedecked with silver trimmings and the coachman did not have "Napoleon's" hat on. Really it is pathetic to think in this day and age people are so antiquated. To be here and see it with your own eyes makes you realize it is true. It seems strange to me—being so near Germany and with all their ultra modern improvements—that these people did not reap some modern improvements. When we get to Germany we may be surprised to find all their ideas are carried out on war materials.

Be that as it may—these people are ancient history personified. We may not live as long in the States with all our hustle and bustle and modern conveniences, but I'd rather pass out going a good pace than die a snail's death on this four-holer. Being in these countries where they do not have electric lights, bathrooms, etc., makes one appreciate what one little button can do—and to pull a "chain"—that will be the day. In France they not only live in filth but have the animals in the next room.

Now do not worry. Though it is war and all the hell that goes with it, we do have our rash moments. Last night was a honey. We three "kids" (and I'm 43) were sitting here talking when a plane flew over very low. I said, "That's a Jerry, hold your seats and sit tight." Mina said, "That doesn't sound like one, Bud." She had no more than had the words out of her mouth when "whang" down went a bomb, followed by another and another. Nosey types that we are, we grabbed our helmets and went out. The bugger was flying back under his own smoke screen. In about 15 minutes he flew back, daring devil, and dumped one more. That was all till 3.45 A. M. when we were awakened by a grand shake. They must have hit our ammunition pile again. Our windows rattled and the "big guns" rattled on. How long we do not know as we all went back to sleep and didn't know when they signed off.

Don't think we aren't scared. That would be a fib; but it's a different kind of being afraid. I can't

describe it. You are and you aren't. At least you are not afraid of what they will do, as it never enters your mind about yourself—it's the boys—kids—up at the very front that you seem to feel for. For some small reason we have the feeling of protection, having been under a tent when a swarm of planes that makes you think of bees, comes over. At night you cannot see them, but in the day they look like birds with silver wings. You know their mission and accept what is to be.

The fear I thought I would have I have not had at all. It still holds true that "Unity" is one of the greatest studies if you practice it. I still say, "What is to be will be" and no one can change my mind about that. Doris had a friend 21 years old—had been through three campaigns, Africa, Italy, Sicily; came home on furlough; first day met with an auto accident and was killed on his 21st birthday. That proves my theory—you don't go until your time comes.

November 3

Here I am again, waiting for the Heinies to stop shelling the place. We heard today we are to be on the move by November 10, so guess they expect to have the Heinies on the run.

Wish you could have seen the Robot bomb that went over last night. Doris and I were out to the latrine—got out when a buzz bomb came over. Doris ran for her helmet and I yelled for her to hurry and see it. It is like a big brilliant star traveling very fast in the sky with a whizzing noise or sound—travels very fast with a sort of flash at the tail of it. It came over the latrine, then the light went out. You could hear the guns pounding away but they did not hit it. You can hear them when they hit something miles away.

That is the first one I have seen at close range, and it is very interesting. It is uncanny to think you can see a bomb whizzing up in the sky without anyone guiding it and that it can be directed by rays so as to destroy an object miles away. Smart fellows, these people, eh? Too darned smart. The Heinies are not giving up as easily as they thought they would. They saved all their best for their own territory. It was too easy getting into France without expecting trouble when we arrived on German soil. What do they care about France? Guess the old saying, "A good beginning makes a poor ending"—they are finding out it's a tough job, and that it is. At the rate they are going it won't be over for another year.

November 4, 1944

Just finished making a scarf to send Ray, Jr., for his birthday. It is made from parachute cloth used in the "Invasion". The initials I embroidered on it are from the rip cord which I unravelled. I know sailors can wear white. It is nylon and was from a parachute that came

down. Congratulate me! I was invited to a dance which was a "Command," otherwise I wouldn't have gone.

We were having quite a nice time when suddenly the music stopped and Major Farrington grabbed my arm and said, "Come on, Bud." When I came to, I was standing in front of Col. Mac. He had a paper in his hand. Then sez C. O., "Lt. Krone, I take great pleasure in handing you this "Battlefield promotion." Gebby then stepped up, took off my gold bars and pinned on my silver. I was so flabbergasted I even forgot to salute Col. Mac. It was given for "efficiency" and not for "polishing apples." It shows we do get some credit for our work, at that.

Big doings ahead, with plenty of work. Using many replacements. Christmas pkgs. arrived and we are wondering what we will do with them. Can't take much along when one is on the move. We are stuffing ourselves to the gills.

My back has been "Aachen" again, but I'm coming along nicely. Get me? Hope you are O. K.

Love,

Bud

Rationing Board Notes

Tires Awarded Dec. 21, 1944

Grade 1—Metropolitan District Commission (6), Elsie Gollenbusch (2), Bertram A. Butler, John J. Fairchild, Frederick Keller (3).
Truck Tire—Thomas Sullivan.

Congregational Church Notes

It is announced that there will be no choir rehearsal this week.

It has been thought best to postpone the opening of the Church School until a week from Sunday.

The Women's Guild will hold a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Witt on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 3, at 2.30.

The Home Department met with Mrs. Walter L. Brown of Maple St., last week Friday afternoon. A Christmas party was enjoyed with readings and an exchange of gifts, after which a dinner was served by the hostess. It was voted to omit the January and February meetings, as was done last year.

The Double or Nothing Club Christmas party, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harrington and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lindquist, was held in the parish house on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Phyllis Markham presided at the business meeting, in the absence of Kenneth Hawkins. Games were played and there was an exchange of gifts. A door prize of greeting cards, contributed by Claude Smith, was won by Howard Spencer.

Grange Program for the Year

The program for 1945 for Union Grange, as prepared by Mrs. Frances Moore, lecturer, follows:

January 2.—Installation of officers by Raymond Warner and suite from Williamsburg; music.

January 16.—Birthday party, informal reception to teachers.

February 6.—Advertising night, in charge of educational committee.

February 20.—Games; applications for membership should be presented at this meeting.

March 6.—Bird and conservation program in charge of bird and conservation committee.

March 20.—Firemen guests, supper 6.30.

April 3.—First and second degrees, second degree in charge of Wilfred Noel; tableaux.

April 17.—Third and fourth degrees, third degree in charge of Mrs. Stanley Rhodes; tableaux.

April 29.—Grange Sunday, Congregational church; Rev. John P. Manwell, speaker.

May 1.—Back to Grange; every member or anyone who has been a member, come and bring a friend; a night for reminiscing.

May 15.—Music; music in Nature, music in the hearts of men; in charge of music committee.

June 5.—Scouts as guests; tableaux and songs depicting phases of Scout work; prize for best collection of wild flowers brought by Scouts; meeting in charge of community service committee.

June 17.—Trees, in song and story, leaf and bark.

July 3.—Mystery meeting.

August 7.—Annual picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck.

September 4.—Flower show; committee, Mrs. Ruby Dickinson, Mrs. Ellen Sanford, Mrs. Julia Shumway, Miss Elsie Thresher.

September 6.—Pomona meets in Belchertown; supper 6.30, in charge of regular officers.

September 18.—Historical Association, guests; briefs, Cold Spring, Turkey Hill, Log Town, Coombs' Corner.

October 2.—Travelog, Massachusetts to California, views with reflectoscope; music.

October 16.—Neighbors' Night, Amherst and Leverett invited; entertainment by the visitors; refreshments.

November 4.—Election of officers, family supper.

November 20.—Tableaux, "The First Thanksgiving," "Peace and Plenty"; highlights of olden days, industries, schools, taverns, Mrs. Amy Witt; display of antiques, Mrs. Henrietta Allen.

December 4.—Speaker.

December 18.—Christmas party.

Methodist Church Notes

On Sunday the pastor, Rev. Joseph Belcher, will preach the first of a series of five sermons, which mark the beginning of the "Crusade for Christ" campaign, which is being carried on throughout the Methodist Church.

The first 1945 business meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held Thursday evening, January 4, at 7.30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Iva Gay.

The Religious calendars ordered by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, have arrived and are on sale at Mrs. Iva Gay's. Price, 35 cents.

The Christmas party of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. was held with Mrs. Anna Witt on Tuesday night, with Mrs. Witt as hostess, assisted by Mrs. Joseph Belcher and Mrs. Isaac Hodgen.

There was an exchange of gifts, and at the business meeting Mrs. Witt was chosen leader of the Group for the ensuing year.

Town Items

The selectmen request that all having 1944 bills against the town, present the same by tonight.

There will be a meeting of the Teachers' Association in the commercial room at the High school next Wednesday afternoon at 4.

There was a family party of nine at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Peseo for Christmas. Among those present was their daughter, Mrs. Raymond Rosar of New York.

Miss Ethel Corliss of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending the Christmas vacation with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Bissette of Palmer, recently of this town, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice Emma, to Albert L. Smart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Smart of Palmer. No date has been set for the wedding.

Grange Notes

Raymond Warner and suite of Williamsburg will install the officers of Union Grange at the meeting next Tuesday evening.

The program for the year, as prepared by the lecturer, is printed in another column.

OPA Release

Boston, Dec. 26. The Regional OPA office today officially announced the changes in the food rationing program now in force.

FOR SALE—Nice Roasting Chickens and Fresh Eggs.
Frank Towne
Phone 3653

J5

FOR SALE—Skis (6 ft.), also ski poles.

Mrs. Fannie Upham
Cottage St.

FOR SALE—Man's bicycle, Victor model, excellent condition.

Richard Gabel
Mill Valley Road, Belchertown

Tel. 2420

LOST—"A" Ration Book.

Guy Harrington

NOTICE—An American woman would like general housecleaning by the day. Please call, evening, Belchertown 2535.

26-5

\$10 REWARD—to the first person giving me information that will result in my renting a home.

Michael Mathras
Tel. 2496

FOR SALE—English setter, male, 7 months old.

Maricl Camp

Card of Thanks

To the friends in the W. S. of C. S., many thanks for the beautiful basket of fruit sent me at Christmas time.

Mrs. Jessie B. Chamberlain

Actions which became effective as of 12.01 a. m., Tuesday, December 26, were:

1. Butter went from 20 to 24 pts. per pound.

2. The following eight vegetables were added to the ration list:

	Points
Asparagus, No. 2 container	10
Beans, green or wax	10
Corn (vacuum packed; whole kernel) 12 oz. tin	20
Peas (exclude soaked dry peas) No. 2 can	20
Spinach, No. 2 can	10
Home processed vegetables any of the above, quart container, 2 lbs.	20
Corn (except vacuum packed, whole kernel; exclude corn on cob), No. 2 can	20
Home processed tomato catsup or chili sauce, quart containers, 2 lb.	60

3. Red stamps A-8 through Z8 and A-5 through P5 in Book Four were cancelled.

4. Blue stamps A-8 through Z8 and A-5 through W-5 in Book Four were cancelled.

5. Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32, 33 and 40 for home canning, in Book Four were cancelled along with all sugar home canning certificates and coupons.

The OPA made the following announcements:

1. Five new red stamps, T-5 through X-5 will be validated Sunday, December 31.

2. Five new blue stamps, C-2 through G-2 will be validated Monday, January 1, 1945.

3. Values in both red and blue stamps will remain at 10 points each.

4. No new sugar stamp will be validated until Feb. 1.

5. Meat point changes go into effect at 12.01 a. m., Sunday, Dec. 31.

6. Changes in point values on canned or bottled fruits and tomato catsup or chili sauce, all reflecting downward ranges of from 10 to 20 points, go into effect at 12.01 a. m., Monday, Jan. 1, 1945.

7. Stamps now good are: Red stamps Q-5 through S-5; Blue stamps X-5 through Z-5, A-2 and B-2. All remain good for 10 points. Sugar stamp No. 34; good for five pounds.

8. Red tokens, used as change, remain good at one point each.

Last dividend on Savings Account shares at the rate of

4.1 PER CENT

Ware Co-operative Bank
You pay \$1.00 per month for each share you subscribe. Interest compounded four times a year. Money available on first mortgages.

Payments may be made at
JACKSON'S STORE

"Look up his number, Mom!"



When home fixtures or appliances warn you that they need repair, turn at once to the Classified Directory for the man to fix them.

EASY TO FIND IN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

YELLOW PAGES

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Living Empty or Abundantly?" Communion Service.
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
Mrs. Sophia Pero, speaker.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Sharers of the Gospel."—Sacrament of the Holy Communion.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Evangelistic Mission at Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.

TUESDAY

Evangelistic Mission at Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.
Republican Town Committee at Selectmen's Room from 7.30 to 8.30 p. m.
Legion Auxiliary in Recreation Room at Memorial Hall at 8 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Registrars at Memorial hall from 7 to 9 p. m.
Evangelistic Mission at Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.
O. E. S. Meeting

THURSDAY

Evangelistic Mission at Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.

FRIDAY

Evangelistic Mission at Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.

SATURDAY

—Today—
B. H. S. vs. Hardwick H. S. in town hall. Games at 7 and 8 p. m.
Girl Scout Association at Mrs. Louis Fuller's at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Jan. 15
Republican Caucus in Memorial hall at 7.45 p. m.
Jan. 24
Public Supper sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of C. S.

The Year at the State School

We are indebted to the State School office for material for this review, which we preserve in its original diary style.—Ed.

January

A new infirmary building is being planned as a post-war construction project. Location has been decided upon, and architects will begin their preliminary work next month. This building will house some 224 crippled, mentally deficient boys and girls.

The new motor fire-truck is well under way, and the body has been assembled. Running boards and fenders are in place, and much of the metal work has been completed.

Certain changes have been made in the office arrangement at the Administration building, thus providing a large general office for clerks and stenographers, an office for the Principal Clerk and individual offices for the members of the medical staff. A new Medical Library room is also available as a result of these changes.

Plans have been made to construct a new field-stone incinerator of modern design to do away with the institution dump way down in back of the farm.

February

The Valentine party and dance held by the employees on February 8th, was a successful event. Some 165 persons attended this function.

On February 15th a patients' Valentine party and dance was held in the assembly hall at the school building. Music was furnished by an outside orchestra and refreshments were served. Almost 500 patients attended and took part in the affair.

On February 1st our chief engineer reported a severe drop in water pressure during the night, and it was discovered that a water main had burst in the rear of the school building. The gymnasium was flooded by some 30 inches of water. The local Belchertown Fire Department came to our rescue and pumped out the flood waters with the Sea-grave. Gymnasium floor was badly damaged but will be repaired in short order.

An addition to the power house has been planned, and during the month, the Lupewising hospital construction engineer from the Department of Mental Health, together with an outside engineer, came to the school to go over the details.

Installation of a new fire-sprinkler system started at the laundry, and almost completed by the end of the month.

March

A total of \$221.00 was contributed by the employees of the School

Two Games Tonight

W. P. Piper, coach at B. H. S., announces that there will be two basketball games with Hardwick high school in the old town hall tonight, the first and second teams each playing a game. The preliminary game will be at 7, and the other at 8. Admission is 35 cents (tax included) for adults, and 25 cents (tax included) for students.

Make Caucus Plans

The Republican town committee will meet in the selectmen's room on Tuesday evening, January 9, from 7.30 to 8.30 to receive names of candidates for the caucus to be held in Memorial hall, January 15, at 7.45 p. m.

Registration Dates

The registrars announce that they will hold meetings for the registration of voters for the annual town election, February 5, as follows:

Wednesday, January 10—Memorial hall, from 7 to 9 p. m.

Saturday, January 20—Franklin School, 2 to 4 p. m.

Wednesday, January 24—Memorial hall, Noon to 10 p. m.

Evangelistic Services

Each evening of next week, Monday through Friday, an Evangelistic Mission will be held in the Methodist church. The services will begin at 7.30. There will be a praise service of familiar hymns and a sermon by the pastor.

Grange Installation

The installation of Grange officers took place Tuesday night with Raymond Warner of Williamsburg as installing officer, assisted by Mrs. Warner as marshal, Mrs. Clark of Williamsburg as regalia bearer, Mrs. Bradford of Northampton as emblem bearer and soloist, Past Master Robert Evans of Northampton as installing master, and Mrs. Julia Shumway as installing chaplain. Miss Viola Ice acted as color bearer.

1945 officers are as follows:
Master: Charles F. Austin
Overseer: Mrs. How Shricliff
Lecturer: Mrs. Frances M. Moore
Asst. Lecturer: Mrs. Blanche Austin
Steward: Harold F. Pack
Assistant Steward: Charles Sanford
Chaplain: Mrs. Helen Lister
Treasurer: Mrs. Celia Pratt
Secretary: Mrs. Myrtle Williams
Gatekeeper: Mrs. Theron Pratt
Care: Mrs. Marion Plant
Flora: Miss Dorothy Blackmer
Pomona: Miss Edna Thresher
Lady Assistant Steward: Mrs. Pearl Green
Exec. Com. 3 yrs: Fred Buss
Exec. Com. 1 yr: Stanley Rhodes

The Story of the Year

The town has survived another war year. About twenty young men were inducted into the armed forces, aside from those who enlisted in the several services prior to becoming 18 years of age, of which there is no official record.

News has come during the year of the death in action of Tech. Sgt. James Barry, who was serving in the South Pacific; of Sgt. Raymond Germain, who participated in the invasion of Germany; and of Pvt. James L. Beaudry, killed in the same invasion. The latter was inducted from another town, but his family now lives here.

In the behind-the-front activities, 539 Belchertown women put in 5,980 hours making 141,316 surgical dressings at the Red Cross center. November saw the closing of this project.

The town contributed \$1,532.24 to the War Fund drive, the most it has ever done along this line. In the Red Cross drive a grand total of \$1,740 was contributed—another record.

In the clothing drive, 27 boxes containing 1,172 pieces and weighing 887 pounds, was shipped. There was a waste paper drive by the Legion and tin can drives in charge of the salvage committee.

Along other philanthropic lines the town also did itself proud. \$2,347.50 was contributed to the Mary Lane hospital fund, \$232.50 was contributed to the Boy Scout drive, \$101 to the Children's Aid drive, besides a liberal sum for Christmas seals.

The year saw not only the expenditure of treasure, but there was an accentuated interest taken in the young people. The Boy Scouts took on a new lease of life and swimming instruction at M. S. C. was probably the high-water mark of the year. The Girl Scouts formed troops for all ages and organized an A association. It was estimated late in the year that 70 Girl Scouts and 21 adults were actively working in Girl Scouting.

As for the churches, not a pastor remains at the center or at Dwight who was here a year ago. Richard F. Manwell entered the Navy, as a chaplain in January and was succeeded by his father, Rev. John P. Manwell as interim pastor at the Congregational church. Rev. James J. Donoghue, pastor at St. Francis church, died early in the year and was succeeded by Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, with Rev. Joseph T. Collins as rector. Rev. H. F. Robbins, pastor at the Methodist church, was assigned to the West Springfield church, and was succeeded by Rev. Joseph Belcher. Rev. Maxwell Welch became pastor at Dwight following the resignation of Rev. Harold B. White of West Pelham.

The week-day school of religious education was continued with ac-

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"The American Journey"
Now in Middle Miles

Some years ago, we had a visiting minister (I think it was Rev. David Adams of South Hadley) who preached us an excellent sermon on a subject, which he may have called "The Middle Miles." I am not sure. After all, it is something to remember the philosophy of a sermon for almost twelve years, say nothing of the text.

He brought out the fact that in a journey it is not the last long mile that causes the walker the most distress, but rather the miles in the middle. When the traveler starts forth on his trip, he is filled with the enthusiasm that goes with any new adventure, and with the strength consequent upon rest and preparation. Likewise, when he knows the end of the trail is near, he is filled with the anticipation of the joy in a task well done, in the meeting with friends who wait for him. He picks up strength from his reserve, his tired muscles strain willingly for what he knows is the last effort. But in the middle of the journey, with the thrill of faring forth dissipated like the mists of the morning, and with the end, it is indeed a life hard and the value of the whole effort a great question.

In this first week of a New Year, Americans are very much in the middle miles of the adventure into which they were plunged a little over three years ago. The national feeling at the moment is evidently not one of defeatism or of unpatriotic indifference, but rather one of disappointment, of tiredness, of boredom.

The electric news of Pearl Harbor, catastrophic though it was, welded the nation together, and gave it a singleness of purpose unique in its history. Never before had we been so unanimously in favor of a war.

As the realization of the difficulties of our task, of the weakness of our armed forces, of the strength of our enemies, came home to us during the early months of 1942, the morale of Americans rose to great heights. The nation had found a job which challenged its strength and resources, as they had seldom been challenged before. Defeat followed defeat; submarines lurked in the St. Lawrence and the Gulf of Mexico; our Pacific possessions fell—but the certainty of ultimate victory never wavered in these states. After wallowing in the mock-prosperity of the 20's and staggering through the bleak despair of the depression 30's, we at last had something worth working for—and a miracle of accomplishment came to pass.

Rationing arrived and was taken in stride. Registrations for Selective Service found no draft riots. Uncomplainingly (or practically so) we resigned our destinies to the hands of committees of

our peers. Civilian defense bound communities to themselves and to each other in new comradeships. In the search for "pressure points" and for enemy aircraft, we teamed up with people we had not known before. In the new jobs at war production plants, we discovered the new pleasure of working side by side with all sorts of people.

Yes, the early months of this "American Journey," the beginning miles, were miles of inspiration. The effects of the tremendous push on the home front were soon felt on the military front, where miracles occurred which were almost taken for granted by us at home. Russia, which had looked at first like an ally of Germany, then like a Nazi pushover, proved to be the champion winning team in our league; the campaigns of North Africa, Sicily, and southern Italy went off beautifully. The submarine menace leveled off to almost no menace at all. The Japs, stopped on the very threshold of Australia, met defeat on defeat.

After the successful campaign of last summer in Europe, most of us thought the end of the journey lay just over the brow of the next hill. Then, little by little, has come the realization that we are probably far from the end. West of the Rhine the Nazi forces gave evidence that they were a long way from their last gasp. The Italian campaign bogged down. The Russians, though gaining the capital of Hungary, seemed slow to crash ahead into Poland. The Japanese, slaughtered in unbelievable numbers in the Philippines, showed no signs of mass surrenders. American casualties, too, began to mount higher and higher. On January 1, 1944, they stood at 140,000. Now they are 628,000, not counting those who have fallen in Von Rundstedt's counter-blows.

Over here at home, we came to realize that the danger from direct enemy attack was over. Lights came on again. Civilian defense evaporated. We had time to relax, to begin a few new quarrels and to pick up old ones. The high morale, or that part of it brought about by outside pressure, declined just as a scarlet fever patient's good nature declines when the disease leaves, but the quarantine lingers on. We are no longer patient with the OPA. Production lags here and there. In short, we are in the middle of the journey, our morning enthusiasms gone, our evening camp somewhere far off in the distance.

Now there comes the inevitable feeling of wondering whether it is all worth while. Surely we see little in "liberated Europe" to indicate that liberation is bringing happiness. Question after question comes to bother us as we plod along: What will he be like when he comes back? Will there be any end of the war when Germany and Japan surrender? Isn't a new "lost generation" a certainty?

This is the frame of mind which our enemies pray that we may have increasingly. It is the psychology through which a "negotiated peace" may come.

What is the cure for it? I should say it lies in looking backward for a little and considering whence we have come since the journey started. I could wish that all the radio stations in the land had featured one program on the last day of the old year. I wish that program could have gone back to 1938 and 1939 for transcriptions of the speeches of

Hitler and Chamberlain, to the record of the terrible days of the break-up, to the voices of our own isolationists, to the voice of the English King calling his peoples to war. I wish we could have heard again the voice of the Churchill of 1940, when his nation stood alone against Europe's return to a new Dark Ages, when he blasted Hitler and the jackal Mussolini with the force of his rhetoric and gave to his Englishmen the gift of blood, sweat, and tears. Then to the news broadcast of December 7, 1941, to the session of Congress on December 8, and so on through the months of our shame and glory. No American listening to this tale of human suffering and human bravery could continue to doubt the necessity of the course we have undertaken. No one could have risen from such a program without steeling himself to whatever disappointment and exhaustion may still lie ahead.

For never has there been a crusade that did not fall into three parts: a courageous beginning, a middle period of doubt, and a conclusion either successful or disastrous, depending on how well the crusader has withstood the middle years.

We Americans are now involved in the most significant months of our history. If we fail to carry on now in the spirit which gripped us three years ago, then the next century will be bleak for the whole world.

If we find the "Middle Miles" discouraging and the paths ahead rocky and unblazed, let's think what they might have been had we not started the journey when we did and as we did. Let us also remember that no nation or individual ever yet started out toward greatness without going through the despond of the noonday miles.

Did you ever hear of him who said to his three friends: "My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death; tarry ye here and watch for me." And he went a little farther and fell on his face and prayed saying, "O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt." That was the Middle Mile for Him whose journey led from the manger to the Resurrection. But it was a journey that had to have its Gethsemane and its Calvary before it was completed.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Our little systems have their day; They have their day and cease to be; They are but broken lights of thee, And thou, O Lord, art more than they."
Tennyson
—Bob Jackson

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Clark P. Spellman of Richmond, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Judith Nash, to Lieut. Walter Robert Beirne, USAAF, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton J. Beirne, also of Richmond. Miss Spellman attended St. Margaret's School in Tappahannock. Lieut. Beirne attended Virginia Military Institute before entering the service. He was recently returned from overseas and is at present at Westover Field.

No date has been set for the wedding.

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Methodist Church Notes

It is announced that by reason of continued sickness there will be no sessions of the church school until further notice.

A public supper will be served by the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. on January 24, the proceeds to go toward the church's share of the week-day religious education project.

Congregational Church Notes

Due to continued sickness, there will be no session of the Church School on Sunday.

At a meeting of the Church Cabinet last Sunday the names of Rev. John P. Manwell and Claude Smith were added to the servicemen's committee.

Mrs. Sophia Pero will be the speaker at the Youth Fellowship meeting on Sunday evening.

Four tables were in play at the Women's Guild card party at the home of Mrs. H. H. Witt on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Julia Shumway was high scorer, and Mrs. Annie Austin low scorer.

Blood Needed

Mrs. Kinmonth has received a few brief notes from her sister, Lt. Krone, a nurse at the front, who speaks of being "unmercifully busy" and who says, "Tell everyone at home who can to please give blood. We need it." We hope to quote more fully next week.

Rationing Board Notes

Tires Awarded Dec. 28
Grade 1—Albert Lebida (2), John A. Collis, William F. Kimball, Sr. (2), Joseph C. Reilly, Guy Murchie (3), John Pranaitis (3), Peter P. Shyloski, Charles L. Randall (2), Byron A. Hudson (2), Comm. of Mass., Dist. Water Supply Commission (6).
Truck Tires—Lloyd C. Chadbourne (2).

Town Items

News has been received of the birth of a son, William, to Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hackett, on Saturday, December 30, at the Tompkins County Memorial Hospital, Ithaca, N. Y. The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Shaw of this town and Mrs. Paul Hackett of Springfield, Missouri; also a great grandson of Arthur R. Ketchen and Myron A. Shaw of this town.

Albert Parsons of the Amherst board of selectmen announces that he will be a candidate for representative in the event of a vacancy caused by the resignation of Albert Lumley, who has entered the service.



November 29, 1944
Just taking time to let you know that that grand little Sentinel is still following me and I do appreciate it now more than ever.

We've been on line now for over fifty days and are still going strong. Keeping up the old prestige of the YD. The going is slow and tough but the Jerries can't hold us back, and they're trying hard. Our greatest obstacle is the weather—rain, rain and more rain, with plenty of mud to season it. I don't go for a menu like that.

Thanks a million for keeping me informed about the home-town news.
S. E. Dudek

Howard C. Shirlcliff, S. F. 3-C, who entered the service in November, 1942, and who for some time has been in the naval hospital at San Diego, Cal., has received a medical discharge and is at his home in town.

Pfc. Edward Lofland, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Lofland, who has been stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., is home on a 15-day furlough.

James Colby Goodrich, son of Harold Goodrich of 114 Walnut street, Springfield, and grandson of Edith and Walter Pratt of this town, has joined the merchant marines. James, who is now 17, was born on May 30 at the "north end" of this town. He has an older brother, Richard, in the 1st Army, fighting in Germany.

George W. Henry, seaman 2nd class, has returned to Sampson, N. Y., after spending a three-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henry.

Raymond R. Menard, A. O. M. (T) 3-C, returned last Friday to Norfolk, Va., after spending a leave with his family in town.

Ensign Martin Reilly, stationed at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Miss Helen Williamson of the same place, returned Tuesday after a leave spent with Ensign Reilly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Reilly.

Sgt. Arthur Vincent Hdqtrs. Battery, 786 FABN Camp Gruber Oklahoma

REQUEST—Please let the editor know of any serviceman who would be glad to receive the Sentinel, not now receiving it through the courtesy of some relative or friend.

Town Items

Mrs. Julia Schumacher has returned to Fullerton, Cal. after a stay of six months at the home of her sister, Mrs. Florence Pees.

The Story of the Year

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centuated interest. There was a daily vacation school at Dwight during the summer.

St. Francis church was completely renovated and redecorated. At Christmas time an illuminated manger scene between the church and the rectory attracted much attention. The Methodist church broadcasted Christmas music from the church tower on Christmas eve. It also established a branch Sunday School in Turkey Hill.

At the Congregational church a new feature was the formation of a Junior choir, equipped with surplices, which participated in the morning services of worship. The Double or Nothing club put on its initial minstrel show.

As for the schools, the outstanding event was the presence at the graduation exercises of Dr. Julius Warren, state commissioner of education. Probably 1944 was the hardest year in history to keep a complete teaching staff, there were so many resignations. Carl Peterson, principal at the Center Grade school, was elected supervising principal of elementary education in Belchertown and Ware—a new office created at the time—and Mrs. Guy Harrington was named to fill the vacancy.

The men's club initiated action as concerns renovating the old town hall for the use of the young people, a project which the town has accepted as its own. Prospective plans have been sent to the Department of Public Safety for approval. At the annual town meeting the town voted to reduce the quorum requirements from 50 to 25. The only contest at the annual election was for constable.

The Legion awarded medals to those who assisted at the time of the bomber crash the previous fall. Five fliers baled out in Belchertown this year from a plane that crashed elsewhere. The Belding observation post closed during the year.

Other organizations performed their perennially useful functions. The Eastern Star issued a Belchertown Birthday Calendar, which was a novel enterprise here.

The Firemen's Association celebrated the 15th anniversary of its reorganization, and of Milton C. Baggs as fire chief. A major project was the insulation of Firemen's headquarters.

There were several fires during the year, including the burning of the Hubert house, the Jack Merrill house on Fair Day night, the Aime Claprod house, the barn of George Zitka, the barn of Ernest Socha, also a shed and 20 cords of wood belonging to Thomas Brown. There were numerous chimney fires, forest fires, railroad fires, etc. Chief sentimental loss of the year was the "Blue Heaven," the one-time de luxe trailer of the late A. D. Moore. A new organization, born late in the year, was the Belchertown Community Association, which is sponsoring a skating rink at the south end of the common as the winter season opens.

There have been a few business changes. Greenlawn restaurant opened under new management after being closed for some time. The lunch room near the post-office opened for a few weeks, but has since closed. William Davis, owner of a filling station on North Main street, died recently, but the busi-

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ness is being carried on by his wife. Betty Lou Cook opened a Beauty Shop in her home. R. J. Joyal, station agent here for many years, took up new duties at the office in New London, but has now returned.

At least two artesian wells were driven in town, one at the Wilson place in Rockrimmon district, and the other at the Robert Ritter place at the junction of the Enfield and Ware roads. At the former Brooke Cully place a big grading job was carried out. An electric line extension was put in from Soja's to Ralph Thompson's.

It seems as though there had been more than the usual number of real estate transfers in 1944. Just to mention a few: Arnold Rowe to Albert Norman of Chicopee, Lincoln estate to Preston Atwood, Poole-Shaw place to Henry Baggs, Henry Witt farm to H. B. Ketchen, Richard Dickinson to Mr. Pomokus of Springfield, Mary Chaffee's No. Main street property to Maynard Witt, Raymond Goodell house at Dwight to Galen Fay, Harry Sanford to David Fournier of Holyoke, C. H. Sanford's Asahel Shaw place to Fred Thayer, Lafayette Ayers to John Flaherty, Fred Woods to Fitts, Putnam place to Mason, Kimball's Ben Davis place to Robert Dunbar, Lincoln Cook to Dugree, Edward Sullivan to Honore Trombley, Gertrude Randall place to Albert Markham, etc., etc.

The rationing board is marking its third anniversary of rationing, showing that the war is not over. There are now 12 on the board. A new ceiling price panel is coming into an important part of its work. Yes, much has happened in 1944. Although the old town clock is just as silent as it was at the start of

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the year, time still marches on.

Grange Notes

The next Grange meeting will be the annual birthday party and informal reception to the teachers.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts' program opened with a cheery smile as always. We started out by having patrol 1 give the program. Connie Noel led the exercises and did a grand job of it.

We plan to have a skating party with supper afterward, which we hope will be a success.

We have had a few new rules, which we would be glad to announce again for those who were not at the last meeting.
Susan Squires, Scribe

Town Items

The Legion Auxiliary will meet in the recreation room at Memorial hall next Tuesday evening at 8.

The Year at the State School

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during the month to the American National Red Cross drive, and the monies raised were turned over to the Hampshire Chapter of the Red Cross.

A resident pharmacist has been allowed for the institution by the central department in Boston for the first time since the opening of the school, and the new appointee took up his duties on March 27th.

Architects and engineers visited the school on March 14th and 15th relative to the post-war addition to the power house, which will include a new boiler.

On March 31st the head teacher, accompanied by one of the teachers supervising our printing shop, the printer boys and the superintendent, paid a most interesting and instructive visit to the offices of the Belchertown Sentinel.

The personnel situation has eased somewhat. Over 60 of our "old-time" employees have been with the school over 10 years. Over 50 have been employed between 5 and 10 years. 8 have been in the state service over 25 years.

30 employees have entered the armed services since the current war began.

April
The School fire department assisted the local fire department on two occasions during the month, and the new stirrup pumps worked out very well. Additional stirrup pumps have been requested to be kept on hand for just such emergencies.

The erection of two new tile silos at the farm was begun during the month, and a new road to the institution cemetery (Pine Grove Cemetery) was started. The grounds adjacent to the cemetery and the new road have been extensively landscaped.

May
Maiden run of the new fire truck on May 6th at 12.30 noon to assist in forest fire on the Amherst road, near Webster's filling station. Local department was busy at the same time with this and two other fires.

May 12th was set aside as a paper salvage holiday in all state institutions. 2 1/2 tons of waste paper was collected at the School.

The 21st annual minstrel show was put on for the patients on May 24th, and for the townspeople on May 26th.

A group of Amherst College students made a field visit to the institution on May 5th in connection with their courses at the college.

The new road to Pine Grove Cemetery has been completed, and all graves were appropriately decorated with flowers on Memorial Day.

June, July and August
During the summer months, the new stone incinerator was built, using our own labor and local materials, and put into operation.

The new Honor Roll in the lobby of the administration building was completed on June 7th. The Roll bears the names of those employees who have entered the armed services during World War II.

The construction of a new hay barn at the farm was begun during the summer months, using our own labor.

The "Blue Cross" was put into operation at the School on June 24.

The outstanding event in July was, of course, the Fourth of July celebration, which, of necessity, was curtailed in comparison to pre-war celebrations.

During August, "Hot dog" roasts were held at intervals in the early evening for the children of the various buildings. Music was furnished by an orchestra, composed mainly of patients, and impromptu "local" talent was called upon to provide entertainment on these occasions.

A band concert was given on August 28th by the Warren Legion Band on the ball field.

A 500 gal. per minute "skid" pump has been loaned to the School by O. C. D., along with accessories. These items have been set up in the fire equipment stall at the garage, which houses the new fire truck.

Dr. Logiodice passed away on August 1 in a Boston Hospital, after a complication of illnesses. He had been a physician at the School since July of 1942.

September
121 boys and 151 girls went out on summer vacations during the summer months, and the majority of these patients has been returned.

"Hot dog" roasts for the patient groups were concluded during September. The Nursery children enjoyed an outdoor picnic. The Farm girls ("Farmerettes") were given an outdoor party on September 16th, thus concluding their activities for the summer as farm helpers.

On September 13th the Hampshire District Medical Society held a meeting at the institution.

A. R. P. personnel alerted at 6 p. m. on September 14th because of the hurricane. The beach wagon, with first-aid equipment, was held in readiness at the administration building, and the fire truck was equipped with ropes and chains in the event of any emergency. The Springfield Warning Center was open at 9.52 p. m., and constant touch was maintained between Belchertown and Springfield, Monson and Northampton, throughout the evening. Messages were relayed through the central department in Boston during the night. Repair crews slept in their various shops at the School all night. Springfield warning center signed off at 1.30 a. m., but was open until 2 a. m., September 15th, in the event of any additional emergency.

Barometric pressure readings (two barometers) were checked at 15-minute intervals during the hurricane. On 3 p. m., September 14th, reading was 30.02. The low point occurred at 12 midnight and was recorded as 28.80. The last reading taken at 8 a. m. on September 15th was 29.50.

Damage on School grounds was minor. Several trees were uprooted and branches scattered about.

October
The children, for the first time, participated in the Belchertown Fair on October 12th. A total of \$43.25 in prizes was captured. We hope to participate more fully this coming year.

On October 21st the Northeastern States Region of the American Association on Mental Deficiency held its meeting at the School. 93 persons attended from the New England states and New York state.

\$317.00 was contributed to the National War Fund by the officers and employees during the local drive.

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Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the many friends who remembered me so kindly during my recent illness.
Arthur R. Ketchen

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my many kind friends for the cards and good things to wear and eat, which they sent me for Christmas.
W. H. V. Belting

New Telephone Number

Carl Peterson r 2791

school building was completed, and the new parking space, designed to hold 150 automobiles, was completed just to the west of the school building.

Fire-pump tests were carried out on October 11th, using the new "Hale" C. D. pump.

The canning season at the School has been very successful, a total of 15,299 No. 10 cans having been put up for winter use.

November

On November 17th, Boy Scout Troop 509 was organized at the School. 32 boys were enrolled. John P. O'Connor, formerly scoutmaster of Troop 24 at the Hospital Cottages for Children at Baldwinville, is the scoutmaster. Regular meetings are to be held weekly. "Chief" Warner of the Hampshire-Franklin Council, assisted at the initial meeting. Sponsors for the troop are: Dr. Taddell, Chairman; Dr. Westwell, Paul T. Austin and James L. Hawkins. The members of the troop went on hikes during the last part of November, and several boys are already well under way towards the rank of Tenderfoot.

On November 27th and 28th, students from M. S. C. made field trips to the school in connection with their courses in sociology. 1,110 lbs. of chicken and 238 lbs. of turkey was served for Thanksgiving dinner.

December

About 4,000 Christmas programs printed at School and mailed to relatives and friends.
All 32 Boy Scouts are now in uniform, and 4 boys have already passed their tenderfoot requirements. The charter has been received from National Headquarters, and on Jan. 31, 1945, charter night will be held at the School. On this occasion, a candlelight ceremony will take place, and the charter presented. Scout accessories have been procured and we look forward to keen competition between Troop 507 up-town and Troop 509 at the School.

2,698 packages were received for the children up to and including December 30.
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physician at Westborough State Hospital and at Wrentham State School, was appointed to the medical staff December 28. Dr. Brown is a graduate nurse, and a veteran of World War I. After her return from overseas in the last war, she began her medical studies, and graduated from Boston University Medical School in 1932. We feel we are fortunate in having her on our staff.

On December 7th Mt. Holyoke College students made a field trip to the institution.

On December 31 there were 1,474 patients on the books at the school.

Town Items

There will be a Girl Scout Association meeting at Mrs. Louis Fuller's tonight at 8.

Mr. and Mrs. William Peeso have had as guest their grandson, Donald Bousquit, seaman 1st class, who has been in the service 3 1/2 years, the last year of which has been spent in France. After 27 days' leave he is to report at Mobile, Ala. His wife, who lives in Athol, was with him, and his mother, Mrs. Raymond, Roser of New York, was there in the home when he arrived.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard McNery of the State School personnel are spending their vacation at their home in Worcester.

Miss Bonnie Leigner, granddaughter of Mrs. Edith Pratt, has been spending her Christmas vacation at her grandmother's, where she helped care for her grandfather, who is ill.

Mrs. George Grogin of New York was a guest last week of Mrs. Iva Gay.

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "The Christian Nobleman."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m. Charlotte Dyer, speaker.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m. "Rebuilding the Walls."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

Evangelistic Mission at 7.30 p. m. "Doors."

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Republican Caucus in Memorial hall at 7.45 p. m.

TUESDAY

B. H. S. vs. New Salem in town hall at 7.15 p. m.
Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Men's Club in Methodist vestry. Supper at 6.30 p. m.
Girl Scout Meeting at Diane Allen's at 7.30 p. m.

Women's Guild in Congregational Parish House at 8 p. m.

SATURDAY

Public Installation of Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S.

Dates Spoken For

Jan. 24
Public Supper sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of G. S.
Jan. 26
B. H. S. Junior Class Dance.
Jan. 31

St. Francis church card party in basement of church at 8 p. m.
Feb. 3
Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at A. H. Phillips' store from 3 to 5 p. m.

New Teacher Secured

Mrs. Ada W. Tague of Amherst has been secured to teach the eighth grade at the High school, succeeding Miss Bernice Shaw, who resigned some time ago to teach elsewhere. Mrs. Tague is a teacher of experience, has a master's degree and has substituted in both the Amherst High and grade schools. She began her duties here Monday, and at present is commuting.

Grange Birthday Party

The regular meeting of Union Grange will be held Tuesday evening, the business meeting beginning promptly at 7.30, followed by the annual birthday party, with an informal reception to school teachers. The hostesses at the tables are as follows:

- January Mrs. Henrietta Allen
- February Miss Helen Lister
- March Mrs. Myrtle Cook
- April Mrs. Fannie Morey
- May Mrs. Ellen Sanford
- June Mrs. Lottie Buss
- July Mrs. Myrtle Williams
- August Mrs. Donella Rhodes
- September Mrs. Barbara Henneman
- October Mrs. Marjorie Tilton
- November Mrs. Helen Rhodes
- December Mrs. Ruby Dickinson

All Grange members are asked to bring a white elephant gift for exchange.

Registration Dates

Saturday, January 20—Franklin School, 2 to 4 p. m.
Wednesday, January 24—Memorial hall, Noon to 10 p. m.

Candidates Announced

At a meeting of the Republican town committee at the selectmen's room on Tuesday night, names were received for inclusion on the ballot for the caucus next Monday evening at 7.45 at Memorial hall. Candidates announced are as follows:

Moderator
LEWIS H. BLACKMER

Town Clerk
GEORGE A. POOLE

Treasurer
WILLIAM E. SHAW

Tax Collector
WILLIAM E. SHAW
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No Democratic Caucus

It looks as though there might be no more Democratic caucuses here for the duration. At least, there will be none this month. In fact there is no Democratic town committee. So, unless there are nomination papers, the Republican caucus next week will be conclusive.

Sunday Schools to Re-open

The Congregational, Methodist and Turkey Hill Sunday Schools will reopen on Sunday after several weeks' closure by reason of scarlet fever.

Dr. Taddell, Guest Speaker at Women's Guild

Dr. Henry A. Taddell will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Women's Guild at the Congregational parish house on Wednesday evening.

No Registrations

Something new under the sun—the registrars report no registrations at their meeting Wednesday night.

Yarn Wanted

Have you any yarn you don't need?—any color, any weight, any amount. Would you like to contribute it to the O. E. S. to be used for an afghan to be given to a hospital for the use of the soldiers? If so, please get in touch with Mrs. Fred Utley, Mrs. Maynard Witt, or Mrs. William Pero.

Men's Club Meeting

An interesting program has been arranged for the men's club meeting in the Methodist vestry next week Wednesday night, by Harold F. Peck, newly-elected chairman of the program committee.

Guy Murchie, now of the Renouf farm, who has lived in Japan, has traveled, bummed or worked his way around most of the world and written a book about it; been a newspaper feature writer and photographer; navigated transport planes over the Atlantic for the past year or two; been bombed from the top of a hotel in Dover and survived, will tell of some of his experiences.

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Card Party Announced

The first in a series of card parties, under the auspices of St. Francis church, will be held in the lower church on Wednesday evening, January 31. A Holland turkey will be given away in connection, tickets on which are now available from the committee.

Fr. Sullivan announces that the committee in charge of the event is as follows: Miss Gertrude Riley, Mrs. Aubrey Lapolice, Mrs. Harvey Sampson, Mrs. William Hennemann and Mrs. Raymond Beaudoin.

Providing Floodlights and Settees

The Community Association skating rink at the south end of the common has been used extensively on the days when weather conditions have been favorable. Meter boxes have been installed by the electric light people and it is hoped that floodlights will be made available this week-end.

The selectmen have granted permission for the transfer of the plank seats at Parsons Field to the rink for the winter season.

Blood Donors Wanted

An effort is being made to answer the urgent appeal for blood donors by asking all those willing and able, to attend the blood bank in Holyoke, Monday, February 5th. Requirements are that one be between the ages of 18 and 60, weigh not less than 110 pounds and be in good health.

Those desiring to donate will be furnished transportation. For application and further information please call Mrs. Henry Berger, 2025; or Mrs. Irene Hazen, 2031, by Monday, January 22nd.

Rationing Board Notes

In the future, every applicant for any rationed item is responsible for obtaining and making out his own application. It is also his responsibility to see that his application is submitted on time.

Each application for supplementary gas must be accompanied by the cover of the previous book and the Mileage Rationing Record, and each application must be fully made out and signed before it will be submitted to the Board for approval.



Want a Better Town?
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With caucuses and local elections coming up, a recent magazine article by Charles Edison, former governor of New Jersey, should be carefully considered by several citizens. Says Mr. Edison:

"I am particularly concerned at the refusal of many able citizens to have anything to do with politics at the local and state level. It should be the style to stay home and mend your own backyard of democracy. There has been a cult of indifference to politics among educated Americans. They use the word politics only with obvious distaste. In their eagerness to make money or to get ahead in their professions, they have convinced themselves that politics is too tiresome and dirty for them. If it is tiresome, and if it is dirty, their disdainful indifference is greatly responsible.

"We need to build up in this country a custom of public service. Every man and woman—and especially educated men and women—should expect to give time and energy to the public service."

Nothing new here, but much that needs to be said over and over. I have heard some of the bitterest criticisms of local and federal officials by those who will never lift a finger to help by running for office themselves. These folks never "let their names run," but are quick to condemn those who seek office.

When Belchertown, or any other community, really becomes convinced of the worth of democracy, the parties will have a tough time trying to cut down on the number of applicants for non-paying (or little paying) political offices. As it is now, the tough time is experienced in trying to scare up a little competition.

It isn't the arm-chair strategist who is a menace to the future of the democratic state, but the man or woman who sits back and cusses the local and federal office-holders for trying to do jobs they themselves wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole.

Doctor Austin Continues To Make the Headlines

Belchertown has reason to be pleased with the sort of headlines its veterinarian-selectman rates in the press. Not long ago he and his oxygen tent were pictured in Life. Continuing his experiments in new methods of treatments, Doc seems to have become the first vet to use penicillin in animal medication. He

now has a prize Guernsey bull, one Caumsett Spitfire, in his tent and has dosed it intravenously with two and a half million units of the new miracle drug, obtained from Washington after Boston had refused it. Sulfa drugs have also been used. All this according to a front-page story in Monday's Daily News and Wednesday's Morning Union. The pneumonia sufferer is reported as improved but still in a serious condition.

If animals boast about their medical adventures the way humans do, it is a safe bet that plenty of envious glances go to the fortunate bull or horse who can say modestly, "Well, of course, I and Dr. Austin, and you know what that means. Just a few ampules of penicillin and I was as good as new." That would be the high spot of any bull session!

Notes from Good Friends

Gladden the New Year
The post-Christmas mail has had several interesting messages. The first comes from Fred Abbey out in Anacortes, written December 31, and accompanied by many pictures of scenes in his state. I am really going out to Washington some day and look over its wonders for myself. Fred has me convinced that, next to Massachusetts, Washington takes all the prizes.

He says, "Dear Bob: This will be the last letter I will write in 1944, and I'm sending it to you because you have sent, or rather I have received from you more letters these last few years (through the pages of the Sentinel) than from anyone else. I am sure that all the Wandering Sons and Daughters of Belchertown will join me in Washington in wishing for you a Very Happy and Prosperous and Happy New Year in 1945."

The greatest pleasure in laboring with this column has been the fact that it has enabled me to join hands with grand folks like Fred Abbey.

Doctor Kendig Cully, who got experience as a minister, a doctor, and a wedding while here in Belchertown, sends in his monthly Courier from the Melrose Highlands Church, where he is enjoying a most successful pastorate. This four-page issue does us the honor of reprinting "Men in Church" from a Steeple of last fall.

In case you haven't heard, Kendig has a little farm up in Vermont now, where he goes summers to rusticate, meditate, and help Iris with the children. I have some new Vermont prose to give you before long.

Jack Searl sends us his best wishes from Staten Island, and is happy if his notes have helped us in "encouraging your fellow-citizens to maintain those high standards, which have made Belchertown the swellest town on earth."

"Now as to that last statement," says Jack, "someone may come along and say, 'That's just what YOU think'. Well, it isn't just what I think—because first and last I have visited Belchertown with a lot of different people, and they have all left with a very fine impression of the town—an instance—Last summer I spent about eight days in town and I brought with me a 15-year old Staten Island boy. We visited some of my old haunts and spent a couple of days as a guest of Guy C. Allen and wife at their camp on Swift River. We came home. A few weeks later this boy was invited by the parents of a pal, people very well to do, to spend the week-end at their country place at Lake Mohawk in New Jersey. They have a beautiful place with private swimming pool and many other luxuries. His pal's father asked him how he would like to spend a couple of weeks there next summer. Honest, but maybe not altogether polite, he told the father that he would much rather spend it in Belchertown. I'll have to admit this particular kid has an extreme fondness for good meals, and Mrs. Guy Allen's cooking didn't detract from the picture any. But I could multiply this instance a number of times, so it can't be entirely me—there must be something outstanding about Belchertown, and for what you are attempting to do to keep it that way always rates at least a Christmas card. So the best of wishes to you and to all the folks of that good old town."

This writer's biggest moments are those brightened by notes from those who care for Belchertown!

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Die when I may, I want it said by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow—Abraham Lincoln
—Bob Jackson

Senior Girl Scout Notes

The Senior Scouts held a meeting December 3rd at the home of Mrs. Louis Fuller. At this meeting we discussed and started planning a canteen unit for the firemen. This canteen will be prepared to organize and in a little time be ready to go where it is needed. Its main idea is to feed the firemen when there are large fires and it is impossible for them to go home to eat. However, the canteen will also be used in other emergencies. Other plans will be made for the place of preparing the food and keeping supplies according to the convenience of the fire department.

Our next meeting will be held at the home of Diane Allen next week Wednesday, January 17th, at 7.30. At this meeting more plans for the canteen unit will be made and everything completed, so please, Senior Scouts, make sure to come!!
Diane Allen, Secretary

Fire Department Calls

Jan. 6—Chimney fire at O'Seep's.

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Candidates Announced

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Selectmen

(Vote for Three)
CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
FRANK L. GOLD
MARJORIE G. TILTON

School Committee, 3 yrs.

(Vote for One)
HAROLD B. KETCHEN
FANNIE G. MOREY
GEORGE A. POOLE

Cemetery Commissioner 3yrs.

(Vote for One)
HARLAN B. DAVIS
FRED F. DEWEY

Assessor, 3 yrs.

HENRY H. WITT

Tree Warden

(Vote for One)
HAROLD P. COOK
HARLAN B. DAVIS

Constables

(Vote for Five)
LLOYD C. CHADBOURNE
FRANK L. GOLD
D. DONALD HAZEN
ALBERT G. MARKHAM
LOUIS A. SHUMWAY
WILLIAM H. SNOW

Not a Candidate

Charles L. Randall, who was commandeered to the school board and served six years, also as its chairman, after coming here to retire, informed the Republican town committee that by reason of age and tenure of office, he was not a candidate for re-election. Also (especially in case of a contest) the OPA would undoubtedly consider that he was in politics, so that his rationing board office and that of school commiteman would be incompatible.

Town Items

The selectmen announce that all reports of town officers should be in tonight, also any articles for the forthcoming town warrant.

Sidney Wheble has purchased the house of his grandfather, Herbert Hubbard, and land of Mrs. Pearl Green.

Mrs. Mary Ayers is in the State School hospital for treatment.

Frank Hurd, an employee at the State School, is spending his vacation at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mrs. Albert Markham announces that she is resuming her music lessons, starting Monday.



Mrs. Eva Webb has received word that her nephew, Pvt. Warren O. Kempt of Munsell street, was seriously wounded in Belgium on December 22nd.

Cpl. David H. Farley, 31287854, 423rd Base Unit, Squadron N Army Air Base Blythe, Cal.

Coxswain and Mrs. Roy Adams of Dorchester are parents of a baby-girl, Pamela Mary, born New Year's Day at the Evangeline Booth hospital at Newtonville. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hubbard of this town and Mrs. Charles Adams of Chester, Pa.

15TH AAF IN ITALY—Edward C. Camp, 20 of Jabish St., Belchertown, Mass., has been promoted from staff sergeant to technical sergeant. He is an aerial engineer-gunner in a B-17 Flying Fortress, operating from a 15th Air Force bomber base in Italy.

Sgt. Camp joined the army on March 30, 1943, and received his gunner's wings on February 28, 1944 at Fort Myers, Fla. He received his engineering training at Roosevelt Field, N. Y., and has participated in 24 combat missions.

He has been awarded the Air Medal, and is authorized to wear the European-African-Middle-East theatre ribbon.

The Purple Heart, awarded posthumously to Sgt. Raymond Germain, infantryman, has been received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Germain. Sgt. Germain was killed in action Oct. 21. The family also received a personal Christmas message from his commanding officer.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Missives from Lt. Krone

November 12 Belgium

Here I am again. Just seem to be under around. We were glad we didn't move today as it's been a horrid day. So maddy you cannot walk. The mud here is like cement and even looks like it.

We learned why we aren't getting our mail—have to give way to sup-

plies. There goes a buzz bomb. As long as he doesn't run out of "wind" we are all right. Don't worry, we of the 96th will be all right. If the Heinies did not get us at St. Mere Eglise or La Forte, they never will (I hope). We were encircled by them there.

I started a letter to you and when I read it over it was not fit to send. I have been in a bad frame of mind lately: I have a boil which has me down.

We are to move Wednesday and set right up for the rush. Our Christmas packages have come through and what to do with them I do not know. We can only take our bed roll and one piece of hand luggage. How I wish that ship had been a week late, as we will be in our new area then. We are in a tight spot here, as we can't give it away. We are not allowed to fraternize with the civilians. When we are going we can't even go out of our area. The people here do not appreciate our being here. In fact you do not know which one will take a pop at you. The real Belgians do not dislike us, but being so near the border, there are many that do, so we have to be careful.

November 14, 8.30 p. m.

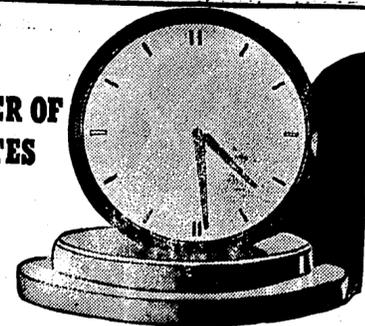
Had to have my boil opened today. It was most painful and this one is in a bad place. Believe me it is a honey. Surely had my goat for a while.

We anticipate some "fun" in our new area. We will be quite confined, just a given space. Our paper says the Germans are going to put in all they have to keep up this scrap. They say if the Americans think they will get their soldiers home for Christmas, they have miscalculated. We never thought we'd be home for Christmas, but are hoping to by spring. We all feel we will have a hard pull, especially as we get on German soil.

Can you imagine—in less than a month I'll have been in the army a year. Out of that time I will have spent 10 months in foreign service. What has taken place in this short period of time! Have seen a great deal in these few months. This is a grand finale to my nursing career and I feel as though my life has been well spent. I appreciate what mother and Dad have given me—the faith and courage to carry to those who need, not only care but spiritual guidance. Though I am not the religious type, I have that which the folks instilled in me. "As a twig is bent, so it shall grow."

November 15, 1944

Looks like more snow. Some of the trucks coming from the front are covered with it. They are setting up for the rush, but left me here as my boil still bothers some. Don't worry. We are going into a building the Heinies had, and they did have the best of everything. Will tell you more about it after we



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be over, not for ourselves, but for the boys who have to fight. But there are not any of us girls that are not thankful that we came over, rather than have this dreadful thing on our shores. We thank God you are safe from these bombs. It may be hard at home, but here it is not only the lack of food, etc., for these poor souls, but their homes are blown out right under their very eyes. So we feel that what we do over here may keep you safe over there. Let us hope and pray that you never have to experience a buzz bomb.

Planes by the hundred have been going over ever since daylight. By the time you get this the winter drive will be on.

Planes and more planes flying over in squads of twelve at two-minute intervals, so you can imagine the numbers in the air. We can hear them drop their loads and see them coming back for more. Makes me think of ants the way they work carrying their loads, then hurrying back for more. If also gives you a feeling of morbidity to think that through greed so many have to suffer.

A buzz bomb just went over and up over it roared the birds covered with silver. Under it were black birds, flying as though they knew danger was not far off. We heard the buzz go down, but where it landed no one knows. Some poor souls are the victims. Things from now on will be of much interest. We move tomorrow. Will let you know how I like my new country.

End

—to be continued—

Food Sale Announced

A food sale sponsored by the Girl Scout A Association, will be held in Phillips' store on the afternoon of February 3, from 3 to 5. Proceeds will go to help send two girls to the Girl Scout camp next summer. The committee is Mrs. Guy C. Allen, Jr., Mrs. Charles Sanford and Mrs. Christine Holland.

Methodist Church Notes

At the morning service on Sunday, pledges will be received for the "Crusade for Christ" fund. The final service of the Evangelistic Mission will be held on Sunday evening at 7.30, when the pastor will preach on "Doors."

Congregational Church Notes

Charlotte Dyer will be the speaker at the Youth Fellowship meeting Sunday night. The young people of First Church, Northampton, invite our young people to share with them the message of Miss Patty Lee Coghill and a social hour at 7.30 p. m. on Wednesday evening.

The pastor has just received word that there will be a Pelham Fellowship Youth Rally at Pelham, Sunday, January 14, at 7 o'clock. Those attending are asked to take a picnic supper. Beverages will be furnished. The program includes "worship, drama, fun and a collection."

To Take Physicals Today

Joseph P. Courchesne Stebbins St.
Roger C. Boudreau Keyes Ave.

Girl Scout Association Meeting

The Girl Scout Association met with Mrs. Louis Fuller last week Friday evening, when plans were made for a food sale Feb. 3, as elsewhere noted.

The resignation was announced of Mrs. Christine Holland as leader of the intermediate troop. Mrs. Dudley Chaffee is taking over the work, and will be assisted by Mrs. Donald Sessions and Mrs. Willard Kimball. Mrs. Holland will continue as member of the troop committee.

Another meeting of the Association will be held Feb. 9.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by George B. Weston of Belchertown, in the County of Hampshire and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Mechanics Savings Bank, a corporation established by law in Holyoke, in the County of Hampden, and said Commonwealth, dated August 13, 1873, and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, in Book 305, Page 329, of which mortgage the undersigned are the present holders as assignees, by deed of Mechanics Savings Bank dated January 4, 1943 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 971, Page 254, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction at TWO O'CLOCK P. M. on the SIXTEENTH day of FEBRUARY A. D., 1945, on the premises, all and singular, the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain tract of land situate in said Belchertown bounded and described as follows, to wit: NORTHERLY by the Highway leading from Belchertown to Granby, EASTERLY by land of W. W. Bridgman and Daniel Bardwell and SOUTHERLY by land of Michael McKillop and others and WESTERLY by land of said McKillop and others, containing one hundred acres be the same more or less, together with the buildings thereon including saw and shingle mills, together with all the fixtures to the same, intending to convey by this deed all that part of the farm known as the "WESTON FARM" which lies south of said highway leading from Belchertown to Granby and conveyed to me (George B. Weston) by deeds from Lucien B. Weston dated May 2, 1873, and from Jeremiah Weston by deed recorded in Hampshire County Registry, Book 251, Page 162.

Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles, water liens and other municipal liens or assessments if any there be. Terms of sale will be made known at time and place of sale.

FRED P. KARL and AMALIA E. KARL, Assignees of Mechanics Savings Bank, mortgagee, and as attorneys for George B. Weston Present Holders of said Mortgage January 5, 1945.
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12-19-26.

Brownies Hold Party

Twenty-seven Brownies were in attendance at a postponed Christmas party at the parish house last week Friday. Christmas carols were sung and games were played, the most popular being musical chairs. Prizes were given and each child went home with a Christmas box containing candy and popcorn.

New Draft Board Member

The Selective Service Board now has its full quota of members, Donald Purrington of South Hadley Falls having been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation some time ago of Lee H. Hulet of South Hadley, in order to accept a promotion to an appointment on the appeal board.

Men's Club Meeting

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ences and something about war in England.

A double-header dart baseball game will be the final event of the evening. Don Terry's Methodists, Roy Shaw's Congos, Aubrey Lapolice's St. Francis, and Frank Farrington's State School teams will all start, and the two winners will play a final game.

Free cigarettes for the players and cartons for the winning teams. The committee for the supper at 6.30 is Guy Harrington, Osborne Davis, Harlan Davis and Harold Ryder. Help the supper committee by telling them in advance to expect you.

Basketball Notes

The Belchertown High basketball team defeated Hardwick High, 20 to 15, last Friday night. Bock led the winning attack. Summary:

	Belchertown			Hardwick		
	B	F	P	B	F	P
Bock, lf	4	3	11	11	3	25
McKillop, rf	0	1	1	1	1	1
Noel, rf	2	0	4	2	1	5
Jusko, c	2	0	4	1	0	2
Henry, lb	0	0	0	1	1	3
Pierce, lb	0	0	0	1	2	4
Hislop, rb	0	0	0	1	2	4
Barrett, rb	0	0	0	1	2	4
Young, rb	0	0	0	1	2	4
Totals	8	4	20	11	3	25
	Belchertown			Hardwick		
Blackmer, rb	0	1	1	1	1	1
McBride, lb	2	1	5	1	1	5
Valardi, c	1	0	2	1	0	2
O'Brien, rf	1	1	3	1	1	3
Barboni, lf	1	2	4	1	2	4
Totals	5	5	15	5	5	15

Score at half time, Hardwick 10, Belchertown 8; referee, Hennemann; time, 8-min. periods.

B. H. S. will play New Salem here next Tuesday night at 7.15.

Rationing Board Notes

Tires Awarded Jan. 4, 1945.
Grade 1—Leona Normand (2), William D. Kenney, Claude Smith, Fernando Forest (3).

FOR SALE—A lady's plaid winter reversible coat, also a two-tone garbadine ski suit, size 18; reasonable. Tel. 3304.

Number Changed Again

Carl Peterson, r 3981

Town Items

At the annual AAA County convention held in Northampton recently, Mrs. Emma Loftus was elected a member of the Hampshire County AAA committee for 1945. This is the first woman in Massachusetts to be elected to a county committee. She has been chairman of the local AAA for a number of years.

Mrs. E. F. Blackmer has been entertaining for two days this week her nephew, Miles Widber, T-5, of Auburn, Me., who has been in the service for the last two years, and was on his way to his home in Auburn, Maine, where he will spend his furlough.

It is announced that the full name of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hackett of Ithaca, N. Y., is William Shaw Hackett.

The High school Christmas exercises, postponed due to closing of schools because of scarlet fever, were held last Friday afternoon. Each class presented a 10-minute entertainment, after which there was an exchange of gifts.

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Belcher and son of Ware escaped injury last Sunday morning when driving to this parish, when their car swerved on the ice, near the old CCC camp, turning around, hitting a cement post and going over a banking, but landing right side up. The car was damaged considerably. A parishioner arriving at the scene, took the family to the preaching assignment here, only a bit belated.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. Davis of South Main street are parents of a daughter, born at Wesson Maternity hospital, Springfield.

Fritz Capen, Fire Control Man S-C, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Capen of Amherst and Miss Sarah Horr, daughter of Mrs. Clara Horr of this town, were married Tuesday afternoon in the home of the groom's parents by Rev. Mr. Toppan, pastor of the South Amherst church. The groom, who is in the navy, reports at Washington, at the conclusion of his furlough, to attend a training school.

Girl Scout Notes

We began the Girl Scouts as we usually do. We are all very sorry Mrs. Holland is leaving, and we appreciate her letter inviting us to her skating party very much.

The opening exercises were taken over by Barbara Young and Jane Hudson, and they both did a lovely job.

We have decided for the name of our troop, The Lily of the Valley.

We appreciate Mrs. Sessions coming to take over the new Girl

CASINO
WARE—FRI., SAT., JAN. 12-13
Hedy Paul Peter
Lannar Heinreid Lorre
"CONSPIRATORS"
Basil Rathbone
"PEARL OF DEATH"
SUN., MON., JAN. 14-15
Ann Sheridan Jack Carlson
"THE DOUGH GIRLS"
Mary Lee Will Terry
"THREE LITTLE SISTERS"
3 DAYS COM. TUES., JAN. 16
Irene Dunne Chas. Boyer
"TOGETHER AGAIN"
and
"STRANGERS IN THE NIGHT"
FRI., SAT., JAN. 19-20
"WATERLOO BRIDGE"
Vivien Leigh Robt. Taylor

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Scouts.
Before the meeting, Mrs. Elaine Kimball taught us how to do the Virginia Reel and led us in singing.
—Alice Heath, Scribe

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "Privilege and Responsibility for the Christian."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m. "Conviction and Consecration."
Candlelight Service.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
TUESDAY
Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Gertrude LaBroad.
Double or Nothing Club at the Parish House at 8 p. m.

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Ruth Kempkes.
Public Supper sponsored by Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. in the Methodist Vestry from 5.30 to 7.

THURSDAY
FRIDAY
B. H. S. Junior Class Dance.

TODAY
American Legion Meeting.

TOMORROW
Public Installation of Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., at 8 p. m.

Dates Spoken For
Jan. 30
Postponed Birthday Party of Union Grange.
Jan. 31
St. Francis church card party in basement of church at 8 p. m.
Feb. 3
Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at A. H. Phillips' store from 3 to 5 p. m.

Blood Donors Wanted
We repeat the notice printed last week about donors being wanted for the blood bank. The letters we print in this issue from Lt. Krone leave no doubt as to its need.
An effort is being made to answer the urgent appeal for blood donors by asking all those willing and able to attend the blood bank in Holyoke, Monday, February 5th. Requirements are that one be between the ages of 18 and 60, weigh not less than 110 pounds and be in good health.
Those desiring to donate will be furnished transportation. For application and further information please call Mrs. Henry Berger, 2025; or Mrs. Irene Hazen, 2031, by Monday, January 22nd.

Baked Ham Supper
The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will sponsor a public supper in the Methodist vestry next week Wednesday evening. The menu will include mashed potato, baked ham, peas, coleslaw, relish, pie, coffee, and rolls. The supper will be served from 5.30 to 7, and the price will be 60 cents. The committee consists of Mrs. Anna Witt, Mrs. Margaret Bock, Mrs. Mildred Bock, Mrs. Annie Dodge and Mrs. Frances Hodgen.

March of Dimes
The Girl Scouts will sponsor the March of Dimes for Belchertown. At Jackson's store, there will be a number of milk bottles, with the name of Belchertown streets. Will you please put your contribution in the bottle with the name of your street, or the nearest street to you?
Thank you.

Girl Scout Notes
The Girl Scouts had their regular meeting at the chapel. Two Scouts received their pins, Beatrice Chamberlain and Janice Berger. We talked over bird feeding.
We did not have the skating party as conditions were unfavorable, but we had supper at the restaurant as planned.
We are going to have a shelf in the public library with books interesting to scouts.
Jean Squires, Scribe

Registration Dates
Saturday, January 20—Franklin School, 2 to 4 p. m.
Wednesday, January 24—Memorial hall, Noon to 10 p. m.

Take Out Nomination Papers
The following have taken out nomination papers, the deadline for filing them being yesterday afternoon at 5:
Selectman Marjorie G. Tilton
School Committee Fannie G. Morey
Cemetery Commissioner Lincoln A. Cook
Harlan B. Davis
Constable Lloyd C. Chadbourne

Plans Get Approval
At the meeting of the Men's club on Wednesday evening, Guy Harrington, chairman of the special committee on renovations at the old town hall, stated that plans for the proposed renovations were approved last Saturday by the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety. He displayed blueprints of the alterations, kindly drawn by Donald Sherman of Boston, a Belchertown boy still interested in his boyhood town, from rough drawings made by J. J. Kempkes of the committee.
Mr. Harrington said that not only did Mr. Sherman draw the plans, but that he presented them to the Department of Public Safety in Boston and conferred with the regional director in Springfield.
It was stated that the plans were accepted with only minor changes. Mr. Harrington said that the committee recommends:

- Shingling of roof.
- Painting exterior, two coats.
- Removing two existing chimneys.
- Removing present offices.
- Building of front entrance.
- Lowering present platform to floor level and re-flooring entire hall with hard wood flooring.
- Installing two emergency exits.
- Repairing of plastering.
- Painting interior of hall.
- Relocating lighting, and installing of emergency lights.
- Erecting an addition, 17 ft. x 44 ft., at rear, to house a boiler room and two dressing rooms with showers and toilet facilities.
- Installing oil burner steam heating plant with two unit heaters, to heat the main hall when necessary, and to heat the toilet and dressing rooms.
- Erecting a new chimney.
- Piping water to the building.
- Providing for sewerage disposal.

Articles concerning action by the town on the proposed plans are being inserted in the warrant for the annual town meeting.

Skating Rink Notes
Due to breakdowns and need for plowing roads first, it is announced that the skating rink may not be available for a few days.

Death of Mrs. Laura Ballou
Mrs. Laura (Crocker) Ballou, widow of Willis H. Ballou, died yesterday at noon at her home on Federal street, after a short illness. She was born in Hampden, the daughter of William and Janet Crocker. She was married to Willis H. Ballou April 4, 1883, coming here from Indian Orchard about 30 years ago.
Mrs. Ballou was a member of the W. S. of C. S. of the Methodist church, being a most faithful worker.

She leaves a son, Howard W. Ballou of Hartford, Conn., a daughter, Mrs. Edwin Allen of 33 Webber St., Springfield, and a grandson, Willis E. Allen, a corporal in the U. S. Army, stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark.
The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 1.30 at the home and will be private to relatives and immediate friends. Rev. Joseph Belcher will officiate. Burial will be in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Men's Club Meeting
Guy Murchie of Robin Farm held his audience well-nigh spellbound, as he related some of his world-girdling experiences at the men's club meeting Wednesday evening.
He started out to see the world with a 1,000-mile trip down the Yukon river. Then in 1929 he shipped on a vessel carrying scrap iron to Japan, which metal, he said, probably went into battleships now lying at the bottom of the sea. He told of being arrested (he said one sort of glide into it, the Japanese are so polite about it) as the result of unwittingly taking pictures in banned areas. He thought well of the average Japanese, blaming the present mess on the war lords. Most amusing were his allusions to meeting up with their custom of using out-door bath tubs.
He told of enduring the cold of Siberia in a Chinese coat with flowing sleeves, of trying to go to sleep with a couple of vodka-filled men brandishing guns in his direction in a sort of barracks with plank beds, and of his tactics in appeasing them; also of the distorted view the Russians of that time had of this country.
Mr. Murchie told of being bombed early in the war, while on the top floor at a hotel on the white cliffs of Dover, in the days when he was writing for a Chicago newspaper, and of how he dropped down through to the ground level with the debris when the building collapsed.
The speaker spoke also of navigating transport planes across the Atlantic the past two years (he crossed 50 or 60 times), and of the

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MIDWINTER REACTIONS TO SEVERAL THINGS

Unfortunate Lapse

The fact that Democratic caucuses have gone out of fashion here strikes me as a Number One tragedy to our civic life. On the basis of the heavy vote cast in the November Presidential election, over 350 (probably many over) Democrats are resident here, as against something over 600 Republicans. The total vote in November was 1076 out of a registration of 1279.

Less than 10 per cent of the total registration came out to nominate the town's officers at the Republican caucus this week.

Some years back it was suggested that a Citizen's caucus could well replace the party caucuses. A committee, strictly bi-partisan (Isaac Hodgen, Raymond Beaudoin and Andrew Sears), was appointed in 1940 as a result of a vote of the town at its annual meeting, and this committee unanimously favored a Citizen's caucus, making these interesting statements in their report in 1941:

"1. That as State and National party politics have very little bearing on actual town business, the party caucus is more or less of a formality, whereby the separate parties meet, and as a general rule, support the same policies.

"2. The large class of independent voters has no chance in the party caucus, unless they affiliate themselves with one party or the other. Then if, at the next election they decide to back a man of the opposite party, they must dissolve their connections with their present party and affiliate with the other.

"These actions soon lead to distrust and resentment against the independent voter by both political parties, while in reality the voter in question is trying to back the right man for the right office.

"3. The interest in party caucuses in town affairs is low. Why should 10 per cent of the members of a party choose the candidates, and then the other 90 per cent come along and vote for them, with no further qualifications than that they were selected by the 10 per cent caucus, and so must be all right?

"Belchertown needs and must have the right men for the right jobs, regardless of political faith. The Citizen's caucus opens the way for more people to seek town offices, who otherwise would not consider it because of party connections.

"4. The expense of the Citizen's caucus to the taxpayers would be just half of what the present set-up now costs.

"5. Candidates not nominated at the Citizen's caucus would still have the chance to run for town office on nomination papers."

No articles ever appeared in subsequent warrants to give the voters a chance to act on the establishment of a Citizen's caucus. Now even the feeble two-party caucuses have dwindled to one. This column submits that indifference to local politics is the soil best fitted for the

growth of petty totalitarianism. Except for the safety Valve of nomination papers, none save registered Republicans can now have a voice in placing names on the town ballot.

"C. L." Retires

The Steeple wishes to take this opportunity to say a most hearty thank you to Charles L. Randall for the six years of very valuable service he has given to the town as a member and as the chairman of the School Committee. The fact that I have been with him on the committee for five of those six years adds some flavor to this expression of gratitude.

I do not believe any board member in our history ever worked harder and more consistently, ever sought more conscientiously to know and understand the problems facing the local schools, than Mr. Randall has.

When we were obliged to lose our position as chief town in a union, and thereby to lose the advantage of having our superintendent in residence here, the work of the local committee became necessarily harder. Citizens who had previously gone directly to the superintendent with their troubles went to the committee members instead. With Mrs. Corder on the farm and me in Springfield, C. L. took on the load. When Mr. Greenfield was ill, C. L. took on more responsibility.

These six years have been difficult ones for the schools. They have seen the closing of the depression and the dive into total war. Problems of how to get the money have been followed by problems of where to get teachers and other employees. C. L., barely loose from busy years as superintendent of schools in Dracut, found ample chance to use his experience here. During the six years he has never collected any of the money voted by the town to committee members for their services. He has felt that he wanted really to give something to his home town!

I don't believe anyone ever really envied a school committeeman. He gets frightfully black and blue where it doesn't show! But now when school headaches are at a new high all over the nation, and the resources of education are at a new low, those who have been entrusted with the keys of the schools find little pleasure in jingling them.

The Belchertown schools will continue to have the right kind of leadership—we know that—but the committee is going to miss C. L. Randall, who did of course "have the time"; but who also did what most of them who "have the time" fail to do—he used it for others.

Concerning the Weather

It would be a complaining soul indeed who could sit warm and comfortable at home in Belchertown and gripe about the winter, while newspaper and radio are heavy with reports of horrible weather in France, Belgium and Italy, to say nothing of the stuff that replaces weather in the South Seas.

But for the edification of the boys abroad, I can say that New England is helping herself to much more winter than she had last year. After a southeastern rain had removed almost all the December snows on the first day of January, we have piled up an accumulation of the white stuff that makes our world look much like a Christmas card. It

doesn't take more than two or three weeks of drifts and snowbanks to make us feel as though we had been winterbound for months.

However, seed and nursery stock catalogues are piling in now, the feeding station is thronged with birds, a yellow narcissus is blooming in the bay window, and all the girls have rosy cheeks and chapped calves.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them."

—Bob Jackson

The Candlelight Service Sunday

Owing to weather conditions, the special evening service at the Methodist church last Sunday night was not held. The candlelighting service planned for that occasion will be held in connection with the morning service on Sunday. People are asked to bring their pledges for the Crusade for Christ fund and candles will be lighted in honor of young men and women in the Service.

Turkey Hill Christmas Party

Owing to scarlet fever in that section of the town, the Turkey Hill Sunday School was not able to hold its Christmas party until last Sunday from 2 to 5 o'clock. The whole enrollment of 16 members were present.

The usual Sunday School was held, followed by a program of readings, recitations and songs. Each member received a gift from the church and also one from the person who drew his name. Refreshments of cocoa, many kinds of sandwiches, cake, candy and popcorn were served.

A vote of thanks should go to Mrs. Anna Witt and Mrs. Cora Newman for the planning and work they put in to this worthy venture.

Grange Notes

The regular meeting of Union Grange, to have been followed by the annual birthday party with an informal reception to school teachers in town, scheduled for last Tuesday night, was postponed on account of the snowstorm, to Tuesday evening, January 30.

Town Items

Mount Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., will hold a public installation of officers tomorrow night at 8.

At the last meeting of the school committee it was voted to sound the No-School signal at 7.30 a. m., instead of at 7.45 a. m., as heretofore.

It has been suggested that if any have discarded skates that would cause happiness to some deserving young person not owning any, they leave the same at Phillips' Store.

The basketball game of Tuesday night was postponed on account of the storm. B. H. S. was defeated at Palmer last Friday, 20 to 13.

The Legion will meet tonight in the recreation room at Memorial hall.

Legal Advertisement Legal Ad

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT
Annual Report of the County Treasurer of Hampshire County for the year ended December 31, 1944.

Receipts	
Taxes	\$512.67
Temporary Loan, anticipation of taxes	500.00
Interest	477.48
Sheriff, Superior Court, fines	520.00
Clerks of District Courts	338.68
Jailer and Master of Jail and House of Correction	494.00
Clerk of Courts:	
civil fees	679.15
naturalization fees	469.75
Register of Deeds, fees	10.65
Assistant Recorder of Land Court, fees	65.35
Jailer and Master of Jail and House of Correction:	
labor, etc.	267.85
County Aid to Agriculture	38.90
Peddler's licenses	45.00
Reimbursement of insane commitments	56.60
Miscellaneous	40.24
Withholding tax	18.18
Special Accounts	
Mt. Tom Reservation Fund	88.24
Deer Hill Reservation Fund	50.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	27.88
Tuberculosis Hospital	69.72
Dog licenses and fines	76.80
Fund for Advertising Recreational Advantages	
Hampshire County	22.98
Hampshire Co. Employees Defense Savings Account	66.94
Total receipts	87.06
Balances in treasury, January 1, 1944:	
General—Unappropriated	10.18
Mt. Tom Reservation Fund	50.31
Deer Hill Reservation Fund	30.89
Tuberculosis Hospital	91.56
Hampshire Co. Employees Defense Savings Account	32.70
Total receipts and cash on hand	52.70
Expenditures	
Interest, Temporary loan	90.00
Debt, Temporary loan, anticipation of taxes	90.00
Salaries of County Officers and Assistants	45.00
Clerical Assistance in County Offices	80.67
Salaries and expenses, District Courts	48.13
Care and support of prisoners in Jail and House of Correction, including salaries	54.10
Criminal costs in Superior Courts	63.99
Civil expenses in Supreme Judicial, Superior and Probate Courts	94.61
Transportation and expenses of County Commissioners	66.88
Medical Examiners and commitment of insane	62.51
Auditors, Masters and Referees	1.25
Repairing, furnishing and improving county buildings	85.37
Care, fuel, light and supplies in County buildings (except Jail and House of Correction)	6.02
Highways, bridges and land damages	9.22
Examination of dams	2.16
Law Library	3.45
County Aid to Agriculture	1.64
Tuberculosis Hospital	1.60
Preventorium	9.97
Deer Hill Reservation	0.00
Mt. Tom State Reservation	1.99
Non-contributory pensions	9.71
Contributory retirement system	0.00
Contributory retirement audit	3.00
Miscellaneous	5.64
Unpaid bills of previous years	7.09
Fund for Advertising Recreational Advantages	4.49
Hampshire County	0.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	0.00
United States Government (withholding tax)	4.49
Total expenditures	318.18
Special Accounts	
Hampshire County Employees Defense Savings Account	0.00
Dog damages and refunds	8.80
Tuberculosis Hospital	9.99
Deer Hill Reservation Fund	6.60
Mt. Tom Reservation Fund	8.80
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	0.03
Fund for Advertising Recreational Advantages	
Hampshire County	98.87
Total expenditures	87.06
Balances in treasury, December 31, 1944	
General—Unappropriated	28.73
General—Reserved for highway contracts	7.75
Mt. Tom Reservation Fund	29.29
Deer Hill Reservation Fund	29.29
Tuberculosis Hospital	29.29
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	85.85
Hampshire Co. Employees Defense Savings Account	54.54
Total	270.70

Respectfully submitted,
Amelia D. Parent



BIG SPRING, TEXAS. For faithful and efficient performance of duty and behavior deserving emulation, WAC Cpl. Marjorie L. Aldrich, of Malden, Mass., formerly of Belchertown, Mass., has been awarded the Good Conductor Medal at the Big Spring Bombardier School.

Albert Smith, who recently went to Florida to spend the winter, stopped on the way down to say "Hello" to Andrew T. Sears and wife, also to Bird Clark, Pfc. Walter M. Wadsworth, Jr., and wife and daughter, Carol Anne, of Great Falls, Montana, are spending a 15-day furlough with Mrs. Wadsworth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Corliss of this town, and Mr. Wadsworth's parents in Easthampton.

Pfc. Donald Dunbar and Mrs. Dunbar are parents of a daughter, Lenita Marie, born Sunday at Mary Lane hospital, Ware. Pfc. Dunbar is now stationed in India. The grandparents are Master Sergt. Herbert I. Story and Mrs. Story of Jackson street.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Germany, Nov. 17
Right outside our windows there is an ack-ack, and I can tell you she makes noise enough, plus the fire it can spit. Every time one of the big guns goes off, out falls another pane of glass. They get the panes put in, and then another bang and out falls some window. We will spend most of our time sweeping up glass. This was formerly a German riding school for cavalry.

I said to our driver that no matter what country we go into, the countryside is alike—it's only the people and language that differ. As we rode through the city our Yanks took, it really makes you shudder. It must have been a beautiful place, and to think today there is not one house that stands intact. The railroad station that was quite a piece of architecture, has but little left. I also saw the remains of the trolley our boys loaded and sent down the tracks into the city. That was quite a feat, as it must have scared all those in the city. Not a soul in the car, but when it exploded—that wasn't so funny.

You cannot hear yourself think here; the guns keep up continuously. You see fire and smoke, but keep right on with your work. The thing I think of mostly are those boys of ours out there in the rain and cold. It is enough for us, and we are in a building. They are without any cover—just a hole to stand in.

There is so little to write about here now except the robots and they are something new to us. Don't stew and fret about me. We have experienced bigger and better ones, not buzz of course, but other kinds. I still feel that God is good and will watch over us. I believe that God is with me and will watch over me while I am here. I too feel if it were not so I'd never have come over, as there was something that made me feel I had to come. It was not any patriotic reason, I don't believe. It just was to be.

Do hope you are all right. Do not worry about the "Buzzers". I "ain't" never done nothin' to them, so why should they bother with me? I might have talked about them behind their backs—as we usually do after they've gone over our heads. Buy that's all I've ever done and I wouldn't be a female if I didn't.

Goodnight. Bye now—more from my Vaterland later. Saw the name Krpenberger—well, I will look for Herman Meyer next.

Germany
November 25
Have tried to get a letter written but had to skip it. I was soooo busy that I didn't even have time to think. The cases that we are getting are in terrific shape, and talk about getting them. The ambulances are a continuous flow to our front door. If you have 20 of these boys, it is like having double the number. They are not only in shock, but you just can't seem to pick them up. We gave enough blood plasma and glucose last night to fill a good-sized pool. To watch all those boys to see that their blood pressure comes up, plus all else—it keeps you stepping. Sully got a man that was in a vehicle with nine others. It was shot out from under them. The nine were killed and he is still here, so that again proves my theory. There was a nurse killed here in the E. T. O. She was killed and two others wounded.

I have a Swastika in my room. When the Heinies see that on my wall, they'll come in and say "Comrade!" We get up at 4.30; mess at 5.05 and then on duty. Come off at 8 p.m. if all goes well. If not, you keep on working.

Have we been busy! They come in fast and furious. When we came on duty, the moon was out and I saw a star so I made a wish—then it burst and I learned it was the tail light of a buzz bomb.

Don't worry if you do not hear from me. I get so very tired I must have a snooze when I can. Better say Bye now or I'll not get this out. Those boys that carry the letters surely do not get a chance to rest any. It will be a good thing when the other hospital is set up. Maybe that will relieve us some. We are behind four divisions and each one has 15,000 men and they are getting banged up enough to keep us on the jump. Let's hope it won't last long. It makes you sick to see these kids all smashed up the way they are. Tell everyone at home who can to please give blood. We need it.

The Germans are dressing up their planes to look like our P-47's. That's how they get back here.

December 11, 1944
Bud
We are unmercifully busy, so don't expect much mail from now on. Have not beds enough for all our boys. I can't for the life of me see how this can keep up. Very little to write as all we do is see the same mess day after day. Tomorrow will be another humdinger.

20 December 1944
Hello. I'm still in Germany and not a P. O. W. (prisoner of war). Had a busy night so am very tired. You do not feel much like writing when you come off after the rat race we have each day.

This could be your telephone

BECAUSE communications directs the attack, it stands for both the success and safety of our fighters overseas. Right on the heels of the infantry are the men of the Signal Corps. The farther they advance, the more telephone equipment they need.

The demand for communications equipment for war is so urgent that many thousands of civilians in New England, and throughout the whole country, must wait. How long? We wish we could tell you.

Until victory is assured, the manufacture of wires, switchboards and instruments for civilian use is restricted. Meanwhile we are doing all we can to make existing facilities serve the greatest number.

Our plans are made for expanding facilities when the fighting ends. Catching up with the civilian construction suspended during war years will be a big job and you can understand it's going to take time.

NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY



Methodist Church Notes

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Gertrude La-Broad. Assistant hostesses are Mrs. Edith Therault and Mrs. Helen Menard. The entertainment will be in charge of Mrs. Marion Plant.

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 24, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ruth Kempkes. Mrs. Ruby Andrews is assistant hostess, and Mrs. Annie Bruce is in charge of the program.

Rationing Board Notes

Grade 1—Catherine Germain, Lily Ryther (2), Armand Cartier (3), Stephen Stolar (2), Arthur Courchesne, Sr. (2), Francis M. Quink (2), Hugh K. Hubbard (2), Stanley Rhodes (2), Ellery C. Holt. Truck Tires—Edwin F. Shumway, Ralph C. Thompson.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by George B. Weston of Belchertown, in the County of Hampshire and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Mechanics Savings Bank, a corporation established by law in Holyoke, in the County of Hampden, and said Commonwealth, dated August 13, 1873, and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, in Book 305, Page 329, of which mortgage the undersigned are the present holders as assignees, by deed of Mechanics Savings Bank dated January 4, 1943 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Book 971, Page 254, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction at TWO O'CLOCK P. M. on the SIXTEENTH day of FEBRUARY A. D. 1945, on the premises, all and singular, the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain tract of land situate in said Belchertown bounded and described as follows, to wit: NORTHERLY by the Highway leading from Belchertown to Granby, EASTERLY by land of W. W. Bridgman and Daniel Bardwell and SOUTHERLY by land of Michael McKillup and others and WESTERLY by land of said McKillup and others, containing one hundred acres be the same more or less, together with the buildings thereon including saw and shingle mills, together with all the fixtures to the same, intending to convey by this deed all that part of the farm known as the "WESTON FARM" which lies south of said highway leading from Belchertown to Granby and conveyed to me (George B. Weston) by deeds from Lucien B. Weston dated May 2, 1873, and from Jeremiah Weston by deed recorded in Hampshire County Registry, Book 251, Page 162.

Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles, water liens and other municipal liens or assessments if any there be. Terms of sale will be made known at time and place of sale.

FRED P. KARL and AMALIA E. KARL, Assignees of Mechanics Savings Bank, mortgagee, and as attorneys for George B. Weston Present Holders of said Mortgage January 5, 1945.

Avery, Healy and Button, Attys. 56 Suffolk Street Holyoke, Mass. 12-19-26.

Result of Caucus

130 ballots were cast at the Republican caucus of Monday evening. Harold F. Peck was moderator and Mrs. Julia Shumway, clerk. Guy Allen, Jr., was checker, and the tellers were George Booth, Charles Sanford, Mrs. Sophia Pero and Mrs. Ruth Fuller.

Following is the result of the ballot:

Moderator	
Lewis H. Blackmer	105
Town Clerk	
George A. Poole	109
Treasurer	
William E. Shaw	111
Tax Collector	
William E. Shaw	110
Selectmen	Vote for Three
Charles F. Austin	96
Francis M. Austin	100
Frank L. Gold	68
Marjorie G. Tilton	63
School Committee, 3 yrs.	Vote for One
Harold B. Ketchen	13
Fannie G. Morey	46
George A. Poole	63
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 yrs.	Vote for One
Harlan B. Davis	57
Fred F. Dewey	65
Assessor, 3 yrs.	Vote for One
Henry H. Witt	112
Tree Warden	Vote for One
Harold P. Cook	82
Harlan B. Davis	43
Constables	Vote for Five
Lloyd C. Chadbourne	72
Frank L. Gold	86
D. Donald Hazen	104
Albert G. Markham	108
Louis A. Shumway	108
William H. Snow	104

Men's Club Meeting

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intricacies of celestial navigation. He showed weather maps, a mirror used by shipwrecked men on life rafts to attract the attention of airplanes, a German bomb he picked up on the streets of London, fragments of bombs dropped in Dover, etc.

Through all his narration ran a touch of humor that was most intriguing.

Then came the dart baseball games. When these got under way, bedlam broke loose. There were embracing, backslapping, hollering and hooting. Pat Loftus of the St. Francis team, who used to play the old Springfield circuit, said that there was no such noise as that back at the turn of the century.

Roy Shaw captained the Congos, W. Paige Piper the Methodists, Aubrey Lapolice the Franciscans, and Frank Farrington the State School team.

Fred Farley umpired the Congo-St. Francis game, and Guy Harrington kept score; while Chester Hussey called balls and strikes at the Methodist-State School game, C. L. Randall keeping score. "C. L." shortly decided to retreat to safer territory, when the dart thrown by the first batter nearly punctured his pants.

The State School beat the Methodists 10 to 6, while the Congos beat St. Francis 5 to 3 in a 14-inning game. Captain Shaw accepted the challenge of his teammates in the 14th to sew up the ball game by smashing out a homer.

Then came the play off with the Congos beating the State School in one wild game. Pat Loftus umpired and "C. L." kept score. Hopes ran high for the State School men at the start, but Shaw says it was

n't long before the smiles vanished from the faces of Frank and his cohorts. The score was 15 to 9.

The makings of cigarettes were furnished the several teams, while cartoons went to the winners.

There was a banner attendance of about 50 at the meeting, and all had a grand time. Kenneth Hawkins, vice-president, presided in the absence of the president. Rev. Joseph Belcher, while Harold F. Peck, chairman of the program committee, introduced the speaker, and engineered the ball games.

Guy Harrington gave another report of progress on proposed alterations at the old town hall, as elsewhere noted.

The supper committee, which leaned heavily on the Greenlaw restaurant, was Guy Harrington, Osborne Davis, Harlan Davis and Harold Ryder.

Congregational Church Notes

The Double or Nothing Club will meet at the parish house on Tuesday evening at 8.

Town Items

The schools closed Tuesday noon for the day, due to the uncertainties connected with the prevailing blizzard.

"The Merry Cavaliers" will furnish music for the Junior dance next week Friday night.

Floyd Peeso suffered contusions and dislocation of the right wrist last week Wednesday afternoon while working at the Holland farm. Arthur Gauthier, employed at the Loftus farm, received deep lacerated wounds above the right knee, requiring several stitches. Both were cared for at the office of Dr. Hogan.

Women's Guild Meeting

Twenty-one were present at the meeting of the Women's Guild at the parish house on Wednesday evening, when Dr. Henry A. Tadgell of the State School was guest speaker. Rather than summarize the talk, we give it complete, saving the major portion for next week.

Dr. Tadgell's Talk

Massachusetts was one of the pioneer states in recognizing and dealing with the problem of mental retardation. The first school in the country for the training of mental defectives was established in South Boston in 1848. This institution later removed to Waverley, and is now known as the Walter E. Fernald State School. There are now three such schools, the one just mentioned in Waverley, with a resident population of about 2,000 patients, one at Wrentham, likewise with a population of 2,000, and one at Belchertown with a resident population of 1,300. Another school is urgently needed in the eastern part of the state, to take care of those on the waiting lists for admission. Waiting lists of the three institutions total some 3,000 to 4,000 names. At Belchertown there are 1,200 names on the files, and 125 of this number are in need of immediate institutional care. Admissions are made when vacancies occur, and consideration must be given to the age of the youngster, the sex, the type, the degree of urgency, and the place on the waiting list. All three institutions are "chronically" overcrowded, Waverley about 25%, Wrentham about 45% and Belchertown some

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., JAN. 19-20

Vivien Leigh Robt. Taylor

"WATERLOO BRIDGE"

Roy Rogers Mary Lee

"COWBOY and the SENORITA"

SUN., MON., JAN. 21-22

Abbott and Costello

"LOST IN A HAREM"

and

"NATIONAL BARN DANCE"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., JAN. 23

Joan Arturo

Fontaine DeCordova

"FRENCHMAN'S CREEK"

Technicolor

"STARS ON PARADE"

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"A Question for Youth."

Public Dinner at Congregational Parish House at 12.30 p. m.

Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
"Compulsory Military Training."
Dr. A. E. Westwell, guest speaker.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 9 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"The Necessity of Choice."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
Firemen's Association.

TUESDAY
B. H. S. vs. New Salem in old town hall at 7.30 p. m.
Postponed Birthday Party of Union Grange at 8 p. m.

WEDNESDAY
Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Rev. and Mrs. Harold D. Suhm at 7.30 p. m.
Boy Scout Charter Night Ceremonies at State School at 7.30 p. m.
St. Francis church card party in basement of church at 8 p. m.

THURSDAY
Business Meeting of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Iva Gay at 7.30 p. m.

FRIDAY
American Legion Oratorical Contest in Memorial hall at 1.15 p. m.

SATURDAY
Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at A. H. Phillips' Store from 3 to 5 p. m.

TODAY
B. H. S. Junior Class Dance.

TOMORROW

Registration Figures

There were no registrations at the meeting of the board of registrars at Franklin school last Saturday, and only four at Memorial hall on Wednesday:

Shirley R. Cook Federal Street
Helen MacPhee No. Main St.
Susan D. Pranaitis Federal St.
Mary B. Shaffer No. Main St.

There are now 1,279 names on the voters' lists.

Death of**Mrs. Ellen Bridgman**

Mrs. Ellen Bridgman, 86, of Cottage St., died suddenly at her home early yesterday morning. She was born in Pelham Aug. 2, 1858, at the hotel, only recently torn down, where her father was innkeeper. She was the daughter of Calvin and Harriet (Dudley) Eaton and came to town when twelve years of age, living in the Lake Vale district.

On November 2, 1881 she married Frank Edgar Bridgman, who died January 31, 1901. She was very active, even in her later years, and in fact performed certain household duties on the morning of her death. She was a member of Union Grange over a long period of years. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Vianna Somes, with whom she resided.

The funeral will be held in the Douglas funeral home in Amherst, Saturday afternoon at 2.30. Rev. John A. Hawley officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope cemetery at a later date.

St. Francis Card Party

Attention is again called to the card party to be held in the basement of St. Francis church next Wednesday evening at 8. A 16-pound Holland turkey is to be given away at that time.

The committee for the party consists of Miss Gertrude Kiley, Mrs. Aubrey Lapolice, Mrs. William Hennemann, Mrs. Harvey Sampson and Mrs. Raymond Beaudoin. Members of the committee will be at the rear of the church following mass on Sunday to receive returns from the tickets.

Dates Spoken For

Feb. 5
Annual Town Election. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Feb. 10
Youth Fellowship Food Sale in Vestry of Methodist Church, from 2 to 5 p. m.

Feb. 12
Annual Appropriations' Meeting in Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.

Feb. 22
Girl Scout Belchertown Canteen, Dance and Floor Show.

Warrant Prepared

The town warrant has been prepared for the annual town meeting and contains many new articles which ought to bring out a quorum and more. We print in this issue some of the newer articles.

At the town election, February 5, the polls will be open from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m. Heretofore the language of the article has been, "may be closed at 5.30 p. m.," but it develops that where there are two precincts, there can be no extension of voting hours.

O. E. S. Installation

Mount Vernon chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, installed its officers last Saturday night at 8, at a public installation that was largely attended.

Installing officers were: Miss Irene B. Orlando, past matron, installing grand matron; Dr. James L. Collard, past patron, installing grand patron; Miss Madeleine Orlando, past matron, installing marshal; and Mrs. Helen Allen, past matron, installing chaplain; Mrs. Marion K. Shaw, pianist; and Mrs. Luther Shattuck, soloist.

Officers installed were:

Worthy Matron Mrs. Florence Jackson
Installing Grand Matron Miss Helen Lister
Associate Patron Nelson Hill
Associate Patron Mrs. Myrtle Cook
Secretary Mrs. Julia Shumway
Treasurer Mrs. Helen Rhodes
Conductress Mrs. Helen Rhodes
Associate Conductress

Chaplain Mrs. Virginia Witt
Marshal Mrs. Minnie Davis
Adah Mrs. Florence Utley
Ruth Mrs. Gertrude LaBroad
Esther Miss Betty Lou Cook
Martha Mrs. Charlotte Ketchen
Electa Mrs. Ruth Johnston
Warder Mrs. Leotia Rhodes
Sentinel Mrs. Pearl Davis
Charles F. Austin

Guests were present from several out-of-town chapters. Mrs. Leona H. Cowdy, past grand matron, of Agawam, the grand matron when this chapter was instituted 40 years ago, was present. Mr. and Mrs. Fredwick Utley, retiring patron and matron, were presented past patron's and past matron's jewels from the chapter, the presentation being made by Mrs. Sophia Pero, past matron.

A reception for the newly installed officers and all those assisting in the ceremonies, was held at the close, following which refreshments were served in the dining hall.

The refreshment committee consisted of Miss Dorothy Peeso, Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth, Mrs. Frances Hodgen and Mrs. Hilda Westwell. The reception committee, included Mrs. Anna R. Gold, Miss Irene M. Jackson and D. Donald Hazen.

Senior Girl Scout Notes

The Senior Girl Scouts met at the home of Diane Allen, January 17. At this meeting we planned our canteen unit further. It has been decided that "Belchertown Canteen" will be held February 22, to raise money for supplies for our canteen unit. "Belchertown Canteen" will be a dance, plus floor show. There will be tables which may be reserved, if desired, for of course, a small charge. The committee in charge is as follows:

Floor Show Barbara Hudson
Advertising and Tickets Charlotte Dyer, Mary McKillop
Music Lois Chadbourne
Refreshments Shirley Hazen
Decorations Diane Allen

Instead of regular refreshments being served during intermission, a "Coke Bar" will be there, where refreshments will be served all during the evening.

We thought this idea of "Belchertown Canteen" might interest more people, because it is new and different from other things we've had in town. You can find out about this "Canteen" soon, as it will be advertised. Hope you'll all come, as we will put the money toward the canteen unit.

Our next meeting will be held January 31, at the home of Pauline Baker.

Diane Allen, Secretary

Public Dinner Sunday

The Women's Guild will serve a public dinner in the Congregational parish house on Sunday at 12.30 p. m. The menu will include scolloped dishes and salads. Price will be 45 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

The committee consists of Mrs. William Pero, Mrs. Luther Shattuck, Mrs. Ira Shattuck, Mrs. Walter Howland, Mrs. Charles Tilton and Mrs. Clarence Moore.

Charter Night Ceremonies

Charter Night ceremonies of Boy Scout Troop 509 of the Belchertown State School will be held next week Wednesday evening at 7.30 in the State School auditorium. Dr. Tadgell, superintendent, states that any interested townspeople are welcome.

Basketball Notes

B. H. S. defeated the second team of Palmer last Friday, 28 to 17, the Belchertown team showing much improvement.

Next Tuesday night New Salem plays here, when the main game is scheduled for 7.30. It is hoped to have a preliminary game between teams made up from the local school.



Town Hall Committee
Has Done Its Work Well

The citizens of Belchertown are going to have a chance to show where they stand on the matter of the Town Hall when the appropriations meeting comes to town next month.

The committee on renovations has done a real job on the preparation of plans, and whatever fault may be found with their suggestions, it can no longer be charged that "there is nothing definite in sight"; or that "everyone wants something, but no one knows what."

Last November 15, the Men's club discussed the Town Hall and suggested that each of the three pastors choose two men and that the resulting committee of six work out specific plans. Before the committee had ever met, a special town meeting of December 1 brought matters to a head. There the voters asked that the moderator appoint a committee of seven to report to the town and make recommendations. The moderator wisely decided to make use of the pastoral appointees. Consequently, the committee consists of representatives of the three churches.

Its personnel includes Guy Harrington, Charles Sanford, Paige Piper, J. J. Kempkes, Sr., Thomas Landers, Andrew J. Sears, and Albert Markham. It should be borne in mind that these gentlemen did not ask their pastors to appoint them. They were stuck with a job, were interested in it, and went ahead on a task which a good many folks have talked about and let it go at that.

The purpose of reviewing these three meetings is partly to remind my readers that these plans have real sponsors. The Men's Club will surely be out in strength to see that their "child" gets a fair hearing, as well as the large number who were so desirous of "having something done" at the special town meeting last month.

It will be pleasing to voters, who have sometimes in previous years hardly known who was responsible for articles under discussion, to realize that here is a matter which has had the benefit of community planning by a group whose only interest has been to provide a safe and efficient indoor recreation surface at a minimum cost.

I venture to say that if any voters wish to see the blueprints shown this writer last Sunday afternoon, the committee will be glad to explain any matters which may still be obscure.

The Belchertown Town Hall is really an attractive building. Its simple lines fit well into the setting of the village. With the churches and chapel, it provides a distinction to the east side of the common. Only as it has fallen in to disrepair since the erection of Memorial Hall, has it detracted from the good appearance of our

hilltop. If the external shape of the building is retained and the interior made useful to the town, a problem will be solved which has caused considerable anguish to many of us.

The plans prepared by the committee will preserve all the "character" of the Town Hall, and at the same time bring it into the community picture as much more than a shell of past memories and present inadequacies.

Reduced to their simplest terms, the plans call for removal of balcony and offices, lowering the platform to floor level, reflooring the entire hall, and erecting a 17x44 addition at the rear, to house a heating plant and two dressing rooms, with toilet and shower facilities.

The plans have been accepted by the state and regional directors of Public Safety. We are indebted to Donald Sherman for this important accomplishment. After preparing the blueprint, Don himself secured the approvals. This interest on Don's part is nothing new, but is an indication of how a loyalty to Belchertown stays with her sons.

Whatever action the voters may choose to take next month, this writer believes that the ground work thus far done should be accepted with hearty gratitude by all of us. The committee did not ask to be appointed—their contributions deserve to be greeted by a kindly and thoughtful consideration.

Personally I believe that we can well go ahead on their recommendations, appointing them or a like committee as a building committee to take the headaches consequent upon their plans. They have faith enough in their work to be willing to carry it into actual being, I am sure.

However, if a majority of voters believe otherwise, it is to be hoped that bitterness and sarcastic repudiation may not enter the scene as they have on occasions in the past, when citizens have left the hall resolved never to lift a civic finger again.

The purpose behind the proposals to renovate the Town Hall is certainly most unselfish and commendable. That purpose must be kept in mind by all of us, even if our own ideas are different from those of the committee which has worked together to produce something tangible.

Skating Rink Sponsors

Get Chopped Handclaps

With some danger of freezing our ears, our hats should be off to the brave and persistent souls who have fought against one of our most disagreeable winters to build and keep in use the Common skating rink. The same elements which have seemed to be in favor of the German army over in Europe have certainly been in league against this most admirable community project, but the cohorts of Chester Hussey have stood back of their leader and have succeeded in keeping the surface in pretty good shape. And do the kids appreciate it! If we had a Pynchon Medal to give here in Belchertown, it is safe to say it would be pinned to the breast of one of those who have pushed out into the cold of night and done yeoman work to give the local youngsters a break.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life.

Epitaph
"Here lies a poor woman who always was tired, She lived in a house where help wasn't hired.

The last words she said were: "Dear friends, I am going Where washing ain't wanted, nor sweeping nor sewing; And everything there is exact to my wishes, For where folks don't eat there's no washing of dishes; In heaven loud anthems forever are ringing, But having no voice I'll keep clear of the singing. Don't mourn for me now, don't mourn for me never; I'm going to do nothing for ever and ever."
—Anonymous
—Bob Jackson

Announces Candidacy

Albert Parsons of Amherst has announced that he is a Republican candidate for representative, to succeed Major Albert Lumley, representative elect, who has just resigned.



Mr. Parsons was born and brought up in Amherst, was educated in the schools there and graduated from State college. For five years he was a teacher in Honolulu, was in the retail milk business in Amherst for 29 years, and is now a dairy farmer. He is a member of the board of selectmen, having served five years and being elected three times. He is a deacon, Sunday-school superintendent and moderator of the North Amherst church.

Boy Scout Notes

Last Saturday five boys and Scoutmaster Shattuck went skiing at the Shattuck farm, while the rest of the troop, who do not have skiing equipment, enjoyed a hike with Roy Kimball. At the weekly meeting we discussed the possibility of going to the winter carnival, soon to take place in Amherst. The boys continued with their projects in preparation for Scout week, and afterwards had group singing and marching.

George Jackson,
Scout Reporter

Grange Notes

The postponed Grange birthday party and teachers' reception will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 30, at 8. Each Granger will please bring a white elephant gift for exchange. There will be no business meeting.

The Heart of the Warrant

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money and apply the same to the fund for the purpose of purchasing name plates for the town who have entered, or shall in the future enter the Armed Forces during the period of the present complete and maintain said Honor Roll in good any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to be used for Civilian Defense Education of the Selectmen, according to Chapter 487, 1941, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to transfer Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of to be used to pay on notes incurred in 1941 for the purchase of truck, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$1,000 to be used in conjunction with County allotments for maintenance of Chapter 90 Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to allow commissioners to appoint themselves to work in a rate not to exceed 62½ cents per hour for the provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the use of the Rationing Board, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds or investments for savings banks, for a postwar relief in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Act of 1941, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will authorize the Project for the purposes given in the committee's report, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, and appropriate from available sums of money as may be necessary to remodel the town hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money sufficient to install an electric light on Jackson Street between the homes of Frances M. Howard, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for purpose of removing the building from the old Town Hall building to the basement, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to sell town Motor Sales, Inc., the driveway now used by mentioned Company and the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to appropriate Road Machinery Earnings' Account the sum of for the purpose of buying a loader, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for sewer connections on Jabish Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the town will appoint a committee to study the needs of additions to the Center Grade School, and to make a report of their findings at the next annual meeting.

Art. 26. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to be used by the aforementioned committee in carrying out the plans mentioned in preceding article.



William E. Isaac, Seaman 1st Class
CAC OTU
Air Crew 57 G
Box 2, Naval Air Station
Banana River, Fla.

News has been received by the family that Frank C. Socha was injured in action in Belgium on December 27.

A telegram has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lyon that their son, Pvt. James Lyon, is reported as missing in action.

News has been received that Thomas A. Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Sullivan, was wounded in Germany December 2, has been awarded the purple heart, and is now in a hospital in England.

News has been received that Pvt. Bolac Kulig has been wounded in action.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Carrington and daughter of Portland, Me., are guests of Mrs. Carrington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dyer.

A dispatch from army headquarters in Italy states that Pvt. Frank E. Kenfield, son of Mrs. Anna Kenfield of Federal street, is a member of the 337th "Wolverine" Regiment, which recently took 3000-foot Mount Pratono in the Gothic Line.

"Digging German soldiers out of elaborate concrete pillboxes and earthworks on its forested slopes."

Several Belchertown people were happily surprised Wednesday morning while listening to the radio program, "Breakfast in Hollywood" to hear Corp. David H. Farley of the servicemen's section. A buddy of Farley's, Sgt. Leslie Carper, of Va., was also on with him. They were spending a 3-day pass in Hollywood.

Two Troops of Brownies

It has been decided to divide the Brownies into two troops. Mrs. Henry Renouf is the leader of one, being assisted by Mrs. Francis Austin, with meetings held at Mrs. Dudley Chaffee's at 3.30 on Fridays.

The other group is led by Mrs. Chester Hussey, assisted by Mrs. Harold LaBroad, meeting at the Congregational parish house at 3.30.

Brownie Report

There were 11 Brownies at the meeting last Friday. At first we learned a new singing game called "Holiday Song." That was loads of fun. Then Mrs. Hussey read us the story of Little Black Sambo. After that we gave a little play on the stage, while Cornelia Sullivan read the story again. Mrs. LaBroad played a new song, and all the Brownies sang. Our meeting was really a great success.

Margot Austin

Troop 2 Meeting

The first meeting of Brownie Troop 2, meeting as an independent group, was held last Friday at the home of Mrs. Dudley Chaffee. Though the projected skating party had to be postponed, the Brownies managed to allay their disappointment with the aid of refreshments planned for the party.

Between games, musical and otherwise, they also began the first of a series of nature projects—the study of animal tracks. Several members of the troop reported on those they had observed during the week.

Make the Dimes March

Come on, Belchertown. Help us out. Help the kid around the corner. Everybody all over the nation has heard that slogan. That kid around your corner may need help from the National Infantile Paralysis Fund. And your dimes and quarters, and better still, dollars, are what makes that help possible.

In less than one week you have generously donated \$25. That kid around the corner says, "Please fill my milk bottles on the table at Jackson's Store!"

Dance Tonight

Come one, come all, to the Junior class dance tonight at 8. Music will be by The Merry Cavaliers of WHYN. Admission will be 60 cents—tax included.

More About Hopetown

In 1852 "the first dirt was removed at Dwight in the construction of the Amherst and Belchertown R. R. (later called New London Northern, now Central Vermont)." The ceremonies took place in the presence of a number of noted men and a large assembly of people. Cannons were fired and appropriate addresses made. President Hitchcock of Amherst college was present and in his remarks said "This place hitherto has been called Logtown, but I will now name it Hopetown."

At that time it seemed likely that a town might be developed there. This ceremony of "breaking ground" for the R. R. at Dwight was the last time Hon. Myron Lawrence (for whom our Memorial Hall is named), appeared in public. He lived but a short time later.

The first station agent at Belchertown was Enoch Burnett, who also had a grocery store where Dr. Westwell now lives. R. E. Fairchild succeeded Mr. Burnett as station agent here. The station agent at Dwight was Harrison Dwight. For him the station was named.

A CORRECTION

A sentence in one of Lt. Krone's missives which we printed last week should have read, "The boys that carry the litters (not letters) surely do not get a chance to rest any." Some difference.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS

Jan. 24th—Chimney fire at Raymond Sullivan's.

Congregational Church Notes

Dr. Arthur E. Westwell will be guest speaker at the Youth Fellowship meeting Sunday night, his subject being "Compulsory Military Training." Allen Tadjell will lead the devotional service.

Watch our Ads for Hard-to-Get Items

- Pre-war Appliance Cords \$1.19 & .79
- Flashlights complete with batteries 1.59
- Lantern with battery 3.98
- Hearing Aid Batteries 45 volt 1.75
- Hearing Aid Batteries 1-2 volt .25
- Radio-battery Packs 6.75
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- Bed Lamps 2.98
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Town Items

The skating rink on the common was flooded again this week. Word has been received from Mrs. Dora Wesley, formerly of this town, that her nephew, Wesley Battles, has been reported "missing in action." He has a wife and eight children.

The Honor Roll committee announces that 11 more names have been added to the Honor Roll, bringing the total to 294.

The annual American Legion oratorical contest will be held at the High school next week Friday afternoon at 1.15.

Dies in Springfield

E. Clarence Scott, 84, of 89 Magazine street, Springfield, died at the Wesson Memorial hospital on Tuesday. He was born in Montague January 21, 1861, the son of Everett Edward and Alma Marie (Davis) Scott. He had lived in Springfield for the past 45 years.

Mr. Scott was a former resident of Belchertown, where for a number of years he conducted a grocery store in a building on the site of the present engine house, and served as town clerk.

He leaves his widow, Grace L. (Burnett) Scott, and two cousins. The funeral will be held at the parlors of the Dickinson-Streeter company in Springfield, this afternoon at 2, with an organ prelude at 1.30. Burial will be in Mt. Hope cemetery, this place.

Methodist Church Notes

The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Harold D. Suhm on Wednesday evening, Jan. 31st, at 7.30.

The W. S. of C. S. monthly business meeting will be held with Mrs. Iva Gay on Thursday evening, February 1, at 7.30.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship will hold a food sale on Saturday, February 10, from 2 to 5 p. m., in the church vestry.

Twelve were present at the meeting of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. on Tuesday evening.

Rationing Board Notes

Tire Issued Jan. 18, 1945
Grade 1—George H. Greene.
Last week Thursday night was an unusual one for the tire ration panel. For the first time in its experience, at the opening of the meeting, there was not a single application.

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Palmer, Mass.

The State School and Its Work

Concluding portion of Dr. Taddell's talk—continued from last week

Massachusetts was also one of the pioneers in providing special classes for retarded children in the public schools. The first such special class opened in Providence, R. I., in 1896 and the second special class in this country was begun in Springfield, Mass., in 1898. There are now over 700 special classes in Massachusetts under the Department of Education.

It may be conservatively stated that 2% of all children in this country, of school age, are retarded to such a degree that they may be classified as mentally defective, and it is probable that at least 2% of the general population should be so classified.

Borderline defectives are estimated to make up some 13% of the entire population. In Massachusetts, most authorities feel that some 90,000 persons are mentally defective. Over 57,000 have been so registered in the central registry at the Department of Mental Health in Boston.

No state in the union has institutional facilities for even 10% of its retarded population, and it is generally agreed that at least 90% of the mentally defective will always have to be cared for in the community. The three Massachusetts schools have a combined resident population of about 5,300.

A well rounded-out state program for the care, supervision, treatment, and training of the mentally retarded should embrace (1) Early recognition, through physicians, social agencies, hospitals, outpatient clinics, child guidance clinics, traveling school clinics and the like. (2) Central registration as provided for by the statutes in the Department of Mental Health. (3) Education in special classes as provided in the public schools, such classes being known as opportunity classes, vocational classes, and so on. (4) Education in the State Schools when indicated, not only in academic subjects, but also along industrial lines. (5) Supervision, either by agencies in the community, the Department of Mental Health, or institutional. (6) Segregation, which is necessary

in many cases of mental defect. (7) Protection, both for the retardates' own welfare and the welfare of others. (8) Research into the causation of mental retardation which in time will bring about improvement in the care and treatment of persons so afflicted.

Between 45% and 50% of the resident population at Belchertown may be classified as hereditary or familial in type, the other 50% of the population being "accidental" in nature. In the latter group are classified those who are defective from a non-hereditary cause, such as the monegroids, those cases due to injury at birth, after birth, or in early childhood, those cases due to brain damage as a result of severe infections such as encephalitis, meningitis, measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough, pneumonia, etc., those cases due to glandular disorders, and those due to other organic nervous disease.

Belchertown provides academic instruction for those cases who would profit from such instruction through the sixth grade. Industrial instruction is provided in the arts and crafts, domestic science, farm and dairy work, printing, and the various trades such as blacksmith's helpers, carpenter's helpers, garage and power-house assistants, baker's helpers, storeroom assistants and so on.

Belchertown admits mental defective youngsters who are not epileptic or insane over the age of six years, chronologically. Commitments may be custodial, through the probate courts, or "voluntary" by the parents or guardian. "Voluntary" cases are also known as "school" cases. Generally speaking, children between the ages of 6 and 14 years are accepted on a School Commitment paper, and those 14 years of age or over on custodial or court commitment papers. The only State School in the state which has the facilities and which admits children under six years of age is the State School at Wrentham.

Belchertown State School has an employee quota of 315. The valuation of the institution is estimated at \$2,311,764.85. It has its own power plant for the production of steam and the generation of electricity. It has its own water supply, with a tank storage capacity of 500,000 gallons. It has its own garage and motor vehicle repair

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equipment, its own bake shop, its own storehouse, carpenter and maintenance shops, its own paint shop and blacksmith's shop. The dairy herd comprises some 175 animals. Three thousand lbs. of milk are produced per day. There are some 330 animals in the piggery, and the institution raises its own chickens (2,500 birds-1,000 eggs daily), ducks (29), and turkeys (100). There are 13 dormitories for the care of patients, a large school building, the auditorium of which will seat some 1,200 persons, and a general hospital, fully equipped for surgery and acute and convalescent medical cases. A resident dentist cares for the teeth of the 1,300 patients in residence. There is a well equipped laboratory, a pharmacy, and an X-ray suite. Institution land comprises 843.1 acres, 225 acres of which is under cultivation.

Most urgently needed at the moment are additional buildings to bring the capacity of the School up to 2,000 beds, in order to serve the needs of the community of Western Massachusetts. An infirmary building for 224 beds has been planned as a post-war construction project. This new addition will provide for mentally retarded crippled boys and girls, a great many of whom have been on the waiting list for over five years. An addition to the power house has also been planned, and certain renovations to existing plumbing are anticipated. Other buildings, such as dormitories, nurseries, and a building for research, are necessary, and it is to be hoped that these will be allowed as post-war projects.

Town Items

Word came through yesterday to Town Clerk Poole that the special election for representative will be held Mar. 13. Primaries will be Feb. 27, and nomination papers are to be filed by Feb. 6.

A daughter, Linda Elaine, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hennemann Jan. 19 at Wing Memorial hospital, Palmer.

There was a good turnout at the baked ham supper at the Methodist vestry on Wednesday evening, in spite of the driving wind and cold. Mrs. Edwin F. Shumway entertained at dinner on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Harry Conkey and Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. Allen, Sr., in honor of the birthdays of Mr. Shumway, Mr. Conkey and Mrs. Allen.

Mrs. Edna Root has moved to the Hoag tenement vacated by John Flaherty and family, who moved yesterday to their newly purchased home on North Main Street.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts met at the parish house Thursday afternoon. Everyone came in like an icicle. We got warmed up dancing. We danced a virginia reel and Captain Jinks.

Last week we decided to have our troop creep the lily of the valley. Mrs. Chaffee sent for the emblems for our uniforms. Mrs. Kimball thought of the theme song for our troop. It is "White Pearl Bells." We did the rounds in singing it.

CASINO

WARE—FRI, SAT., JAN. 26-27
Ann Southern Tom Drake
"Mazie Goes to Reno"
and
"DARK MOUNTAIN"

SUN., MON., JAN. 28-29
Lynn Turner Jas. Craig
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and "EVER SINCE VENUS"

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Easy TO FIND IN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Mrs. Chaffee read us the invitation from the State School Boy Scouts to attend their charter night ceremonies next Wednesday. After discussing plans for more badge work, we had Good Night Circle and song.

Eleanor Rhodes, Scribe

Clapp Memorial Library

Belchertown Sentinel



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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Maxwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Maxwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Civic Pride."

Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
"Getting Along With Others."
Charlotte Dube, leader.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Bulcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Without Apology."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Annual Town Election. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m.

TUESDAY

American Legion Meeting in the Recreation Room at Memorial hall at 8 p. m.

Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Women's Guild Card Party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Henry A. Taddell at 8 p. m.
Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Freshmen Dance.
Girl Scout A Association at Mrs. Byron Hudson's.

SATURDAY

Youth Fellowship Food Sale in Vestry of Methodist Church, from 2 to 5 p. m.

TODAY

American Legion Oratorical Contest in Memorial hall at 1.15 p. m.

TOMORROW

Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at A. H. Phillips' Store from 3 to 5 p. m.

St. Francis Card Party

St. Francis church held a most successful card party on Wednesday evening in the basement of the church, every available table being used. The Holland turkey donated by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Beaudoin, was won by Michael Boyko (who incidentally raises Holland turkeys himself).

Prizewinners for the evening were as follows: 1st for men, Richard Hennemann; 1st for women, Dorothy McKillop; consolation for men, Charles O'Reilly; consolation for ladies, Mrs. Lydia Jacques.

The committee for the evening consisted of Miss Gertrude Riley, Mrs. William Hennemann, Mrs. Aubrey Lapolice, Mrs. Harvey Samson and Mrs. Raymond Beaudoin. Fr. Sullivan complimented the committee for their fine work.

This is the first in a series of parties to be held, the next to be after Easter.

Food Sale Tomorrow

Attention is again called to the Girl Scout A Association food sale to be held in Phillips' store this week Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5. Among the offerings will be baked beans, homemade bread and rolls, American chop suey, doughnuts, pie and cake. If any mothers of Girl Scouts have not been contacted for donations of food (possibly by reason of lack of phone connections), it is announced that further contributions will be most welcome.

Telephone Cards Available

A new telephone directory card is now available at Jackson's and at Morey's drug store, as well as at the offices of the other advertisers. Louis Fuller and Lloyd Chadbourne will deliver them to many of the homes in town, and it is hoped that all telephone subscribers will receive one. The American Legion Auxiliary wishes to thank all the advertisers.

Dates Spoken For

Feb. 12
Annual Appropriations' Meeting in Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.
Feb. 14
Boy Scout Night at Men's Club.
Feb. 22
Girl Scout Belchertown Canteen, Dance and Floor Show.

Pfc. James L. Lyon Killed in Action

Belchertown has lost another son in the war. Pfc. James L. Lyon was killed in action at Luxembourg January 8, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lyon of West street.

Pfc. Lyon was born in town October 24, 1917 and attended the local schools. He worked for the Wickwire Co., later carrying on a wood business.

Pfc. Lyon was inducted June 25, 1942 and received his training at Fort Wheeler and Oglethorpe, Ga. He served with the 701st M. P. Bn. at Fort Custer, Mich. Before going overseas he was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., with the 274th Inf.

Besides his parents he leaves three sisters, Mrs. L. C. Watt of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., Mrs. R. M. Halstad of New York City, Lillian M. of Ludlow, and two brothers, Lawrence E. and Donald R. at home.

To Contribute to Blood Bank

Mrs. Henry Berger and Mrs. D. Donald Hazen report that in response to the recent appeal, appointments have been made for about 25 people to attend the blood bank in Holyoke next Monday. An even larger number expressed a willingness to go, but all could not meet the rather rigid requirements. Raymond C. Gay has kindly offered to transport the group in his bus.

Injured by Automobile

Joyce Chevalier, three, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chevalier of Jabish street, suffered fractures of both thighs and elbow and concussions of the face and head (an X-ray revealed there was no fracture or internal injuries of the skull), as the result of being hit by a Metropolitan police car near her home on Monday afternoon. She had been at the home of a neighbor, Frank Towne, and was on the way back.

The car, operated by Officer Walsh, was on its way from the Administration building to Belchertown center and the officer later reported that the child ran out from behind a snowbank and into the path

Charter Night Ceremonies

Impressive charter night ceremonies for Boy Scout Troop 509 were held at the State School auditorium on Wednesday evening. Troop 507 Boy Scouts, and the Girl Scouts of the center, together with their leaders, were guests and occupied seats of honor.

District officials present were Chief Harold Warner of Amherst, scout executive of the Franklin-Hampshire Council; Robert Hawley of Amherst, vice-chairman of the Amherst district; Ralph Gales, district committeeman; Harold Ryder, neighborhood committeeman; and George Malone of Amherst, member-at-large. Also present were the State School Scout committee, including Dr. Henry A. Taddell, superintendent of the institution, chairman; James L. Hawkins, Dr. Arthur E. Westwell and Paul T. Austin.

Dr. Taddell was master of ceremonies which opened with the

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Death of John David Fay

John David Fay, 54, died at his home on the Gulf road Monday night after a brief illness. He was born at Boylston March 9, 1890, the son of Frank and Isabel (Hathaway) Fay. Most of his life was spent in this town, coming here at the age of three. He married Aggie King July 29, 1912.

He worked as a stationary engineer at the Berkshire Hat company at Northampton. He belonged to the Railroad brotherhood and was a member of the Methodist church.

He leaves, besides his widow, four sons, John S. of this town, Harold R. in the army, Donald L. in the navy, and Roy F. at home; four daughters, Mrs. Mabel Ely of Pelham, Mrs. Catherine King of this town, Mrs. Elsie R. Champagne of Hartford, Ct., and Miss Carrie B. Fay of this town.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 at Dwight Chapel, Rev. Maxwell M. Welch of Pelham officiating. Burial will be in Dwight cemetery.

of the car. Officer Walsh took the injured child to the State School for first aid and then to the Providence hospital in Holyoke, where Dr. H. E. Donnan is attending her.



Town Hall Renovation
A Good Project for NOW

If there are to be objections voiced against the proposal to renovate the Town Hall this year, two of the most likely will be that some better way might be found to do the job, and that the whole affair should be postponed until after the War.

The committee's plans have been pretty well reviewed in this paper during the last two weeks. These men have gone over the matter from all angles and what they have submitted can result in a satisfactory hall, safe, warm, and adequate for indoor athletics.

To some people the plans may seem either too elaborate or too simple. There have been times when I should have welcomed any improvement that showed the slightest sign of making progress on renovation. Even a coat of interior paint or a hose connection from the water tank would have indicated interest. However, the time has come for more than half-way measures. Now that a committee has worked out a scheme which promises to produce a suitable surface at a cost within reason, and has discovered that the job can be done now, we certainly owe it to our young people to get busy before another generation has grown up.

There are those who have felt that a better place should be found than the Town Hall. Memorial Hall has been mentioned. I feel that the damage incidental to basketball should preclude the use of our only auditorium for purposes other than those for which it is now being used. Others have suggested building the surface in part of the future addition to the Grade School. Such a postponement would mean no surface for years, and perhaps not even when the Grade School has been enlarged. Personally, I can hardly visualize a room of sufficient height and floor size in any possible addition to the Center Grade building. Certainly not except at very great cost.

Now about postponing until after the War. It is hard to visualize just what this post-war period will be like. Guessing about it is one of the favorite sports of Americans. It may be that we shall be able to go in for a lot of construction and other community projects. We hope so. However, two large tasks will face us as "must work" as soon as money, materials, and labor are available. The sewer project will have to be completed and the Center Grade

School will have to be extensively rebuilt. I am afraid that these jobs, impossible of accomplishment now, will crowd out unfulfilled hopes for a basketball surface.

I go so far as to believe that if we delay this until after the war, it will be 1950 at the very least before we can hope to tackle the Town Hall. By that time, Roosevelt may even be out of office.

In the meantime we shall have deprived hundreds of youngsters of an adequate place to play and exercise. Whether or not certain youthful catastrophes (one of my friends objects to having them termed "juvenile delinquencies") can be prevented by providing a place for indoor sports, I do not know. At least, our consciences can be a little clearer than they are now.

I have heard it said that inasmuch as we have not seen fit to fix up the Town Hall until most of the kids have gone to war, we should not do it now. I wonder if our servicemen, as they come back to us, will not be rather happier to find a place ready for them to use than to discover that we have again talked but done nothing.

Perhaps it will not be amiss to suggest again what benefits this hall may be to Belchertown. For the first time in many years, it will be possible to arrange basketball schedules and have teams come here, without our needing to apologize for the conditions under which they must play. Basketball and baseball are the natural athletic outlets for this town. It is safe to assume that both will be played increasingly following the war. I have heard the Recreation Field condemned, because larger use has not been made of it for baseball. But I am tremendously glad that we have that field. It is ready for use. There will be leisure hours again, there will be teams ready to play ball. We have the place ready for them. It is time we did the same for basketball.

With the Town Hall really renovated, we can reasonably expect a definite program of physical education in the schools, at least on the higher level. Girls' athletics will come into being if we have a decent place for instructor and children to exercise and to shower.

There are sports other than basketball which should flourish in the Town Hall. Badminton is one which will be popular.

Certainly when Fair Day comes, "Horticultural Hall" will be considerably more attractive under the new conditions.

Finally, whenever the subject of the Town Hall is discussed, someone always suggests that it won't be cared for when it is fixed up. I am not too greatly worried about this. There will be some incentive to care for a good building. I can imagine a custodian staff of two, whose duties would include care of the two

school buildings, the Hall, and the playground. That would be year-round work for two men, and no bankrupt the community. Actually, the obstacle of caretaking should not alarm us unduly.

Well, I have discussed this business at too much length. But it does seem the most important matter before us this month. Through all our minds must run the thought that we have many young people now in town, and many more coming home or growing up before long. Many people may well want to live here when the war is over. The trend is going to be out from the cities, and the prospective homeowner is going to look for what the town has to offer in the way of community life. We must plan the future Belchertown to be as attractive as possible. Adequate means for recreation will keep us old citizens and bring us new ones!

More Winter Bouquets

In a below-zero night last week, I heard the siren blow and soon the noise of the apparatus sounded down the street. The boys of the Fire Department were off on another frigid assignment. The same night, a gale was threatening to tie up main roads. When I started out before light next morning, the road showed clearly that the "highwaymen" had been doing business while I was warm in bed. These men deserve much credit for the way they are carrying on. Tired and cold, they are tackling the winter in the same spirit that their fellow citizens are tackling pill-box and bridgehead. They have my admiration and thanks.

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Seldom can the heart be lonely,
If it seek a lonelier still;
Self-forgetting, seeking only
Emptier cups of love to fill."

Frances Havergal
—Bob Jackson

Brownie Report

The Brownies of Troop 2 met at Mrs. Chaffee's on January 26th. While we waited for everyone to come, we played Crazy Eights and Slap Jack. Then we had a short meeting to elect officers for the next month. Patty Chaffee is librarian; Ann Young, secretary; and Anne Renouf, treasurer. We decided to have an exchange library of books and magazines that we have read, and would like to lend to other Brownies in the troop. Each Brownie who wants to can take a book home every week.

After the meeting, we went to the common to skate, and then had refreshments of cookies and cocoa with the Brownies of Troop 1 at the Parish House.

Ann Young, Secretary

Names on the Ballot

Moderator	Vote for One
Lewis H. Blackmer, Rep.	
Town Clerk	Vote for One
George A. Poole, Rep.	
Treasurer	Vote for One
William E. Shaw, Rep.	
Tax Collector	Vote for One
William E. Shaw, Rep.	
Selectmen	Vote for Three
Charles F. Austin, Rep.	
Francis M. Austin, Rep.	
Frank L. Gold, Rep.	
Marjorie G. Tilton, Nom. Pa.	
School Com., 3 yrs.	Vote for One
Fannie G. Morey, Nom. Pa.	
George A. Poole, Rep.	
Cemetery Com., 3 yrs.	Vote for One
Lincoln A. Cook, Nom. Papers	
Harlan B. Davis, Nom. Papers	
Fred F. Dewey, Rep.	
Assessor for 3 yrs.	Vote for One
Henry H. Witt, Rep.	
Tree Warden	Vote for One
Harold P. Cook, Rep.	
Constables	Vote for Five
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, Nom. Pa.	
Frank L. Gold, Rep.	
D. Donald Hazen, Rep.	
Albert G. Markham, Rep.	
Louis A. Shumway, Rep.	
William H. Snow, Rep.	

Draft Board Notes

The February call is the largest in months, and to fill the same will probably work some hardship. In accordance with directives, farmers under 26 are all being called in for pre-induction physicals, regardless of whether they may be obviously deferred.

This month the selective service board called into conference Mr. Leland of the county war board. It was apparent that not all under 26 can be taken from the farms. As in the past, it is expected that following the physical examinations, the county board will be asked to recommend who are really necessary men on the farms and who can be spared.

Grange Birthday Party

The postponed Grange birthday party of Tuesday evening, scarcely drew a better night than on the original date, but it was do or die this time, anyhow. As it happened, the schools were closed both days by reason of a blizzard. The school teachers of the town were guests of honor all had a grand time. Charles F. Austin, master, gave words of welcome.

The tables for the several months were tastefully decorated, one having the miniature church made by Mr. Camp, all lighted. Chairmen at the several tables sponsored games, stories, talks, songs, etc., while at the close white elephants in gift wrappings were dispensed under the sponsorship of Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth, who called off the numbers.

Guy Harrington, principal at the High school, at the evening's close, on behalf of the schools, expressed appreciation for the fine time enjoyed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS

Jan. 31. Chimney fire at B. Joe Kelley's.



Corp. Robert Parsons
SAW Det. 50
Camp Pinedale
Fresno, Cal.

Technician 5th Grade Kenneth A. Rhodes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhodes, has graduated from the Armored School Tank Department at Fort Knox, Ky.

Corp. Robert Parsons, who has been stationed at Drew Field, Fla., has been spending ten days at his home in town. He left yesterday to report at Camp Pinedale, Fresno, Cal.

Pfc. Harlan D. Rhodes, who has been overseas 26 months, during which he was also in combat service, is now at the home of his father, Clinton R. Rhodes of Old Enfield Road, on a 30-day furlough. He was in combat in Africa and Italy, being at the front line with the 1st Armored Division and has on his uniform two battle stars, campaign ribbon, good conduct medal and a driver's medal.

Pfc. Rhodes says he made five trips across oceans: point of embarkation to England, taken to Africa, to Italy, back to Africa and return to this country. For the last ten months he has been in Africa, and speaks interestingly of the Arabs. The only serviceman he met whom he knew while overseas, was Walter Moore of this town, whom he saw in Africa.

Pfc. Rhodes is scheduled to report at Fort Devens on the 14th of this month.

Among those receiving honorable discharges, not previously mentioned, are Corp. John F. Hanifan and Master Sergeant James McKillop. Corp. Hanifan participated in the India-Burma campaign and received the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre ribbon with one bronze star. He was inducted Feb. 26, 1943. Master Sergeant McKillop was a member of the Hq. & Serv. Co., 1302nd Eng. Regt. He was inducted February 26, 1943.

Rationing Board Notes

It is announced that it is no longer necessary to publish the names of those awarded tire certificates.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Missives from Lt. Krone

December 21

Got off duty at 8.30 this evening. Not bad.

More packages of food for our Christmas, and what to do with it is a problem. My boys (patients) tell me if this war is over in 7 or 8 months we will be lucky.

This will be only a note, as I'm quite tired. Things have been quite warm around here. They bombed our water main again.

We are alerted—and can't go anywhere. Did we get a kick out of that as we haven't any place to go—only that means we are on 24-hour duty.

The Heinies played tricks on us and landed 500 paratroopers not far from here—sooo we play real soldiers now, ready to evacuate our patients if we have to and get orders to get up at 3 a. m. Period.

Just looked out our windows and listened to a Jerry. Out go our lights and are we disappointed when we do not see one take a tailspin.

Had some wine, mayonnaise, butter and milk on the window sill, but it "ain't there now." The devilish bombs shook the place so that it all fell to the ground.

Don't we get fun in Germany? Right now, even with all the rush, we are getting ready for Christmas so the boys will have trees, etc.

When they brought some of the boys in today, one kid looked up and said, "Gee, nurse, so near the front—ain't you scared?" No, we aren't, not as yet.

December 22

Evacuated my darling patient today who lost both feet. Wanted my home address so he could send me a card when he got back to work. He was the grandest chap. The boys told him about my jabbing him in the heart muscle. He said he was thankful to me for his being here. I really did not know what to say, as without feet—well, I thought, he may want to pass out. But no, he still wanted to live. Said he could sit and carry on his business, and he really went to getting well in a big way and will make the grade. On his way he called back, "Bye, Lt., I'll see you some day on S. I."

December 23

B-U-D broadcasting the latest reports on the War News. Presume by this time our radios at home have us all P. O. W. By the time you get this—yes, the reports are quite true. They did drop numbers of paratroopers, but we still are not under German rule.

It's been very HOT here. At 1.30 the flares in the sky were beautiful. The entire sky was lighted as though it were early morning. Those devils were strafing the road right near us but did not get much. Our anti-aircraft brought him down and kept the others so high they

Excerpt from---

GENERAL LAWS—Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Chapter 41, Sec. 1, page 17:

"Women shall be eligible to all town offices, notwithstanding any special law to the contrary."

MARJORIE G. TILTON

Candidate for Selectman

could not do any damage. They were very interesting to watch.

If only you could see the birds when the tracers go up. They flew in all directions. They tried first one direction, then the guns would go off and around the birds would turn.

I might say we are in front of The Front. The Heinies are now in back of us. What's the old saying?

"Guns to the right of us,
Guns to the left of us."

Guess when you come right down to it, they are on all sides. But still we aren't in any worse spot than when we were at St. Mere Eglise. They had us there in a pocket. Certainly this is a tough spot, but not any more so than a few others. We have our orders to evacuate if we have to retreat, but that we won't do.

It's for the sake of our patients that those orders come out. I hope you do not worry too much about me. By the time you get this, you will have worried at least two weeks anyway. So you may stop right now.

We are getting our wards dressed up for Christmas. Have trees decorated with shiny balls, and some of them have "P-38's" hanging on them.

Learned from someone that four freight trains were blown to bits, and it had all our mail—soo no mail for some time, I fear. The picture of Mother and Dad may be among that; also my girdle, maybe. We all look for mail more than packages.

This is the first time we have ever been in front of the front lines, and I can assure you it is interesting. Most always, three miles, but right now the front is 20 miles behind us. Now that's news! Hope you are all right. I am and still not a P. O. W.

Later On

Have evacuated most of our patients. Have only 12, so you can see how quickly we can empty when we have to. We can clean out a couple of hundred in a few hours. It is devilish hard work, as we have charts, etc., to do, tag them and get them in the ambulances. But it can be done. It's what you call system.

Took down all the cots, packed all the blankets. Today we pack our own duds. We may not be here for Christmas. Can you beat that? All our Christmas trees up and then no stockings. This will surely be a German Christmas for us and I don't know the words "Silent Night"

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cause there "ain't none" here in Germany.

December 24, 5 a. m.

It will be Christmas Eve tonight, but if it keeps up as it is, we won't even know it. We are too busy to think, and it may be a very good thing.

We are now "loaned out" to the 9th army, so don't be alarmed if you hear the various reports. It's "lend-lease", the great American gesture, even as far as we are concerned. Ha! ha! All joking aside, we are now backing the 9th army, so suppose we will be very busy. We evacuated all our patients to be ready for this drive, sooo, again the rat race will continue. It really is most interesting how they move us around. Heinies are flying low tonight, rattling our windows, but if only I could go to bed right now, I'd never hear them.

Don't worry. I will admit the Heinies did break thru, and you know long before this letter reaches you that they are in Belgium. We are still here—the nearer the front in this game, the better you are. At present we have a good break to stay here and not be sent back to Belgium.

Don't let the radio get you. They will make this a sob story, but we can't take it. It's not funny, but they will not beat our boys. Just more trickery on the part of the Heinies, but tricks you know can be played both ways. We are not worried, so don't you be.

Belgium, January 3

Back here living in a "Nunery." Waiting to see what comes next. Don't worry. I'm all right. —Bud

Tractor Parts Arrive

Parts for the town tractor, which broke down recently, have now all arrived, the last coming yesterday. The work of installation is in progress and it is hoped to have the machine going soon. Some outside help has been received in the matter of snow removal, so that most of the roads are passable.

Proposes Quabbin Corners League

Arthur B. Haley, who it will be remembered, was educational director at the CCC camp on the Ware road, submits the following sports article:

As the basketball season swings into its last half, and the teams for the Annual Tournaments are being lined up, there has been some discussion regarding the teams of the four Quabbin hill-top towns, Petersham, New Salem, Belchertown and Hardwick, which are located at the four corners of the Quabbin reservoir and within easy access of each other. Furthermore they are schools of about the same size and similar small-sized basketball courts, and all have both girls' and boys' teams, except Belchertown, which probably will put a girls' team into action when the proposed improvements have been made in the gymnasium facilities.

These "Quabbin Corners" teams have been exchanging games in their baseball and basketball schedules for years, and a natural rivalry exists between them all. Generally the home games are played on Fridays between these schools, and the mid-week games on Tuesdays or Wednesdays are scheduled with teams from other neighboring towns which are in other leagues or groups. During the present basketball season the boys' teams of the Quabbin Corners have been playing preliminary games with the Orange, Athol and Ware Javees, and have remained to witness the varsity games between the larger high school rivals of those teams, as guests of the managements and have profited thereby. All these Quabbin Corners teams will be entered in the Small Schools Tournament at Orange in March, together with other schools which are nearby—Barre, Thayer, Brattleboro, Sanderson, Charlemont and others.

Schedule making with four teams in a league is simple, and with six basic games on Fridays, the remaining contests are filled in with natural surrounding-town rivals who may belong to other leagues and have similar open dates on their schedules.

In order to make the Quabbin Corners League function during the fall term, there has been suggested an all-afternoon sports carnival between the boys and girls and to be held in mid October. There seem to be possibilities in such a league.

Charter Night Ceremonies

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marching in, two by two, of about 30 Boy Scouts of the institution, with their scoutmaster, John P. O'Connor.

Dr. Tadjell gave words of welcome, following which there was the recitation of the scout oath and the pledge of allegiance. The song, "Hiking," was then sung. Following the song, Dr. Tadjell introduced the several guests, each in turn taking a bow.

A recorded recitation by Helen Hayes, "The National Anthem," was lent an effective setting when the stage curtains parted, revealing Old Glory floating in the "breeze."

Scoutmaster O'Connor then conducted an impressive candlelight service. As each scout lighted a candle, he saluted, and gave a scout characteristic.

Chief Warner was then called upon for remarks. He complimented the boys on the progress they had made since his visit here November 17, and called for a hand for the girls and ladies who had made the uniforms. He said, "Your charter night program has gone off as smoothly as any I have ever attended," and he indicated that he had attended many.

He emphasized the fact that he hoped and expected to be back in a year and learn of real accomplishments of Troop 509. He said that scout training makes for leadership, and said the the military unit that had earned the title of "the toughest outfit in the Pacific," had former scouts as officers, which probably explained the designation.

Mr. Warner presented Dr. Tadjell with the charter, the latter expressing thanks. Badges were then given the several scout members by members of the troop committee at the school.

The ceremony concluded with the singing of America, and taps. Special programs for the evening, featuring red candles, were printed at the school print shop.

Following the exercises, refreshments were served the scouts and their scout guests.

Grange Notes

The regular meeting of Union Grange will be held Tuesday evening. This will be Advertising Night and will be in charge of the educational committee.

Boy Scout Notes

Several boys under the leadership of Scoutmaster Shattuck attended the charter night exercises of Troop 509 of the Belchertown State School. After a very impressive and well-planned evening, in which Chief Warner and several other officials took part, refreshments were served at the canteen.

Our weekly meeting was held as planned and the boys worked on their patrol projects, and further plans for the winter carnival were made.

We were very fortunate to have a Dutch sailor friend of Scoutmaster Shattuck present. He entertained the boys with an account of his voyages since his visit last fall.

Plans for the Boy Scout supper were also made.

George Jackson, Reporter

Congregational Church Notes

Charlotte Dube will lead the Youth Fellowship meeting on Sunday evening.

FOR SALE—1 pair 16 in. racing tubular skates, size 8, specially padded in the heel. Phone 2511.

LOST—"Boogie," wearing a brass-studded collar. Missing since Sunday. Any having information concerning the dog, please call Ira Shattuck.

Card Party Next Week

The Women's Guild of the Congregational church will sponsor a card party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Henry A. Tadjell, next week Wednesday evening at 8. Both bridge and pedro will be played. Mrs. Carrie Dale and Mrs. Tadjell will be hostesses.

Town Items

Boy Scout Week, February 8 to 14, will be observed locally. It is expected that recognition will be made of the movement in the several pulpits on the 11th, and on Wednesday evening, February 14, the local organization will be the guests of the men's club and furnish the program.

The men's club meeting is being held a week earlier this month by reason of its Boy Scout anniversary observance.

The B. H. S. basketball team went to Athol last Saturday night and played a team from the High school there, being defeated 24-23. Tonight B. H. S. plays Hardwick at Gilbertville.

The American Legion oratorical contest will be held at Memorial hall this afternoon at 1.15.

The sum of \$130 is being named this year in one of the articles in the town warrant, instead of the customary \$90 for the salaries of the school committee. "C. L.," who retires from the board this year, accepted no compensation for his services, something hardly to be expected of whoever may succeed him.

At their meeting last Friday, the selectmen drew the name of Kenneth F. Bristol to serve as grand juror for the year, and the names of John D. Keyes and D. Donald Hazen to serve as traverse jurors for the February sitting of court.

Belchertown Farms took over yesterday the milk route formerly run by Harold Cook, who succeeded his father J. Howell Cook, and grandfather, Jacob V. Cook, in the business.

The Girl Scout A. Association will meet with Mrs. Byron Hudson next week Friday evening.

The Freshmen class of B. H. S. will hold a valentine dance in Memorial hall next week Friday evening. Jimmy Downing's orchestra will furnish music.

The American Legion will meet in the recreation room next Tuesday evening at 8.

CASINO

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"SEVENTH CROSS"
Wm. Boyd Hop-a-long Cassidy
"TEXAS MASQUERADE"

SUN., MON., FEB. 4-5
Geo. Coulouris
"THE MASTER RACE"
Andrews Sisters
"MOONLIGHT and CACTUS"

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School Schedule Affected

Schools closed at noon on Monday, by reason of another blizzard, and while the weather cleared in the afternoon, the high winds that night drifted the roads so that there was no school on Tuesday. Although school was resumed on Wednesday, the bus drivers were instructed to take no chances and pick up children only on roads open to travel.

Girl Scout Notes

Sixteen Girl Scouts of Troop 1 attended the Charter night ceremonies at the State School Wednesday night. We enjoyed the candlelight service especially. We thank the Boy Scouts of Troop 509 for the very splendid time we had.

The biggest news on Thursday was about the March of Dimes. We have collected \$73 with the help of the Center school, the Sunday School and many other people of Belchertown.

Our lily of the valley crests have arrived, and will be appearing on the uniforms of the girls.

Badge work progressed once more under the leadership of Mrs. Hussey and Mrs. Holland. As a group, we are working for the My-Troop badge. This work teaches more about the Girl Scout organization and how to improve our troop.

Next week, we are invited to a valentine party by Patrol 1. Hazel Mae Utley, Scribe

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence, as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Boy Scout in Ideal and Purpose."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Building Better Boys."—Boy Scouts guests of honor.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

Organizational Meeting—Veterans of Foreign Wars—in veterans' headquarters, Memorial hall, 3 p. m.

MONDAY

Annual Appropriations' Meeting in Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.

TUESDAY

Valentine Party for Junior Department of Congregational Church School at Parish House at 4 p. m., preceded by skating.
American Legion Auxiliary in Recreation Room at Memorial hall.
Old Timers vs. Town Team in town hall. Preliminary game between B. H. S. teams at 7.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Valentine Party for Primary Department of Congregational Church School at Parish House at 3.30 p. m.
Men's Club in Congregational Parish House. Supper at 6.30 p. m.
O. E. S. Meeting.

FRIDAY

Union World Day of Prayer Service in Methodist Church, 2 p. m.

TODAY

Freshmen Dance
Girl Scout A. Association at Mrs. Byron Hudson's.

TOMORROW

Youth Fellowship Food Sale in Vestry of Methodist Church, from 2 to 5 p. m.

Contribute to Blood Bank

A total of 26 contributed to the blood bank Monday, four of them from the State School. Mrs. Dora Duncan contributed for the eighth time, making her a member of the Gallon club.

The following contributed to the blood bank: Preston Atwood, Mrs. Mary Beddingfield, Mrs. Dorothy Cannon, Mrs. Priscilla Casey (Granby), Mrs. Harriet Chevalier, Mrs. Germaine Deselets, Mrs. Annie Dodge, Mrs. Catherine Dyer, Mrs. Ruth Fuller, Mrs. Irene Hazen, Charles Howard, Mrs. Beatrice Howland, Mrs. Hazel Hubbard, Mrs. Alma Lindquist, Mrs. Helen Miner, Mrs. Alice Nutting (Granby), Mrs. Blanche Reilly, Ira Shattuck, Mrs. Julia Shumway, Mrs. Petronella Squires, Mrs. Emma Towne, Mrs. Hilda Westwell, and from the State School: Mrs. Dora Duncan, Miss Cecelia Ross, Miss Myrtle Rhodes, Miss Beatrice Martin.

Raymond C. Gay, Henry Berger, Charles Howard and Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth furnished transportation for all but those from the State School.

The drive was sponsored by Mrs. Nannie Berger and Mrs. Irene Hazen.

Valentine Dance Tonight

The Freshmen class asks the public to bear in mind the Valentine dance, held under their auspices, this evening at Memorial hall. Jimmy Downing's orchestra will furnish music. Price is 60 cents, including tax.

Result of the Ballot

Mrs. Marjorie G. Tilton made the headlines this week, she being the first woman to try for and actually to crash the board of selectmen in this town. Few new male candidates ever make the board on the first try. Mrs. C. V. Morey also came within a hair's breadth of defeating the male candidate for school committee. In fact she did defeat him in Precinct A.

Fred F. Dewey retained his position on the board of cemetery commissioners in a three-cornered contest, while the successful candidates for constable were those nominated at the Republican caucus.

Dates Spoken For

Feb. 22
Girl Scout Belchertown Canteen, Dance and Floor Show.
April 3
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial ball.

Music at the Rink

It is announced that music will be furnished in connection with skating on the common on Sunday afternoon from 2 to 4. This will be possible through the courtesy of Dr. A. E. Westwell of the State School, who will use the School loud speaker facilities.

It is also announced that hot dogs and cocoa will be on sale, the proceeds to be used for recreational purposes.

It is stated that if Sunday afternoon is not appropriate for the above program, it will be provided on the first available Sunday.

To Take Physicals

The following are scheduled to take pre-induction physicals on Monday, leaving the local post-office at 8.30 a. m.

John S. Fay	Old S'fd Rd.
Francis A. Gauthier	Wash. St.
Eugene Labrecque	S'fd Road
Casius Gubola	Shays H'way
Edward B. Conkey	Depot St.
Daniel P. Shea	No. Liberty St.
Frank J. Skorupsky	State School
Louis Dolat	So. Wash. St.
John R. Eurkus	Main St.
John A. Collis	Liberty St.
Edmond J. Krawiec	State St.
Stewart R. Wells	Main St.
Royal K. Gay	State St.
Francis H. Greene	Egleston St.
Raymond S. Johnston	Sabin St.
William S. Corder	Wash. St.
Kenneth R. Brown	Federal St.
John C. Cook	Bay Rd.
Roger Cartier	Cottage St.
Richard O. Kimball	

In the Amherst list, scheduled for the same day, we note the following Belchertown names:

George W. Ross	Gulf Rd.
Robert W. Jenks	Jenks Rd.
Kenneth O. Jenks	R. D. 2, Amh.

In an Amherst list for Tuesday are:
Malcolm S. Ross, Gulf Rd.
Vincent Ross, Gulf Rd.

As before stated, all 2C men under 26, are being called in, the subject of deferment coming up following the examinations.

"Old Timers" Back

A basketball game of considerable interest will be played next Tuesday night, when the Old Timers will meet the younger generation on the town hall surface. These were the teams that packed the hall last season. There will be a preliminary game at 7.30 between teams at the High School. Proceeds will go to the Belchertown Community Association.

Finance Committee Report

The report of the finance committee is printed in this issue. It will be noted that the committee recommends the passage of all the articles in the warrant, save the one to make sewer connections on Jabish street, which it believes should be indefinitely postponed, and the article regarding the sale of driveway to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., the driveway used by that concern and the town. The committee does not approve the article as drawn.

The committee also leaves open for discussion the article relative to raising and appropriating money for the purpose of removing the lock-up equipment from the old town hall to the basement of Memorial hall, and the articles relative to the appointment of a committee to bring in recommendations concerning an addition to the Center Grade school, and granting it money to secure tentative plans.

Among the articles recommended is the one to renovate the old town hall. While the total expense is estimated at \$8,000, it is proposed to use the \$1,500 already set aside for that purpose, \$4,500 from surplus revenue, leaving only \$2,000 to be raised by direct taxation.

The added amount for schools is by reason of a proposed increase in teachers' salaries.

No Recounts Asked

There were no petitions for recounts in any of the contests of Monday. According to law, the time for such filing expired yesterday afternoon at 5.

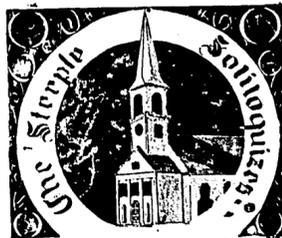
Boy Scout Night at Men's Club

The men's club will meet in the Congregational parish house next week Wednesday evening, one week earlier than usual, to observe Boy Scout week. The Boy Scouts of the town will be guests of honor and will give a demonstration of scouting, following which there will be a scout movie shown by Chief Harold Warner of Amherst, scout executive of the Franklin-Hampshire Council. Bowling will conclude the evening's program.

Supper will be at 6.30, with Donald Terry chairman of the supper committee.

Food Sale

Attention is again called to the Youth Fellowship food sale in the vestry of the Methodist church tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 5.



Town Election Provides Both Pep and Interest

In spite of the absence of a Democratic caucus and the presence of a lot of snow, the Annual Election here revealed a healthy awakening of interest in community affairs.

This writer still feels that a citizen's caucus will provide the fairest means of providing candidates for the voters and also feels that altogether too few able citizens are willing to subject themselves to the test of the ballot box and the subsequent hard work of town service. But there were some genuine contests this year, and that is a gain.

It was an encouraging election for the more recently emancipated sex. Marjorie Tilton crashed into a triangle held firmly by men since the town was founded. Those of us who have served on school committees know that a woman on the board is really not so bad, but it will be a new experience for the "Town Fathers" to find their very title a misnomer!

Somehow I don't particularly envy Marjorie. To find oneself a precedent must be a little scary. Men have a home-born habit of blaming most of their troubles on the women-folks and modestly accepting whatever credit the family can claim for progress. But don't be a silent partner, Mrs. Tilton. Let it be said later that not only was the first female candidate for the office of selectman elected but also that she was an excellent member of the triumvirate.

Mrs. Morey came very close indeed to making the "Slip Surge" (modern for "Petticoat Crusade") unanimously successful. Her fine run emphasizes the possibility that the ladies may be sticking together at the polls, a phenomenon all of us men have dreaded. A continuation of the tendency might stop wars. If the women all voted together, we'd never dare send the men out of town and lose our fighting chance on Election Day.

Advance in Williamsburg

Well, let's wipe off the lipstick and take a look at another Town Meeting. Over in Williamsburg the by-laws were amended to provide for a Board of Health to operate for the first time next year. That sounds sensible to me. No board of selectmen should want to be burdened by the duties of a board of health. This division of labor ought to be welcomed by everyone.

Appropriations Highlights

Our own Annual Appropriations Meeting has much lined up for discussion. Several matters other than the renovation of the Town Hall are being aired. One which should bring out the voters is the location or re-location of the lockup. The present calaboose has long been considerable of a mystery to me. Just how much we need a local jail is not entirely clear, and I do not recall ever seeing a facsimile of its

guest book. Most of those who have been arrested in the warm seasons seem to have been taken directly to a neighboring town for internment. In the winter season I suspect it has been pretty chilly in the Town Hall cage. If it is possible to do without a jail, it seems too bad to burden the basement of Memorial Hall with the "equipment," unless Guy Harrington needs an escape-proof detention room for his students.

The appointment of a committee to study the needs of additions to the Center Grade School and to prepare plans for probable use when the war is over, would seem to be excellent foresight.

Local Heat Economy

In a winter of considerable cold and not so much fuel, a certain Belchertown couple of our acquaintance is finding a tradition of theirs most appropriate to the needs of wartime economy. Late each fall, when the season of putting up the storm windows and taking down the screen doors is upon us, they dismantle their twin beds and take the double bed down from the attic. When the first warm breezes of spring invite the business of kicking off the covers, they reverse the process. Although the custom adds something to seasonal labor, these two feel that their efforts are not entirely wasted. Incidentally, over the years of moving the furniture about, the center-board has been lost.

A COUPLE OF VALENTINES

To M. T.
Women have made men;
Women have wrecked men;
But you are our first
To be made a Selectman.

Parlor or Politics,
I think it's nice
To have our puppy-dog tails
Mixed with sugar and spice.

To Charlie and Doc

In case you still wonder
If you can afford
To set sail on your voyage
With a woman on Board.

Consider old Noah—
When he made his ark
Without Mrs. Noah
He could not embark

You're one up on Noah,
For when forth he went
He had no penicillin
Nor oxygen tent.

And if by some chance

Things take a bad turn,
It takes only two
For a vote to adjourn.

Listen to the old clock below me
—tick, tick, tick. It has counted
off another week of your life:

"The fourteenth of February is a day sacred to St. Valentine. It was a very odd notion, alluded to by Shakespeare, that on this day birds began to couple; hence, perhaps, arose the custom of sending on this day letters containing professions of love and affection."
Noah Webster

—Bob Jackson

Methodist Church Notes

The Boy Scouts will be guests of honor at the morning service on Sunday.

To Observe World Day of Prayer

A call to prayer goes out to all people. You are invited to join in a Fellowship of Prayer the world around on the World Day of Prayer, the first Friday in Lent, Feb. the 16th. This is sponsored by the United Council of Church Women, and services will be held in the Methodist church at 2 p. m. next week Friday, under the auspices of the W. S. of C. S., in cooperation with the Women's Guild. It is hoped the women of the community will avail themselves of this opportunity for worship, thanksgiving, confession, intercession and dedication. The committee in charge is Mrs. Annie French, Mrs. Byron Hudson and Mrs. Annie Bruce.

More About Floor Show

The Senior Scouts were invited to the Charter Presentation at the State School, which we all thought was very impressive. We wished we could have had our uniforms to wear that night, but we hope to have them soon.

A meeting was held at Westwell's afterwards. We talked mostly about our "Belchertown Canteen." Some of the girls are in a chorus, which is extremely good. The floor show is under the direction of Dr. Westwell. Tickets to the dance and floor show will be 36 cents, including tax. Reserved tables are 25 cents extra, and will be reserved by getting in touch with Diane Allen, Tel. 2091. We're sure that everyone who comes will enjoy himself immensely. Remember all profits go to the Canteen unit for the firemen and town. Even if you can't come, try to buy a ticket, which will be on sale very shortly.

Diane Allen, Secretary

High School Honor Roll

First Honors
(Averages of 90 or over)

Seniors:
Mavis Dickinson
Charlotte Dyer
Margaret Sullivan

Juniors:
Rita Bouchard
Nancy Farley
Shirley Hazen

Sophomores:
George Jackson

Freshmen:
Sophie Jusko
Amelia Smola
Evelyn Squires
Elizabeth Suhm

Eighth Grade:
Ann Austin

Second Honors

(No grade below 85 for an average)

Seniors:
Florence Fay
Wilfrid Noel
Theresa Stolar

Juniors:
Florence Brulotte
Mary Kulig
Claire Lamoureux
Mary McKillop
Allen Tadjell

Sophomores:
Frank Antonovitch
Ann Hanifin
Jane Kimball
Helen O'Seep
Louise Romaniak
George Wezniak
Shirley Williams
Willard Young

Freshmen:
Peter Adzima
Diane Allen
Frances Bartholomew
Phyllis Bigos
Jean Bouchard
Lois Chadbourne
Elinor Heath

Eighth Grade:
Barbara Barrett
Betty Bishop
Roger Coltey
Rose Noel
Shirley Snow
Dorothy Socha
Ruth Sullivan



WITH THE 26th (YANKEE) INFANTRY DIVISION in LUXEMBOURG — Ten battle-scarred sergeants, veterans of the campaign in Lorraine, have been appointed in a group as second lieutenants in the 328th Infantry Regiment of the Yankee Division by order of the Commanding General of the Third Army.

It is the largest list of appointments made in any outfit in the Yankee Division at one time.

The ten receiving battlefield commissions are as follows: (included in the list is the name of Edward L. Germain of this town.—Ed.)

Pfc. and Mrs. Ellison Dodge are parents of a son, Ronald Dwight, born January 27. Mrs. Dodge is living at Walpole, while Pfc. Dodge is stationed at Camp Ritchie, Md.

News has been received from Pvt. Donald E. Sessions that he is in Germany. At the time he said they were "living in" someone's cellar."

Harvey Dickinson, AMM 3-C
824-93-86
N A S Terminal Island
San Pedro, Cal.

Staff Sgt. Patrick V. Flaherty was slightly wounded in action in Belgium, January 14, according to a telegram received from the War Department by his father Joseph P. Flaherty. A letter from his son, telling of a leg and back injury, and of being in a hospital, also has been received, according to the daily press.

A brother, Pfc. Michael E. Flaherty, 28, is home, recovering from wounds received in action at the Anzio beach-head, and has been awarded the purple heart.

Miss Ruth Ward, former assistant postmaster here, now of Oakland, Cal., writes:

"Have thought so many times of the boys who come to San Francisco to ship out, and would be glad to have them and their buddies for a dinner anytime, if they care to get in touch with me at the post-office, where I work.

"It is Station C at 20th and Broadway, Oakland, and very easy to find."

Town Items

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet in the recreation room at Memorial hall next Tuesday evening, the 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Dana are parents of a daughter, Judith Ann, born January 24th at Mary Lane hospital.

It is expected that the first of the town reports will be out tomorrow.

Congregational Church Notes

A valentine party for the Junior Department of the Church School will be held Tuesday afternoon. Following skating after school, the group will go to the parish house at 4 for games and refreshments. Each child is requested to bring a valentine.

A valentine party for the Primary Department of the Church School will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 at the parish house. Each child is requested to bring a valentine.

Seven tables of bridge and one of pedro were in play at the Women's Guild card party at Dr. and Mrs. Henry A. Tadjell's on Wednesday evening. High scorer for women was Mrs. Cora Steen, and for men, Byron Hudson. Consolation prize for women went to Mrs. Pearl Green, and for men to Frederick Farley. Willard Young won the prize in pedro. Refreshments were served.

The Oratorical Contest

The annual American Legion oratorical contest, in which the participants are High school students, was held at Memorial hall last Friday afternoon, and was open to the public. The subjects were all based on the Constitution. The students taking part were Barbara Hudson and Mavis Dickinson, seniors; Mary McKillop, junior; Frank Antonovitch, sophomore. Paul Aldrich, freshman, also scheduled to speak, was ill, and did not participate.

The awards were as follows: First, Barbara Hudson; second, Mary McKillop. Honorable mention went to Mavis Dickinson and Frank Antonovitch. The judges were Carl Peterson, Mrs. Chester Hussey and Mrs. Henry H. Witt. Mrs. Sophia Pero and Miss Dorothy Sawoit of the High school faculty were in charge.

Win Two Games

B. H. S. AT HARDWICK

Playing the return game with Hardwick, our Belchertown Five again came out on top with a running score of 45 to 18. Previously defeating Hardwick on our own floor by fewer points, we doubled the score on the opponents' floor.

The game was off to a slow start but when our team started working, they really went ahead, leaving the score at the end of the first half, 27 to 4. At the end of the third quarter, Coach Piper substituted the Junior team for the first team and they also went to work, holding and scoring against Hardwick.

The two high scorers of both teams were: B. H. S., Noel, with 14 points; Hardwick, O'Brien, with 12 points. The line-up was as follows:

Belchertown		Hardwick	
B	F	P	
Barrett P., lf	4	0	8
Barrett B., lf	0	0	0
Noel, rf	7	0	14
McKillop, rf	1	0	2
Jusko, c	3	1	7
Hislop, c	0	0	0
Young, lg	0	0	0
Pierce, lg	0	0	0
Bock, rg	5	2	12
Adzima, rg	0	0	0
Tribe, rg	0	2	2
	20	5	45

Belchertown		Hardwick	
B	F	P	
Barbaric, lf	1	0	2
O'Brien, rf	5	2	12
Valardi, c	0	1	1
McBride, lg	1	1	3
Blackmer, rg	0	0	0
Ruggles, rg	0	0	0
	7	4	18

B. H. S. AT NEW SALEM

Feb. 6
The going was much harder at New Salem but we closed the game with our record still perfect. We are still undefeated by teams of our own class.

The game was very close but in the second half, Bock brought up

our score and came out high scorer. We had to work for every point and we were glad of the close of the game with the score 23 to 15. The score was tight at the end of the first half, 10 to 9. The line-up:

Belchertown		New Salem Academy	
B	F	P	
Barrett P., lf	1	2	4
McKillop, lf	0	1	1
Noel, rf	1	0	2
Barrett B. rf	0	0	0
Jusko, c	2	0	4
Young, lg	0	1	1
Adzima, lg	0	0	0
Bock, rg	4	3	11
Ayers, rg	0	0	0
	8	7	23

Belchertown		New Salem Academy	
B	F	P	
Haskins, rf	4	0	8
Streeter, rf	0	0	0
Laraimie, lf	0	2	2
Cogswell, c	1	0	2
Muke, rg	0	0	0
Streeter, lg	1	1	3
	6	3	15

Town Items

Mrs. Roy Adams and daughter, Pamela, are guests of Mrs. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hubbard.

There will be a meeting in the veterans' quarters in Memorial hall, Sunday, February 11th, at 3 p. m., for all veterans, including the Spanish American War, World War I, and World War II, of foreign land and sea service. All interested in forming a Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, and are eligible, are asked to attend.

The funeral of John D. Fay of Gulf Road was held in Dwight Chapel on Sunday afternoon at 3. Rev. Maxwell M. Welch, pastor of the Pelham Federated Church, officiated. Bearers were the four sons, John S. and Roy F. of this town, Harold R., of the Army and Donald L. of the Navy. Burial was in Dwight cemetery.

More Hard-to-Get Items

- Folding Ironing Boards with Pad and Cover
- Snow Shovels Brooms
- Padlocks
- Kellog Brushes of all kinds
- Pyrex Measuring Cups, Pie Plates, Sauce Pans (with detachable handles)
- Bread Knife and board
- Dryer (indoor)
- Portable Victrola
- Clothesline
- Dog Leashes and Collars
- Feather Pillows
- Baby Auto Seats
- Nursery Seats
- Combination High Chair (Play Chair with Nursery Seat)
- Nursery Dim-a-lites
- Asbestos Mats (sets of three)
- Stove Mats
- Steel Wool
- Lanterns
- Step Stools (unfinished)
- Dry Mops
- Cocoa Mats
- Cheese Cloth (by yd. or quantity)

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It IS a good idea. And she's wise! For when she lends to Uncle Sam, she's saving for herself . . . and a happier, better tomorrow.

Ruddy Kibben
YOUR ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Central Mass. Electric Co.
Palmer, Mass.

Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriations 1944	Expended 1944	Recommended 1945
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$790.56	Chairman \$300.00 Other mem. 400.00 Expenses 100.00
Town Accountant	425.00	412.97	Salary 400.00 Expenses 25.00
Treasurer	690.00	599.44	Salary 525.00 Expenses 165.00
Town Clerk	450.00	434.90	Salary 300.00 Expenses 150.00
Tax Collector	725.00	647.09	Salary 500.00 Expenses 225.00
Assessors	675.00	681.16	Salary 600.00 Expenses 100.00
Certification of Notes	20.00		20.00
Law	100.00	19.49	100.00
Election and Registration	700.00	869.28	700.00
Town Hall	50.00	63.39	50.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00	249.42	350.00
Police	500.00	586.41	500.00
Fire Department	900.00	1,134.07	1,300.00
Forest Fires	900.00	923.49	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00	599.22	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00	157.01	200.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	75.00	67.95	75.00
Health	1,000.00	810.11	1,000.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00	1,619.49	2,500.00
Highways—Streets	350.00	128.05	100.00
Highways—Bridges	400.00	350.81	400.00
Highways—Chapter 81	3,500.00	16,307.69	4,120.00
Street Lights	2,000.00	1,941.24	2,000.00
Public Welfare	5,000.00	3,745.30	4,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,300.00	2,232.90	1,800.00
Old Age Assistance	26,800.00	27,187.23	21,000.00
Veterans' Aid	2,000.00	641.58	2,000.00
Schools	49,300.00	49,298.77	55,350.00
Vocational Education	300.00	269.38	300.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	200.00	211.03	200.00
Cemeteries	500.00	500.00	500.00
Soldiers' Graves	50.00	76.00	50.00
Interest	250.00	20.00	25.00
Memorial Day	100.00	81.43	100.00
Armistice Day	25.00	25.00	50.00
Town Clock	50.00		1.00
Public Dump	50.00	50.00	50.00
Insurance	2,200.00	2,201.71	1,300.00
Unclassified	400.00	317.04	500.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	915.48	1,000.00

All articles in the warrant are recommended, save that Articles 21, 25 and 26 are left open for discussion; Article 22 is not recommended as drawn; and indefinite postponement is recommended on Article 24.

Girl Scout Notes

A dandy Valentine party was given by Patrol 1 of the Girl Scouts, in spite of the snowstorm. Games were played, before we devoured refreshments, which were yummy. We had peanut butter and pineapple cream cheese sandwiches, cookies, a slab of ice cream and a chocolate drink. The valentine box, which we had, was very pretty. There was a contest of homemade valentines. Alice Heath, Fay Hislop, Catherine King, Rose Noel and Gloria Smith drew lots for the prize. Alice Heath won. We closed our meeting with a Good Night Circle.

Rose Noel, Scribe

Boy Scout Notes

Three Scouts, Stan Harrington, Dick Wonsik, and George Jackson, went to Scoutmaster Shattuck's on Wednesday afternoon to pass the tracking test. Dick also wanted to pass off the cooking test. After these were accomplished, we built a lean-to of brush and a campfire. This lean-to will be used as a bird feeding station for the remainder of the winter. Some farming was also learned. One of us milked two cows.

At last week's regular meeting several of us passed the Scout-pace test, projects were finished for a forthcoming exhibit, and plans made for the Board of Review held last night.

George Jackson, Reporter

Brownie Report

The Brownies of Troop 3 met at Mrs. Chaffee's on February 2nd. We learned a new song. Anne Renouf took the dues, and all those who wanted to, chose a book from the Brownie library to take home. We played a hiding game, and then worked on a secret for our mothers for a valentine. It was Mrs. Renouf's birthday, so we had ice cream cones before we went home.

Ann Young, Secretary

Grange Notes

Advertising Night was observed at Union Grange on Tuesday evening.

WANTED—Girl or woman to work in doctor's home. Room and board. Good pay. Tel. Ludlow 763.

WANTED—Cook stove complete with oil burner, tank, stand, etc. Good condition. Tel. 3305.

Bus Line Announcement

After Feb. 17, 1945, the first bus from Ware to Holyoke and the 7.05 from Holyoke will be discontinued until further notice, and the Sunday morning bus will not run after Sunday, Feb. 11.

W. E. BALLOU

Card of Thanks

I want to publicly express my thanks and appreciation for the support given me in the recent election.

Marjorie G. Tilton

Result of Ballot

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Moderator	Vote for One	
Lewis H. Blackmer	482	65 547
Town Clerk	Vote for One	
George A. Poole	484	74 558
Treasurer	Vote for One	
William E. Shaw	487	63 550
Tax Collector	Vote for One	
William E. Shaw	483	65 548
Selectmen	Vote for Three	
Austin C. F.	369	59 428
Austin Francis	383	64 447
Gold Frank L.	293	49 342
Tilton Marjorie	310	51 361
School Com., 3 yrs.	Vote for One	
Morey Fannie G.	264	33 297
Poole George A.	253	50 303
Cemetery Com., 3 yrs.	Vote for One	
Cook Lincoln A.	189	32 221
Davis Harlan B.	107	4 111
Dewey Fred F.	221	45 266
Assessor for 3 yrs.	Vote for One	
Henry H. Witt	461	61 522
Tree Warden	Vote for One	
Harold P. Cook	463	63 526
Constables	Vote for Five	
Chadbourne L. C.	314	57 371
Gold Frank L.	359	52 411
Hazen D. Donald	399	57 456
Markham Albert	432	50 492
Shumway Louis	423	54 477
Snow Wm. H.	346	49 395

A total of 625 votes were cast. 533 in Precinct A and 92 in Precinct B.

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Barry Fitzgerald
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Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this second day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Alice C. Rice, Assistant Register 9-16-23

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "The Unfinished Task."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
Dr. Raymond A. Kimmonth, guest speaker.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"God is No Respector of Persons."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

Draft Board Notes

Nearly twenty Belchertown farm boys left on a special bus on Monday to take their pre-induction physical examinations. This is the first time that local young men have not had to go to Ware to take the bus. 139 farm boys were examined in this district by reason of the directive to call in all such under 26 years of age. It is not yet officially known how many passed, as the reports first go to state headquarters at Boston and it is sometimes a week before they get back to Ware.
Cases involving young men who passed will then be turned over to the County War Board for investigation and recommendation, so it is likely to be some little time before final classifications are made.

Appropriations Meeting

The annual town meeting of Monday evening was a little more like the old-time variety, although there is some distance to go to match the frantic fervor of the former watch dogs of the treasury. When it came to raising and appropriating \$8,000 to renovate the old town hall, and over \$55,000 for schools (an increase of over \$5,000) there was only a lone flanking movement. E. S. Corder questioned whether the town could afford such a large outlay as concerns the former, while as concerned the extra school appropriation because it is planned to raise teachers' salaries so that there will be a higher expectancy of keeping teachers from migrating, he claimed it was entirely out of line with the government's program of holding wage levels. He stated he was in favor of both enterprises, but raised the above objections.
It takes two, however, to make an argument, and as apparently none of the proponents considered the opposition serious enough to challenge (the late M. A. Morse would have stood up in his boots and made an impassioned plea for the youth of Belchertown) they sat tight, anticipating the voters would vote overwhelmingly for the propositions, and they did.

Boy Scout Night at the Men's Club

There was a good attendance at the men's club at the Congregational parish house on Wednesday evening, when between 60 and 70 were present, including about 20 scouts and their leaders and four scout executives from the district.
A supper featuring frankfurts, beans and pie, was served by a committee consisting of Donald Terry, Guy C. Allen, Jr., Earle Allis, E. Clifton Witt and Harold Ryder, the scouts occupying seats of honor.
Following the repast there was a grand sing led by Harold F. Peck, chairman of the program committee, with Dr. Henry A. Tadgell and Dr. Arthur E. Westwell officiating simultaneously at the piano.
Rev. Joseph Belcher, president, then conducted a short business meeting, at which time Dr. Tadgell cordially invited the club to meet at the State School on March 21, at 6.45 and avail themselves of the facilities of the bowling alleys there. The supper feature will be omitted at that meeting.

MONDAY
TUESDAY
Grange Meeting.
Missionary Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Richard A. French at 7.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY
Women's Guild with Mrs. Bel-ding F. Jackson at 2.30 p. m.

THURSDAY
Prayer and Praise Service in the Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.
Girl Scout Belchertown Canteen, Dance and Floor Show. Entertainment at 8.15 p. m.

FRIDAY
SATURDAY

TODAY
Union World Day of Prayer Service in Methodist Church, 2 p. m.
B. H. S. vs. New Salem. Preliminary Game at 7 p. m.
Girl Scout A Association with Mrs. Byron Hudson.

TOMORROW

Dates Spoken For

April 3
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial hall.

Canteen Night Program

Final announcement is made of the Girl Scout Belchertown Canteen program scheduled for next week Thursday night, tickets for which are on sale.
The entertainment feature will start at 8.15. Included in the program is an act by the Boy Scouts, a contribution by the Belchertown Community Association, and an echo from the Gay Nineties' entertainment of a few years back. A Girl Scout ensemble will sing and dance. There will also be a fashion show. Dr. Arthur E. Westwell is assisting in coaching the program features.

Death of William M. Lines

William Marvin Lines, 83, died at his home on the Old Enfield Road on Tuesday. He was born in this town March 14, 1861, the son of Thomas and Sylvia (Munsell) Lines. He had spent his entire life in Belchertown.
Services were held Thursday afternoon at 3, with Rev. John P. Manwell officiating at the grave in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Union Prayer Service Today

Attention is again called to the World Day of Prayer service in the Methodist church this afternoon at 2, under the auspices of the W. S. of C. S., in cooperation with the Women's Guild.

Old-Timers Lose

The first game staged between the town's rival teams this year took place Tuesday. They were the Old-Timers and the Town team. The spectators witnessed one of the hardest games played in the hall, as rivalrous games are the ones to witness. The game as a whole was quite rough, with quarrels, but the referees, Mr. Harrington and Bob Morey, calmed things down before any real fight started.

The captains of the two teams were: the Old-Timers, Arthur Hennemann; Town team, Richard Hennemann. The high scorers for the Old-Timers were Albert Menard and Paige Piper. With the Town team, Richard Kimball, Elwyn Bock and Richard Hennemann made 8 points each to bring about their victory over the Old-Timers. The winning score was 34 to 29.

The benefits of the game, \$16.89, went to the Community association. The basketball used for the first time at the game was contributed by the Belchertown Community association. The line-up:

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Voters Lay Groundwork For Better Belchertown

The Appropriations Meeting this week should please everyone who has felt concern lest the citizens here forget their obligations to the youngsters. If all goes well, the Town Hall will be ready for real use before another winter. When a caretaker is found and regulations accepted for its use, the expense will be easily absorbed and we shall soon wonder how we ever got along without it. Memorial Hall has been more expensive to care for than the Town Hall and the old high school. But we should not want to go back to the days before the fire of 1922.

Also it looks as though local opinion would not be against improvements in the Grade School when they are again brought up to a vote. This time a committee is going ahead as the result of a command of the town. The last time the School Committee fought a lone battle and lost it. However, the real losers were the many children who have been crowded into inadequate quarters for several years now.

"In the clink", "in the hoose-gow", and "in the calaboose" will all be out-of-date in Belchertown soon. "Who's in the bin now?" will be the question.

The Steeple Guesses For Kids Now in School

People are making all sorts of guesses nowadays. Guesses about the day when Germany will surrender! Guesses about how long it will be before China is free from the Japs and our boys are marching into Tokio! Guesses about what our own lives will be like five or ten years from now, when war production is all over and we are back on peace-time hours!

I'm not very good at guesses myself. When I guess a boy is just too lazy to live, he shovels me a whole driveway. When I guess a little girl is just a nuisance, she is out cleaning up the car or up doing errands. Even when I guess we'll never get anywhere at doing things for our town kids, Scout troops and skating rink and fixed-up Town Hall all blossom in rapid succession. So I guess I'm not much of a guesser.

Even so, I'm making one more guess just for luck. I'm making it because I don't believe it is a guess. I'm as sure of it as I am that Easter morning will follow Ash Wednesday. This is it.

The boy or girl who is going to be a successful man or woman ten years from now is the boy or girl who is taking school seriously today. Right this minute there are jobs for everyone, and almost everyone has plenty of money to spend. But there are millions of soldiers coming home before long, and we've promised jobs to all of them. There certainly aren't going to be any more jobs when they come back than there are now.

There will be two or three folks trying to get one job, instead of

two or three jobs trying to get one worker. And believe me, the boy or girl who hasn't an education, who hasn't a trade, who hasn't learned to stick to work, is going to be out of luck. Even the most cheerful of forecasters, who are sure that America after the war is not going to be a depression America, do not promise happiness to the unprepared.

These are the days set aside for your preparation. If you are in Grade School and take advantage of them by learning your English, your arithmetic, and all the rest, and learning them well, you will be ready soon to take advantage of the opportunity for a high school education. If you are in high school and doing your work every day, you will find the doors of college, of military advancement, or of good jobs open for you when you are graduated. If you don't do your learning now, you will be facing the future like a kid with a pea-shooter facing an American tank.

I'm guessing you're going to need all the education you can possibly get. The Belchertown schools can put you on the straight track to a safe place in a new America. Will you do your part? I hope so. I guess so.

Lines Written to Accompany "A Favorite Recipe"

My favorite food?
It's all in the mood!

Sometimes chicken. Southern fried. Sometimes cookies, with raisins inside.

Often I could happily die stuffing myself with beefsteak pie. I count it rather gain than loss to smother vanilla with chocolate sauce.

In fact, to me it's never petty to chaw fried tripe or gargle spaghetti.

You could tell by just one look I have always lived in a house with a cook!

Result? It's rather hard for me to choose a favorite recipe. But for the Inquirer's sake I submit this one for "Raised Cake."

Some people call this choice confection.

By the funny name "Election." Every four years we remember To eat it early in November. But very often I petition My wife to bake a new edition!

Listen to the old clock below me —tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

Life's Mirror

There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave, There are souls that are pure and true;

Then give to the world the best you have And the best will come back to you.

Give love, and love to your life will flow,

A strength in your utmost need; Have faith, and a score of hearts will show

Their faith in your work and deed.

Give truth, and your gift will be paid in kind,

And honor will honor meet; And the smile which is sweet will surely find

A smile that is just as sweet. Give sorrow and pity to those who mourn;

You will gather in flowers again. The scattered seeds from your thought outborne.

Though the sowing seemed but vain. For life is the mirror of king and slave,

'Tis just what we are and do; Then give to the world the best you have

And the best will come back to you.

Madeline S. Bridges

—Bob Jackson

Girl Scout Food Sale

The sum of \$25.10 was realized on the food sale sponsored by the Girl Scout A Association on February 3. It is intended to use the proceeds to send some of the girls to camp.

Thanks is extended to Mr. Peck for the use of Phillips' Store, to Mr. Quink for cartons, and to all others who contributed to the success of the sale.

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| Requestfully Yours | Ac-Cent-Tchu-ate the Positive |
| Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart | I Walked In |
| Twilight Time | I'll Remember, Suzanne |
| Magic is the Moon | Only Another Boy and Girl |
| Strange Music | Every Time We Say Good-Bye |
| Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo Rae | Bye |
| Let Me Love You Tonight | Sleigh Ride in July |
| Saturday Night | Robin Hood |
| I Dream of You | Love Gone Cold |
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But I would like to have my address changed. I am no longer stationed at Camp Parks. As it is, the "Sentinel" has to be forwarded from there and it takes longer to arrive.

It must really be a job to keep up on the military addresses of the boys in the service.

I can't say much of what I am doing or how long I'll be here, but my address will always be the same, no matter whereabouts I am. That will hold true while I am outside the continental United States, which will probably be for several years. Although I am highly encouraged by the war news of the past month.

Again I want to tell you how much your "Sentinel" means to me. Sincerely yours,

Jackie

John W. Avery S 2-C

Raymond A. Kimmonth, Jr., seaman 1st class, stationed at Key West, Fla., is home on a 10-day leave.

Snow Statue

Belchertown may yet have its streets lined with ice statuary, as are the grounds around the colleges in Amherst in carnival time. Miss Dorothy Peeso modeled an intriguing statue of a dog in front of her house last week, although the warm weather caused it to "drule" and die. Some one told us that Dot missed the bus to see the Amherst ones, so decided to roll her own.

Old-Timers Lose

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Old-Timers		
Menard, lf	4	0 8
Shunway, lf	6	0 0
Piper, rf	4	0 8
A. Hennemann, c	3	0 6
Cook, lg	1	1 3
Ketchen, rg	2	0 4
Rhodes, rg	0	0 0
Town Team		
Kimball, lf	3	2 8
Bock, rf	4	0 8
Robertson, c	3	0 6
Ayers, rg	2	0 4
R. Hennemann, lg	3	2 8
Noel, lg	0	0 0

Finds Saw-whet Owl

Another sign of a severe winter—if one needed one—was discovered last week. Carl Peterson found a dead saw-whet owl outside of his barn. The bird may have been swept against the building during Friday's storm, or possibly may have died of exhaustion, as many are reported to do after their long flight from the far North, where they commonly winter.

The saw-whet is the smallest of our owls, measuring from seven to eight and one-half inches, two and one-half to three and one-quarter of which is tail. It may further be identified by its lack of ear-tufts, fine white streaks on its head, and a black bill. Its Yankee name is

due to one of its common songs. The food of the saw-whet, which consists largely of mice, is hunted only at night, for the bird sleeps all during the daylight hours. This fact, added to its diminutive size and its habit of living in the woods, explains why the bird is generally overlooked, even when in our locality.

Methodist Church Notes

The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Richard A. French on Tuesday evening, February 20, at 7.30.

A service of prayer and praise will be held next week Thursday evening at 7.30.

Town Items

Aime Claprod is in Holyoke Hospital with bronchial pneumonia. Miss Dorothea Shattuck has returned to her duties at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, after about a year's absence by reason of her health.

The selectmen have organized with Charles F. Austin, chairman, and Dr. Francis M. Austin, clerk.

B. H. S. will play New Salem Academy in the old town hall tonight. A preliminary game will be played between teams of B. H. S. The earlier game will start at 7.

Miss Barbara Downing has returned to her duties at the post-office, after being ill for a week with the grip. Mrs. Robert Moore substituted for her.

Here is a Message and a Promise to You Who are Waiting for a Telephone

BECAUSE the very lives of our fighting men depend on our giving them practically all the telephone equipment that can be made, thousands of civilians in all parts of the country who want service must wait.

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Of course service is provided immediately in cases where public health, safety and welfare are involved. None so qualified has had to wait for a telephone.

From time to time the War Production Board has modified these regulations, and the scope of the preference list has become somewhat broader. We intend to keep those on the waiting list posted periodically on such changes, and we'd like to have them keep us posted on changes in their own circumstances which would alter their status under these regulations.



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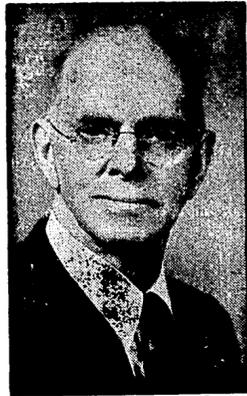
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Guy Allen, Jr., Belchertown
Wm. B. French, Granby
Charles Haskins, No. Amherst
W. Edward Smith, Ware

Appropriations Meeting

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The audience chuckled when \$1 was voted for the town clock. Evidently its condition is deemed hopeless for the duration, but the finance committee had not forgotten the razing it got the year they left the item out.

In regard to moving the lock-up from the town hall to the basement of Memorial hall, C. L. Randall, former member of the school committee, stated that the plan evidently was to use the space taken by the coal bin in the "High School building". He said the town had converted from oil to coal on a previous occasion and it might be necessary to do so again, so he was not in favor. H. F. Peck expressed the hope that the lock-up could be discontinued, the town availing itself of the facilities of near-by communities.

As concerns the town hall renovation, the committee was continued to consummate the project and was "further required to make rules and regulations for the custody and use of said building, and submit rules and regulations to a future town meeting for consideration." The sum of \$1,523.88 was appropriated from the original fund for that purpose, \$4,500 was voted to be taken from surplus revenue, while it was voted to raise and appropriate \$2,000 to complete the estimated \$8,000 required.

Mrs. Amy Witt and Mrs. Louise Sherman were chosen almoners of the Whiting Street and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman fund, each for one year; George Poole trustee of the Calvin Bridgman fund for three years; and Donald Hazen for one year. There was a fairly good attendance at the meeting, there being no quorum worries this time. Rev. John P. Manwell offered prayer after the reading of the warrant.

Some wondered if the proximity of the proposed building to the school building would affect the insurance, while William E. Shaw wondered if anyone had looked into the matter as to whether by reason of the terms of the Robinson bequest, the town had a right to sell without the approval of the probate court or possibly the attorney general. These fears were discounted and the vote to sell carried.

Other diagrams were on display in the hall. J. J. Kempkes, Sr., of the town hall renovation committee, had drawn plans of the proposed changes. These were thumb-tacked to the side of the rationing board office.

Henry Renouf of Robin farm threw a laugh when he smilingly inquired if withholding the \$150 appropriation for the rationing board would do away with that body.

The question was asked why \$100 was needed for civilian defense. It was explained that telephone facilities still had to be paid for and it was thought best to have a little something on hand—just in case.

\$100 was raised for the Honor Roll, and \$19.60 for a light on Jackson street. The matter of making sewer connections on Jabist St. was indefinitely postponed. The routine articles were voted as stated in the warrant.

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Congregational Church Notes

Race Relations Sunday will be observed on Sunday.

Dr. Raymond A. Kinmonth will be guest speaker at the Youth Fellowship meeting on Sunday evening. Miss Elinor Heath will lead the worship service.

Bus Line Announcement

After Feb. 17, 1945, the first bus from Ware to Holyoke and the 7.05 from Holyoke will be discontinued until further notice, and the Sunday morning bus will not run after Sunday, Feb. 11.

W. E. BALLOU

FOR SALE—Large red and white heifer, due to freshen this month. H. F. Peck

The February meeting of the Women's Guild will be held next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Belding F. Jackson, instead of Mrs. Harry Ryther, as per program.

Boy Scout Night

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master Ira Shattuck, the local troop put on a short program including the recitation of the scout oath, the pledge of allegiance, roll-call, first-aid demonstration, fire-making demonstration by Willard Young, and a signalling demonstration by Dick Hazen and Stanley Rhodes.

Second-class badges were presented Stanford Harrington, Dick Hazen and Stanley Rhodes by Chief Warner, who in a short ceremony duly "dubbed" them second-class scouts. George Jackson and Robert Hodgen had also qualified, but were unable to be present.

Chief Warner commended the local troop and gave interesting information concerning scouting goals and the activities carried on in the summer at the scout camp in Chesterfield. Chief Warner gave a running comment on two reels of silent movies on scout activities, while the concluding feature was a sound movie relating to scout interest in forestry and reforestation.

The final event of the evening was improvised bowling in the dining room, participated in by the scouts. Bill Young and "Beef" Spencer kept score.

Total Increases

Dr. Henry A. Taddell, chairman of the recent National War Fund drive, has been advised by the Massachusetts Council that an additional \$38.45 has been credited to the local Belchertown Fund. The agency indicated is the China Children Fund, but the donor's name is not given. The total for Belchertown to date now stands at \$1,570.69.

Town Items

Thomas Landers, and family of East Walnut street expect to move to South Hadley on Monday. Mr. Landers, who for some time has had a position in the schools there, has had to commute. Michael Mathras and family will occupy the tenement thus vacated.

The schools closed last Friday, due to the blizzard of the day preceding. The ridge of snow at the roadside by the common is now about as high as one's head.

William M. Hyde of Ware, former representative, has been appointed trustee of the Belchertown State School, succeeding Arthur H. Starratt of Athol.

By reason of the storm last week Thursday night, the meeting of the Girl Scout A. Association was postponed until tonight. This is at Mrs. Hudson's.

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Grange Notes

The next regular Grange meeting will consist of games, in charge of Harold Peck.

Applications for membership must be in at this meeting.

An invitation has been received to neighbor with South Amherst Feb. 26.

The Rationing Board Says

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "God and His Care for Man."
Public Dinner in Congregational Parish House at 12.30 p. m.

Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m. —Methodist Church—

Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m. "Dependence or Independence."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Firemen's Association.

TUESDAY

Special Primaries at Lawrence Memorial Hall. Polls open from 2 to 6 p. m.

Extension Service Coat Project Meeting in Recreation Room at Memorial hall at 1.30 p. m.

Double or Nothing Club at Congregational Parish House.

Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Ida Roberts.

WEDNESDAY

Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Annie French at 2 p. m.

Public Supper sponsored by the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S., in the Methodist Vestry from 5.30 to 7 p. m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW

Coat Project Meeting

The first meeting of the Extension Service Coat Project will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 in the recreation room at Memorial hall. The meeting is open to all interested in making a lined coat, either for a child, adult, or suit coat. No material need be brought to the first meeting. The leaders, Mrs. Joseph J. Kempkes and Mrs. Ira Shattuck, have already attended an instructional meeting under the direction of Mrs. Page of Mass. State College.

Public Dinner Sunday

The Women's Guild will serve a public dinner at the Congregational parish house on Sunday at 12.30. The menu will include hot dishes, salads, baked beans, rolls and pie.

The committee is Mrs. Alma Lindquist and Mrs. Guy Harrington, co-chairmen, Mrs. Freda Gould, Mrs. Carrie Dale, Mrs. Helen Miner and Mrs. Florence Utley.

Special Primaries

Special Primaries for the nomination of Representative will be held in Memorial hall next Tuesday afternoon, the polls being open from 2 to 6. Republican candidates are Aplington and Parsons of Amherst; Democratic, Janse of Amherst and Shea of Ware.

Farewell Dinner

Three young men of the Senior class at B. H. S.—James Pierce, Stanley Tribe and Elwyn Bock—expect shortly to enter the armed services, and by reason thereof, a farewell dinner was given in their honor at the school on Wednesday afternoon by their classmates. Guests included Principal Harrington; Mrs. Sophia Pero, class sponsor; W. Paige Piper, athletic coach; and Miss Midura.

The dinner was served by the domestic science pupils under the direction of Miss Mullen, instructor, and featured chicken with all the fixings and cream puffs.

High points in class history were recounted and a gift of money was presented to each.

At a special assembly the three young men were awarded letters by reason of their contribution in the field of athletics.

Dates Spoken For

March 10
Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at Phillips' Store from 2 to 4 p. m.

April 3
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial hall.

Red Cross Drive

The Red Cross War Fund Drive will begin on March 1st and continue throughout the month. Mrs. Barbara M. Terry, local chairman, has announced the following solicitors:

Dwight Station—Mrs. Eva Jenks
Federal St.—Mrs. Kenneth Hawkins

D. Shays Highway and vicinity—Mrs. Luther Shattuck

Bay Road and Pond Hill—Mrs. Marjorie G. Tilton

Cottage St.—Harold F. Peck
North Main St.—Mrs. Raymond Menard

J. Jackson St.—Mrs. Aubrey Lapo-lice

Around Common and East Walnut St.—Miss Janice Gay

Ware Road and Old Enfield Road—Mrs. Hudson Holland

Jabish St.—Mrs. Gould Ketchen
South Main St.—Mrs. Fannie Mor-ey

Mill Valley Road—Mrs. Louis Fuller

Cold Spring District—Mrs. Henry Renouf

Maple St.—Mrs. Anthony Amoco

G. Hannum and Holyoke Rds.—Mrs. Anna Witt

Old Springfield Rd. and Chauncey Walker St.—Mrs. Evelyn Char-ron

Turkey Hill Road—Miss F. Bru-lotte

Rockrimmon District—Mrs. Bar-bara M. Terry

Washington, Liberty and Franklin Districts—Franklin school stu-dents under supervision of Miss Shea and Miss Fitzgerald

It is hoped that each family will contribute here in town, and try to increase its donation this year, since the need is so much greater. All over the world America is fighting. Her armies are made up of men who sprang from all the countries of the world, men of all nations, creeds and races, who have come together in our New World, building by their blood and toil and laughter the America we know. At home, America is fighting, too. People of every race and creed, in every walk of life, are contributing to the giant Red Cross program of aid to those in need, at home and overseas. They number many million. Every one of us is a part of this great civilian army of mercy.

In wartime and in peace, this is a battle which goes on forever. This is a battle which is never wholly won. There is no conceivable turn this war can take which will lessen to any great degree the responsibilities of this army, the work of the American Red Cross.

Grade School Prize Speaking

Grade VII at the Center Grade School, Mrs. Vera Harrington, teacher, gave a program of prize speaking at Memorial hall on Wednesday afternoon at 1.30. Following are the participants, with the selections given:

Frank Wezniack—"Trees."
Kenneth Dyer—"The House With Nobody In It."

Barbara Young—"The Raggedy Man."
Barbara Pepka—"I Knew a Black Beetle."

Muriel Trent—"Somebody's Mother."

Jean Squires—"The Gettysburg Address."

John Rhodes—"They's Just Two Kinds of People."

Alice Tucker—"Roadside Flowers."
Blanche Horr—"The Village Blacksmith."

James Dearness—"Two Kinds of People."
Margaret Weston—"Grasshopper Green."

Stanley Rhodes, Jr.—"Old Iron-sides."
Paul Moynihan—"The Owl Critic."

Howard Lemon—"The American's Creed."
Richard Cook—"A Track for Au-tos."

Shirley Rose—"The Children's Hour."
John Dearness—"Godfrey Gordon Gustfus Gore."

Albert Rhodes—"The Flag Goes By."

Prizes were awarded as follows: first, Barbara Young; second, John Dearness; third, Muriel Trent. Honorable mention went to Stanley Rhodes, Jr., and Jean Squires.

Judges were Mrs. Ada Tague, Mrs. Irene Hazen and Mrs. Jean Chaffee.

A play, "Uncle Sam's Mistake," was also given, the cast of characters being:

Mother Mary Adzima
Her Son Evans Westwell
Her Uncle Fred Calif

Public Supper Wednesday

A public supper will be served by the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. in the Methodist vestry next Wednesday evening, February 28, from 5.30 to 7. The menu includes roast beef, brown gravy, mashed potato, string beans, coleslaw, pickles, rolls and butter, cake and coffee. The price is 60 cents.

The committee in charge is Mrs. Annie Dodge, Mrs. Marion Plant, Mrs. Roberta Chevalier and Mrs. Helen Menard.



"Anything Can Happen"
Good Reading for Americans
 One of the most delightful and joyful books to come my way for a long time is "Anything Can Happen" by George and Helen Paphashvily.

There is nothing unusual in the idea which prompted its writing. Our libraries must have thousands of volumes of "impressions of America," penned by immigrants who have sought our shores for one reason or another, and then, also for one reason or another, have felt impelled to tell us about themselves.

Some of these have glorified the United States as a land of opportunity. Others have taken us soundly to task for our faults. Some do both. For inspiration and advice, "The Americanization of Edward Bok" should still be must reading for young Americans.

But "Anything Can Happen" is as different as *scraparella* ("our nine-layered cake of goat's butter and pounded pistachios") or *K'hinkali* ("you take fresh bright beef piece, chop fine, cut onions and herbs over; put pepper, little; salt, little more again; water; and mix all. Then you roll a nice dough thin as oak leaf, put the meat in, pinch the edges all around and drop one by one into pot of boiling water, and when pot goes plut-plut-plut-plut, it's done. You take out, bite a hole in the end, drink the juice and eat the meat and its coat. That's *K'hinkali*!").—as different, I say, as these Russian delicacies must be from our own ham and eggs. The book has a refreshing flavor, an unusual way of looking at things, an exuberance and an optimism, which provide a most welcome change of diet to those who have been surfeited with wartime fare.

Its author is Georgian, fresh from that province which produced Joe Stalin to help save a world. Americans right now are anxious to learn more about the new Russia, which has come into a position of prominence since 1917. We are just beginning to realize that "Russian" is as inadequate a label as "America" or "Oriental." But if one hopes to find any political implications in the book, he will be disappointed.

George Paphashvily came to America to find adventure and happiness, to become a part of America without losing his love for

his native Georgia. Completely impractical in his business affairs, yet as ingenious as any Yankee is his ability to use machinery, and to come out on top in a new situation, life here has been a coast-to-coast odyssey of romantic happenings.

America never fell short with George. It cheated him right and left, making him the victim of a phony silver-fox deal, a strike-breaking racket that all but cost him his neck, and a sale of water-soaked real estate. But it showed him with opportunity and rewards, and never lost him his faith that here indeed was a land where anything can happen. Perhaps nothing "happened" more marvelous than the speed with which his book has been welcomed by the American public. It now stands fourth among the non-fiction best sellers.

The difficulty with English makes for much of the delight in this book. Only a skilful linguist as his wife must be could have kept the phraseology so well.

"He tells me Illarion was working too hard, and now they don't want him to get nervous broke down."

"Nervous broke down? Vaccangi asked. 'What means that?'"

"It's American sickness," I said. "When your brain ain't interested in you any more."

To give selections from the book would end by reproducing it—from end to end it is one hilarious episode after another. Perhaps I should do well to give only two serious comments.

The first he makes as he drives across the country by auto. (Note the unJoaldlike feeling.)

"It was so big, this place. Every mile I discovered that all over again. So big. So big. All the wheels in America sang the tune. The automobiles going so whizzing past; the proud motorcycles; the turning tractor treads."

"And the people. Wherever we stopped they were glad to make friends and to talk with me. I met Mennonites out of Russia and Bohemians from Prague and Irishmen smelling of good whiskey and strong tobacco off the section gangs, anxious to spend their money, and Welsh slate miners whose voices rose and fell like singing birds. And in little white painted homes in Iowa were what they called 'first settlers' families that was pioneers from Ohio and before that from Vermont and even longer before that—From England? Now I didn't feel bad about my broken language any more or my stranger ways. I saw everybody is a foreigner. Only difference, some came early and some came late."

The second is Challico's toast to Home at the Easter Party which ends the book:

"Well this little glass is for

Home. I see lotta American faces around me. I like to tell them that we pleased to see them at our party, especially since we had honor to be at their wide table, which is United States in America, for a long time and enjoy all the things they put before us. We tried to be good guests. I hope we was. That's one Home. Lotsa other kind of peoples we are here, too. Georgians, Russians, Greek, Latvian, Estonian, Irish—regular League of Nations. I drink for all those Homes, too, and it gives me a hope when I see us sitting down so peaceful together, maybe the whole world learn how to do it, too. After all it's only enjoyable way to live. So—for Home."

Yes, Challico, it's the only enjoyable way to live—sitting down so peaceful together. America is what her citizens make of it—a wide table for happy living, or a narrow board of intolerance and suspicion. I am thanking George and Helen Paphashvily for what they have done by providing an antidote for the indigestion of worry and disillusionment which often come to trouble us at the close of the day.

 Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Lord God of test tube and blueprint,
 Who jointed molecules of dust and shook them till their name was Adam,
 Who taught worms and stars how they could live together,
 Who loosed the apple over Newton's head and organized the seasons:
 Appear now among the parliaments of conquerors and give instruction to their schemes;
 Measure out new liberties so none shall suffer for his father's color or the credo of his choice;
 Post proofs that brotherhood is not so wild a dream as those who

profit by postponing it pretend; Sit at the treaty table and convoy the hopes of little peoples through expected straits,
 And press into the final seal a sign that peace will come for longer than posterities can see ahead,
 That man unto his fellow man shall be a friend forever."
 Norman Corwin—*Petition After Victory*.

—Bob Jackson

Boy Scout Notes

Members of the Boy Scout troop went on a hike last Sunday. Nine boys were on snow shoes and skis. They built four bird shelters and supplied them with feed. They also put food in sheltered areas where birds have been. Supper was cooked out-of-doors. The hike was in the West Hill section of the town.

Town Items

Mrs. John Wood is slowly improving at the Cooley-Dickinson hospital in Northampton and is enjoying the letters and cards that come to her there.

A food sale will be sponsored by the Girl Scout A Association in Phillips' Store, March 10, from 2 to 4. Proceeds will go to send some Girl Scouts to camp next summer. The committee consists of Mrs. Frederick Farley, Mrs. Arthur Hennemann, Mrs. Louis Fuller, Mrs. Francis Austin and Mrs. Wilard Young.

News has been received that a son, George William, was born to George and Laura Plant of Auburn, at Worcester City Hospital, on February 12. The child is a grandson of B. A. Butler of North Main street.

The schools closed on Wednesday for the winter vacation. They will reopen on March 5.

Mrs. Mary Sewell of Middletown, Ct., and her daughter, Miss Mary Sewell of Massachusetts State College, spent the week-end with Mrs. E. F. Shumway.



Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Brown have received word that their son, Henry Brown, is overseas, and is in France.

Corp. Marjorie Aldrich of the Army Air Corps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Aldrich, is in town on a 15-day leave. She has been stationed at the Army Air Forces bombardier school in Big Spring, Texas, and leaves next Tuesday to report on March 3 at that place.

Cpl. Henry Pranaitis of Federal Street has returned to March Field, Cal., after a 17-day furlough. He was promoted to sergeant while home. Two parties were held in his honor, one at his home, also a dinner party by his brother, Charles Pranaitis and wife of Bondsville, at Frank's Gayette in Springfield.

Dispatch to the Hampshire Gazette—From headquarters of the Twelfth air force in Italy comes word that the B-25 Mitchell bombardment group to which Sergeant Lewis E. Squires of East Walnut street, Belchertown, is assigned as a gunner, has been cited again by the war department as a Distinguished Unit, this time for the sinking of the Italian cruiser Taranto in La Spezia harbor September 23.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Missives from Lt. Krone

December 31

Dear Folks:

Happy New Year! This is the end of 1944, and what an ending!!! Believe it or not, we are out of Germany. Got orders to leave, so at 9 A. M. yesterday we were packed and ready to set sail again. They transported us in platoons so the nurses would arrive intact.

We landed here at 1 P. M. and what a mess! Came to an orphanage and for the life of me I don't know how these Nuns keep warm. We are each in a cubicle which would be grand if there were any heat. We got out our bed rolls as soon as we got here and at 6.30 P. M. everyone was in bed. For once not anyone made fun of my "long Johns". They all started adding to their layers.

Got out of our "cold" bunks at 8 A. M. and went outdoors in the snow to get warm. While walking, we met an "Englisner" and he stopped us and got to talking. They have to talk to all persons—as they

find Heinies in G. I. clothes. The Heinie paratroopers also landed here in Nuns' clothes. Can you beat that?

If you could see the way I'm writing this! At each cubicle there is a closet, so now I am sitting on the shoe shelf and a chair for a table. This is some fun!

I did not get this finished yesterday as some one got the bright idea to move the nurses and enlisted men. We are now on the first floor in a large room, nine of us. I am once again with my old stable mates.

We celebrated New Year's by going to this "Big Town". Every place was jammed. Found a "Pub", sat and had "beer"—dishwater I call it—danced and sang. This sector is filled with "limies" (Englishmen) and the place was filled with them, so some of the boys joined our party.

At 10.30 we went back to our area. Two of the boys walked back with us. They were very fine chaps—one came from near where we were in England. On our way back we were stopped by the English guard—flashes a light in your face and sez, "I say, what is your rank and do you 'ave an identification tagg?" So sez me: "First Lt. Myrtle M. Krone—N-----, 96th Evac. Hosp. Is that enough? I have my dog tags, but they will get cold if I take them out." He salutes and sez: "Alright Lt. proceed."

The boys with us said in a very delightful English—"I say, chap, we will have to salute these Lts., as in England we could not walk with a "Left-tenant".

When we entered our room, Big Ben in London was wishing us a "Appy New Year". Just as he was wishing us a Happy future, a Heinie came over and greeted us with a bomb. It did not land too close—only the windows rattled and that is such a common occurrence that we pay no attention.

It really is strange how Col Mac gets us out of places just in time. The English boys are surprised to find American nurses so near the front; said the English are miles back. I said right now we are miles back and we do not like it at all. I could not see any fun being in England and having the front over here. We are always safer near the front.

We got our official order to wear our "bronze star" for our Normandy Campaign but we aren't going any place to wear it. Ha! Ha!

January 2, 1945
 Second day of January. Had five packages arrive this morning. Here's one—in one of the boxes was a white slip, white panties and white shoe laces. Did we laugh! Here we wear long Johns, long sleeved shirts, all O. D. I fully realize everyone at home thinks of nursing in the "ideal", but over here it is nursing in the "real". Our big G. I. boots and leggings do not call for female style. I'll send these home for future use. I am also sending

home some more food from the packages as we can't carry it. Plus I just won't give it to any of these as they hate our guts.

Methodist Church Notes

The Afternoon Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet on Wednesday, February 28, at 2 p. m., with Mrs. Annie French. Assistant hostess will be Mrs. Nellie Peeso. Mrs. Catherine Dyer is in charge of the entertainment and asks that all attending please bring a baby picture of themselves.

The Evening Group will meet on Tuesday with Mrs. Ida Roberts.

Congregational Church Notes

The Double or Nothing Club will meet in the parish house next week Tuesday evening.

Thirty-one were present at the Women's Guild meeting at Mrs. Belding Jackson's on Wednesday afternoon. The speaker was Miss Alida Hodgkins, probation officer for Hampshire county. Assistant hostesses were Mrs. Walter Brown and Mrs. Edward Hunter.

Grange Notes

An evening of games was enjoyed at the Grange meeting Tuesday night. Table tennis and bowling, also relay races were a part of the program. Refreshments were furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck, chairmen.

The Grange has been invited to neighbor with South Amherst Grange, February 26.

B. H. S. Wins

Belchertown High wound up its home basketball season with a 37-17 victory over New Salem Academy here last Friday. Heading the scoring parade for the winners were Wilfrid Noel and Paul Barrett. Captain Elwyn Bock played his last game for B. H. S. He has joined the navy.

Belchertown	B	F	P
B. Barrett, lf	0	1	1
Noel, lf	4	1	9
McKillop, rf	0	0	0

Political Advertisement

P. Parrett, rf	4	4	12
Jusko, c	2	0	4
Hislop, lb	1	0	2
Young, lb	0	0	0
Adzima, lb	1	0	2
Ayers, rb	0	0	0
Bock, rb	3	1	7
	15	7	37

New Salem

Streeter, rb	2	1	5
Carey, lb	0	0	0
Mackie, lb	0	0	0
Cogswell, c	2	0	4
Haskins, rf	2	1	5
Thompson, lf	1	1	3
	7	3	17

Score at half-time, Belchertown 23, New Salem, 6. Referee, A. Hennemann; umpire, R. Hennemann. Time, 8-min. periods.

Nature Notes

Harold Ketchen recently caught a sparrow hawk in his barn on the Louis Fuller place. This bird is never found in abundance here, and in winter is considered uncommon. After the bird was identified, Mr. Fuller carried it back to the barn where he released it.

The sparrow hawk is our smallest hawk and one of the most beneficial. It is sadly mis-named as birds form only a small part of its diet and are taken only when mice and insects are not available. Other truer common names are grasshopper sparrow—grasshoppers are its favorite food, and killy hawk—from its call, a high pitched "Killy, killy, killy."

Watch for this pretty little hawk this spring. It is easy to identify because it is the only small hawk with a reddish brown tail and the only one to habitually hover in one spot. You may see one perched on a branch of a dead tree or on a telephone wire. Notice how erect its tail. As you drive along Mill Valley road look for it near the swamp below the old cemetery where it has nested. And remember that the sparrow hawk is our friend; treat it well.

Vi Hussey
 (We are also indebted to Mrs. Hussey for her article about the saw-whet owl of last week.—Ed.)

Political Advertisement

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HORACE T. APLINGTON

Republican Candidate for Representative Primaries Feb. 27



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Active Duty, U. S. Army 30 years.

Col. U. S. Army, Retired.

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Republican Candidate for Representative. Primaries Feb. 27



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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Lillian M. Kelley, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased:

The executor of the will of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance his first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Albert E. Addis, Register
Feb. 23-Mar. 2-9

Selectmen's Appointments

Supt. of Streets Henry H. Witt
Fire Chief and Forest Warden Milton C. Baggs
Moth Superintendent Harlan B. Davis
Special Police Election Day Mrs. Fannie Morey
Mrs. Emma Loftus
Dog Officer Harlan B. Davis
Sealer of Weights and Measures Raymond C. Gay
Field Drivers—Edwin F. Shumway, William H. Snow, Clarence Rob-

Political Announcement

In announcing my candidacy for the DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION for REPRESENTATIVE in the 4th Hampshire District, I should like to first of all thank everyone who in any way assisted in giving me the splendid vote I received as a Candidate for Representative at the election last November 7th. My qualifications are as follows: Born at Holyoke, Mass., Sept. 13, 1904. Graduate of Holyoke High School, University of Detroit Law School. Have practiced law in Ware for past 16 years, the last three years acting as town counsel for Ware. Am married and have three children, my only son being in Uncle Sam's Service. If nominated I intend to wage a vigorous, and with your help, a successful campaign for election.

Respectfully,
James F. Shea

inson
Fence Viewers—Edwin F. Shumway, Raymond C. Gay, Clarence Robinson
Public Weighers—H. Morgan Ryther, H. L. Ryther

Town Items

Mrs. Henry Stevens was taken to Mary Lane hospital yesterday, where an X-ray revealed that she had a broken ankle, the result of a fall on Tuesday outside her home on Maple street.
The school committee has organ-

LOST—Bunch of keys in brown bag, vicinity of Ware Road, Belchertown, Sunday night. Reward, P. O. Box 461, Belchertown.

WANTED—One-horse wagon and one-horse hay rake. G. Desilets, Phone 3308.

ized with Mrs. E. S. Cordner, chairman, and M. Leroy Greenfield, secretary.

Former Local Youth Wins Honors

According to a Rhode Island paper, Walter Spink (son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Spink), formerly of this town, now a Senior in the South Kingston High School, is one of 40 winners selected from approximately 15,000 entrants in a nation-wide Science Talent Search conducted by the Science Clubs of America.

The paper from which we quote goes on to say:

"With 28 other boys and 11 girls, winners from all over the country, he will be the guest of Science Clubs of America in Washington from March 2 through March 6. While there they will compete for the scholarships. One boy and one girl will be awarded \$2,400 Westinghouse Grand Science Scholarships (\$600 a year for four years), while eight winners will be awarded \$400 scholarships (\$100 a year for four years) and \$3,000 more in science scholarships may be awarded at the discretion of the judges.

"Walter's extra-curricular interest in science is centered in the museum which he has arranged in a cellar room of his home. His science essay was about the museum and his collection of fossils, minerals, rocks and shells. The present collection includes about 500 mineral and rock specimens, 250 fossils, 1,000 shells and many insects.

"He has started an herbarium and makes plaster casts of leaves and trees. He recently made an advantageous purchase of a second-hand microscope and intends soon to build his own telescope.

His life work will undoubtedly be research in some branch of biology or chemistry, he thinks. He believes he would like eventually to be a curator in a museum of natural history."

Senior Honored

Miss Charlotte Dyer, a senior, has been chosen the DAR Good Citizenship pilgrim from the local high school for 1945 by the faculty and senior class. Miss Dyer is secretary of her class this year; was a member of the student council in her freshmen year; secretary in the sophomore year; secretary of the Student Activity association and student council member in her junior year, and is vice-president of the present student council. She is business manager of the school paper, the Oracle, and is on the honor roll with averages of over 90.

Miss Dyer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Dyer of Maple street.

Young People Appreciative

That the young people are appreciative of the efforts made to provide them a skating rink, is attested by an editorial by Shirley Hazen, assistant editor, in the February Oracle, just out. We quote in part: "One of the newest additions to

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., FEB. 23-24

Judy Canova Ross Hunter
"Louisiana Hayride"
Bouita Granville
"Youth Runs Wild"

SUN., MON., FEB. 25-26

Jack Maria Turhan
Onkie Montez Bey
"Bowery to Broadway"

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Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Arthur F. Bardwell of Belchertown, in said County, an aged person.

The conservator of the property of said Arthur F. Bardwell has presented to said Court, his second account for allowance.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this second day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Alice C. Rice, Assistant Register
9-16-23

the recreational facilities of Belchertown has been the skating rink on the common. The men of the Community Association have given freely of their time and efforts to make this a fine place for the young people to skate.

"Several snowstorms and thaws have only added to their problem. Even when they had once succeeded in flooding the rink, they continued to refinish the ice at least two or three times a week. By this process they kept the ice perfect and made the skating much smoother. They have even installed floodlights to make the evening skating more pleasant."

"We, the young people of Belchertown, thank you."

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Christian Fellowship."
Communion Service.
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Spiritual Sight."—Communion Service.

Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Annual meeting of Belchertown Water District in Lawrence Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m. Polls open from 6.45 to 9 p. m.

TUESDAY

Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

Service of Prayer and Praise at the Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at Phillips' Store from 2 to 4 p. m.

TODAY

Business Meeting of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Iva Gay at 7.30 p. m.

Old Timers vs. town team in old town hall at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW

Fire at Claude Smith's

A fire on Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, that came very close to destroying the home of Claude Smith of No. Washington St., was confined to the dining room by fast, cool-headed work on the part of his son, Robert. Mrs. Smith heard a sound that apparently was either a coal gas or dust explosion from the large register directly over the one-pipe furnace. She turned and saw that the entire room was in flames. Fortunately the baby was with Robert and George Smith, Jr., who were absorbed in a jig saw puzzle in an adjoining room. Mrs. Smith grabbed the baby, called Robert and dashed across the street to Geo. Smith's house, leaving the baby in the care of George, Jr.

It was fortunate that she resisted the first impulse to go to the phone with the baby in her arms, as the window sills, curtains and shades were ablaze on both windows at either side of the phone. She and the baby might well have been critically burned. Robert had the fire well in hand by the use of water from the electric pump and the lusty wielding of a broom.

A four-section drying rack loaded with clothes gave the first rush of flames a lot of material that was mostly cotton and highly inflammable, to get a heavy start. Robert stopped the fire at the head of the stairway to the upper floor and this probably is what saved the house. The house would have been burning in the high wind and out of control by the time the fire department could have reached the place, which is two and a half miles from the center.

Result of Primaries

Following is the result of the vote for representative at the primaries, Tuesday.

Aplington, Rep.	5
Parsons, Rep.	35
Shea, Dem.	5
Janse, Dem.	1

Aplington and Shea were the respective winners in the district.

Dates Spoken For

March 15
Girl Scout A Association.

April 3
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial hall.

Apr. 13
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.

Apr. 14
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.

Belchertown Canteen Night a Success

In spite of soupy weather and exceedingly bad traveling and every possibility of its being worse, there was a full house at the Belchertown Canteen entertainment and dance put on by the Girl Scouts at Memorial hall last week Thursday night. They cleared about \$90, which was something over which the girls are quite thrilled. The proceeds will go to set up a canteen to assist the firemen in emergencies.

Of course word had gotten around that the entertainment would be somewhat novel, which all helped. Anyway it was a program thought out by the girls themselves, which was the best feature of it all.

First on the program was a song and dance number entitled, "Meet Me in St. Louis." Girls participating were Barbara Hudson, Ann Henry, Charlotte Dube, Diane Allen, Mary McKillop, Charlotte Dyer, Shirley Hazen and Nancy Farley.

The Boy Scouts, accompanied by Ray Gould at the piano, then put on a comic song and dance number. They manipulated brooms and wore tall red, white and blue hats and black mustaches.

The next number was a fashion show, in which five girl scouts displayed wedding gowns of yesterday that had been resurrected from homes in the community. Each gown bore a date, the most ancient being 1850. Other years were 1898, 1900, 1918 and 1939. Those modeling the dresses were Elizabeth Suhm, Elizabeth Utley, Pauline Baker, Evelyn Squires and Lois Chadbourne. Connie Noel, banner ticket seller for the show, assisted in the presentation.

Then came two solos by Barbara Hudson, and an eccentric dance entitled, "Spring," by Mary McKillop.

The "Giddy Twenties" featured dresses and hats exceedingly funny and was presented by seven girls.

The concluding number was a colorful "Underwear Song" by the same girls as those giving the opening number.

Dancing completed the evening's gaiety. Small tables were arranged around the sides of the hall; cabaret style, and there was a coke bar. Dancing was to a juke box.

A corsage was given by the girls to Lorraine Noel, piano accompanist, and a book to Dr. Westwell, who coached the show. The girls are also appreciative of the contribution of the Boy Scouts to the evening's program.

Auto Accident on Maple Street

An accident took place on Maple street early yesterday morning, when the car of Honore Trombley of the old Enfield road, skidded at the foot of the hill and went through the rail fence at the overpass opposite The Kyther & Warren Company's plant, hitting a tree. Mr. Trombley was taken in the fire department ambulance to Mary Lane hospital, where he was found to have a compound fracture of the right leg and a nose injury. He was attended by Dr. Collard. Constable D. Donald Hazen investigated the accident. The car was badly damaged.

Decides on Dates

At the Double or Nothing Club meeting on Tuesday evening it was decided to hold the club minstrel show on two nights, April 13 and 14. Prices will be the same as last year, 30 cents for children and 60 cents for adults.

The first rehearsal was on Tuesday evening. There was also square dancing, and refreshments served by the committee consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Miner, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson. About 40 were present. The next rehearsal for the minstrel will be March 9.

Water District Meeting

The annual meeting of the Belchertown Water District will be held in Memorial hall on Monday evening at 7.30. The polls will be open from 6.45 to 9 p. m. The commissioner whose term expires this year is D. Donald Hazen.

Only routine articles are in the warrant.

Old Timers Play Tonight

The Old Timers will play the town basketball team tonight at 8 in the old town hall, the proceeds to go to the Community Association. This is the second in the series, the younger set winning the first contest. The Old Timers, in their customary fighting spirit, state that they intend to hook this game, claiming they were "crooked" out of the last.

March of Dimes Report

The Girl Scouts of Troop I are glad to give a final report on the March of Dimes drive in Belchertown.

In Jackson's Store, a total of \$41.39 was put in the milk bottles.

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**Are We Moving Upward
To Real American Citizenship?**
(Held over from the recent Race Relations Sunday)

On a lovely spring evening some years ago I was waiting for my wife on a street in Amherst from which you can look across the valley to the beautiful Holyoke Range. A middle-sized moon was just making its promise felt in the darkening sky. One of those moments when you breathed deeply and felt like singing a verse of "America the Beautiful." A little miss of six or seven was playing on the walk. Soon we engaged each other in conversation. The moon and eventually the prospect attracted us. "Who do you suppose lives way over beyond those hills?" I asked, with some thought, I imagine, of confessing dramatically that I had a home there. "Oh," she said indifferently, "a lot of Germans and some Catholics." Obviously, to her, points removed from Amherst were still in the hands of the heathen!

At the time I was vastly amused, though I did try to persuade her that a few Yankee Protestants had penetrated even that far into the Massachusetts wilderness.

Later, the memory of the talk began to trouble me and even now, years later, it haunts me as a symbol of much that is wrong with America. For there in a fine home of what is probably as cultured a town as these states possess, lived a little girl who evidently was being raised in the tradition that *real* Americans were those whose names were Jones and who worshipped preferably in the Congregational (and certainly in nothing more strange than the Unitarian) Church.

From casual remarks which many of my acquaintances make from time to time, rather than from the occasional acts of violence which cause riots and bloodshed, I know that intolerance and suspicion still are fostered in many an American home. I know, too, that nothing is going to stand more in the way of American leadership in the international world than the fact that our own national house is still far from in order when it comes to looking at fellow citizens as men and women rather than as racial, religious, or nationality groups.

We're so busy working and fighting a war now that some of our feelings don't show very much. But I can remember that only a score of years ago our own little town was shaken by the Klan movement and that our churches did not escape the effects of the storm. Only the national exposé of the organization and the realization that it wasn't worth the time, money, and bed-sheets finally put it to sleep—temporarily. I say "temporarily" because only a few weeks ago when one of my teachers casually referred to the Klan as unAmerican, a youngster rose indignantly to its defense, said that her father belonged and that we had to have a Klan to stop Negroes marrying white girls around here! This in the city

whence come the missionaries of tolerance and citizenship education.

It is well that educators are considering the implications of our practicing democracy as opposed to our ideal democracy. It is well that many American school systems are working to preserve democracy by having their children keep their pride in their own religions, their own traditions, and learn an appreciation of the worth of traditions and religions not their own—then to mold this pride and appreciation into a good citizenship in America. The results are becoming noticeable. Churches too are far less intolerant than they were a few years ago.

But we still have far to go. I wonder how free of intolerance boys and girls here in Belchertown are by the time they finish school. Frequently I catch up my own youngsters for making sweeping denunciations, particularly of groups with which they are utterly unfamiliar, but whom they hear condemned by older people.

Schools and churches can never counteract the poison which often is quite thoughtlessly handed out at home where "The Jews", "The Wops", "The Masons", "The Catholics", "The Niggers", or some other group is being described with appropriate derisive adjectives by some adult who has a gripe, or who wishes to assert his own superiority by pointing out the inferiority of some one else.

For myself and my family, I desire one simple standard. I hope we can partly learn to admire and praise the good wherever we see it being practiced, and to despise and condemn the bad wherever we find it.

I hope we can feel the same contempt for one of our own "group," who does a contemptible thing that we feel for one of some other group who does it. I hope we shall not lose our own self-respect by vilifying thousands for the sins of one. I hope we can admire integrity as much when we find it in a Jew as when we find it in a Gentile. I hope we never become tolerant of evil because it is found in a friend, or intolerant of success when it has been gained by some one whose color or church differs from ours. And perhaps more than anything else, I hope if we do find a group whose attitudes and activities seem utterly vicious to us, we shall not be tempted to think that such a group should be condemned as utterly worthless and fit only to be exterminated or "shipped back." I hope that we are sufficiently aware of our own background, of our own little caves where we scratched our fleas and didn't mind the stench of the bones in the corner, to believe that all men can rise if given the chance.

Frankly, I am a creature of many unreasonable prejudices and suspicions concerning certain of my fellowmen. These feelings may be an undesirable part of my New England heritage. Many times I have felt that the country would be so much nicer if populated only by "my kind." I was not brought up in a very cosmopolitan town. However, I trust I have grown enough to see America for what it is, a laboratory in which all peoples are working toward an ideal, and to see that the ideal can never be closely approached unless the workers respect each other. As a child, I am afraid the world across the valley was to me a wilderness of strange "foreigners". I don't want my own children to be citizens of

any such narrow world. I want them to be Americans.

Listen to the old clock below me—
tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Let me live in my house by the side of the road,
Where the race of men go by—
They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,
Wise, foolish—so am I.
Then why should I sit in the scorn-er's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban?
Let me live in my house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man."
—Sam Walter Foss
—Bob Jackson

Methodist Church Notes

The business meeting of the W. S. of C. S. will be held at the home of Mrs. Iva Gay this evening at 7.30.

The sacrament of holy communion will be administered on Sunday morning.

An enjoyable time was had by those attending the Evening Group meeting at Mrs. Ida Roberts' on Tuesday evening.

There will be a service of prayer and praise at the church next week Thursday evening at 7.30.

Red Cross Activities

(Mrs. Barbara Terry, chairman of the local Red Cross drive, calls attention to some of the activities of the Red Cross.)

To fight the battle of injury and disease, the Red Cross has expand-

ed to a mammoth degree its home nursing, nurse recruitment, first aid, nutrition and disaster services.

To help save the lives of wounded, it developed its Blood Donor Service into one of the largest medical undertakings in history, requiring approximately 100,000 volunteer donors each week and a total of more than 5,000,000 pints of blood in 1944.

To fight the battle of loneliness and anxiety, the Red Cross has stationed many thousand men and women with our fighting forces at home and overseas. When necessary, field directors establish their contact with home. Red Cross club workers provide them with entertainment and relaxation, when they are on leave. When they are in the hospital, Red Cross workers provide services suited to the needs of the sick and wounded.

For the comfort and welfare of our prisoners of war and civilian internees, millions of pounds of food packages, medical supplies, comfort articles and clothing are carried to Europe on the Red Cross fleet. To relieve the suffering of refugee men and women and children in occupied countries, vast amounts of relief supplies are sent by and through the American Red Cross.

To keep this great army functioning, the time, the energy and the dollars of the American people are needed. Without them it cannot continue. Every man, woman and child in America is part of this army. You are the Red Cross—you are the soldiers in its ranks.



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Now we are making plans to take care of New England's telephone growth and the telephone construction interrupted by war. When materials are available and when military demands slacken, we'll be prepared.

It's going to be a big job, but we'll be ready to go forward and provide the service that really does "tie a town together."



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Newport News, Va.
Dear Mr. Blackmer:

I sure do envy you folks with all your snow up there, although you probably think just the opposite. Down here in Virginia it is continually raining.

I make quite a few training flights over Connecticut and New York, and the snow sure does show up from the air.

I saw in the Sentinel where our friend, "Tubby" Rhodes, finally made it back to the U. S. A. I expect he was as glad to get back as I was, when I made the trip. Being back over a year now, it hardly seems that I was overseas. Let's hope before long they will all be back—not just from overseas—but back home permanently.

T-Sgt. A. T. Sears, Jr.
T-Sgt. A. T. Sears, 31126570
3539th A. A. F. Base Unit
Air Group Det., NAAS
Langley Field, Va.

Leonard A. Taylor, ARM 3-C
Air Group Det., NAAS
Oxnard, Cal.

Sgt. Arthur Vincent
A. S. N. 11008250
Battery A, 18th Bn., 6th Regiment
A. G. F., Replacement Depot No. 1
Ft. George Meade, Maryland

Richard Rogers, A. M. M. 2-C,
son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bonick of North Washington street, has returned to Glenview, Ill., where he has just completed a course as a hydraulic specialist. He had ten days plus four for travel. This is his second home leave in four years. He was in the Pacific theatre up until last summer and saw plenty of action from Pearl Harbor up until that time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Chapin of Warren have received the Purple Heart from their son, Sumner, who received it for wounds sustained in Sicily. He also has the combat infantryman's badge and several battle stars for battles. Pfc. Chapin has been across for two years and is now in Sicily in the Signal Company.

Mrs. Marion Plant is in receipt of a purple heart from her cousin, Pvt. Warren O. Kempt, who was wounded in Belgium.

Isaac A. Hodgen, T M 1-C is at home on leave. He arrived here on February 21 and has until March 12. He has been aboard a carrier, but is now on transfer. He is due to report at San Diego, Cal. Ike speaks of getting the Sentinel O. K.; says they don't always forward papers when a ship is out, but he got them at Pearl Harbor and in the Admiralties. He says those aboard ship read one another's papers, so Belchertown has been pretty well advertised.

Letters from Nurse at the Front

Missives from Lt. Krone to her sister, Mrs. Kimmonth

January 4, 1945
You no doubt got or will get my letter saying we left Germany. We were the 1st Evac. to get there and the last to leave, and though it may seem queer to you at home to hear that one can enjoy a Christmas in the enemy's territory, it really was one long to be remembered. We had evacuated our patients December 23 but filled up again by December 24, Christmas Eve.

We had Christmas trees (thanks to the German forests). We cut our own. Cut the center out of ours and lowered it into the bottom, which made the cutest tree in the place. We were so rushed the girls kept saying, "Bud, when are you going to get your tree ready?" I said "Dad and Mother always did ours Christmas Eve, so what are you worrying about?"

We cut a "star" for the top out of a plasma can and dyed bandage. We give so much plasma that the cans after they are opened with a key that looks like a sardine key—made grand icicles, that added much to our display. Then to our surprise one of the boys brought us a basket with some balls and tinsel. He got these at the detachment. Our tree was "a la Wd. 4"—always up to the mark and ready for Christmas carols and Santa with his gifts for the boys.

You may wonder what Santa wore. He had a red suit made out of red parachute cloth, and cotton for whiskers. We gave each soldier a stocking filled with cigarettes, three packages candy, address book, mirror, small story book, tooth paste, shaving cream, razor, gum and matches.

Christmas day was spent as usual, only it was my pleasure to be on with my boys Christmas Eve, and Monday being our change of shifts we went off at 8 a. m. and came back at 1 p. m., so again I really had more of the Christmas spirit, as at 5 p. m. we served our Christmas dinner with all its fixings, and did the boys enjoy it! Each tray had some little decoration in the form of holly or a Santa. They could have all the food they wanted. Most of them from the front are hungry and can put away a good hot meal.

Plus this the Jerries added to our holiday festivities by coming over in the morning and afternoon, flying so low they did not even have to "holler" to make us hear them. Just strafed our road and sent a few bullets tied in "red ribbon." As usual, we fooled them—it's very difficult to scare us females. It did add to our activities. That night was the Christmas party given by the C. O. As I said before, he gave each one of us girls a cameo—really very lovely ones.

It's now 9.35 p. m. Today has been another one for moving. I'll go into detail and you will have a good idea what the life of an army nurse is. ha! ha!
Our Christmas party continued. Had an entertainment with Christmas carols, and Santa distributed

the gifts. Each had to pick a name and have a gift. Needless to say, many of the gifts were silly.

The 29th of December at 6.30, orders came to be packed and on the road by 9 a. m. on the 30th. If ever you had that order with a hospital full of patients, no doubt you would not think it possible. But it does not take too long to evacuate 400 patients when you have to, as all charts are kept up to the minute, but it *does* involve work. By 10 p. m. the patients were out, wards packed and on the trucks, then our own things. At 1 a. m. we were all set to leave, mess at 6 a. m., so by 9 a. m. we were watching the first trucks pull out.

We were transported by our own ambulance company—two ambulances leaving each ten minutes with eight nurses each, this being the best way to get us here intact. We had a grand ride—crossed the Siegfried line, and was that interesting! It surely looked as though they thought they were well protected by that. Came through the once spoken of city of beauty, now only rubble—not a roof on any building. Rode through many towns that at present are only remains of days of yore. Just ghost towns—pill boxes and some bricks are all that can be seen. Holland is quite nice—never thought I would see it, but that can now be added to my list—7 in all. Could not find one windmill, sad to say.

We arrived back in Belgium, much to our disgust. We had some of the 32nd General Hospital with us on detached service. They never before have been so uncomfortable. Generals do not move as we do.

We are fairly well organized again now, but it won't be for long as we are on our way to the front, and this is only a stop-over. We prefer to be up there—that's what we came here for, and though it is a silly thought, we feel safer. I said that to an English grenadier I met, and he said, "That's a jolly way to look at it; I say." Sez me to the gentleman in my English accent, "I say that would be rawther boring to be too far back."

The beer in this country is not "beer." It is just colored water with some soda bicarb added. Can't even get a good "burp" out of it.

Must say Bye now—your old Sis acting young in an Evacuation Hospital—never too old—it's all in your mind. I'll be going strong for the next war—if this one ever ends. A buzz bomb rattled this place last nite, but I never heard it at all. When the motor stops you usually hear a thud, but I did not even hear it. Why wake up and look for trouble; it finds you quick enough. When you get these letters you can be sure we survived the nite. We write at nite and mail them the next day. Smart eh?

January 10
Greetings from Belgium. Had the grandest surprise last nite. Had only one letter—a V-mail from Mrs. Corder, and did it make me happy! I sat rite down and answered it!

January 27
Here I am again. Little to write about again, as we are on the move and extremely busy.

February 2
Am on duty nites for a while. Very busy. Don't worry. We are warm, so don't worry about that. Will send another letter soon.

Bud

Draft Board Notes

For the most part the sending of farm boys 18-25 en masse to Springfield for pre-induction physical examinations, as per government directives, may turn out to have been only a one-day vacation from the farm. The County War Board, to whom the cases of those who passed were referred, has reported on a goodly number of those cases to date and in no instance did they find a man who could be spared without entailing critical loss in production.

This does not mean that the County Board is disinclined to surrender anybody anyway, but because in the past it has had the courage to decline to recommend deferment in a great many instances, so that the group had been pretty well combed.

One thing can be said. The farm group is certainly a more healthy group than some. Of the 176 young men going for pre-induction physicals in February (including 41 just turning 18) there were only 24 rejections.

A new ruling, just in, is that all registrants (save those in agricultural occupations) in the 18-29 age group are to be put into 1-A on April 1, for whom 42A specials, issued by state headquarters, have not been filed. These forms are available and approved only in Boston, the local board having no jurisdiction in these cases. Heretofore this ruling has applied only to the 18-26 group.

At Sunny Vale Farm

I haven't thought of poems for weeks,
I've had no time, you see;
From early dawn until it's dark,
I'm busy constantly.

Breakfast while the stars still shine,
Folks off to work and school,
Then I must separate the milk
And feed the calves that drool.

Dishes to do and wood to bring
To keep the home fires hot,
Baking and sweeping with the rest
Fills up the time a lot.

And then its time to water cows
And horses, one, two, three;
You watch and wait till each one's through,
And once more you feel free.

You think you'll have a minute
To do just as you please,
But something always interrupts,
As though it meant to tease.

And then you will remember
Those pheasants in the wood,
And out across the lot you'll go
To feed the gorgeous brood.

They came quite close to Christmas,
But since the snow's been deep,
We carried corn to feed them—
As close as we could creep.

They're not afraid of us just now,
They seem to understand
That we won't harm our woodland friends,
Those of the manner grand.

I haven't thought of poems for weeks,
I've had no time, you see;
From early dawn until it's dark,
I'm busy constantly.

—Mrs. Alvin Bush

February 24, 1945

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March of Dimes Report

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The junior department of the Congregational Sunday School sent in \$6.00, some B. S. S. employees contributed \$3.00, Union school pupils brought \$4.10. A special March of Dimes parade at the Center Grade school, conducted on two days, added \$26.87. This makes a total of \$81.36.

As a matter of interest, we will give the totals of contributions by streets, although the method was not used with any idea of conducting a competition.

Common	\$2.70
Cottage St.	3.35
Federal	1.95
Jabish	6.84
Jackson	3.10
North Main	2.50
South Main	6.90
Maple	8.35
Sargent	1.65
South Belchertown	4.05

A check for \$81.36 has been sent to President Roosevelt for the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

The girls wish to thank Mr. Jackson for the use of space in his store, and the townspeople for making the drive such a success. We all know how much these donations are ap-

preciated by those who are carrying on the fight against infantile paralysis and by the thousands who are benefiting from the research made possible by similar contributions.

Boy Scout Notes

Four scouts, George Jackson, Bill Young, Dick Wonsik and Channing Kimball passed their 14-mile hike on Monday. They hiked to a point seven miles from the center of town, and ate their dinner, and then returned to town. On the return trip, it was raining.

George Jackson, Reporter

Town Items

Joseph Bush spent the week-end at his home after having been snowed-in at the lumber camp in Ashfield for several weeks.

Miss Mary Chaffee tendered a birthday supper last night in honor of Mrs. Lottie Slater and Mrs. Annie Austin, whose birthdays come on Sunday.

Frank L. Gold, Jr., a student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, returns today, after spending a vacation at his home in town. He has just completed his first year's studies.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank all those in Belchertown who helped to further my candidacy and voted for me on Tuesday.

Albert Parsons,
Amherst, Mass.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank all my friends for the nice cards, letters and gifts I received on my birthday.

Mrs. J. V. Cook

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my friends for the beautiful cards and cheerful letters and flowers and baskets of fruit and numerous other things I received while I was in the hospital.

Mrs. Mary Ayers

Girl Scout Notes

TROOP I
The patrol leaders and their assistants held a court of honor February 26 at Mrs. Dudley Chaffee's home.

We have had different scribes for every meeting until now. At the court of honor we decided to have Susan Squites as permanent scribe, and Barbara Young as treasurer, for the remainder of this scout year.

Monday night all the Girl Scouts that could go, went to see a movie at the State School. We saw the "Centerville Ghost" and a funny movie. They were both very good.

Barbara Young,
Secretary of Court of Honor

Town Items

Belding and George Jackson of South Main Street spent a pleasant four days in New York City and New Jersey over the Washington's Birthday week-end. "Oklahoma," and a shore dinner at Asbury Park, where there was no snow and very little board walk since the hurricane of last fall, were the highlights.

There will be a meeting of the Girl Scout A Association on March 15.

Attention is called to the food sale to be held in A. H. Phillips' store, March 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howland, who have been at Holland Farm, have moved to Westover Field, where Mr. Howland has a position at the farm there.

The B. H. S. basketball team will play the second team at Orange on Monday, March 5. The local school will also participate in the Small Schools Tournament March 9, at Orange, playing against Hardwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Austin are parents of a daughter, Kathleen Marie, born February 22 at Wesson Maternity hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Shores have been entertaining their niece, Miss Lucille Witt, of Stafford Springs, Ct.

Mrs. Lorraine Moore spent the week-end with friends in Lexington.

Mrs. John Wood returned home from the hospital last Saturday.

Beverly Shaffer is ill with the mumps.

Mrs. E. F. Shumway spent the week-end with her sister and family in Middletown, Ct.

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., MAR. 2 - 3
Ray Milland M. Reynolds
"Ministry of Fear"
and
Bob Crosby Grace McDonald
"My Gal Loves Music"

SUN., MON., MAR. 4 - 5
Wm. Powell Myrna Loy
"Thin Man Goes Home"
and
"Hi Beautiful"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., MAR. 6
Bing Betty Sonny
Crosby Hutton Tufts
"Here Come the Waves"
and
"Dangerous Passage"

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Lillian M. Kelley, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased:

The executor of the will of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance his first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Albert E. Addis, Register
Feb. 23-Mar. 2-9

With Our Subscribers

In renewing his subscription to the Sentinel, K. Merton Bozoin, principal of the William E. Frost school in Westford, and formerly principal of the Center Grade school here, includes these interesting paragraphs:

"The Sentinel is still a source of much pleasure to me. It's always interesting to hear about old friends.

"The plans for renovating the old town hall and drawing up suggestions for the Center School addition are most pleasing news events to me.

"We cannot do too much for our young people. Every dollar invested will yield returns we could never measure in terms of money."

Clare Memorial Library

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Making the Most of Life."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 9 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"The Peace of God."
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Fourth Quarterly Conference and Annual Meeting of Methodist Church, in Vestry at 7.30 p. m., preceded by Parish Supper at 6.30 p. m.

TUESDAY

Special Election for Representative. Polls open at both precincts from 12 m. to 6 p. m.

American Legion Auxiliary in Recreation Room at Memorial Hall at 8 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Missionary Group of Woman's Society of Christian Service with Mrs. Carl Corliss at 7.30 p. m.

O. E. S. Meeting.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY
Girl Scout A Association with Mrs. Willard H. Young.

Second in Series of Extension Service Coat-Making Meetings.

SATURDAY

TODAY

TOMORROW
Girl Scout A Association Food Sale at Phillips' Store from 2 to 4 p. m.

Annual Meeting of Water District

The annual meeting of the Belchertown Water District was held in the selectmen's room at Memorial hall on Monday evening. There were just about enough people present to make the motions, second them, and count the ballots.

All the recommendations as contained in the 23rd annual report of the commissioners, were voted, as follows:

Salaries of commissioners	\$275.00
Salary of treasurer	100.00
Other administrative expense	225.00
Maintenance and operation of system	2,500.00
Maturing debt	2,000.00
Interest	552.50
	\$5,652.50

The appropriation for maintenance and operation of system is a

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Wins Oratorical Contest

In the Franklin-Hampshire district American Legion oratorical contest held last week Thursday evening at Orange, Miss Barbara A. Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron A. Hudson of North Main street, and a senior at the local high school, was the winner. About twenty from this town attended the contest.

Miss Hudson is now eligible to compete in the district contest to be held in Greenfield next week Thursday evening when she will not only be required to give her oration, but to talk extemporaneously on an aspect of the Constitution to be assigned that night.

Dates Spoken For

Mar. 21
Men's Club at State School Bowl-ing Alleys, 6.45 to 10 p. m.

April 3
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial hall.

Apr. 6
Junior-Senior Play.

Apr. 13
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.

Apr. 14
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.

Apr. 27
State School Minstrel—Guest Night Presentation at 8 p. m.

Back from Southwest Pacific

Tech. Sgt. Pierre O'Seep returned home from the Southwest Pacific last week Thursday, after completing 50 missions in that area. He was a radio gunner and flew chiefly in B 25 Mitchell Strafers. For a long time, his outfit was popularly known as the Tree-Top Terrors, they flew at such low altitudes, but later they took on an Indian name—Air Apaches. For the most part, the ships in which they flew had sharks' teeth painted on them.

His particular group knocked 33 Zeros out of the air and destroyed 150 on the ground. He says he flew in small formations, not to be compared of course with the air armadas over Europe.

He came through without a scratch, but had plenty of close calls. At one time, a shell exploded about 20 feet beneath the ship, shooting it up in the air in a hurry.

O'Seep testified to the fact that American ships are superior to the Zeros, although the latter are noted for their maneuverable qualities and can land and take off in a "pasture," that fact making it

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Receives Citation

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By direction of the President and under provision of Army Regulations 600-45, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to Staff Sergeant Patrick V. Flaherty, 31212666, Co. B., Armored Infantry Battalion, U. S. A., for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the U. S. in Belgium on December 19, 1944.

Staff Sergeant Flaherty's company was assembled in its Command Post in the town of Noville, Belgium, when the Germans made a strong counter-attack with both tanks and infantry. One of the enemy tanks succeeded in breaking through the outpost and moved down the road toward the Commander Post.

Without hesitation, Staff Sergeant Flaherty, a squad leader, organized a bazooka team and led it into an exposed position under intense enemy fire. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he opened fire against the enemy tank, slowing its progress sufficiently to enable an approaching friendly tank to bring destructive fire to bear on the enemy vehicle.

Staff Sergeant Flaherty's prompt action materially aided in the repulse of the enemy assault. The initiative, tenacity of purpose, and intrepidity displayed by this soldier under fire, reflect great credit upon himself and the military forces of the U. S.

Special Election Tuesday

A special election for Representative from this district will be held next Tuesday afternoon, March 13. Polls will be open in both precincts from noon till 6 p. m. Candidates are Aplington of Amherst, Republican; and Shea of Ware, Democratic.

Death of Clarence E. Alden

Clarence Elmer Alden, 83, died at the home of his niece, Mrs. Burt S. Collis of Main street on Monday morning. He was born in Ludlow May 20, 1861, the son of Orsamus and Eliza (Lemmon) Alden. He spent his life in Ludlow where he was engaged in the lumber business. He married Miss Lillian Wood of Ludlow, who died 45 years ago.

He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Florence Rindge of Monson; two grandsons and two great-grandsons, and several nieces and nephews, among whom are Lieut. Col. Alden Reynolds and Pvt. Donald Reynolds, both in France.

The funeral was held at the Collis home, Wednesday afternoon at 1.30. Rev. Joseph Belcher, pastor of the local Methodist church, officiating. The bearers were Fred Rindge of Monson, Harford Rindge of Northampton, Rexford Alden and Robert Alden of Springfield, and Burt S. and John Collis of this town. Burial was in Ludlow Center cemetery.

Food Sale Tomorrow

Attention is again called to the Girl Scout A association food sale to be held in Phillips' Store tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 4. Among the offerings will be baked beans, brown bread, home-made bread, rolls, doughnuts, pies, cookies and cake.

If there are any mothers of Scouts who have not been contacted for food donations, possibly by lack of phone connections, further contributions will be most welcome. The committee consists of Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Louis Fuller, Mrs. Francis Austin, Mrs. Arthur Hennemann, and Mrs. Mary Young, chairman.

Scheduled for Induction

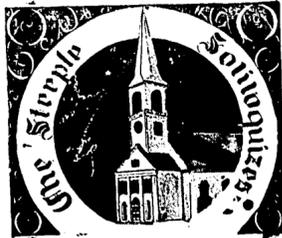
The following from this town are scheduled to report at Ware, March 21, at 9.30 a. m., for induction into the armed forces:

Casmus J. Gubola
(now of Indian Orchard)
Daniel Patrick Shea Depot St.
Joseph P. Courchesne Stebbins St.
Roger G. Boudreau Keyes Ave.
Robert Blake Jackson No. Wash. St.

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A Couple of Nice Kids Join the New Army

One evening last week I sat down and wrote two letters to fathers and mothers whose boys had been reported as killed in battle during the past few days, one piloting a fighter over the Philippines, the other in infantry action in Germany.

Pretty tough job, trying to express sympathy in cases like these, knowing that nothing can lift the utter blackness which must descend upon a home where the most dreaded news has come.

Both of these boys had been youths of fine promise as I had known them just yesterday in high school. Both had been members of my Boys' Patrol, an organization of 75 lads whose job was to watch over all discipline outside of the class rooms, to guard the gates at games and parties, and in all sorts of ways to foster the best traditions of the school and to improve its reputation.

One of them used to work out at Howard Johnston's on Boston Road, and I have chatted with him many times when I drove home late at night and had stopped for cube steak sandwich and coffee. He went on to Mass. State and thence to the Air Corps and a lieutenancy.

The other was younger, just starting his senior year when Pearl Harbor struck. His Patrol Post was at the desk as you enter the school, and I can still see him there, big, athletic, and quietly polite as he directed visitors to the office. He was president of the Hi-Y, an active Boy Scout, and very busy with young people's work in his church. He had only a part of a year at college before he was called in. Last spring his only sister, a senior at Classical, gave me his address, and we had time for a letter or two.

The war, which often seems far away when one's own family is not directly involved, closes in rapidly when two boys you have known very well are taken in a single week.

A good many things, like shortages of cigarettes and high ration values of steaks, fade out to their real significance as the casualty lists come in. I wonder how Black Market chiselers, and strikers, and complainers in general can face parents of boys like Loren and Bill, who have been denied so much more than butter and new tires.

How many more such letters must we write before it is over?

"New Year's Eve, 1945"

After the above, this may be a good spot to use Rocky and Frances Smith's poem, sent as a New Year's greeting and filled with memories of boys now far away.

As many of you know, Rocky was the minister of the local Methodist Church a few years back. In addition to having one of the most vital parishes hereabouts, he and Frances meant much to the general life of the community. They are now at Garrett Biblical Institute in Evanston, Illinois. Here is their greeting:

It is with sincere appreciation that I wish to thank those who supported me at the Primaries of February 27.

I am asking the same consideration for Col. Horace T. Aplington in the special election of next Tuesday. I believe him well able to represent this district and one who will be fearless in working for honest legislation.

To be ably represented by the Republican nominee it is doubly important that we all get out and vote. Remember the date—Tuesday, March 13.

Albert Parsons

VOTE FOR
HORACE T. APLINGTON
Republican Candidate for Representative Election March 13



Resident of Amherst for 9 years.

Property owner and Taxpayer.

Graduate, Columbia University, 1907

Active Duty, U. S. Army 30 years.

Col. U. S. Army, Retired.

Teacher of Military Subjects, Mass. State College 5 yrs.

Commanding officer of all Army Units in town of Amherst 1943

Experienced in Administration, Committee Work, Investigation, and Reports.

Horace T. Aplington

The New Year's life breathes warm upon our hearth

And for a space the dusky oak flame brightens.

A gentle silence blossoms from our mirth

As spent logs fall apart and the ash whitens.

The shadows gather in, the walls expand;

Now heart's own comrades fill the quiet room—

And you against the sea or holding the land

In alien air are suddenly at home—

The flame is gone, but rising as a light

Your voices join with ours the old refrain.

From prison, darkened house, or hurtling plane

Our "auld lang syne" is proof against the night.

The music grows, insistent in its might.

We listen, and the world is whole again.

"Care of Postmaster, New York"

While our minds are on the boys now pushing the Germans back of the Rhine and the Japs into the ocean, you will like this poem by Elspeth Bragdon, wife of the book editor of the *Republican*, which appeared not long ago in the *New Yorker*.

Mrs. Bragdon is teaching a grand course in our Evening Adult School this year. It is called "Current Books." So far her classes have discussed *Freedom Road*, by Howard Fast; *The American Character*, by Denis Brogan; *The Veteran Comes Back*, by Willard Waller; and *Great Son*, by Edna Ferber. Read them yet?

Care of Postmaster, New York

What shall I write to you on this V-mail paper?

That the field where the garden was is stubble again,

That day comes tardy and slow, that the young dogs caper

And dance on their spindling legs in the winter rain.

That the boy and his mother laugh and whistle about their chores

And pull the curtains across to shut out the night,

Locking the windows fast, bolting the heavy doors,

And read, the book held close to the shaded light.

This is our peace that I send to

you who must deal in wars—
The young dogs curled on the hearth, and the fast-locked doors.

Elspeth

Oratorical Youth

It was nice to see headlined in last week's papers the fact that Barbara Hudson had won the district American Legion Oratoricals in Orange. We had become a little leery over headlines about Belchertown. This is the kind we want more of!

There cannot be too much emphasis on oral English in our high schools. The next generation will have much to stand up and fight for. This is the time for them to get their practice in getting onto their feet and talking. Oratoricals, debates, declamations, and panel discussions. Let there be more of them! "When I was in school" (Heaven forgive me for using that awful clause!) we had declamations every Friday afternoon. One by one we had our turn before the whole school. It was as valuable torture as I ever had to endure. There isn't much good to "Freedom of Speech" unless we know how to talk—and then to listen!

Listen to the old clock below me—
tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

May it never be forgotten that "degenerate America," with its "putrescent corpse of Liberty," in the space of one week of 1945 captured Manila with one force and Cologne with another, while its air armadas shattered the homelands of totalitarianism almost at will. This is the same America whose men were forced to do a "death march" three short years ago, and whose new armies were then fighting maneuvers with "simulated weapons." We can't relax, but we can draw a few proud breaths.

—Bob Jackson

Town Team Wins

The town team defeated the Old Timers 44-41 last Friday night, thus winning two straight games in the series. The contest went to an overtime period, a basket by Richard Hennemann and a free try by Sonny Ayres deciding the issue. The proceeds, amounting to over

\$13, went to the Belchertown Community Association.

The summary:

Belchertown		B	F	P
Noel, Hf		2	1	5
Barrett, rf		2	0	4
Kimball, c		5	0	10
R. Hennemann, lb		9	0	18
Ayers, rb		2	3	7
Totals		20	4	44

Old Timers		B	F	P
A. Hennemann, rb		2	1	5
LaBroad, lb		2	1	5
Ketchen, c		2	0	4
Menard, rf		6	2	14
Shumway, rf		1	0	2
Cook, lf		4	1	9
Witt, lf		1	0	2
Totals		18	5	41

Score at half time, Old Timers 34, Belchertown 28. Referee, W. Hennemann. Time, 8-minute periods and 3-minute overtime period.

Fellow Editor Dies

We feel a sense of personal loss in the recent death of William H. Dearden, editor of the *Ware River News*. His slogans were: "The Paper That Spills the Beans," and "We print more columns of fresh news than any weekly paper in Western Massachusetts," and he surely lived up to both. His was no armchair paper. It was a vital sheet. His weekly comments on the war (he was in the thick of World War 1) were surely illuminating, if realistic. To the last, in spite of modern theories to the contrary, he insisted that just so many Germans and Japs had got to be killed to end it.

He copied more of our own articles than any paper we know of, and his comments on our smaller sheet were a joy. He was a friendly chap. We can still see him waving a friendly greeting as he went by the draft board office door, as he did on so many occasions, especially in the earlier days of the war.

Town Items

Next week's meeting of the Girl Scout A Association will be held on Friday evening instead of Thursday, and at the home of Mrs. Mary Young.

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Back from Southwest Pacific

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hard to find their hang-outs.

O'Seep says that the much publicized story of a kitchen sink being dropped on the Japanese was absolutely correct. The Japs at one time came near getting his own number, as they broadcast the names of the "butcher" crew members of his particular ship—which gave him a rather strange sensation.

O'Seep brought home a large number of interesting photographs, many of them of Japanese island installations, some of them showing bombs actually floating down on them. He also brought home all kinds of foreign money—Japanese, Dutch, Philippine, etc. One of his specimens is a Fiji penny—a small piece of paper with just a little printing on it.

He was in many of the well-known island campaigns, being based successively on New Guinea, Hollandia, Wadke, Biak and Leyte. In fact when he started home, his passage was delayed by reason of the wounded from Leyte requiring all available space.

His group finally got passage from Australia about February 5 on an obsolete B 25 to Hawaii. On this trip, he assisted in recording weather observations. At Hawaii, they got passage on a huge C 54 transport to Hamilton Field, California. He came across country by Pullman to Fort Devens.

O'Seep brought with him plenty of decorations—an air medal ribbon with two oak leaf clusters, an Asiatic-Pacific ribbon (New Guinea campaign), Bismark Archipelago ribbon, Philippine ribbon (Leyte battle), a good conduct ribbon, and an American Theater of Defense ribbon.

But if he had brought home a thousand ribbons, he would still be the same Pierre O'Seep. He can't see why there should be any ado over his achievements, and says that plenty have done more than he.

He entered the service in December, 1942, first in the infantry in South Carolina, where for four months he was at Fort Jackson. He then transferred to the air corps, being stationed at the Columbia army air base. In October, 1943, he was on his way to the Southwest Pacific.

O'Seep reports for duty at Atlantic City on the 24th.

I have time to write you a few lines before I go on watch. How is everybody? I'm fine, but I don't like the hot weather. I'm a long

way from home now—farther than you think I am. The chow is good, but I haven't got much of an appetite.

Did you get the package I sent you from San Francisco? I hope you have, because I sent some souvenirs that I would like you to have.

You asked how I liked my first trip at sea. I liked it pretty well, but I couldn't get used to the rolling and pitching. I haven't been seasick yet; I guess I've been pretty lucky.

I got S 1-C the first of February. Have you heard from Willie lately? I wish you would send me his address if you can get it. I won't be home for quite a while, but don't worry about me.

John Antonovitch

News has been received from Robert White, seaman 2nd class, R. M., that he has "arrived safely somewhere in the South Pacific."

Robert D. Camp, A. C. M. M., recently passed navy requirements for aviation chief machinist mate. While here on leave, he was unexpectedly called to leave immediately for overseas. Mrs. Camp and sons, Donald and Robert, who have been at Patuxent River, Md., where Mr. Camp has been stationed, have returned to their home on Jackson street.

Among four men from the Springfield area who recently completed 32 months' overseas with a veteran aviation engineer battalion in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations is Cpl. Stanley E. Dunbar of this town. A release says of this unit:

"Firsts are a habit with this veteran organization. They were the first complete unit to be stationed in England. Among the first to land in North Africa, these aviation engineers built airfields clear across the war-torn continent. Many of these fields were constructed in the midst of dive-bomber attacks by the dreaded Stukas. Eastward they moved to Tunis, reconstructing captured enemy fields.

"Again in Sicily they were among the first to hit the beaches. Heroism marked their exploits as they cleared thousands of mines and time bombs from recently captured enemy airfields.

"In Italy this now veteran organization ran into its first real trouble. The heavy Italian mud, which the battalion found everywhere, earned its members the nickname, "Mud-turtles." The greatest achievement in Italy came when, in mist, rain and cold, the "Mudturtles" carved out an entire new heavy bomber airfield in what had once been a pasture.

"Then came the biggest job of all—the invasion of Southern France, where they built the first Allied landing strip, overcoming the obstacle of particularly thick minefields."

We again call attention to the fact that censorship rules do not permit the publication of overseas addresses.—Ed.

Pvt. Donald Morey, 569285 USMC, 3d Training Battalion 2nd Inf. Training Regiment Plat. 3, Co. C Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif.

SPECIAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, MARCH 13TH
Elect
James F. Shea
DEMOCRAT

of Ware

as your REPRESENTATIVE

Lifetime resident of Western Massachusetts. 16 years a practicing Attorney in Ware, Town Counsel for Ware for past 3 years. Married and have 3 children, my only son being in Uncle Sam's Service.

I will address the voters of the 4th Hampshire District over WHYN—Holyoke, 1400 on your dial, on Saturday, March 10th, at 6.45 p. m. Won't you please tune in?

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Town Items

The second in the series of Extension Service coat-making meetings will be held next week Friday at 7.30 p. m., the place to be announced.

will meet in the recreation room at Memorial hall next week Tuesday evening at 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and son are visiting in New York this week.

Mrs. Ada Akers is in Mary Lane hospital.

The American Legion Auxiliary

RED CROSS DRIVE NOW ON

Minstrel Show at State School

The 22nd annual minstrel show will be held at the State School next month, as follows:

Dress rehearsal, Tuesday, April 24, at 2 p. m.

Patients' Night, Wednesday, April 25, at 8 p. m.

Guest Night, Friday, April 27, at 8 p. m.

Dr. Tadgell, superintendent, extends a cordial invitation to the townspeople to be present on Guest Night.

Water District Meeting

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little more than in some years, to allow for the painting of the stand-pipe and more satisfactory connections with the State School main. The present emergency connection is of only 2-inch pipe. It is planned to have full-size connections, with the necessary gate. It is of interest to know that a "mutual assistance" pact has been signed between the water district and State School authorities, so that the friendly understanding of past years has possibly been given a little more permanence.

D. Donald Hazen was re-elected commissioner for three years, and William E. Shaw clerk and treasurer for one year. Ten ballots were cast. Lewis H. Blackmer was moderator, and William E. Shaw, clerk. Tellers were George A. Poole and Harlan B. Davis.

Special Night at Grange

Conservation Night was observed at Union Grange on Tuesday evening. The program included:

Solo, "April Showers"

Mrs. Marion Plant Talk, "Birds Useful to the Farmer"

Mrs. Julia Shumway Poem, "The First Robin"

Mrs. Blanche Austin Poem, "The Bird and Its Song—Go Get It" June Hennemann

Henry Renouf of Robin Farm was guest speaker, speaking on "Making a Place into a Farm." A resume of his talk follows:

My subject tonight is "Making a Place into a Farm." I am glad to have such a topic as this to speak on, for although I have had no chance to prepare a speech, the subject is one that concerns me deeply, so that I may say my remarks come from the heart, if not the head.

For a good many centuries, the world has been unwittingly making farms into places, disregarding the principles of conservation, moving from place to place, eating the frosting off the cake, so to speak, using the few inches of top soil until the land is depleted, and then moving on. With proper husbandry, we can in agriculture have our cake and eat it, too. Since the Grange was originally concerned with husbandry, the problem of conserving the means given us by nature for giving a livelihood should be of particular interest to us here. I see, however, very few farmers present tonight, and for that reason it might be better to discuss the essential problem involved, rather than the technique of conservation.

In the first place, just what is it we are conserving? Soil erosion is perhaps the aspect of conservation about which we hear the most, but we are not conserving just soil, we are attempting to conserve the entire cycle of expendable resources, the key to which is chlorophyll. This is that mysterious pigment which makes plants green and which with the aid of sunlight, is able to make carbohydrates out of carbon dioxide and hydrogen. It is this chlorophyll that has made everything we live on. All life depends on it. Without it we would have no coal, no oil, no food, in fact no life. A comprehension of its importance is something we should acquire as a part of our schooling.

Biologists, geologists and other natural scientists might well teach the functions rather than the character of the materials they handle, e. g., geology concerns itself to a large extent with the identification of kinds of rocks, while it might better explain the role that water plays in supporting life. He who steals the golden egg the goose lays is an acknowledged criminal, but somehow or other we haven't come to prosecuting the man who kills the goose. If our town treasury is the egg, our land is the goose, and some day I expect to see a greater penalty for misuse of our land than for just ordinary petty larceny, so in speaking of conservation, let us remember that it starts with chlorophyll and doesn't end until it has included everything which can with care renew itself on this earth. Thus the first step in conservation is seeing to it that our fields are always green.

Hot fried cakes and coffee were served by Mrs. Francis Loftus.

LOST—Folder of non-highway gas coupons belonging to Claude E. Smith, Washington St., Belchertown, Mass. Finder will be rewarded. Please notify by postal or phone 3557.

Claude E. Smith

HAY For Sale. W. S. Piper, Maple Street. Tel. 2191.

B. H. S. Basketball Notes

B. H. S. plays Hardwick tonight at Orange in the Tri-State Small Schools' Tournament. B. H. S. will also play another tournament game next week Wednesday night.

The game with the Orange second team on Monday night at Orange resulted in a tie, 35-35.

W. Paige Piper, athletic coach at B. H. S., is suffering from an infection following teeth extraction, and was taken yesterday to Wesson hospital.

Methodist Church Notes

The Fourth Quarterly Conference and Annual Meeting of the Methodist church will be held in the vestry of the church on Monday evening at 7.30, preceded by a parish supper at 6.30. Dr. Charles W. Jeffras will preside at the conference.

An all-day meeting of the Springfield District W. S. of C. S., will be held at Trinity church, Springfield, on Tuesday. The morning speaker will be Mrs. Franklin D. Tappan, New England Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service; and the afternoon, Mrs. Howard W. Selby of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

The Missionary Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Carl Corliss on Wednesday evening, March 14, at 7.30.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts opened this week with a song. Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Braden were our guests for today. They plan to start a scout troop in Dwight Station soon.

We had patrol corners and then a business meeting afterwards. We expect our troop numerals to come soon. They are numbers to wear on our uniforms.

After our meeting, the Girl Scouts had a hike.

Susan Squires, Scribe

Town Items

Mrs. Howard Dickinson of South Main street returned home Sunday after spending a few days with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Taft and two daughters of Sterling.

Miss Alice Flaherty, teacher at the Center Grade School, has been ill this week with the mumps. Mrs. Chester Hussey has been substituting for her.

Robert Hodgen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hodgen, underwent an operation at the Holyoke hospital on Wednesday.

One of our townspeople reported seeing a large bluebird yesterday, so spring must be just around the corner.

Mrs. Mary Ayers, who has been at the State School hospital, is convalescing at her home on North Main street.

CASINO

WARE—FRI, SAT., MAR. 9-10
Boris Karloff Lon Chaney
"House of Frankenstein"

and
"The Reckless Age"

SUN., MON., MAR. 11-12
Hedy Geo. Paul
Lamarr Brent Lukas
"Experiment Perilous"

and
Brown—Carney—Vera Vague
"Girl Rush"

3 DAYS COM. TUES., MAR. 13
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To all persons interested in the estate of Lillian M. Kelley, late of Belchertown, in said County, deceased:

The executor of the will of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance his first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court, at Northampton, in said County of Hampshire, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of March, 1945, the return day of this citation.

Witness, William M. Welch, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

Albert E. Addis, Register
Feb. 23-Mar. 2-9



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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
Honor Roll-Call and Candle Lighting Service. "The Shield of Faith."

Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
Claude Smith, Guest Speaker.

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"The Love of God."

Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:

St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. v.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Firemen's Night at Grange. Supper at 6.30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Men's Club at State School Bowling Alleys, 6.45 to 10 p. m.

Women's Guild Musicale and Guest Night at the Congregational Parish House at 8 p. m.

THURSDAY

Service of Prayer and Praise in Methodist Vestry at 7.30 p. m.

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

TODAY

Girl Scout A Association with Mrs. Willard H. Young.

Second in Series of Extension Service Coat-Making Meetings in Recreation Room at Memorial Hall at 7 p. m.

American Legion Meeting at Dr. A. E. Westwell's.

TOMORROW

Killed in Action

One more son of Belchertown has made the supreme sacrifice in this war. Mrs. Donald H. Sessions of So. Main street received a telegram on Wednesday morning that her husband, Pfc. Donald Harry Sessions, 26, was killed in action February 26 in Germany.

The last letter received by the family was written a week earlier, February 19, and was received last week Wednesday.

He entered the service in May, 1944, while living in Springfield, where he was employed. He received his training at Camp Meade, Md., and Camp Blanding, Florida. He was home early in December and left for overseas about Christmas time.

He leaves his wife, the former Doris Smith of Northampton, and a son, Donald J.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Sessions of South Main street; and two sisters, Mrs. Richard Gabel of this town and Miss Barbara Sessions of Boston.

Rationing Board Notes

Many people are still neglecting to fill out their applications for rationed goods, particularly gasoline, completely. In the future, any application not completely filled out and signed will be returned to the applicant.

All gasoline applications for supplementary and special gas must be accompanied by the Mileage Rationing Record.

The Belchertown War Price and Rationing Board meets on Thursday evening and any applications not received in time for one week's meeting must wait until the next week's meeting.

The Rationing Board.
March 14, 1945

Dates Spoken For

March 28
Eastern Star Card Party.

April 3
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial hall.

Apr. 6.
Junior-Senior Play.

Apr. 13
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.

Apr. 14
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.

April 27
State School Minstrel—Guest Night Presentation at 8 p. m.

Annual Meeting of Methodist Church

There was a good attendance, in spite of the weather, at the Fourth Quarterly conference and annual meeting held at the Methodist church on Monday evening. The meeting was preceded by a parish supper, Mrs. J. J. Kempkes, Sr., being chairman of the supper committee.

Dr. Charles W. Jeffras conducted the conference and, introductory to the business meeting, gave a devotional talk on the meaning and purpose of the church in the world. This was Dr. Jeffras' final appearance here in his present official capacity, and he was given a vote of appreciation.

Rev. Joseph Belcher, in his report, spoke of the Crusade for Christ campaign, which is being conducted throughout the entire Methodist church. This campaign has a five-point program:

1. Crusade for a new world order.
2. Program of reconstruction and rehabilitation (both in this country and abroad) as concerns stricken churches, the homeless, the Negroes, chaplains, etc.
3. Evangelism.
4. Stewardship.
5. Religious Education, with emphasis on the Church School.

As concerns the financial aspect of this program, reported on by Mrs. Carl Corliss, it was stated that the local church has in cash and pledges progressed approximately two-thirds of the way to the goal of \$660 for the present year. The Crusade for Christ program runs for four years, 1944-48.

The pastor called attention to some of the church's activities, its remembrance of servicemen, its special mid-week services during Lent, the activity of the Men's club, etc. Incidentally, Rev. and Mrs. Belcher have a son in the service in India, Eddie he has just joined the Navy, and a son-in-law is a flight officer in the A. T. C.

Mrs. J. J. Kempkes, Sr., reported on the activities of the W. S. of C. S., which has had a most successful year.

Donald Terry, secretary of the board of trustees, reported for that group.

Mrs. Burt Collis, treasurer of the church, reported all bills paid and a balance in the treasury.

Mrs. George Davis spoke on the increase in benevolences. Miss Eileen Dodge, secretary of the Youth Fellowship, reported for that group.

Mrs. E. Clifton Witt reported for the church school, which has labored under disadvantages by reason of epidemics.

Mention was made many times at the meeting of the fine work being done by Mrs. J. R. Newman in conducting the branch Sunday school at Turkey Hill, which has a membership of 16.

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Senior Girl Scout Notes

On Wednesday, March 7th, the Senior Scouts went to a meeting of the Senior Scouts in Northampton. At this meeting, six women who teach different occupations were invited as guest speakers. The lectures included: Cadet Nursing, Home Economics, Commercial, Merchandising, Library Work, Recreational Work.

Each speaker gave a five-minute talk, and then we divided into groups, telling which two we were most interested in and specialized in those for the rest of the evening. All the girls enjoyed themselves and found out many things about work they were interested in.

Diane Allen, Secretary

Special Service Sunday

A feature of interest at the Congregational church on Sunday will be an Honor Roll-Call and Candle-lighting service in honor of those in the armed services, under the direction of Mrs. J. Raymond Gould, chairman of the servicemen's committee of the church.

As the name of each is called, some relative or friend will light a candle. After the service the candle will be taken home, "placed in some sacred niche, if possible, under the boy's picture," to be lighted each Thursday evening at 7.30 in connection with a few moments of silent prayer.

Men's Club Meeting

The Men's Club of the Methodist and Congregational churches will be guests of Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, superintendent of the State School, at the school alleys from 6.45 to 10, next Wednesday evening. Teams will be made up from each of the churches and the institution.

There will be no supper in connection with next week's meeting.

Result of Election

Following is the result of the special election for representative on Tuesday:

	Prec. A	B	Tot.
Aplington, Rep.	159	8	167
Shea, Dem.	11	10	21
	170	18	188

Aplington won in the district by about 400 votes.

Clapp Memorial Library



Spring Sap Rises Again
In New England's Hills

Although snow fell last night and this morning was clear and cold, we are welcoming spring hereabouts. The first snowdrop was rudely snatched from its anchor and brought indoors to pine in a water glass ten days ago, pussy willows and forsythia have been blooming in the bay window for several weeks, a genuine bluebird perched on our dead cherry trunk last week Thursday, and green shoots are peering out of the ground in southern exposures here and there, where deep snow lay only a fortnight back.

Once again it is possible to start forth to work in the sunshine and to return well before dark. Only a few strips of snow remain beside the highway to remind us of the huge drifts which threatened our February passage. The morning air is not yet fragrant with bloom, but Jimmy Skunk is abroad again and does the best he can.

Clearer and surer than all other signs, the sap pails are once more hung round the maples, and evaporators are bubbling across the Commonwealth. This is indeed the first crop of the spring, and its coming is thoughtfully timed by Nature to precede the opening of the fishing season. George is "over East" this week-end, gathering and boiling, chopping and carrying, in tune with the year as all young folks should be. The amount of syrup he and Channing will succeed in getting is problematical, depending entirely on the length of the run in relation to the strength of their ambition. But they work in full confidence that the sweet reward of their labors will be deeply appreciated in a year when sugar stamps are few. (Since I wrote the first draft of this, they have seven quarts of good syrup already preserved in jars!)

Of course, Florence feels that sugar harvested in Massachusetts can never really equal that which is produced in her dear old Vermont, the traditional state for sugar making. Vermonters are thoroughly loyal to their native industry, too. The "sugarin' off" party is as much a part of a Vermonters' life as the town meetin' and the annual church dinner. They carry their customs with them wherever they go. Some years ago Mother Nelson and two of her daughters lugged a thermos of hot syrup clear to the top of Pike's Peak and gave the other tourists a taste of Vermont sugar on snow in Colorado!

City folks can't know the thrill of the sugar harvest. Helen Winslow recaptures the nostalgia of an old lady who longs for her farm from her daughter's home in Boston. The poem is called "In Sugarin'-Time".

It's sugarin' time up country; and settin' here in town
I seem to hear the "drip, drip, drip" of sap a-tricklin' down
Into them wooden buckets in our old sugar place,
Afore Josiah died, an' our only daughter, Grace,

Insisted 't wasn't noways safe for me to live alone
Up in that old brown farm-house that long's I live I'll own;
And naught would do but I must come an' stay along o'her,
Where sugarin' might be hayin' time—in all this bustling stir
Where smells of spring and tinklin' sap an' wild flowers never come.
There ain't no chance for such things round Grace's city home;
An' sugarin' time no different ain't from summer or from fall—
I wisht Josiah 'n' me was back, a-workin' hard an' all....

It's sugarin' time up country though, an' memories, like the sap,
Start up an' set me longin' for Mother Natur's lap,—
An' him an' Jim—the farm, the hens, the horses in the stall.
It's sugarin' time up country: I'm homesick, that is all.

In the same vein, Eva Edgerton Ames remembers her childhood "Way Up in Old Vermont."

There's a smell of maple sugar, An' entrancing steam of sap,
Tho' as yet the world-old mater Holds big snow banks on her lap;
And the wind is fit to chill us And slaps us in the face—
But we can stand the challenge With good and silent grace.
We can easy bear the burden Of things we do not want,
For we are making sugar 'Way up in Old Vermont....

It may have been the flavor Of stick, or leaf, or bark,
That makes our mouths to water now,
And to fond memory hark.
It may have been the home folk,
It may have been the time,—
It was all good and hot and sweet—
Thrilled thro' our veins like wine.
Ah, well! 'tis past, but the same sun
Throws shadows long and gaunt—
And still we're making sugar 'Way up in old Vermont.

Prof. Frank Prentice Rand of Amherst introduced a bit of romance into an already sweet subject, when he wrote "In Sugar-Time" for his book, *Garlington*.
It's sugar-time in Garlington,
As all her children know;
For strange, sweet yearnings waken
When sap begins to flow,
And brooks break forth in crystal spray,
And 'sunshine melts the snow.
It's sugar-time in Garlington,
For spring is in the air;
And all her sons are stalwart,
And all her daughters fair,
As lustily from dawn to dark
They make the syrup there.

It's sugar-time in Garlington,
And maples, gnarled and old,
May hear their mighty heart-beats
In buckets manifold:
Again the ancient miracle,
The mystery untold.
It's sugar-time in Garlington,
And still, methinks, I see
Four hands upon a bucket,
And two belonged to me.
The sweetest yield in Garlington
Was nothing from a tree.

Yes, it's a brave fine time of the year, when before the snow has gone and the robins returned, earth

sends spring up from the frozen ground to sweeten next summer's pancakes!

Tommy Landers' Youngsters Hit M. S. C. Jack Pot!
I take a lot of pleasure in congratulating Tommy Landers, until very recently of this town, whose South Hadley High School basketball team marched off with the Mass. State small-school tournament last week by virtue of consecutive wins over St. Joseph's, Turners Falls and Hopkins Academy. The first two victories were thrillers that left the fans breathless, only seconds separating Tommy's boys from defeat in each case.

Good athletics have always been a joy to Tom. It's fun to remember him "back when" he pitched and played shortstop on my one and only baseball team. I wonder if he will ever forget the victory in Palmer (or the later defeat by Palmer in the home stamping grounds in South Belchertown!) Tommy did a good job of coaching here, but always there was the handicap of a Town Hall, where good basketball was almost impossible. It must be a relief for a coach who has battled under such conditions to find himself suddenly equipped with a gym.

J. Paige Piper, we have another young man, who is quite capable of turning out creditable performers, and who has done very well with his materials. We surely hope he will soon have the chance which a better hall should give him. With Belchertown boys now coaching in both Amherst and South Hadley, it would be fun to be in the thick of it with a team which could play host to visiting teams without blushing!

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

March, 1935—Hitler breaks Versailles Treaty, orders conscription.
March, 1936—German troops begin to reoccupy Rhineland zone.
March, 1938—Hitler occupies Austria.
March, 1939—Germans occupy Czechoslovakia and Memel.
March, 1940—Nazis complete plans for invasion of Norway, Denmark, Holland, Luxembourg, and Belgium.
March, 1941—President Roosevelt signs Lend-Lease Bill.
March, 1942—Japs land all over South Seas, and MacArthur reaches Australia from Nip-conquered Philippines.
March, 1943—Germans still staggered by loss of Battle of Stalingrad.
March, 1944—Europe waits for D-Day.
March, 1945—Americans cross the Rhine; Russians cross Oder; Manila falls.

—Bob Jackson

About 40 friends gathered at the Chapel in a good-bye party for Stanley Tribe, who left on Tuesday to join the Marines. Games were played, songs sung, and Rev. Mr. Welch played the marine song and "God Bless America" on a saw—accompanied on the piano by Miss Olive Boyden. Refreshments were served and Stanley was presented a purse of money as a good-bye gift.

Dwight Items

Shows at 2-5.30 and 8.30 p. m.

AMHERST Theatre • Amherst
TODAY THRU SAT. In Technicolor
"A Song to Remember" with Paul Muni—Merle Oberon—Cornel Wilde
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"I'll Be Seeing You"
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"Music for Millions" with Jose Iturbi—Jimmy Durante and Margaret O'Brien



Elwyn H. Bock, Seaman 2nd Class Recruit Training Barracks 37 Co. 43, Plat. 1
Navy Air Tech. Trng. Center Memphis 15, Tenn.
Pvt. Roland E. Mossberg U. S. M. C. 556805
Co. A, 5th Tr. Bn., 5th Plt. 2nd Inf. Tr. Reg. Training Command Camp Pendleton Oceanside, California

News has been received that Robert A. White was promoted on March 1 to Radio Man 3-C.

Pfc. Louis Palerico and wife and baby daughter, and Pvt. Hershel Waldorf and wife and baby son are at the old Edward E. Gay place on Turkey Hill. The two soldiers are from Camp Sibert, Ala., and are on a 90-days' work furlough, due to the manpower shortage, being employed at the White Aircraft in Three Rivers as riveters. Pfc. Palerico was a mechanical instructor in Alabama.

Mrs. Dora B. Wesley of Oswego, N. Y., formerly of this town, has received word that her nephew, Pvt. Wesley Battles, reported missing in action in November, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

Brownie Report

The Brownies of Troop 3 went for a hike March 9th. When we went we saw a rabbit. The rabbit scared us and then went hop, hop, hop. He saw us and ran away. We found some pussywillows, too, and learned the names of several trees. After the hike Mrs. Renouf told us a story about the Easter Rabbit, and while she told the story, we had apple juice. We sang the Brownie song at the end of the meeting. Patty Chaffee, Secretary

Grange Notes

The firemen will be guests of honor at the meeting of Union Grange next Tuesday evening and will furnish the program. The meeting will be preceded by a supper at 6.30, Mrs. Marion Plant being chairman of the committee in charge.

Congregational Church Notes

Claude Smith will be the guest speaker at the Youth Fellowship meeting on Sunday evening. Evelyn Squires will conduct the worship service. A musicale and guest night will

feature the Women's Guild meeting at the parish house next Wednesday evening. The program will consist of vocal, piano, violin and trumpet solos. Hostesses are Mrs. Raymond Gould, Mrs. Harold Peck and Mrs. Harold Ketchen.

Local Man Honored

In connection with the Union Agricultural meeting held in Worcester, January 3, 1945, Acting Commissioner of Agriculture Louis A. Webster awarded blue ribbons to three cooperators in soil conservation, one of them being Paul T. Austin, head farmer at the Belchertown State School. The citation reads: "Paul T. Austin, head farmer, Belchertown State School, deserves this award because of outstanding work in field reorganization, soil conservation, and land improvement through drainage. Under his supervision 960 feet of stone wall were removed, thus throwing six small lots together into one large field of 33 acres, which is strip cropped. On the field are two strips 1,400 feet long, the longest in the state. Drainage work consists of cleaning

2,000 feet of ditch and converting by drainage five acres of swamp-land into good mowing."

Town Items

The Women's Guild public supper scheduled for next week Friday, will be omitted.
The second in the series of Extension Service coat making meetings will be held in the recreation room at Memorial hall tonight at 7. Those attending are asked to bring material to make a buttonhole and a pocket.
Seventeen were present at the Boy Scout meeting last week. The scouts picked a team of five boys to participate in the first aid contest to be held in Amherst March 29.
There will be a meeting of Chauncey D. Walker Post, American Legion, tonight at Dr. Arthur E. Westwell's.
The Junior and Senior classes of B. H. S. will present the play, "No Foolin'" at Lawrence Memorial hall, Friday evening, April 6. Prices are 60 cents, including tax, for adults; 36 cents, including tax, for children.

Miss Alice Bisnette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bisnette of Palmer, recently of this town, was tendered a greenback shower in Pulaski Hall, Three Rivers, Saturday night, attended by many relatives and friends. She will wed Andrew Smart of Palmer on April 3.

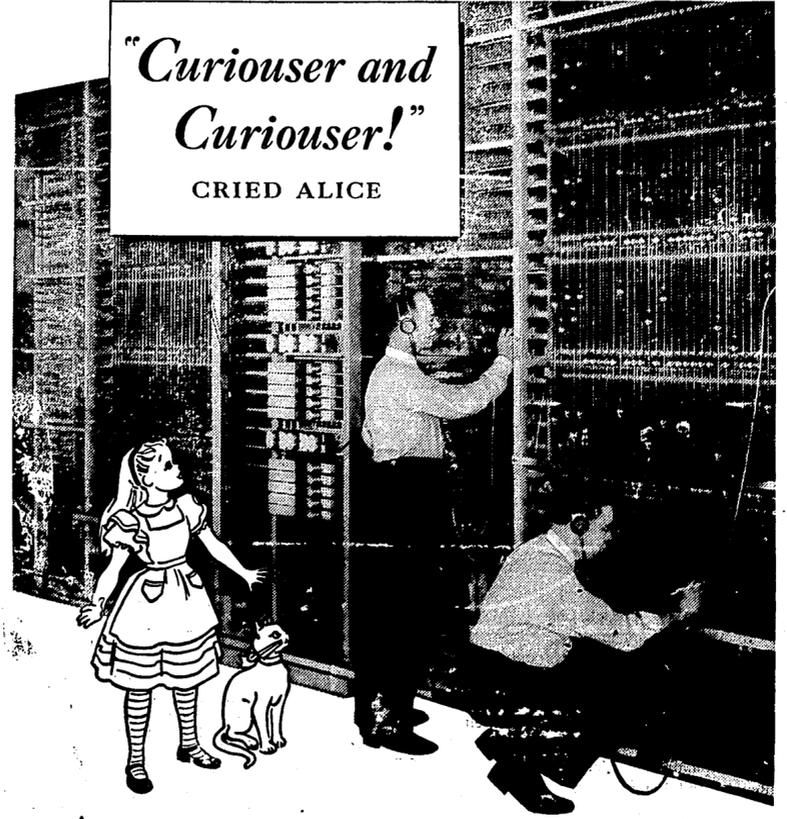
W. Paige Piper returned Wednesday from Wesson hospital, Springfield.

Willard H. V. Belding, who has been at the Holyoke Hospital, is convalescing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Clifton Witt.

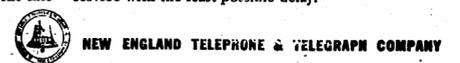
Mrs. R. A. French, Mrs. William Peeso and Mrs. J. J. Kempkes, Sr., attended the Springfield District W. S. of C. S. meeting in Springfield on Tuesday.

B. H. S. Basketball Notes

Hardwick defeated B. H. S. in the second annual Orange Small High Schools' Tournament last Friday night. The score was 48 to 36.
B. H. S. defeated New Salem 22-18 on Wednesday evening.
B. H. S. plays Petersham in the consolation tournament at Orange tonight at 7.30.



ANYTHING Alice saw through the looking-glass could hardly be more of a wonder than the switching equipment in a modern telephone Central Office.
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RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
Received from water rates	\$4,372.72	Salaries	\$375.00
Received from hydrant service	1,500.00	William E. Shaw, treasurer	\$100.00
Withholding tax	141.50	D. Donald Hazen, commissioner	75.00
Cash on hand January 1, 1944	2,388.19	M. C. Baggs, commissioner	75.00
		Ella A. Stebbins, commissioner	125.00
		Other Administrative Expenses	
		D. Donald Hazen, reading meters, etc.	41.00
		Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	23.53
		Addressograph plates	1.16
		W. E. Shaw, workmen's compensation insurance	33.60
		Treasurer's bond	5.00
		Postage and telephone	16.95
			121.24
		Pump House Expense	
		Central Mass. Electric Co.	\$680.20
		B. A. Butler, pumping	457.50
		B. A. Butler, paid for gas and grease	3.35
		D. Donald Hazen, pumping	1.25
		The Ryther & Warren Co., coal	54.56
		Holyoke Belting Co., repairs on belt	2.95
		Webster's Filling Station, battery	11.60
		Champion Lamp Works, lamps	7.74
			\$1,219.15
		Repairs and Replacements	
		Pittsburgh Equitable Meter Co., meters	154.80
		The Ryther & Warren Co., sewer pipe	1.60
		The Chapman Valve Mfg. Co.	25.20
		M. C. Baggs, labor	15.00
		William Crowley, labor	27.75
			224.35
		Showelling Out Hydrants and Flushing Same	
		Harlan Davis	2.50
		Hugh Hubbard	5.00
		D. Donald Hazen	1.00
			8.50
		MATURING DEBT, INT., ETC.	\$2,706.25
		Total expenditures for year ended Dec. 31, 1944	\$4,654.49
		Cash on hand December 31, 1944	3,747.92
			\$8,402.41

ATTENTION, MOTORISTS
Buy your accessories at Mapleawn Service Station on Shay's Hy-Way. We have a few sets of pre-war chrome driving lights left.—Where you buy the World's Finest Motor Oil—Gulfpride.

Card of Thanks
I wish to thank the friends, students, organizations, and all who remembered me during my illness.
W. Paige Piper

Card of Thanks
I wish to thank my many kind friends for the visits, cards and good things sent and brought in to me while in the Holyoke hospital.
Willard H. V. Belding

To Observe 90th Birthday
Mrs. Cornelia Holland of Boston will observe her 90th birthday on Saturday, March 24th, when she and her daughter, Miss Caroline P. Holland, are planning to have "open house" from 2 to 5 o'clock on that afternoon to receive her friends. It is expected that Mrs. Holland's daughter, Mrs. Fiske of Philadelphia, and her son, Luther and wife of Springfield, will be present. Mrs. Holland's mail address is 1334 Commonwealth Avenue, Allston, Massachusetts.

Annual Meeting
—continued from page 1—

Trustees—Burt S. Collis, Arthur R. Ketchen, George Booth, Donald Terry, Carl Corliss, Lloyd Chadbourne, Raymond Gay, E. Clifton Witt, H. C. Grindle.
Stewards—Mrs. Carl Corliss, Mrs. Isaac Hodgen, Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. Burt Collis, Mrs. Geo. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. French, Mrs. H. C. Grindle, Mrs. Iva Gay, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Pratt, Mrs. E. C. Witt, Mrs. Henry Baggs, Mrs. Lloyd Chadbourne, Mr. and Mrs. Max Bock, Mrs. H. W. Conkey, Henry Witt, Mrs. R. A. French, Mrs. Jonathan Shores, Mrs. J. J. Kempkes, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bock, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Booth, Mrs. Alice Wildey, Mrs. Lafayette Ayers, Mrs. Annie Bruce, Mrs. B. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Gay, Rev. and Mrs. Harold Suhm.
Recording Steward—Mrs. E. C. Witt.
Treasurer of Current Expenses—Mrs. Burt Collis.
Treasurer of Benevolences—Mrs. George Davis.
Auditors—E. C. Witt, Lloyd C. Chadbourne.
District Steward—Mrs. E. C. Witt.
Reserve District Steward—Mrs. R. A. French.
President of W. S. of C. S.—Mrs. Joseph Kempkes.
President of the Evening Group—Mrs. E. C. Witt.
Collector—Mrs. T. V. Pratt.
Lay Activities' Leader—E. C. Witt.
Communion Seward—Miss Janice Gay.
Custodian of Legal Papers—Carl Corliss, Mrs. Burt Collis.
Membership Committee—Mrs. R. A. French, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Witt, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Collis, Donald Terry.
Finance Committee—E. C. Witt, A. R. Ketchen, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Collis, Mrs. T. V. Pratt, George Booth, Carl Corliss, Mrs. George Davis.
Pastoral Relations' Committee—William French, Burt Collis, Geo. Booth, A. R. Ketchen.

CASINO

WARE—FRI., SAT., MAR. 16-17
Roland Young in
"TOPPER"
Wm. Boyd Hopalong Cassidy
"LUMBERJACK"

SUN., MON., MAR. 18-19
Bob Hope Virginia Mayo
"Princess and the Pirate"
and
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Girl Scout Notes
The Girl Scouts had a general meeting today. We had a discussion with Mrs. Chaffee about camping. Mrs. Ketchen is resuming the duties of Mrs. Miner as first aid teacher.
Mrs. Hussey came and took us for a hike. We looked for birds and saw five kinds. We came back and had a Good-night Circle.
Susan Squires, Scribe

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The Coming Week SUNDAY
—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m. "The Christ Triumphant."
Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
Rev. John P. Manwell, Leader.
—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Palm Sunday. "Behold Your King." Baptism of children.
Youth Fellowship in Vestry at 5 p. m.
—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY
Firemen's Association.
TUESDAY
Special Meeting of Union Grange at 7.30 p. m.
Double or Nothing Club.
Evening Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Suzanne Piper.

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon Group of W. S. of C. S. with Mrs. Joseph Belcher of Ware.
Eastern Star Card Party in Masonic Rooms at 8 p. m.

THURSDAY
Union Communion Service at the Methodist Church at 7.30 p. m.
FRIDAY
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Nora Fuller at 2.30 p. m.

Dates Spoken For
April 2
Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial Hall.
Apr. 4
Sewing Project Meeting at Mrs. Everett Geer's.
Apr. 6
Junior-Senior Play.

South Liberty Group Program
The South Liberty Group of the Hampden County Improvement League has started on its spring projects. We did not have these meetings during the winter, as the traveling was so bad. However, we did have two very nice parties, which kept us together. In December, we had a delightful Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Francis Austin, and in February, we had a very pleasant day with luncheon at the home of Mrs. John Garvin. At this meeting we decided to start on a sewing project, to be relayed to us by Mrs. Arthur Allen.
The first of these meetings was held at the home of Mrs. B. N. Wheeler on March 13th, when we were taught to make bound buttonholes. We had a very nice afternoon. On April 4th, we will have an all day meeting, starting at 10 a. m., at Mrs. Everett Geer's. The morning will be taken up with further instructions in sewing by Mrs. Allen, and in the afternoon Miss Molly Higgins will give us a talk with pictures on Home Furnishing and Decorations.

We are always glad to have anyone who is interested in these projects to come to these meetings, and we feel sure that something of value will be gathered.

Union Service
There will be a union communion service of the Methodist and Congregational churches at the Methodist church next week Thursday evening at 7.30. The service will be conducted by Rev. John P. Manwell and Rev. Joseph Belcher, the latter preaching the sermon.

O. E. S. Card Party
Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., will sponsor a card party next Wednesday evening in the Masonic rooms at 8 o'clock. Both bridge and whist will be played and refreshments will be served.
Apr. 13
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.
Apr. 14
Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.
Apr. 27
State School Minstrel—Guest Night Presentation at 8 p. m.

Death of Arthur F. Bardwell
Arthur Francis Bardwell, 82, who had been ill for a long time, died at his home on South Main street last week Thursday. He was born in Belchertown May 15, 1862, the son of Francis and Lucy (Tyler) Bardwell and was a descendant of Jonathan Bardwell, one of the early settlers of Cold Spring.
He was born in that part of Belchertown known as "Skeeterville" (at that time called Tylerville), where his father conducted an extensive business manufacturing woolen cloth of a high grade. As a lad he attended Franklin school.

The family moved to Boston where he studied in Boston University, majoring in mechanical engineering. Later the family moved to Springfield where they owned much property. There the father died and then the family returned to Belchertown.
Mr. Bardwell perfected and patented a voting machine called the Totometer. This was designed to prevent fraudulent voting and to facilitate counting votes. This machine received favorable notice in the newspapers and was used in some places. The Springfield Daily News says of this venture: "The invention of the votometer, first used at a special election in Northampton in 1900 and later put into large-scale manufacture by its originator, won for Bardwell the coveted John

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Women's Guild Musicales
A pleasing program of music was presented at the Women's Guild Guest Night meeting in the parish house of the Congregational church on Wednesday evening. The presentation included piano solos by Ann Brainerd of South Hadley; vocal solos by Helen Kuznick, with Lorraine Noel as accompanist; violin solos by Robert Brainerd, Jr., of South Hadley, with Mrs. Robert Brainerd, Sr., as accompanist; and trumpet solos by Helen Lister, with Miss Noel as accompanist.
It was voted to contribute \$25 to the Red Cross, and \$35 was designated to the servicemen's committee. Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. Raymond Gould, Mrs. Harold F. Peck and Mrs. Harold B. Ketchen. Thirty-eight were present.

Firemen's Night at Grange
There was a good attendance at Firemen's night at Grange on Tuesday, when firemen and their wives were guests of honor. A sumptuous supper was served at 6.30 in charge of Mrs. Marion Plant.
At the meeting following the report, Charles F. Austin, master of the Grange, welcomed the firemen, Chief Milton C. Baggs responding. He said the firemen were always glad to accept these annual invitations and spoke especially of the fine supper, stating that "it is seldom you get a feed like this nowadays."
Chief Baggs then called on Byron Hudson for a solo, who sang, "On the Road to Mandalay," and a French song as an encore.

As is his wont on these occasions, Chief Baggs took the opportunity to say a few words on fire prevention, reading from the statutes regarding the necessity of procuring a permit for all out-of-door fires—grass

Men's Club Meeting

The meeting of the men's club of the Methodist and Congregational churches at the State School alleys as guests of Dr. Taddell on this week Wednesday evening was the noisiest on record, not only by reason of the pinfalls in the two alleys, but also because of the excitement engendered. At its peak there was considerable coaching, and when a "star" player rolled the ball in the gutter after an especially good throw, there was extra noise of a different inflection.
The "grandstand" seats were all taken, and the sideline ones, too, where one squinted along his neighbor's nose (developing somewhat of a giraffe-like neck), much as a row of cows would do to see what the end animal was up to.
Those who kept the tally sheets were Frank Farrington, Sr., who officiated all evening, Guy C. Allen, Jr., Rev. Joseph Belcher and Dr. Taddell. The result of their tabulation is appended.
Meanwhile the pool tables near-by were kept busy all evening, with possibly less noise but more skill. Toward its close President Belcher tried to get some of the club into a sort of football huddle to do business—
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Candles for Sixty-Two

The Candle Lighting Service at the Congregational Church last Sunday morning, in addition to being effective as a ceremony, reminded us again how large is the number of Belchertown young men and women who have donned the uniform in this war. There are 62 names on the Honor Roll. Even discounting for possible cases where church affiliation may have been tenuous, I have an idea that this is the largest number and the largest percentage that any war has called into service.

As we heard the list read, name after name, we must have wondered how families have been able to carry on with their young strength so scattered, and indeed how the town has managed to keep up even an outward appearance of good cheer when so many hearts have been so lonely, and lonely so long.

Until last week this particular Honor Roll has been spared the dread distinction of added gold stars. Ensign James Collard was killed in an air accident at Pearl Harbor in April, 1941. It was almost four years before the next fatality. The death of Donald Sessions made the ceremony of Sunday very sad and very significant. The war suddenly closed in on the church, and the candles burned near the hearts of all of us.

Again we thought of Alan Seeger's "I Have a Rendezvous with Death":

I have a rendezvous with Death
At some disputed barricade,
When Spring comes back with rustling shade
And apple-blossoms fill the air—
I have a rendezvous with Death
When Spring brings back blue days
and fair.

It may be he shall take my hand
And lead me into his dark land
And close my eyes and quench my breath—
It may be I shall pass him still,
I have a rendezvous with Death
On some scarred slope of battered hill,
When Spring comes round again
this year
And the first meadow-flowers appear.

God knows 'twere better to be deep
Pillowed in silk and scented down,
Where Love throbs out in blissful sleep,
Pulse nigh to pulse and breath to breath,
Where hushed awakenings are

dear...
But I have a rendezvous with Death

At midnight in some flaming town
When Spring trips north again this year,

And I to my pledged word am true,
I shall not fail that rendezvous.

Alan Seeger kept the rendezvous in July, 1916—Donald Sessions in February, 1945. There will be many prayers before the candles this spring, prayers that these others who have pledged their words may be saved from other rendezvous.

Dedicated to Our Consciences

It seems that Kid (Harold M.) Gore, professor of physical education up at Mass. State, has become one of our faithful readers. If he weren't listening in, we should say some very nice things about Kid, in spite of the fact that his reading tastes may be slipping. This week he sent in a poem by Corp. Marcus Lynds, in service in the India, China, Burma Theater. He says he isn't sure that it is poetry, but that he liked it. So do we, Kid, and we know that it says something which is felt deeply by all those in military service.

The Letters Somebody Didn't Write

It ain't the heat nor the blistered feet,
Nor the meals of Spam in place of meat,
Nor the butter like lard, nor our turn at guard,
None of these is one-half as hard
As the jolt we get, after all the sweat,
And a cheery voice says, "No mail yet."

And it ain't the breeze, like a dragon's sneeze,
That peels the hide and weakens the knees,
Nor the dirt in your gun, nor the broiling sun—
These are forgotten when the day is done,
But our voices fail and our faces pale
If we draw a blank when it's time for mail.

We can stand the flies and the sand in our eyes,
The orders, the rumors, the truth and the lies,
The mosquitoes' swarm and the water warm,
And the wards that reek of chloroform.
What takes our fight and makes throats tight
Are the letters somebody didn't write.

Selected Shorts
Not His!
Down in Springfield they are telling about the first grader who lost his overshoes one day this winter. His teacher thought she had found them—at least they fitted perfectly and were the right color. But

he was certain they weren't his. "How do you know they aren't?" the teacher finally asked in some exasperation. "Mine had snow on 'em!"

"Disgust"—A Triolet
(Written by me after my umty-seventh experience with this situation.)
One day I shall find the bum
Who in the fountain leaves his gum;
And then, methinks, I'll sock him some.

Listen to the old clock below me—
tick, tick, tick. It has counted off
another week of your life:

"Teach us to look in all our ends
On Thee for judge, and not our friends,
That we with Thee may walk uncowed
By fear or favor of the crowd."

—Rudyard Kipling
—Bob Jackson

Community Dance

The Community Association dance, originally scheduled for Tuesday evening, April 3, has been changed to Monday evening, April 2, as the orchestra found itself in a conflict of dates.

The townspeople are asked to bear in mind this dance. Music will be furnished by Jimmy Downing's orchestra of Holyoke. Tickets are available at Phillips' store, Jackson's, and the Belchertown Pharmacy. Miss Nancy Tilton is making posters to help advertise the event. The door prize will be cigarettes!

The proceeds of this, the second dance to be put on by the association, will go to further some project for the children of the town, the specific project to be determined by the amount of money realized.

The association has it in mind to provide a slide for next winter, while as for the skating rink, which was so popular this past season, it is hoped that it will be possible to extend water connections to the common, so as not to have to cross the road with a hose. It is hoped, too, that some grading can be done on the common in connection with the rink.

Of course it is the expectation, in connection with all these projects, to utilize volunteer labor as far as possible.

Boy Scout Notes

A group of Scouts went up to the Shattuck farm last Sunday. From there we chose buddies and hiked to a nearby wooded hill. One Scout passed his cooking and another passed his axe handicraft. Several others passed part of their cooking requirements. Later on, the Scouts cleaned out a cabin on Scoutmaster Shattuck's farm for future use.
Dick Hazen

Grange Notes

There will be a special meeting of

High School Honor Roll

First Honors
(Averages of 90 or over)

- Seniors:
Juniors:
Sophomores:
Freshmen:
Eighth Grade:

Second Honors
(No grade below 85 for an average)

- Seniors:
Juniors:
Sophomores:
Freshmen:
Eighth Grade:

- Union Grange next Tuesday evening at 7.30 to act on applications.

Congregational Church Notes

Rev. John P. Manwell will lead the Youth Fellowship meeting, on Sunday evening.
The Home Department will meet with Mrs. Nora Fuller next week Friday afternoon at 2.30.

Brownie Report

Brownie Pack No. 1 visited the public library during our last meeting. On the way over, we took a little bird walk. We found four new birds for our Audubon check list. That makes seven in all. They are fox sparrow, song sparrow, grackle, junco, robin, starling and crow.

In the library, we visited the bird collection. In the main room, we looked at the bird charts. Then we went upstairs to the little room where we had fun looking through the stereoscope. Two of the children had never visited the library before.
Ann Eileen Joyal



Mar. 9, '45
Somewhere in Pacific
Just a line to let you know that I have changed addresses again. I guess that it will be the same for some time to come. It sure is good to see that home-town paper getting through once more. Just received one dated the sixteenth of February. I see by the letter Jackie Avery wrote in it that I must be quite near him. Maybe we will meet some day.
Can't say very much where I am, but I will say that I like to see the mail and the Sentinel come through wherever I am. If you have to change all the fellows' addresses as much as you have mine, it must be a lot of work. I know all the boys appreciate it.

Have finally reached part of my goal. Am now Radio Man 3d class. Am going to try to keep right on up the ladder.
All in all, everything is fine with me and I hope it is that way with the folks back home. Many thanks for your work.
Bob
(Robert A. White R M 3-C)

William Squires, Jr., M N 3-C, who is stationed at Pearl Harbor, writes of seeing his uncle, Sgt. Lewis E. Squires, (who is in the Mediterranean theatre) in a movie shown there. He writes, "I saw Lew's outfit in the movie the other night. It was getting a ribbon or unit citation."

Isaac A. Hodgen, T. M. 1-C, who arrived in town February 21 on leave until March 12, has had two extensions of leave by reason of the illness of his son, Robert, who is still in the hospital, so that he will not be returning until next week Thursday.

Previous to his leave, Ike was on an aircraft carrier. He now expects to be transferred to a different ship, a few of the more experienced men like himself forming the nucleus of a personnel composed mostly of newer recruits.

Ike has a healthy respect for the boys who fly the planes and come into actual contact with the enemy, and for the ground troops who have to operate in the steaming jungles.

Ike tells of interesting contacts with natives of some of the Pacific

isles, some as black as ebony and some of lighter hue. They at least know the language of the dollar—in fact nothing less satisfies them. He's met up with those who doll up with ornaments, file their teeth and have little or no clothing problems—especially the youngsters.

Corp. David H. Farley, 31287854
423rd Base Unit, Squadron E
Army Air Base, Walla Walla, Wash

Candle Lighting Service

The Honor Roll-Call and Candle Lighting service at the Congregational church last Sunday was well attended, the families of the servicemen occupying seats of honor at the front of the church.

Rev. J. P. Manwell, introductory to the service, called attention to the fact that two of the young men of the church had already given their lives—James R. Collard and Donald H. Sessions—and asked Lewis H. Blackmer, senior deacon, to light two candles from the altar candles in their memory.

Mrs. J. Raymond Gould, chairman of the church servicemen's committee, then read the names of those on the honor roll, following which representatives from the several families each lighted a candle from one of the altar candles held by Rev. Mr. Manwell, and then formed a line across the front of the church, while a special prayer hymn was sung. Candles for those not personally represented were lighted by the pastor and Deacons Shaw and Blackmer.

At the conclusion of the service, the candles were taken home with the idea that they would be lighted each Thursday evening at 7.30, in prayerful remembrance of the absent ones.

Following are the names of those on the church honor roll:

- Armitage, Warren E.
- Avery, John W.
- Baggs, Barbara E.
- Barrett, Warren P.
- Brown, Henry E.
- Bosworth, Melvin E.
- Camp, Edward C.
- Camp, Richard H.
- Camp, Robert D.
- Clark, Claude E.
- Clark, John
- Clark, Walter C.
- Collard, James R.
- Collard, Kenneth L.
- Davis, Harold S.
- Davis, Howard (H. D.)
- Dickinson, Harvey M.
- Dodge, Eliason D.
- Dunbar, Stanley E.
- Duncan, Robert F.
- Dyer, Robert T.
- Fairchild, John R.
- Farley, David H.
- Geer, Charles D.
- Geer, Donald E.
- Geer, Everett A.
- Geer, Gilbert T.
- Gould, Sherman L.
- Henneman, Arthur F. (H. D.)
- Hill, Nelson L. (H. D.)
- Holland, Hudson
- Howland, Norman E.
- Hussey, Alice M.
- Hussey, George H.
- Kimball, Harold D.
- Kimball, Warren B.
- Kimball, Willard E.
- Kinmonth, Raymond A., Jr.
- Lofland, Edward
- Lofland, Richard
- Low, E. Herrick
- Manwell, Rev. Richard F.
- Martin, Sidney G. (D.)
- Moore, James H.
- Moore, Walter H., Jr.
- Morey, Donald L.
- Parsons, Robert T.
- Rhodes, Donald C.
- Rhodes, Kenneth A.
- Rhodes, Harlan D.
- Rockwood, Arthur A.
- Rogers, F. Edward
- Rogers, Richard G.
- Ryther, Rosemary
- Schmidt, Albert G.
- Sessions, Donald H.
- Shaw, Robert M.
- Shirtcliff, Howard C. (H. D.)
- Squires, Lewis E.
- Squires, William H., Jr.
- Vincent, Arthur
- Warren, Linus A.

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Hill, Nelson L. (H. D.)
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Howland, Norman E.
Hussey, Alice M.
Hussey, George H.
Kimball, Harold D.
Kimball, Warren B.
Kimball, Willard E.
Kinmonth, Raymond A., Jr.
Lofland, Edward
Lofland, Richard
Low, E. Herrick
Manwell, Rev. Richard F.
Martin, Sidney G. (D.)
Moore, James H.
Moore, Walter H., Jr.
Morey, Donald L.
Parsons, Robert T.
Rhodes, Donald C.
Rhodes, Kenneth A.
Rhodes, Harlan D.
Rockwood, Arthur A.
Rogers, F. Edward
Rogers, Richard G.
Ryther, Rosemary
Schmidt, Albert G.
Sessions, Donald H.
Shaw, Robert M.
Shirtcliff, Howard C. (H. D.)
Squires, Lewis E.
Squires, William H., Jr.
Vincent, Arthur
Warren, Linus A.

Town Items
Mrs. Barbara Terry, who has in charge the Red Cross drive, reports that the \$1,000 mark has been passed. The goal is \$1,750, which it is still hoped to achieve, as there are several solicitors who have not yet reported.
Mrs. George Akers returned Wednesday from the Mary Lane hospital, Ware.
Mrs. George Chapman of Mamaroneck, New York, and her son, Tech. Sgt. George, Jr., who is on a 15-day furlough, were guests of Mrs. Chapman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hurlburt over the week-end.
Mrs. E. F. Shumway spent the week-end as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mary Sanford Sellow in Middletown, Ct. On Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Sellow gave a tea to announce the engagement of her daughter, Patricia, to Ensign Jay L. Johnson, U S M S, of Miles City, Mont. Miss Sellow is a student at Chandler Secretarial School, Boston. Ensign Johnson is a graduate of Radio Training Station at Gallup's Island, Boston. No date has been set for the wedding.

Death of Arthur F. Bardwell

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Scott award, presented by the city of Philadelphia in 1901 on recommendation of Franklin Institute, the oldest society in the United States devoted to the advancement of applied sciences.

"The votometer, boosted by the New York Journal in a mock election in which 60,000 persons cast their ballots for an entire state ticket without a hitch, was doomed to obscurity less than five years after its invention, because many state laws made no provisions for the device, and numerous legislators in many states ruled it illegal."

He was much interested in town affairs and was active in working for a village water supply. It was largely through his influence that the present system of state-supervised bookkeeping was adopted by this town. He was for many years a member of the Belchertown Historical Association.

Although for years confined to his room he kept his interest in both civic and national affairs to the last.

He leaves a cousin, Dr. Winsor Smith of No. Brookfield. The funeral was held at the Walker funeral home in Warren Saturday afternoon at 2. Rev. Lester E. Evans officiating. Burial was in Pine Grove cemetery, Warren.

Firemen's Night

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fires, rubbish fires, incinerator fires, etc. He said it was no more legal to build a fire in an incinerator than to start any other outdoor fire, in spite of a general opinion to the contrary. Even with a permit, he warned not to put the incinerator in the grass, and not to stuff papers in the receptacle and then go into the house. He said, "Fires from this source can easily scare you to death and cause us a lot of trouble."

Chief Baggs also said he had just received a letter from the fire marshall in which were listed the "flash-points" of several substances, indicating at what temperatures they would give off vapors that might cause explosions. Among the household items mentioned with their danger points were: Engine, 74; nail polish remover, 73; Johnson's liquid wax, 74. Paint and varnish removers were spoken of as having low temperature danger points. Kerosene has a relatively high flash-point, 115.

Chief Baggs also said he had been advised of the danger accruing from war souvenirs and said that it was advised that shells, bombs and the like be taken to some competent authority to make sure that they are no longer dangerous.

Chief Baggs then introduced Prof. Barrett of M. S. C., who pointed out on a map, territory north of Quebec where he and other professors at State College had gone on

successive years on fishing trips. He then showed colored pictures of scenes "shot" on these trips. For the consolation of women in the audience, he said that they could at least see what men do when they go fishing. Concluding pictures were some taken in the autumn in the Berkshires by Dr. Barrett.

Men's Club Meeting

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ness, but most of it, due to the lateness of the hour and the pandemic, had to go over till the next meeting, which was announced, as being ladies' night, when Dr. Kinmonth will give a talk on the Pyramids, and when dart baseball will be played, both men and women participating.

The committee announced for the supper at the next meeting was Walter Dodge, Paige Piper, Chester Hussey and Willard Young. This meeting will be in the Methodist vestry April 18, instead of as announced.

The bowling summary follows:

1st Match	Congos	423
	Methodists	403
2nd Match	State School	421
	Congos	417
3rd Match	Congos	456
	Methodists	448
4th Match	State School	466
	Congos	403
5th Match	Methodists	416
	Congos	410
High Men (all games)	W. Dodge (Meth.)	97
	R. Terrien (S. S.)	95
	F. Farley (Cong.)	91

Dwight Items

Mrs. Braden has taken over the job as janitor at Union School to succeed Earle Fay, Jr., who resigned.

Miss Elsie Madden of Ludlow recently visited her grandmother, Mrs. Edith Pratt, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jenks attended the funeral of their little granddaughter in Shelburne Falls on Monday.

Russell Worthen has so far recovered from the mumps as to be able to attend school again.

A number of families have not been home when the Red Cross solicitor has called. Saturday will be the last day Mrs. Jenks will make the rounds, so if anyone has any contribution, it will be greatly appreciated if such will be at home or contact Mrs. Jenks in some way.

Brownie Notes

The Brownies of Troop 3 met at Mrs. Chaffee's on March 16. We made Easter baskets, and put grass in them and played

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our grateful appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the many kind messages received during our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Doris Sessions
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sessions
Barbara W. Sessions
Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Gabel

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the neighbors, friends and relatives, the Congregational Church School and teachers, and the Girl Scouts, for cards and gifts sent Joyce while in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William Chevalier

games. There were 14 of us there. We learned a new song, "The Great Big Brownie Smile."

Mona Potter, Secy.

Town Items

The Center Grade school carried out an interesting program last Friday. During the glee club period there was the singing of Irish songs, the pupils of Miss Snell's room put on two specialty numbers—the girls an Irish dance, and the boys a Me-Namara band—all in costume, Miss Snell gave a reading in Irish brogue, and Arthur R. Ketchen, father of Mrs. Marion Shaw, one of the teachers, who accompanied him, played Irish jigs and reels on his violin.

The schools close next week Friday—Good Friday.

George A. Poole, town clerk, announces that dog licenses are due and that the tags are here. Some years they have been late in arriving.

B. H. S. was defeated by Petersham 34-24 in the consolation tournament last week Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ryther have returned from Florida, where they spent several weeks.

Lincoln A. Cook is in the Veterans' Hospital at Newington, Ct. His address is "Veterans' Administration, Ward E, Newington, Conn."

Mrs. Roy Kimball went to the New England Deaconess Hospital last week Wednesday for an operation. She expects to be there three weeks.

Mrs. Raymond Menard has resigned her position at the Old Age Assistance office and plans to leave the 31st to join her husband who is stationed at Norfolk, Virginia. Miss Ruthella Conkey is taking Mrs. Menard's place during the leave of absence granted her.

Mrs. Charles Hanks is ill at her home.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts met in the chapel as always. Mrs. Kimball gave us instruction on music and dancing. We sang favorite songs of the girls.

We had patrol corners, and took

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Albert E. Addis, Register

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attendance and dues' records. We plan to keep up a little better on our dues than we have been.

Some girls got together and gave Jean Squires a little first aid—poor Jean.

Mrs. Chaffee also discussed camping and troop interest with the girls.

Mrs. Hussey came and gave us our bird badge. We also inspected a mourning dove's nest, which was extremely interesting.

Susan Squires, Scribe

Methodist Church Notes

There will be baptism of children and special music by the choir at the morning service on Sunday.

The Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. will meet with Mrs. Suzanne Piper next Tuesday evening. Assistant hostess are Mrs. Mildred Wilson and Mrs. Catherine Chadbourne, with Mrs. Anna Witt in charge of the entertainment.

The W. S. of C. S. will meet March 28 at 2 p. m. with Mrs. Joseph Belcher at the parsonage in Ware. Mrs. Annie Dodge is assistant hostess and Mrs. Ruth Kempkes has charge of the entertainment. Those attending can take the 1.30 bus over and the 5.30 back.

Clapp Memorial Library

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The Coming Week SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—
Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor (On Leave of Absence as Navy Chaplain)
Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Department at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Department at 10.45 a. m.
Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"Easter Vanquishes the Incredible."

—Methodist Church—
Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
Easter Sunday. "What to Believe about Immortality."
"Hymn Sing" at 7 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—
Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate
Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Grandy, 9.30 a. m.
—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

Dance under auspices of Belchertown Community Association in Memorial hall.

TUESDAY

Grange Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

Sewing Project Meeting at Mrs. Everett Geer's.

Annual Meeting of Park Association in Selectmen's Room at Memorial Hall at 7 p. m.

Town Team vs. Palmer Sports Center in Town Hall at 7.30 p. m.

Extension Service Coat-Making Meeting in Recreation Room at Memorial hall at 7.30 p. m.

Masonic Meeting.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Monthly Business Meeting of W. S. of C. S. (combined groups) at Mrs. Iva Gay's at 7.30 p. m.
Junior-Senior Play.

TODAY

Veneration of the Cross at Saint Francis Church at 8 a. m.
Home Department of Congregational Church School with Mrs. Nora Fuller at 2.30 p. m.
Stations of the Cross, followed by

Death of Mrs. Charles Hanks

Mrs. Annie (Peters) Hanks, 72, wife of Charles Hanks, died at her home on North Main street last Friday afternoon after a long illness. She was born at Newark, N. J., January 16, 1873. She married Mr. Hanks of Enfield, where most of their married life was spent. They came to this town when that town was to become a part of Quabbin reservoir.

She was interested in the activities of the local Methodist church. Besides her husband, she leaves one daughter, Mrs. Robert T. Dyer of this town; three sisters, Mrs. Emily Cross, Mrs. Alice Miller and Mrs. Florence Homann, all of Springfield and two brothers, Charles Peters of Worcester and Harold Peters of Pelham, N. Y., also six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

The funeral was held in the Methodist church Monday afternoon at 2, with Rev. Joseph Belcher, pastor of the church, officiating. Mrs. Burt Collis was organist. Bearers were Harry Hanks of Somers, Ct.; Charles Peters of Worcester, and Robert Dyer and Roy Shaw of this town. Burial was in Quabbin Park cemetery, Ware.

To Take Physicals

Among those scheduled to take their pre-induction physicals tomorrow are:

Albert A. Fitts Federal St.
Bernard G. Williams
Chauncey Walker St.
Veneration of the Cross, at Saint Francis Church at 7.30 p. m.

TOMORROW

Mass at Saint Francis Church at 8 a. m. Confessions at 4 p. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Dates Spoken For

Apr. 13 Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.
Apr. 14 Double or Nothing Club Minstrel Show.
Apr. 20 Girl Scout A Association at the home of Mrs. Ruth Fuller.
Apr. 27 State School Minstrel—Guest Night Presentation at 8 p. m.
June 1 Girl Scout Rally.

Community Association Says "Thank You"

The Belchertown Community Association wishes to thank the following for their contributions and cooperation in making the skating rink such a success:

Water Commissioners
Firemen
Park Association
Men of the town for surveying the rink, flooding it, and removing snow from it
Selectmen

Frederick Lincoln and Frank L. Gold for the use of plows
Harold Ketchen for storing equipment
Paul R. Squires for floodlight equipment
The local press for publicity

THE COMING DANCE

We wish to remind the townspeople of the coming dance on Monday, April 2nd, and hope everyone will endeavor to make it a success, knowing that it is for a worthy cause.

We Complete 30 Years

This issue completes 30 years in the life of the Belchertown Sentinel. We just couldn't help getting out that first volume and re-reading our specimen copy and Volume I, No. 1.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

The Bay View Reading Club met at Mrs. H. W. Eliot's at 3 p. m.
The Busy Buzzers met with Miss Phyllis Hopkins.

A series of revival services under the leadership of Rev. Mr. Bailey had been in progress at the Methodist church for six weeks, culminating in an attendance of 230.

A minstrel show was presented in Grange hall with A. R. Lewis the interlocutor.

D. D. Hazen, J. W. Jackson, E. A. Fuller and H. A. Hopkins were the leading merchants. George E. Alderman was running the Park View. H. B. Ketchen was running an auto express route to Holyoke and Springfield.

Besides the above, other advertisements revealed that Frank P. Rhodes was selling fish foods. Agnes R. Riley was conducting a mil-

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Minstrel Show Shaping Up

Interest in the Double or Nothing Club Minstrel increases as the time draws nearer for its production. This year it is being presented on two nights, Friday, April 13, and Saturday, April 14, and all seats are being reserved, the same as on graduation night, to avoid any disappointments.

W. E. Shaw is in charge of the sale of tickets and they may be procured from members of the club. Four rows across the front of the hall are being reserved on both nights for children. Price for adults is 60 cents including tax, and for children under twelve years, 30 cents including tax.

There are 55 people in the cast, including a troupe from the Orange High school, being brought here through the courtesy of Malcolm Hall of that school, who brought a similar group here on the occasion of the presentation last year. In fact, some of the same pupils will be here this time.

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Death of Charles R. Hunter

Charles R. Hunter died Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Annie Peeso on Allen St.

He was born in Grandy October 2, 1860, the son of Lucy DeWitt and Charles W. Hunter, but spent most of his life here.

He was a drummer in the one-time Belchertown band, and would walk from Hatfield to Belchertown to practice. He was a cigar maker by trade.

He leaves one niece, Mrs. Raymond Goodell, and one nephew, Robert Chamberlain. The funeral will be private.

Participating in Art Contest

Members of the 5th, 6th and 7th grades of the Center Grade school are participating in an art poster contest, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. The purpose of the contest is to promote the annual sale of poppies. There are three prizes; the first prize is \$3, the second prize is \$2, and the third prize is \$1. The contest closes the first of April.



You Can Find Peace For Its Intolerance

A few weeks ago I gave here opinions on the intolerance some Americans are so likely to feel and to show for racial and religious minorities in the United States. I tried to say that I should always encourage my own family to feel intolerance for what was bad, and tolerance for what was decent, in whatever color or under whatever religious emblem the bad and the decent might be found.

It is comforting to find the reflection of one's own thoughts in the words of another. Recently I read, or rather looked through, an excellent photograph collection in book form, called "American Counterpoint", by Alexander Alland, who incidentally is shortly producing a volume on the Springfield Plan. This book gives page after page of pictures of various kinds of Americans, from all corners of the world. In the introduction, Pearl Buck, whose writings you all have admired, and who has done perhaps more than any other American to make us love and admire the best in China, writes these words:

"The evil effects of the denial of freedom among us is having its pernicious influence now upon our young. The young are intolerant and they are basing their intolerance today upon race and upon creed instead of upon the real differences between human beings. For there are these differences between human beings—some men are intelligent and some are stupid; some can be educated and some remain ignorant; some men are good and some are bad; some are honest and some are dishonest; some are selfish and some are unselfish; some are willing to murder for their own ends, and some will never murder. It is upon such differences that we should base our treatment of human beings. These are real differences. Skin color is not a difference, wealth is not a difference, and when the way we treat each other is based upon the arbitrary, the treatment is arbitrary. Let the intolerances of youth be guided to find vent against those who by their ignorance, by their selfishness, by their dishonesty, oppress other human beings, and by such oppression poison the atmosphere of freedom, for us all. Let there be plenty of intolerance for such as these. The teachers of youth would do well to guide youth's passionate need for conflict toward those who really threaten our coun-

try, not against those who are innocently born of darker color or of a certain blood. There is a continual fight to be fought for freedom, but not enough of us are fighting it. Instead we are spending our strength in silly isolations, in dangerous prejudices. We are building another country—not America."

Just how prone some people are to prejudices can be seen in the reactions of some people to the idea of welcoming some few Japanese-American families of proven loyalty into the sacred precincts of New England. When one Springfield educator went on record as favoring the idea, he received an anonymous phone call from a woman who asked him if by any chance he had a son who was fighting in this war against the Japs. When he admitted that he did not, he was told she might have known that—no one with a son in this war could be willing to have any Japanese in Massachusetts.

And only today a retired teacher of my acquaintance told of a lady collecting at her door for some club or other, who said she was worried about sending her child into a large school whose head was liberal enough to favor any Nisei coming to Springfield. She could not bear to think of her nice little girl having possibly to sit near a Japanese child.

These are not imagined situations, but as real as this week is real. And no later than tonight I heard workmen worrying because there were Russians laboring near them in a defense plant. "Stalin will take the place over, after the war," said one, half in jest, half in earnest. Yet these young Americans themselves were of a nationality which only a generation ago was feared and distrusted by most of the "best" old Yankee settlers hereabouts.

We can indeed have little confidence in this America of ours, or in ourselves, when we so fear contact with strangers.

Hesitant Heifer!

Last week I gave you the episode of the ownership of the overshoes. This week I am able to report one of the most unusual excuses to come my way in over a score of years. It shows a commendable concern for the welfare of livestock, who may be getting more devoted attention than the human ladies, who are more or less assembly-lined through the maternity wards! I am less sure of the concern of the mother for her son's education. (Of course, Mother is "working out".)

"Please excuse Donald from school March 12, 14-16, 19-21, as he was waiting to help the heifer in the birth of its calf."

Listen to the old clock below me—tick, tick, tick. It has counted off another week of your life:

"Our crosses are hewn from different trees,

Easter Monday Dance

APRIL 2, 1945

Auspices Belchertown Community Association Memorial Hall, Belchertown

Jimmy Downing's Orchestra of Holyoke

Proceeds to further some project for the young people of the town

Your Dance Your Community Your Young People

But we all must have our Calvaries." F. L. Knowles —Bob Jackson

We Complete 30 Years

linery shop. L. W. Goodell of Dwight was selling seeds and Geo. E. Thomas, bakery goods. George Hussey did carpentering and J. R. Sparrell vacuum cleaning. Bert Fellows ran a bicycle and harness shop.

N. W. Farrar ran the drug store, H. R. Gould and E. W. Parker the center milk routes, C. R. Green did spraying and M. C. Baggs was running a garage. Of all this lot only M. C. Baggs and H. B. Ketchen are still in business, and they are in other lines.

A sad commentary on our advertising angle is that Charlie Clark had no ad in that first issue, and he is still wielding the razor.

There were four trains each way on the Boston & Maine railroad, and three trains each way on the Central Vermont. Guy C. Allen, the veteran auctioneer, contributed "Our Prospectus" in rhyme in the early issue, and George H. B. Green contributed an article on "Improved Highways and Trolleys for Belchertown." Arthur Bardwell contributed "Water Notes." Sadie B. Demarest had an article on Franklin School and Jewel Knight one on Agriculture.

M. C. Baggs had just bought a new 15-passenger auto bus to run between Holyoke and Belchertown. A committee was conferring with parties in neighboring towns regarding trolleys. A water committee was "sifting every possible scheme for a water supply."

A delegation went to Springfield in the interest of getting a state road to Enfield and "possibly to Amherst."

Those were expectant days in the life of Belchertown—state roads, a

water system, trolleys—all just around the corner, and an up-and-coming Board of Trade fighting for them all.

Are we still expectant after 30 years? What is just around the corner now? Almost in sight is a remodelled town hall, a bit farther removed and even more important is an enlarged grade school building, while a "municipal" airfield will be a "must" some day. Lesser in degree, but rating high in importance, is the 12-point program (at least that) of the Belchertown Community Association.

The fire in the old wood stove in the old Board of Trade room has long since gone out. Are there corresponding fires in our midst today that will ensure for us the venturesome spirit and a promising future? We believe there are. To such let us give our wholehearted support.

Town Items

The annual meeting of the Park Association will be held in the selectmen's room at Memorial hall next week Wednesday evening at 7.

The town basketball team will play the Palmer Sports Center in the town hall next week Wednesday evening at 7.30. The proceeds will go to the Belchertown Community Association.

Members of the Center Grade School have been cleaning up their yard this past week.

News has been received that Mrs. Roy Kimball, who has been at the New England Deaconess Hospital in Brookline, was operated on Tuesday and is doing nicely.

Historical Association Notes

The attention of the members of the Belchertown Historical Association is called to the spring meeting of the Bay State Historical League on Saturday, April 14, 1945, with the Somerville Historical Society.



Sgt. William J. Lacey, manual training instructor at the State School, now on military leave, has been awarded the bronze star for his part in the battle of Aachen. He is in the combat battalion of the 250th Engineers with the 9th Army in Germany. He went to England last September and from there to Holland.

2nd Lieut. Elizabeth Ketchen is at her home in town until April 16th, when she is due to report at Camp Devons.

Lt. E. Germain, writing home recently, enclosed a newspaper clipping entitled "To a Poor Civilian," which we reprint. It surely shows the soldier's just slant on our "terrible" inconveniences.

What do you know of War? Have you heard the 88s Come screaming through the air, With their song of death and hate? Have you heard the burp guns chatter? Have you ducked when Meemies scream? Have you heard the singing laughter

Of the rifle's deadly stream? How'd you like a foxhole With water to your knees, Or an outpost on a mountain With winds that make you freeze? Have you ever made an all-night march

Through rain and mud and slush, To meet the Jerries in the dawn And beat him to the punch? Have you heard the last soft whispers, "Tell mom I love her so. Get word to Mary and the kid; Promise! Will ya, Joe?" Sure, we know it's tough; no sugar, No meat or cigarettes, And now it's no more gasoline, Nor any racing bets. But let me tell you brother, You are a lucky guy! You may not get that extra quart, But you don't have to die!

—Cpl. Roy C. Lawson, Inf.

Grange Notes

The first and second degrees will be conferred at the Grange meeting next Tuesday evening. The second degree work will be in charge of Wilfred Noel. A roll-call will be responded to by Weather Signs and Sayings, in charge of Mrs. Daisy Kinmonth, chairman.

There will be a rehearsal of the regular officers for the first degree, this week Saturday night at 7 in Grange hall.

ed the Good Conduct Medal. He has been overseas for the last sixteen months in the Air Corps, serving in the South Pacific. Before entering the Army in 1942, he was employed at Chapman Valve. He also attended B. H. S. and was active in sports at the school and in semipro ranks.

Senior Girl Scout Notes

The Senior Scouts held a meeting Wednesday night, March 21st, at the home of Mrs. Louis Fuller. At the meeting, a hairdresser from South Hadley Falls was present and showed each girl how to wear her hair so it best suited her face. Also each girl was given a manicure. This is one of the first meetings we have had toward our good grooming program.

Besides our good grooming course we have our outside work. It has been decided by our leader that we should have a few practice drills for the Canteen unit. The drills will test speed of getting together and doing the jobs we are assigned to do. Perhaps it might not be such a bad idea if we practiced up on the cooking, too. After all, we may not be the ones to eat it, so we won't suffer, but who knows, the firemen may.

Diane Allen, Secretary

Congregational Church Notes

The Home Department of the Church School will meet with Mrs. Nora Fuller this afternoon at 2.30.

Sunday morning's Easter service will feature special musical selections by the choir. The Junior choir will also resume its activities, participating in the service.

There will be no meeting of the Youth Fellowship Sunday evening. At the meeting of the Double or Nothing Club on Tuesday evening, \$10 was voted to the Red Cross.

There was a rehearsal for the minstrel, and refreshments were served by the committee for the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cook, and Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Davis.

Methodist Church Notes

At the morning service on next Sunday, Easter Sunday, there will be special music by the choir under the direction of Mrs. Burt S. Collis. At 7 p. m. there will be a "Hymn Sing" of hymns dealing with the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The service will conclude with a tableau depicting the open tomb and will be presented by the Youth Fellowship.

At a meeting of the trustees, Burt S. Collis was elected president of the board, Donald M. Terry, secretary, and Carl Corliss, treasurer. The monthly business meeting of the W. S. of C. S. (combined Groups) will be held next week Friday evening at 7.30 at the home of Mrs. Iva Gay. Fourteen were present at the meeting of the Evening Group of the W. S. of C. S. at the home of Mrs. Suzanne Piper on Tuesday evening. Plans were made for a box social, men's night, and a parcel post table some time in the future.

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Town Items

Willard Young of B. H. S. has the distinction of having been chosen one of the All-Tournament Players at the Tri-State Basketball Tournament at Orange.

The third in the series of Extension Service Coat-Making meetings will be held in the recreation room at Memorial hall, next week Wednesday evening at 7.30.

Rienzi Scott Walton, who died on the 20th at his home on State street, Springfield, was buried here in Mt. Hope cemetery, last week Friday afternoon. He was the brother of Mrs. Harry C. Grindle of Federal street. He leaves another sister, Mrs. Emeline Lamott of Springfield. The funeral was held at the Dickinson-Streeter parlors in Springfield.

Mrs. Mary Ayers has taken a position in the home of Fred Gamwell of Palmer.

Charles Hanks is spending a few days with his sister in East Springfield.

Mrs. Ada Davis of North Main street recently received word from her only living sister, residing in Plymouth, England, that she, too, lost her husband by death this past winter, his death occurring on February 6. She writes of their having been bombed out of their home in that much bombed place and of how the exigencies of war affected normal funeral arrangements. Mrs. Davis's sister has never been in this country—in fact the sisters have not seen each other for some twenty-five or thirty years.

Gould Parker Ketchen, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Gould Ketchen, is spending the week with his grandmother, Mrs. Frank Parker of Needham.

Five tables were in play at the Eastern Star card party Wednesday evening. High scorers in bridge were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnston; second prize winners, Mrs. William Shaw and Harold LaBroad. In whist, first prize went to Edward M. Seeton; and consolation, to Clarence Moore. The committee in charge were Mrs. Frederick Farley, Mrs. Gould Ketchen, Mrs. Raymond Gay, and Miss Helen Lister.

Miss Nancy Tilton, student in the Boston Art School, is spending the spring vacation with her mother, Mrs. Marjorie G. Tilton of Bay Road.

C. Roy Aldrich has resumed duties with the maintenance department at the State School, after a month's vacation.

The funeral of Miss Susan Kindlan, 79, was held Wednesday from the Byron funeral home in Springfield, followed by requiem high mass at Holy Family church. Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

Belchertown Town Team defeated Palmer Hi-V Club at Palmer Tuesday night, 35 to 16. "Richie" Kimball was local top scorer. The other players were Art Hennemann, Dick Hennemann, Stu Robertson, Bob Morey, Sonny Ayers, Wilfred Noel, Paul Barrett and Carl Davis.

Mrs. Julia Thresher of Jackson Street observed her 80th birthday yesterday. She received flowers, gifts and a shower of cards from relatives and friends. Her three daughters, Mrs. Hugh Parker of Springfield, Mrs. Howard Dickinson and Miss Elsie Thresher of this town, were with her for the occasion.

Girl Scout Notes

Mrs. Hussey and Mrs. Kimball were present to give the first aid and nature badges.

We were visiting a feeding station at Mrs. Alfred Squires' home. We saw bluebirds, robins, tree sparrows, woodpeckers and grackles.

When we returned, we had patrol corners. Mrs. Kimball also came and gave us a good sing with the piano.

Susan Squires, Scribe

St. Francis Church Notes

There will be Veneration of the Cross at 8 a. m. today.

At 7.30 tonight there will be Stations of the Cross, followed by the Veneration of the Cross.

There will be Mass tomorrow morning at 8, and confessions tomorrow at 4 p. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Minstrel Show

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It is said that rehearsals are coming along nicely. Byron Hudson is directing the performance. Albert Markham, in charge of advertising, has been securing copy for a large advertising program, which promises to be even larger than the one last year.

For those who sell and purchase tickets, the following information may be of value. The first letter on the ticket indicates the row. "A" is the row next to the stage. "W" is the back row in the balcony. (The front row in the balcony is "P.") The second letter, which is either L, C, or R, indicates the left, center or right section as one enters the hall.

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Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the neighbors and friends and all who remembered me with flowers, cards and gifts during my illness.

Mrs. Ada Akers

Card of Thanks

We wish to express sincere thanks to all who tendered flowers and many acts of kindness during our recent bereavement.

Charles Hanks
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dyer
and family

Fire Department Calls

Mar. 25. Grass fire at Franklin school.

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Dwight Items

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Braden have received word from their daughter, Ruby, that upon her arrival in California she met her cousins, Robert and Thomas Barolin, whom she had not seen since their enlistment in the service four years ago. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barolin of Chicopee, who are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Braden.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jenks and Robert, Jr., and Muriel Ann, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Winford Fay of Ludlow.

There will be no services at the Chapel on Easter Sunday, as usual, as Dwight parishioners are invited to Pelham, at which time the following from this town will be baptized—Muriel Ann Jenks, Ruth Marion Jenks and Ernest Martin Archambault.

There were thirty-four dollars from Dwight contributed to the Red Cross in the recent drive.

Dies in North Amherst

The funeral of Edward Summer Ward, 64, of North Amherst, who died at his home after a long illness, was held Monday afternoon at the Douglass funeral home. He was a former resident of this town and the son of Colquit D. and Ida (Blood) Ward, who resided here.

He married Miss Daisy E. Ryan in this town in 1905. His married life was spent here and in Hadley before going to Amherst.

Besides leaving his widow, three daughters and two sons, he leaves two grandsons and two granddaughters; also two aunts, Mrs. Evelyn R. Ward and Mrs. Julia S. Ward, both of this town. Burial was in North Amherst cemetery.

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Rationing Board Notes

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X, Y and Z5 Blue Stamps and A and B2 also become invalid the 31st.

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The Coming Week
SUNDAY

—Congregational Church—

Rev. Richard F. Manwell, Pastor
(On Leave of Absence as Navy
Chaplain)

Rev. J. P. Manwell, Interim Pastor
Church School—Junior Depart-
ment at 9.45 a. m.; Primary Depart-
ment at 10.45 a. m.

Morning Worship at 10.45 a. m.
"The Easter Sequel."

Youth Fellowship at 6.30 p. m.
p. m.

Dr. Henry A. Taddgell, Guest
Speaker.

—Methodist Church—

Rev. Joseph Belcher, Pastor.
Church School at 10 a. m.

Morning Worship at 11 a. m.
"Of What Use is Prayer?"

Youth Fellowship at 5 p. m.

—St. Francis Church—

Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, Curate

Sunday Masses:
St. Francis, 9.30 a. m.
State School, 8.15 a. m.
Granby, 9.30 a. m.

—Dwight Chapel—
Rev. Maxwell Welch, Pastor
Sunday School at 9.15 a. m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

American Legion Auxiliary.

WEDNESDAY

Missionary Group of W. S. of C.
with Mrs. Harold Subm.
Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S.

THURSDAY

Church Night at the Methodist
Church—Study, Fellowship and
Worship—6.30 to 9 p. m.

FRIDAY

Double or Nothing Club Minstrel
Show.

SATURDAY

Double or Nothing Club Minstrel
Show.

TODAY

Monthly Business Meeting of W.
S. of C. S. (combined groups) at
Mrs. Iva Gay's at 7.30 p. m.

Junior-Senior Play in Memorial
Hall at 8 p. m.

TOMORROW

Dates Spoken For
April 20

Girl Scout A Association at the
home of Mrs. Ruth Fuller.

Shaffer-Kimball Wedding

Miss Ann Shaffer, daughter of John Shaffer of North Main street, and Richard Owen Kimball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Kimball of Cottage street, were married Monday evening at the home of the bridegroom's grandmother, Mrs. William A. Kimball of South Main street, Rev. Horatio F. Robbins of West Springfield performing the ceremony.

The attendants were the bridegroom's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis of this town.

The bridegroom is connected with the firm of H. E. Kimball and Sons of this place. They will make their home with his parents for the present.

Want Blood Bank Don-
ors

Plans have been made to make up a group each month to attend the blood bank in Holyoke. This is to enable those not able to donate one month to attend the following month. The Hartford mobile unit visits Holyoke the first Monday of every month and applications should be in a week in advance. All persons wishing to donate May 7 will please call Mrs. Irene Hazen 2031, or Mrs. Robert Camp 2131, by Friday, April 28.

Eight from this town contributed last Monday.

St. Francis Card Party

St. Francis parish is sponsoring a card party to be held Wednesday evening, April 25, in the basement of the church. At this party a 95-piece dinnerware set is to be awarded, tickets of which are on sale.

The committee in charge is Mrs. Charles E. O'Reilly, Mrs. Andrew J. Sears, Mrs. Clarence E. Robinson, Mrs. Thomas Dawley, Mrs. George Smith, Mrs. Henry Lamoreaux, Miss Hazel Charles and Miss Katherine Reynolds.

April 25

Card Party at St. Francis church.

April 27

State School Minstrel—Guest
Night Presentation at 8 p. m.

Apr. 28

Cong'l Home Dept. Food Sale.

Annual Meeting of Belchertown
Historical Association.

June 1

Girl Scout Rally.

Death of

Mrs. Bathie S. Stebbins

Mrs. Bathie Sanford (Burnett) Stebbins, 90, the oldest woman in town, died at her home on Maple street last Sunday night. She was born in this town October 21, 1854, the daughter of Addison and Bathsheba (Sanford) Burnett. She married Frederick Lyman Stebbins December 23, 1881, who died in 1906. A son, John Gamwell Stebbins, died in 1928.

Mrs. Stebbins, a lifelong resident of this town, was a member of the first class to graduate from the local high school. She taught school before her marriage. She was the oldest member, both in years of membership and age, of the Congregational church, having joined in 1871, and was also a member of the Belchertown Historical association. She leaves one daughter, Miss Ella A. Stebbins.

The funeral was held at the home on Maple street yesterday afternoon at 1.30. Rev. John P. Manwell, pastor of the Congregational church officiated. Bearers were Fred Sanford and Earl Sanford of Ludlow, Charles Sanford of this town and Harry Sanford of Thorndike. Burial was in Mount Hope cemetery.

Red Cross Results

Mrs. Barbara Terry, in charge of the Red Cross drive, announces the total to date as \$2,024.20.

The Coming Minstrel

Tickets are selling well for the Double or Nothing Club Minstrel to be presented on Friday and Saturday evenings of next week.

Mrs. Vera Harrington will be interlocutor.

End Men are Harold F. Peck, Chester Hussey, Dick Hennemann, Ken Hawkins, Claude Smith, Charles Sanford and Paul Barrett.

The orchestra will consist of Mark Gleason, Walter Piper, Carl Peterson, Frank Farrington, Jr., and Frank Fleury, with Mrs. Phyllis Markham, pianist.

Following are the committees:

Director	Byron Hudson
Music	Phyllis Markham
Advertising	Albert Markham
Tickets	William Shaw
Stage Manager	Guy Allen, Jr.

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"No Foolin'" Tonight

Tonight the presentation of the annual Junior-Senior play will be given in Lawrence Memorial Hall at 8 o'clock. The members of the cast, class advisers and the two classes represented as a whole, cordially invite you to attend the performance.

The play to be presented is entitled, "No Foolin'". Mary McKillop plays the romantic lead as Jean Burton opposite the incomparable Hal Merrick played by Paul Barrett. Prunella, a witty spinster, played by Charlotte Dyer, provides scores of laughs for all. Mystery is introduced by Stanford Harrington as John Smith, or—well, wait and see!

All in all, we believe this play holds interest for young and old alike. We are looking forward to seeing you all there. No Foolin'! It's worth it.

The other members of the cast are:

Dinah	Grace Dodge
Mr. Burton	Henry Jusko
Mrs. Merrick	Barbara Hudson
Gail	Margaret Sullivan
Malcolm	Richard Wonsik
Molly	Mavis Dickinson
Frank	George Wezniak
Tom	John Krawiec
Lupe	Dorothy Atkins
Mr. Beach	Allen Taddgell

Sick-Room Supplies' Center

One of the projects of the Belchertown Community Association is to set up a clearing center for sick-room equipment, so that as cases come up, doctors and nurses may know where to turn and not have to start on an endless search.

It is thought that the townspeople may have such material, of which the general public is not aware, that they would be either willing to donate or loan for the good of the community.

Some of the things had in mind are wheel chairs, crutches, canes, hospital beds, and other material obviously used in the sick-room.

It is therefore requested that all having any such supplies available, either call or write Mrs. Gould Ketchen, who has consented to act for the Association in setting up such a clearing center. It is hoped that there will be a good response to this request.