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The Cost of Raising Bugs.

COOPERATIVE DEMONSTRATIONS ON BUG ELIMINATION.

If Maine farmers were told that they had been robbed of several millions in cash during 1917, would they not take precautions to prevent a similar theft in 1918? Yet, according to a conservative estimate this is the loss which Maine farmers suffered by insect enemies of home grown products last year.

This indemnity was collected by the bugs directly from food that was growing in the gardens, fields, and orchards. And when it is stored, another set of insect pests begin their depredations. No type of vegetable growth or livestock is exempt. Even the little war gardens pay their tax to the insect depredators. Silently but constantly food is extracted by the insects who eat all day, and then give place to others who feed by night. Even the unnoticed work of the bugs when totaled up makes a huge amount of loss. The most faithful and constant assistants the Kaiser has in America are the insects! Not only in Maine did they work last year but in the 48 states their damage as computed for 1917 by Experiment Station workers and Government Entomologists amounted to 10 per cent of the total farm products of the United States. In other words, $1,400,000,000 worth of food was eaten by insects instead of men. An amount sufficient to turn the balance of the war!

How is this loss accomplished? Suppose, since beans are grown everywhere, we consider this crop as an example. According to the United States Crop Reports there were 33,000 acres planted to beans in Maine in 1917. With an average yield of ten bushels to the acre this meant 330,000 bushels worth on the farm $2,673,000. Cutworms, maggots, aphids, and beetles in hordes got a living off this crop and their damage was in excess of 10 per cent. Now a 10 per cent loss does not show up in the field at all. It is seldom noted as due to insects even at harvest time. But when the insects are sucking the plant juice that would have gone into the formation of a bean pod, unseen loss occurs, and when this loss is distributed over many plants and many acres the total loss is significant. This 10 per cent damage through insect attack indicates a money loss of more than a quarter of a million dollars to Maine farmers and 30,000 bushels of beans to the consumers. Plants cannot produce a maximum of beans and bugs at the same time. The more bugs the less beans is the unvarying rule. And beans are only one of the many useful plants affected by insects.

The indications are that Maine cultivators have determined to increase their productive efficiency by reducing the insect board bills. In this work the State and Federal Bureaus are offering encouragement in the form of cooperative demonstrations of old and new methods of combat. The Maine Agricultural Experiment Station Staff is directing work on insect control and plant diseases in cooperation with the College of Agriculture. Already 2 men are in the field to assist the County Agents in combating pests. The returns to the cultivator for spraying will be far more important this year than usual because the farmer must offset lack of labor and fertilizer deficiency by increased spraying, or suffer decreased yields. Every instance of crop protection this year is a guaranty to the American Expeditionary Forces that less food will be destroyed by the Kaiser's allies in America.

If any grower has any insect or plant disease trouble he is urged to inform his County Agent or the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station at Orono, and all possible help will be afforded.—Chas. D. Woods, Director.

Honey Crop Could Be Increased.

About 250,000,000 pounds of honey are produced annually in the United States, California being the leading State in the production of this sweet. Honey production in this country could be increased largely—ten to twenty times the present yield—without an appreciable increase in the cost of production, for the raw material—the nectar in flowers—is at certain times practically unlimited. To produce more honey we just need more colonies of bees properly managed. The proposition is very simple to state, but decidedly difficult to execute. Successful beekeeping requires a high degree of skill, special training, and faithful, persistent attention to the business, so any marked increase in successful beekeeping hinges upon educational work among present and prospective beekeepers. Permanent courses in beekeeping are being introduced in agricultural colleges, and extension work in beekeeping is now being conducted in many states. The United States Department of Agriculture is conducting emergency extension work in selected regions, where a considerable increase in the honey crop may reasonably be expected in the immediate future.

Losses of bees by disease, principally foulbrood, range during the summer from nothing to 10 per cent. Winter losses of bees range from 10 to 15 per cent, and in some states the loss was almost 50 per cent during the winter of 1916-17. Winter loses may be greatly reduced by more careful attention. The honey production business, commercially, is getting more and more in the hands of specialists, because disease and winter losses discourage many who are untrained and unable to prevent these losses by proper treatment.

Honey became established some years ago as a seasonal product rather than a staple food for use throughout the year. The bulk of the honey was produced by farmers as a side line, the bees were given little attention and the honey was produced at little expense, the crop was marketed at low prices during the autumn, and stocks were usually exhausted during the winter. There was little demand and practically no supply during the spring and summer. But honey is now handled in a large way as a staple food product through the influence of commercial beekeeping, which has had a rapid development in recent years.

Honey is produced in three forms: Comb honey, in 1-pound sections as commonly retailed; extracted or liquid honey, which has been removed from the comb; bulk or "chunk" honey, in which the comb is more or less mixed with the liquid honey. From 1914 to 1917 the production of liquid honey has increased in proportion to the commercial output of comb and chunk honey. The bees are able to produce a larger quantity of honey if they are not compelled to build comb for it, and when the comb is emptied and replaced in the hive the bees are able, in periods of heavy nectar secretion, to proceed immediately to the storage of more honey.

The United States Department of Agriculture has issued Bulletin No. 685, "Honeybees and Honey Production in the United States," which will be found valuable by beekeepers and persons interested in beekeeping. Several other bulletins on beekeeping have been issued by the department and are available for distribution.

The spineless cactus may perhaps fill a long-felt want, but there is no place in the social order for the spineless man.

There are many Maud Mullers these days, but few Judges come riding by.

Better Seed Potatoes.

COOPERATIVE WORK ON SEED POTATO IMPROVEMENT.

In a previous number of this series of letters mention was made of the potato breeding work carried on at Aroostook farm by the horticulturists of the Bureau of Plant Industry in cooperation with the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. One of the principal objects of this work is the improvement of the potato seed stock used, not only in Maine but throughout the country. Information just received indicates that the scope of certain features of this work is to be materially broadened in the near future as a war emergency measure.

The Office of Horticultural and Pomological Investigations expects to receive an allotment from the general emergency agricultural appropriation, for seed potato improvement work during the fiscal year 1918-19; which will be sufficient to secure important and lasting results. While the allotment will be administered by the Office mentioned, this seed potato improvement work will be a joint project with the Office of Cotton, Truck and Forage Crop Investigations, which latter is especially concerned with potato disease and which is also carrying on work in Maine in cooperation with this Station.

In one phase of this new work it is proposed to stress the importance of the "home seed potato plot." The methods of conducting this work have not been fully developed but it is the intention to work in close cooperation with existing agencies in the various states concerned, which are engaged in agricultural extension in general and potato improvement work in particular. Potato specialists, both the practical growers and those engaged in the study of the technical problems which concern the potato industry are all agreed that the very best seed tubers are none too good for planting. In fact certain large growers have made large gains by systematically eliminating the weak, unproductive and diseased strains. It is now proposed to take these methods which have been found successful and profitable to the individual farmer or small grower and to assist him in their application.

As has already been suggested none of this work will be carried on in such a manner as to duplicate that already under way in the several states where it will be undertaken. The aim will be to cooperate with existing agencies and to supplement what they are doing.

A further allotment from the emergency appropriation is to become available after July 1, for "Seed Potato Development Work." This is purely a project of the Office of Horticultural and Pomological Investigations and is more closely related to the potato breeding work conducted in cooperation with this Station at Aroostook Farm.

The plan under this project is to secure the best strains of Green Mountain, Irish Cobbler and Rural with the idea of testing the yielding capacity, vigor and freedom from disease of the several strains of each group of potatoes with the object of retaining the best for increase the following season. Such increase to be available for purchase in small lots by up-to-date seedsmen or potato growers who are desirous of obtaining a good strain of potatoes.

Present plans contemplate the extension of this project to each of the important seed producing sections in the northern tier of states. The work has begun on a small scale this season in Maine, Wisconsin and Minnesota. It is proposed to try out the strains selected for 1919 at each of these Stations. That is, a small quantity of seed tested in Maine will be tried out in Wisconsin and Minnesota, and similarly the Wisconsin and Minnesota seed will be tested in Maine. When the 1919 seed of early varieties becomes available sample lots from each of the Stations mentioned will be tested out side by side at one or more points in the South. The object of this last test is to determine the best source of seed supply of any given variety for the South and Southwest.—Chas. D. Woods, Director.

The Best Food in the World.

Milk is the nearest approach to a perfect human food, and it is by far the best food for children. Children must have milk in order to develop properly, and all persons of whatever age need it in order to keep in proper condition.

The advice of the United States Department of Agriculture is: "Save on other things if you can, but not on milk, your child's best food."

Children who do not get milk, but are given tea and coffee instead, are for the most part sickly. There are always many sick children in cities and in countries where milk is scarce. When prices go up and mothers begin to economize on milk, more children become sick. That is one of the things that, under any and every condition, the Government regards it as essential to guard against. Food must be saved to feed the army and money must be saved to finance the war, but the Nation's children who in a little while will be the Nation's men and women must be given their opportunity for health and strength. Incidentally, the liberal use of milk does save meat and other transportable foods.

Children, in larger measure than grown persons, require lime. It is needed, particularly, for their bones and teeth, and in smaller quantities for their blood and other parts of their bodies. Milk is the chief food for lime. A cup of milk contains approximately four times as much lime as an egg. It is the cheapest food for lime.

Milk is also an excellent food for body building protein. In that respect it is like eggs and meat. Milk protein is especially good for children, but it is good for and should be used by everybody.

Milk, in addition, is an excellent fuel food. Children, who are much more active than adults, need more fuel to burn in their bodies to help them run and play and work. The fat and the milk sugar burn up as fuel. A quart of milk gives the same amount of fuel as a pound of lean meat. A quart of milk gives the same amount of fuel as eight eggs. Milk, even at advanced cost, is the cheapest fuel food. Take a pencil and make a little comparison in cents.

Whole milk, of course, is the best food. But skim milk is good food, too. It has the lime, the sugar and the protein of the whole milk. It is deficient in fat and has not much of the growth substances as has whole milk. Use whole milk—but do not throw away the skim milk.

Every child, big or little, should have plenty of milk. The big boys and girls need it only slightly less than the babies, and grown persons need it only slightly less than the big boys and girls.

Be liberal with the milk ration. Do not think of milk merely as a refreshing drink. Think of it as a good, nourishing food—the best food. The children need other foods, of course—vegetables, fruits, cereals. But, most of all, they need milk.

Be sure that the milk is clean and fresh when it is delivered to you, and that you keep it cold and clean and covered until it is used.

The British breeds of sheep amply demonstrate the possibility of obtaining large yields of wool and meat from the same animals, and with both commodities in strong demand the flocks of the future will develop still further upon a wool and mutton basis.

Piling manure or fertilizer close up around the trunk of a tree doesn't help much. Spread it around a wide circle and it will reach the roots far better.

In the olden days of the horse and buggy the former was the spark-plug that made the courting outfit go.

An Outing Trip in California.

The following letter was written by Mrs. Benjamin Fish of Santa Barbara, Calif., to her people in South Paris. Mrs. Fish has recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Morton of South Paris, and there is some purely personal matter in the letter which is omitted:

We went Tuesday to Santa Maria, where Ben had business. We stayed there Tuesday and Wednesday at the Inn, a very nicely conducted hotel. It is quite new and popular with tourists. I liked it, but Georgie thought we were going camping. He said if he had known it was going to be like this he wouldn't have come. We went out to the oil fields, which are ten or fifteen miles from the town. The crude oil looked like soft tar. I did not know it was so thick. We also went to Betteravia, where there is a big sugar factory, with acres of beet fields, like Oxnard. Then we went to Lompoc on Thursday and stayed two days with the Reads.

Last night we came down to Najaqui (Nar-ar-wee) Falls and camped there all night, and came home to-day. We camped on a big square flat rock right at the foot of the falls. The falls are 128 feet high, and I could put my arms around the stream of water, but it falls over a limestone rock formation that is mossy and covered with maidenhair fern and saxifrage. There was a little scarlet flower there, too, that grew too high for me to distinguish it.

The pool at the foot of the falls is very clear, and about twelve feet across, and is the center of a cylindrical wall covered with trees. We could lie on the rock and look up at the top of the waterfall, and see a perfect circle of sky rimmed with a fringe of tree-tops. Ben and I took turns climbing a crooked path that was partly a ladder of roots, to the top of the falls. I was scared, I thought I would not dare to come down. I thought I could walk down the side of the hill, or rather, mountain, and come up the creek-bed, but the trail that way gave out and a deep ravine with no trail in it came between, so I *had* to come back.

It was a wild and beautiful place, in green wooded mountains. I saw a variety of maple that I never saw before in California, but they were mostly oak and sycamore and green bay trees. You would have enjoyed seeing it. I think you would have enjoyed the whole trip.

We went through the old Santa Rosa, Santa Rita, and El Capitan ranches, went to Solvang, a Danish settlement, followed the Santa Ynez River a long way. Saw the Santa Ynez mission (whole and pretty) and the Purissima Mission at Lompoc, all in ruins just as bad as the old one there destroyed by an earthquake. It was only partly finished when a great crack ten or twenty feet wide split open in a hill behind it, and destroyed the mission. The crack is still in the hill, and there is a surprising amount of adobe walls left. They are directly across the road from the Reads' house at Lompoc, where we stayed. The walls look as though the first rain would melt them down, but they have lasted considerably over a century.

That was three new missions for me on this trip. That makes nine, I think—San Juan Capistrano, Los Angeles (forget the name), San Gabriel, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Santa Ynez, Purissima, the Lompoc ruins, and I have just caught a glimpse I imagine of the San Fernando, perhaps I did not really see it.

We had every known variety of weather while we were gone. It gets very hot as soon as one gets through Gavista (Fremont Pass) away from the ocean. There was a hot, dry wind almost to Santa Maria, cool wind there, fog and *cold* wind in Lompoc, dust and mud at Solvang. At one place there was such a dust we had to keep the horn honking like a boat in a fog, so we wouldn't run into any one. There were lots of places also where there was no mud.

We saw a coyote. A father and mother quail and large family of little ones walked rapidly across the road in front of us. We saw sixteen young white goats on a hillside, and sixteen pelicans in one flock flying north, and countless squirrels. An occasional band of sheep, cattle, horses and mules graze unfenced most of the way. We also saw something unpleasant, huge piles of the bones of the animals that died in the drought last year. Some ranches lost hundreds of them.

The prettiest sight we saw was eight acres of sweet peas. They looked like a rainbow spread on the earth. They are planted in rows about fifty feet wide of each color, shades of pink and purple and white, stretching as far as the eye could see. We thought we would like to be up in an airplane. These are the Burpee seed farms in Lompoc. One year, Mr. Read said, there were 700 acres of sweet peas there.

I have just thought why it is that California never looks like Maine when the fields are all brown. It is because we have brown fields and green trees at the same time, something you never have, because the grass gets green before the trees do, and in the fall the trees are in their autumn foliage before the fields are brown. I never saw a greener country than from Maine to Montreal the day I left home. I left home in a sort of trance, it seems to me.

Georgie said, *apropos* of nothing at all, as we were riding over a hot, dusty hill up country, "It looks pretty on the attic stairs when it rains, and the rain comes in the pipes." He must have been thinking of the window on the landing of the attic stairs at home. It seems like a dream almost that I was home, but not just as any "yesterday when it is past," because I can't distinguish some of them one from another, but those particular yesterdays Georgie and I will live over and over again, and think of all the good times we had at home.

Navy Collecting Photographs.

Through the Bureau of Navigation the Navy Department is now collecting photographs of all men of the service who have lost their lives in service against the enemy. To perpetuate the memory of these men who have made the sacrifice their pictures are to be preserved in the various training stations of the country. Secretary Daniels has requested that these photographs be sent to the Department by the next of kin.

As rapidly as these pictures are received copies are made and the originals returned to the owners. A photograph of each man is then forwarded to the training station where he began his career in the service. There a memorial gallery of honor or a hero's corner is formed so that for all time the faces of the men of the Navy, who have made the supreme sacrifice, may be honored by the youths of the future sent to the station for training.

Relatives of men who have been lost in the present war who have not received requests for pictures are asked to mail them to the Department for this memorial. All pictures should be securely wrapped after they have been marked with the name, branch of service and training station the young man entered after enlistment. These should be addressed to the Recruiting Division, Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C. When copied, the photograph will be returned to the sender with one of the copies.

When the War Will End.

Absolute knowledge I have none
But my Aunt's washerwoman's son,
Heard a policeman on the beat
Say to a laborer on the street
That he had a letter just last week,
Written in the finest Greek
From a Chinese coolie in Timbuktoo
Who said the niggers in Cuba knew
Of a colored man in a Texas town
Who got it straight from a circus clown
That a man in the Klondike heard this news.
From a gang of South American Jews
About somebody in Borneo
Who heard a man who claimed to know
Of a spell society dame (no fake)
Whose mother-in-law will undertake
To prove that her second husband's niece
Has stated in a printed piece
That she had a son who had a friend
Who knew when the war is going to end.
—Exchange.

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"OVER THE TOP"

BY
AN AMERICAN SOLDIER WHO WENT ☆ ☆
ARTHUR GUY EMPEY
MACHINE GUNNER, SERVING IN FRANCE

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CHAPTER XIX.

On His Own.

Of course Tommy cannot always be producing plays under fire but while in rest billets he has numerous other ways of amusing himself. He is a great gambler, but never plays for large stakes. Generally, in each company, you will find a regular Canfield. This man banks nearly all the games of chance and is an undisputed authority on the rules of gambling. Whenever there is an argument among the Tommies about some uncertain point as to whether Houghton is entitled to Watkins' sixpence, the matter is taken to the recognized authority and his decision is final.

The two most popular games are "Crown and Anchor" and "House."

The paraphernalia used in "Crown and Anchor" consists of a piece of canvas two feet by three feet. This is divided into six equal squares. In these squares are painted a club, diamond, heart, spade, crown, and an anchor, one device to a square. There are three dice used, each dice marked the same as the canvas. The banker sets up his gambling outfit in the corner of a billet and starts bally-hooing until a crowd of Tommies gathers around; then the game starts.

The Tommies place bets on the squares, the crown or anchor being played the most. The banker then rolls his three dice and collects or pays out as the case may be. If you play the crown and one shows up on the dice, you get even money, if two show up, you receive two to one, and if three, three to one. If the crown does not appear and you have bet on it, you lose, and so on. The percentage for the banker is large if every square is played, but if the crowd is partial to, say two squares, he has to trust to luck. The banker generally wins.

The game of "House" is very popular also. It takes two men to run it. This game consists of numerous squares of cardboard containing three rows of numbers, five numbers to a row. The numbers run from one to ninety. Each card has a different combination.

The French "estaminets" in the villages are open from eleven in the morning until one in the afternoon in accordance with army orders.

After dinner the Tommies congregate at these places to drink French beer at a penny a glass and play "House."

As soon as the estaminet is sufficiently crowded the proprietors of the "House" game get busy and, as they term it, "form a school." This consists of going around and selling cards at a franc each. If they have ten in the school, the backers of the game deduct two francs for their trouble and the winner gets eight francs.

Then the game starts. Each buyer places his card before him on the table, first breaking up matches into fifteen pieces.

One of the backers of the game has a small cloth bag in which are ninety cardboard squares, each with a number printed thereon, from one to ninety. He raps on the table and cries out: "Eyes down, my lucky lads."

All noise ceases and every one is attention.

The croupier places his hand in the bag and draws forth a numbered square and immediately calls out the number. The man who owns the card with that particular number on it, covers the square with a match. The one who covers the fifteen numbers on his card first shouts "House." The other backer immediately comes over to him and verifies the card by calling out the numbers thereon to the man with the bag. As each number is called he picks it out of the ones picked from the bag and says, "Right." If the count is right he shouts, "House correct, pay the lucky gentleman, and sell him a card for the next school." The "lucky gentleman" generally buys one unless he has a miser trace in his veins.

Then another collection is made, a school formed, and they carry on with the game.

The caller-out has many nicknames for the numbers such as "Kelly's Eye" for one, "Leg's Eleven" for eleven, "Clickety-click" for sixty-six, or "Top of the house" meaning ninety.

The game is honest and quite enjoyable. Sometimes you have fourteen numbers on your card covered and you are waiting for the fifteenth to be called. In an imploring voice you call out, "Come on, Watkins, chum, I'm sweating on 'Kelly's Eye.'"

Watkins generally replies, "Well, keep out of a draft, you'll catch cold."

Another game is "Pontoon," played with cards; it is the same as our "Black Jack," or "Twenty-one."

A card game called "Brag" is also popular. Using a casino deck, the dealer deals each player three cards. It is similar to our poker, except for the fact that you only use three cards and cannot draw. The deck is never shuffled until a man shows three of a kind or a "prile" as it is called. The value of the hands are, high card, a pair, a run, a flush or three of a kind or "prile." The limit is generally a penny, so it is hard to win a fortune.

The next in popularity is a card game called "Nap." It is well named. Every time I played it I went to sleep.

Whist and solo whist are played by the highbrows of the company.

When the gamblers tire of all other games they try "Banker and Broker."

I spent a week trying to teach some of the Tommies how to play poker, but because I won thirty-five francs they declared that they didn't "fawncy" the game.

Tommy plays few card games; the general run never heard of poker, euchre, seven up, or pinochle. They have a game similar to pinochle called "Royal Besique," but few know how to play it.

Generally there are two decks of cards in a section, and in a short time they are so dog-eared and greasy, you can hardly tell the ace of spades from the ace of hearts. The owners of these decks sometimes condescend to lend them after much coaxing.

So you see, Mr. Atkins has his fun mixed in with his hardships and, contrary to popular belief, the rank and file of the British army in the trenches is one big happy family. Now in Virginia, at school, I was fed on old McGuffy's primary reader, which gave me an opinion of an Englishman about equal to a '76 Minute Man's backed up by a Sinn Feiner's. But I found Tommy to be the best of mates and a gentleman through and through. He never thinks of knocking his officers. If one makes a costly mistake and Tommy pays with his blood, there is no general condemnation of the officer. He is just pitied. It is exactly the same as it was with the Light Brigade at Balaclava, to say nothing of Gallipoli, Neuve Chapelle and Loos. Personally I remember a little incident where twenty of us were sent on a trench raid, only two of us returning, but I will tell this story later on.

I said it was a big happy family, and so it is, but as in all happy families, there are servants, so in the British army there are also servants, officers' servants, or "O. S." as they are termed. In the American army the common name for them is "dog robbers." From a controversy in the English papers, Winston Churchill made the statement, as far as I can remember, that the officers' servants in the British forces totaled nearly two hundred thousand. He claimed that this removed two hundred thousand exceptionally good and well-trained fighters from the actual firing line, claiming that the officers, when selecting a man for servant's duty, generally picked the man who had been out the longest and knew the ropes.

But from my observation I find that a large percentage of the servants do go over the top, but behind the lines they very seldom engage in digging parties, fatigues, parades or drills. This work is as necessary as actually engaging in an attack, therefore I think it would be safe to say that the all-round work of the two hundred thousand is about equal to fifty thousand men who are on straight military duties. In numerous instances, officers' servants hold the rank of lance-corporals and they assume the same duties and authority of a butler, the one stripe giving him precedence over the other servants.

There are lots of amusing stories told of "O. S."

One day one of our majors went into the servants' billet and commenced "blinding" at them, saying that his horse had no straw and that he personally knew that straw had been issued for this purpose. He called the lance-corporal to account. The corporal answered, "Blime me, sir, the straw was issued, but there wasn't enough left over from the servants' beds; in fact, we had to use some of the 'ay to 'elp out, sir."

It is needless to say that the servants dispensed with their soft beds that particular night.

Nevertheless it is not the fault of the individual officer, it is just the survival of a quaint old English custom. You know an Englishman cannot be changed in a day.

But the average English officer is a good sport. He will sit on a fire step and listen respectfully to Private Jones' theory of the way the war should be conducted. This war is gradually crumbling the once insurmountable wall of caste.

You would be convinced of this if you could see King George go among his men on an inspecting tour under fire, or pause before a little wooden cross in some shell-tossed field with tears in his eyes as he reads the inscription. And a little later perhaps bend over a wounded man on a stretcher, patting him on the head.

More than once in a hospital I have seen a titled Red Cross nurse fetching and carrying for a wounded soldier, perhaps the one who in civil life delivered the coal at her back door. Today she does not shrink from lighting his fag or even washing his grimy body.

Tommy admires Albert of Belgium because he is not a pusher of men; he leads them. With him it's not a case of "take that trench," it is "come on and we will take it."

It is amusing to notice the different characteristics of the Irish, Scotch and English soldiers. The Irish and Scotch are very impetuous, especially when it comes to bayonet fighting, while the Englishman, though a trifle slower, thoroughly does his bit; he is more methodical and has the grip of a bulldog on a captured position. He is slower to think; that is the reason why he never knows when he is licked.

Twenty minutes before going over the top the English Tommy will sit on the fire step and thoroughly examine the mechanism of his rifle to see that it is in working order and will fire properly. After this examination he is satisfied and ready to meet the Boches.

But the Irishman or Scotchman sits on the fire step, his rifle with bayonet fixed between his knees, the butt of which perhaps is sinking into the mud—the bolt couldn't be opened with a team of horses it is so rusty—but he spits on his sleeve and slowly polishes his bayonet; when this is done he also is ready to argue with Fritz.

It is not necessary to mention the colonials (the Canadians, Australians and New Zealanders), the whole world knows what they have done for England.

The Australian and New Zealander is termed the "Anzac," taking the name from the first letters of their official designation, Australian and New Zealand army corps.

Tommy divides the German army into three classes according to their fighting abilities. They rank as follows: Prussians, Bavarians and Saxons.

When up against a Prussian regiment it is a case of keep your napper below the parapet and duck. A bang-bang all the time and a war is on. The Bavarians are little better, but the Saxons are fairly good sports and are willing occasionally to behave as gentlemen and take it easy, but you cannot trust any of them overlong.

At one point of the line the trenches were about thirty-two yards apart. This sounds horrible, but in fact it was easy, because neither side could shell the enemy's front-line trench for fear shells would drop into their own. This eliminated artillery fire.

In these trenches when up against the Prussians and Bavarians, Tommy had a hot time of it, but when the Saxons "took over" it was a picnic; they would yell across that they were Saxons and would not fire. Both sides would sit on the parapet and carry on a conversation. This generally consisted of Tommy telling them how much he loved the kaiser, while the Saxons informed Tommy that King George was a particular friend of theirs and hoped that he was doing nicely.

When the Saxons were to be relieved by Prussians or Bavarians, they would yell this information across No Man's Land and Tommy would immediately tumble into his trench and keep his head down.

If an English regiment was to be relieved by the wild Irish, Tommy would tell the Saxons, and immediately a volley of "Donner und Blitzens" could be heard and it was Fritz's turn to get a crick in his back from stooping, and the people in Berlin would close their windows.

Usually when an Irishman takes over a trench, just before "stand down" in the morning, he sticks his rifle over the top, aimed in the direction of Berlin, and engages in what is known as the "mad minute." This consists of firing fifteen shots in a minute. He is not aiming at anything in particular—just sends over each shot with a prayer, hoping that one of his strays will get some poor unsuspecting Fritz in the napper hundreds of yards behind the lines. It generally does; that's the reason the Boches hate the man from Erin's isle.

The Saxons, though better than the Prussians and Bavarians, have a nasty trait of treachery in their makeup.

At one point of the line where the trenches were very close, a stake was driven into the ground midway between the hostile lines. At night when it was his turn, Tommy would crawl to this stake and attach some London papers to it, while at the foot he would place tins of bully beef, fags, sweets, and other delicacies that he had received from Blighty in the ever looked-for parcel. Later on Fritz would come out and get these luxuries.

The next night Tommy would go out to see what Fritz put into his stocking. The donation generally consisted of a paper from Berlin, telling who was winning the war, some tinned sausages, cigars, and occasionally a little beer, but a funny thing, Tommy never returned with the beer unless it was inside of him. His platoon got a whiff of his breath one night and the offending Tommy lost his job.

One night a young English sergeant crawled to the stake and as he tried to detach the German paper a bomb exploded and mangled him horribly. Fritz had set a trap and gained another victim which was only one more black mark against him in the book of this war. From that time on diplomatic relations were severed.

Returning to Tommy, I think his spirit is best shown in the questions he asks. It is never "who is going to win" but always "how long will it take?"

Continued next week

Maritime Miscellany.

One of the minor and yet exceedingly important articles entering into the construction of a wooden ship is the "knee." A ship knee is a right-angled wooden brace used to give strength to the framing and is fashioned from the natural crook of a tree formed by a heavy, shallow, horizontal root and a section of the trunk. Knees when finished are sometimes as much as six or seven feet high and many of them are four feet high. The tremendous impetus to wooden shipbuilding brought about by the war has resulted in the establishment of a sawmill at Portland, Ore., designed exclusively for the finishing of ship knees. The timber preferred is second-growth Douglas fir, found growing in shallow soil, so that the roots turn off at right angles to the trunk and thus give the proper shape. A tract of timber that will produce five to seven knees per acre is considered a good location for a camp. The standardized wooden ship requires some two hundred knees of all sizes, while another type of wooden ship, also under construction, requires more than one hundred and sixty knees. In addition to the production of knees by the special sawmill at Portland, various operators are also getting out knees by the old-fashioned method of hand hewing in the woods.—National Lumber Manufacturers' Association.

Food—After the War.

Whatever other blessings peace may bring it will not bring instant relief to the masses who are now distressed by food shortage and its natural consequences, high prices. There will be as many mouths to feed when the armies are demobilized as there are now. It is true that the fare of the soldiers in most European countries is more liberal than that of the civil population, but no statesman will take comfort in the prospect of masses of disbanded soldiers reduced to the level of civil undernourishment. And besides, the civil populations that are now enduring semistarvation uncomplainingly, recognizing that no relief can be expected while the energies of their government are engrossed by war, will be far less patient when peace returns. More food, not less, will be required in peace.—The New Republic.

Beautiful Surgeons.

"The girls of India make the finest surgeons in the world," according to Dr. Mary Riggs Noble of Colorado, recently returned from India, where she has been professor of surgery in the woman's medical college of Ludhiana. Doctor Noble is giving a course of lectures in Kansas City on "Patriotism and the Woman," particularly the young women.

"The tremendous need for doctors in India," said Doctor Noble, "has helped to produce them, for the veiled women of the East will not have man physicians to attend them, and many have died rather than be treated by a man. During the awful plague that raged in one of their cities a few years ago ten thousand women lost their lives because of the lack of woman physicians and nurses to attend them.

NEW ENGLAND NEWS IN TABLOID FORM

Items of Interest From All Sections of Yankeeland

Mrs. Mary Greeley, widow of Dr. George P. Greeley, died at the Dewey homestead at Montpelier. Mrs. Greeley who was Admiral Dewey's only sister was 79 years of age.

Seven negro waiters from a Lenox hotel, Boston were taken to Camp Devens under the "work or fight" regulations. They are natives of Bermuda and on reaching camp demanded they be permitted to see the British consul. All, however, were placed in the depot brigade with draft evaders.

A bequest of $203,000 is left to the Salem, (Mass.) Hospital in the will of John E. Maynes, who died in Philadelphia, June 21. He also leaves $2500 each to the Little Sisters of the Poor in Boston and Philadelphia. The residue of the estate goes to the city of Philadelphia, the income to be used to buy fuel for the needy. Mr. Maynes was the son of the late William Maynes, former Salem business man.

Frederick H. Gillett of Springfield, dean of the Massachusetts delegation in the national House of Representatives, for twenty-six years a member of that body and a potential candidate for Speaker, has filed his papers for the Republican nomination in the Second Congressional District. He is the first candidate for any office to file a complete set of signed papers. It is said that he will be unopposed for the nomination.

The Bay State Street Railway Company of Massachusetts has made application to the Interstate Commerce Commission for an increase of 25 per cent. in class and commodity rates.

Mayor Peters sent a telegram to President Wilson informing him of the inspiring demonstration on Boston Common on Independence Day and assuring him of the unswerving loyalty and devotion of the citizens of Boston The telegram, in part, said: "Men, women and children of all nations marched through the streets of Boston and gathered on the Common to celebrate the day in numbers never before equalled or approached in this historic city where the principles of Liberty were born."

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Cummings of Ware, Mass., have just celebrated their 72d wedding anniversary. They

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July Chautauqua.

Coming Events.

July 21-25—Community Chautauqua, county fair grounds.
Sept. 9—State election.
Sept. 10, 11, 12—Oxford County fair.

Oxford County Draft Notes.

MEN WHO HAVE BEEN SUMMONED UNDER THE JULY CALL.

From the county of Oxford under the quota to be filled next week there are called 147 men. This call considerably more than exhausts the list of Class 1A men, and just how the matter is to be adjusted is not yet definitely known. As the provost marshal says, the board can not furnish men that it does not have.

The following men have been summoned by the Oxford County board to appear at South Paris for entrainment for Camp Devens on July 26. This list only partially fills the quota, and in several of these cases appeals to the district board are pending. These men have, however, been summoned:

Order No.
58 James C. Elliott, Hinsdale, N. H.
172 Warren F. Buck, Buckfield.
191 Fred E. Whittemore, Dixfield.
238A Alfred Roi, Byron.
308 Harold V. Watson, Dixfield.
716 Eli Moran, Rumford.
740 James Arthur Gallant, Rumford.
892 Walter A. Mayconnell, Mexico.
1047 Cleveland O. Robbins, Fryeburg.
1131 George William Gray, Kezar Falls.
1286 Norman B. Crawford, Rumford.
1303 Joseph E. Shields, Rumford.
1406 John H. Powell, River Road, Mexico.
1760 Albert W. Enman, Upton.
1782 Francois S. Gaudet, Rumford.
1840 George H. McKeen, Jr., South Paris.
1880 James A. Berryment, Locke's Mills.
1932 Ernest Rolland Wescott, South Hiram.
1988 Octave Levasseur, Rumford.
2104 Stanley Keurstis, Rumford.
2112 Peter Moskus, Rumford.
2137 Jerry Gallant, Rumford.
2141A William A. Edwards, Brownfield.
2147 Herbert Duran, North Rumford.
2342 Joseph A. McNally, Rumford.
2382A Paul Roberge, Rumford.
2398 Francis V. Tremblay, Rumford.
2430A Vernon C. Judkins, Bethel.
2460 Howard E. Kelley, Locke's Mills.
2467 Roland H. Haggett, South Paris.
2468 Ellis W. McKeen, Fryeburg.
2479 Leon E. McIntire, 74 Spring St., Portland.
2488 Theodore Simard, Bethel.
2495 Joseph Richi, Rumford.
2496 Grover C. Thompson, East Brownfield.
2506 Joseph Eli Cyr, Dixfield.
2517 Victor M. Perry, Mexico.
2526 Otto Foy Harnden, Rumford.
2553 Kartatin Kuntyko, Rumford.
2573 Charles A. Parker, Bethel.
2578 Arthur S. Noble, Andover.
2593 Wilfred Sullivan, Rumford.
2594 Forest S. Conant, Hebron.
2597 John Sobelouski, Rumford.
2610 Daniel W. Edwards, Mexico.
2613 William Hannan, Rumford.
2619 Peter G. Arsenault, Rumford.
2621 Leon Rengale, Rumford.
2624 Joseph Di Palma, Canton.
2633 Asa Swallow, South Paris.
2635 Roy C. Moore, Bethel.
2649 Elbridge L. Lombard, East Sumner.
2654 Paul Gallant, Rumford.
2655 Frank Di Palma, Canton.
2656 Joe L. Mercier, Rumford.
2664 Irving F. Martin, West Paris.
2665 Hollis S. Gammon, West Paris.
2679 Charles P. Bartlett, Hanover.
2684 Herbert C. Mason, Locke's Mills.
2700 Jay B. Holman, Dixfield.
2708 Donald S. Welch, Norway, (Long Island, N. Y.)
2710 Joseph E. Fournier, Rumford.
2718 Willie E. Rowe, South Paris.
2719 Julian F. Galeno, Abbott's Mills, Rumford.
2727 Joseph L. Poulin, Rumford.
2735 Charles W. Lapham, Jr., Rumford.
2737 Oscar M. Holman, Dixfield.
2743 Roland E. Annis, Bethel.
2759 Leroy P. Wales, Denmark.
2762 Ernest L. Durrell, Canaan, Vt.
2774 Raymond Keene, Buckfield.
2781 Howard R. Cole, Paris.
2787 Perley R. Johnson, Brownfield.
2794 Napoleon Fournier, Rumford.
2797A Maynard T. Chase, West Paris.
2808 Leon Casey, Rumford.
2817 Abbey Cohen, Rumford.
2827 Lloyd E. Luxton, Bethel.
2838 Elmer A. Pratt, Norway.
2842 Joseph D. Vaille, Rumford.
2852 Perley L. Mason, Byron.
2859 Francis C. Warren, Brunswick.
2860 Ray Jenne, South Paris.
2867 George R. Eastman, Dixfield.
2875 Joseph L. Perry, West Bethel.
2881 David E. Chamberlain, Canton.
2897 Kenneth L. Silver, Andover.
2916 Ralph S. Tibbetts, Coaticook, Canada.
2940 Cyrus Arsenault, Rumford.
2946 Anton Waloncius, Rumford.
2959 Ralph G. Martin, West Minot.
2979 William A. Burgess, Roxbury.
2994 Benjamin P. Babb, Hiram.
3006 John M. Harrington, Bethel.
3010 William J. St. Clair, East Brownfield.
3019 Russell L. Swan, Bethel.
3021 Shelton Dyment, Rumford.
3027 Fred L. Fitts, Fryeburg.

The following went Friday to Camp Devens to take the places of those rejected on physical examination from the last contingent. Ten were rejected, but as there was a surplus of five in the number sent, only these five were required:

Order No.
221 Lester G. Swan, Bethel R. F. D.
391 Forest Swan Churchill, Bethel R. F. D.
525 William H. Bisbee, Norway R. F. D.
840 Frank Ward Clark, South Paris.
1252A Edwin Paul Bisbee, South Paris.

Maine News Notes.

Governor Milliken has accepted election as one of the vice presidents of the League to Enforce Peace.

R. A. Sanderson of Fort Fairfield is listed among 85 persons believed to have perished in the torpedoing of the Canadian hospital ship Llandovery Castle off the Irish coast.

Governor Milliken on Tuesday renominated Hon. George M. Hanson of Calais as a justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. This is the fifth appointment to the highest court of the state that Governor Milliken has made during his term of office, which is thought to be the record.

On complaint of the food administrator of York County, a Saco man was found guilty of purchasing on home canning certificates twenty-five pounds of sugar at each of two stores. He had to return one lot of the sugar. As this was the first instance of violation, he was let off without a severe penalty.

With the taking over of the sheriff's office by Sheriff A. L. Thayer succeeding T. Herbert White, there has been a decided dropping off in liquor sales and arrests have shown a notable decrease, writes the Bangor correspondent of the Globe. The liquor dealers have removed their stocks to hiding places and the trade is down to the old methods of pocket peddling or boot-legging, while shipments through the transportation channels appear to have dropped off suddenly. Sheriff Thayer's deputies are all experienced men and not easily fooled, so that the chance of doing much liquor business just now is not promising.

Simplicity and Consistency.

(Kennebec Journal)

Some time ago Secretary McAdoo crowded a little paragraph into his daily publicity columns in advocacy of mended trousers as a measure of economy. Recently he and his family have been gliding around the country in a de luxe private car, after the secretary, as director general of the railroads, had forbidden the use of the private car. Thus we witness the development of democracy in the United States when the Democrats hold despotic sway.

THE OXFORD BEARS.

THE DOINGS OF THE WEEK IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY.

Paris Hill.

Services at Paris Hill Baptist church every Sunday at 10:45. Pulpit supplied by Rev. A. J. Gywnne. Sunday School at 12. Sunday evening service at 7:30. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cushman of Auburn are guests at the Hubbard House.

Miss Mary Daniels is spending the summer vacation with her parents, Prof. and Mrs. Edwin A. Daniels, at their home here.

Miss Winifred Willis of Boston was calling on friends in this village, her former home, the past week.

Mrs. W. P. Potter and her daughters, Mrs. Leonard C. Ashton and Miss Annabelle Potter with a friend, Miss McDonald, came through with their car from Swarthmore, Pa., last week, and are occupying their summer home here.

Mrs. I. C. Ingraham, Mrs. Mary I. Davies and Miss Paulina Davies arrived at their summer homes in this village last week.

Miss Eleanor Sparrow and Miss Helen Sparrow of Bogota, N. J., arrived here Thursday and are guests for the summer of Miss Sparrow's sister, Mrs. Mellie S. Brown.

Mrs. Edward L. Parris left here Wednesday for a visit to her son, Edward L. Parris, Jr., who is in the service of the government at the Curtiss Aeroplane Works at Buffalo, N. Y., and will visit other relatives in New York before returning home.

The entertainment and dance given by the Universalist Circle at Academy Hall on Monday evening of last week brought out a very good attendance, who enjoyed a patriotic pageant by the school children, a patriotic talk by Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker and an hour or two of dancing that was participated in by several of the "silver-gray" contingent as well as the younger ones.

Howard Cole has been placed in Class 1 of the army draft and has been called for service to accompany the contingent who leave South Paris for Camp Devens next week.

Pvt. Wendell Howe of the National Army in training at Camp Devens at Ayer, Mass., was the guest of A. W. Andrews and family last Sunday. Having with four other soldiers living in near-by towns, a short furlough, they took advantage of it to hire an automobile and visit their relatives at home.

The Sunshine Club spent another delightful day with Mrs. Lottie Gates last Thursday. Considerable sewing and much Red Cross knitting was done by the ladies. A very nice dinner was served and wheat substitutes were very much in evidence. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Clara Ryerson's a week from next Thursday, July 25th.

An unclaimed letter for Paris Hair Co. is advertised at the post office.

PARTRIDGE DISTRICT.

Mrs. Alma Roberts and daughters, Doris and Bertha, of Dixfield, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cutting.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Pratt and daughter Eileen of West Paris and Mr. and Mrs. James L. Barrett and son Wendell of the Mountain District were recent guests at Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mason's.

Ralph Field has purchased a cow.

Mr. and Mrs. Tellis Thibodeau, Mrs. E. V. Canwell, Fred Allen, and Miss Ruby Hall, of the King District, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mason.

Lewis Benson and Miss Lora Laterelle of Portsmouth, N. H., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mason.

Mrs. H. H. Field has returned to her work at Auburn, her sister Hattie returning with her to stay a few days.

Mrs. Daisy Merrill and son Delmont have returned to their home at Manchester, N. H.

Mrs. Arthur Cole is working at Paris Hill.

Gilbertville.

Mrs. Alice Bean is keeping house for Aaron Jackson.

Mrs. G. Albert Ellis and children, Lillian, Oliver and Eugene, were in Rumford Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Hines visited friends in Lewiston recently.

Among those who attended the circus at Livermore Falls Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Hines, Harry Hines, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chamberlin, Bert Rafter, Mrs. Abbie Bowker, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Lowell and Guy Sampson.

Mrs. Nancy Dailey is in poor health.

Miss Edith Andrews is visiting relatives at the Point.

Walter Hodge has returned from Camp Devens, where he has been for over a week, having failed to pass the final physical examinations. Mr. Hodge is a fine young man who is always ready to do his bit, and his friends are pleased that he will be able to serve his country on Maine farms instead of the far away battlefield of France.

Mrs. G. Albert Ellis received two letters last week from her brother, Ira Hiscock, who is in the Sanitation Service, Somewhere in France. Mr. Hiscock is in excellent health, very busy, and happy to be doing his bit for his country.

Miss Marguerite Hollis has gone to Massachusetts to summer school.

Miss Lillian Ellis recently visited Mrs. Lyn Ross at Lewiston and attended the circus.

Nelson Coolidge has returned to his home at the Point.

Mrs. E. M. Bartlett who has been visiting friends in Dixfield and Rumford, has returned home.

Lena Walker is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Newton have been visiting in Lewiston.

Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Connor went to Gilead Sunday to see his sister, Mrs. Charles Valentine.

F. G. Sloan has rheumatism in his arm, which was so painful that he had to call a physician to attend him.

Miss Velzora Connor spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. J. E. Bennett.

L. J. Andrews and Leslie Kimball took Frank Emery and family around the mountains Sunday. Mrs. Emery had company from away.

S. G. Bean spent Saturday night and Sunday at West Bethel with Mr. and Mrs. Ira S. Hickford, and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Sawin of Bethel took dinner with them.

Mr. Hickford is selling green peas, lettuce and beets from his garden.

Mrs. Calvin Cummings came home Saturday from Mrs. Abbott's where she has been helping care for her mother. She expects to go back Friday for a few days.

Mrs. Betsy Cross was at Locke's Mills Sunday.

Cold and cloudy with some rain seems to be the order of the day. Cheer up, the grass is growing fast and will soon be ready to house.

Potatoes looking fine.

Thursday H. I. Bean and daughter Edna came from Lewiston to look after things here. He spent a couple of hours taking his father, A. G. Bean, Nina F. Bean, and another passenger to Bethel and back in his new Ford. All enjoyed the trip very much.

Jennie Bean since going to Lewiston has secured employment in the office of the Turner Center Creamery, where she thinks she has a good position.

A. G. Bean has sold the smallest one of the eighteen pigs he had dropped last fall. Said it has been wintered chiefly on small apples. Bean received $18 50 for the little runt. Oh, pigs don't pay the farmer.

C. D. Paul, who spent last summer as a supply at the Albany church, is expected here to begin his work for the coming three months next Sunday.

Forest Churchill has gone to South Paris to report in answer to the draft call.

Geo. Wilson, who has been visiting his nephew, Alfred Leighton, has left for home.

Lawrence Cummings is at home from Lewiston for a vacation.

Chester McNally has engaged to help George Cummings through haying.

West Paris.

Mrs. Clara Ridlon and Mrs. Dora Jackson are spending two weeks with the family of L. H. Penley at their cottage at Yarmouth.

E. W. Penley and family are to spend some time at a cottage, "Pineaite," at Yarmouth.

The family of F. H. Hill were at Evergreen Camp, Locke's Mills, during a week recently.

The families of A. M. Cash, O. A. Robbins and Fremont Whitman were at Camp Evergreen over the Fourth.

Miss Winifred Willis of Boston was a recent guest of her aunts, Mrs. Ellen A. Willis and Mrs. Marietta Willis.

Mrs. Lena Herrick is with Mrs. S. T. White for her usual summer vacation from teaching.

Rupert Berry of the U. S. Navy, who has recently enjoyed a furlough at home, has had six promotions since enlisting in April 1917, and has just returned from his eighth trip across.

Cards have been received here announcing the marriage of Miss Diana Josephine Wall and Mr. Everett E. Pitts at Boston July 2.

Another marriage of interest to friends here was that of Miss Ruth Carter to Mr. Theodore Bates at Portland in June. Both young ladies have been successful teachers here. Mr. Bates and Mr. Pitts have both enlisted.

Next Sunday will be the last before the pastor's vacation. Services will reopen the first Sunday in September.

Hezekiah Farrar was at home over last Sunday. He is employed at carpenter work by H. A. Bacon of Bryant's Pond.

Dr. Wheeler's address now is 1st Lieut. F. E. Wheeler, M. R. C., O. A. S., Am. Ex. Forces, via N. Y. Mrs. Wheeler is now in a woman's hospital in New York that is doing war work. They employ graduate nurses only, and many of their nurses are sent over. Her address is 141 West 109th St., New York, N. Y.

Rev. Isabella S. Macduff, a former pastor of the Universalist church here, is visiting Mrs. L. C. Bates and other friends. Miss Macduff has recently resigned the pastorate of the Universalist church at Canton, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Mann, Rev. H. A. Markley, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mann and Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Tuell were at Hebron Sunday of last week to see Harrington Mann. Mr. Mann is improving from his recent pull-back.

L. B. Carter has been very ill.

Miss Maud Carter is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. F. H. Packard.

Mrs. Mosely Foss is in very poor health, and has been in Portland for treatment for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ridlon were in Portland several days last week. Mr. Ridlon expects to be on the road in the interest of his business much of the time this summer.

Dr. Rafe W. Hatt and wife, Dr. Ednah Hatt of Boston and Miss Helen Stevens of Brookville, Mass., who have been guests of Mrs. Mary and Miss Minnie Stevens, returned home last week, called by the illness of Miss Stevens' father Dwight Stevens.

Friends here have received word from 1st Lieut. F. E. Wheeler from England that he is in good health and had an exciting trip across. His address is O. A. S., Am. Ex. Force, via N. Y. Casual.

Dance at Centennial Hall Wednesday night this week. Dancing 28 cents each, spectators 11 cents each. This price includes the war tax. Music by Shaw of South Paris.

Bryant's Pond.

The event this week has been the community chorus held at the Baptist church, with Prof. Wiske of Newark as leader. Mrs. E. H. Stover, organist. Nearly fifty voices took part in rendering patriotic songs at this entertainment.

The Aaron Irish farm on the Paris road, owned for a number of years by Orlando Robbins, has been sold to Lendall Yates of West Paris. Mr. Robbins has purchased the Stearns place in West Paris village.

Mrs. Delphon Howe, who came home from the Portland Eye and Ear Infirmary somewhat improved, has returned there for further treatment.

The frame and material for the E. P. Collier cottage arrived here this week from Michigan. The foundation is completed, and the building 22 x 30 will be put up at once. Frank Sweetser assisted by Messrs. Weed and Peaslee of Tamworth, N. H., is engaged in the work.

Ellsworth D. Curtis of West Paris has purchased the Ferry Lapham farm on the Paris road. It is understood that Mr. Lapham and family will return to Rumford Falls.

Wilbur Cole, belonging in Portland, now a soldier, came up Thursday for a brief visit with his uncle, D. A. Cole.

Myrtle A. Bacon of Dorchester and Walter L. Bacon of Norway are guests at Maplewood farm.

There was a fire across the line in Greenwood late Friday afternoon on the John Small farm. The house and sheds were burned, but the barn was saved. No particulars are learned as to the origin of the fire.

Oxford.

Mrs. Caroline Crooker Millett, widow of David Millett, late of Oxford, died Friday, July 5, at the home of her son, Quinby Millett, at the age of 83 years, 4 months. Her funeral was held Sunday at her late residence, Rev. Chester Gore Miller of South Paris officiating. There was a profusion of beautiful flowers from many loving friends. Among them was a large bouquet of 83 pinks which nearly covered the casket. She leaves three sons, Elmer, Walter, and Quinby with whom she had lived since her husband's death, tenderly cared for by her daughter Eva (Mrs. French). She also leaves five daughters, Mrs. French, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Marr, Mrs. Keen and Mrs. Brackett, and eleven grandchildren, besides a great many friends who loved her kind and sweet disposition. Mrs. Millett was a devoted wife and mother, caring more for the comfort of those so dear to her then for outside interests and pleasures. She will be sadly missed by a large circle of friends.

Miss Mary I. Corning and Miss S. W. Wellington of Hartford, Conn., are occupying Miss Corning's summer home at Highfields. Mrs. Wellington of Belmont, Mass., spent last week with them.

The Kemp Bros. are running their portable steam saw mill on land cleared by Roy Edwards.

Mrs. Anna Edwards, who has been visiting her son Ralph in South Paris, has returned. Her granddaughter Mona is with her.

Rev. Mr. Eliopoulos of North Waterford visited friends here on Tuesday.

Mrs. Edith Mackey and brother George Thomas are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Frank Bean has been in Lewiston for a week or more.

Misses Vera Paine, Jessie Davies and Consuella Wood are attending Normal School at Gorham.

Mr. Davies is working at Gray.

Sumner.

S. W. York is working for Moses Young of Hartford.

Mrs. Kate Morrill, who has been working at South Paris, has returned home.

Sadie Bacalenick, who has been visiting at Elliott Newell's and W. E. Bowker's, has returned to her home in Auburn.

Mrs. Maud Mann of Norway recently visited her father, Leslie Newell.

Alice Bartlett, who has been in poor health, is gaining.

Thomas Stickney of Livermore is working for E. E. Roberts haying.

Owen Bonney is working for A. D. Hazelton.

Several from this place attended the circus at Rumford Monday.

Dickvale.

Mrs. Bernard Putnam and two children have returned home after a week's visit to relatives in Dixfield.

Herman Fuller has purchased an auto.

Miss Jennie Gordon and sister Mary have returned from a visit to Auburn and Mechanic Falls.

Mrs. Viola Child is visiting her son, Charles Child, and family at West Peru.

Audrey and Bernardine Putnam have a pair of guinea pigs for pets.

Mrs. Georgia Willey of Buckfield is visiting at Lowell Shaw's.

Bernard Putnam is hoeing for Carl White.

The mill here is running for a few days.

Buckfield.

It is reported that Dan Emery has sold his place in the village to Mrs. Nellie DeCoster.

Fred Pearson has been home on a two days' furlough.

C. S. Thurlow is to occupy the rent in the Damon house on Elm Street recently vacated by John Dillingham.

Mrs. J. E. Shearman of Portland is visiting her mother, Mrs. Eunice Prince.

Mrs. H. E. Doughty is with relatives in the Provinces for a few weeks.

C. S. Childs and Florence were in Lewiston Thursday. Mr. Childs purchased an auto while there.

Members of Buckfield Literary Club were entertained at the Irish cottage at Worthley Pond Thursday on their annual picnic and field day. Beans were furnished at the cottage, and the trimmings were carried by the members.

Zelma Hersey is on a vacation with her people in St. Albans, Vt. Miss Ingersoll is taking her place in the telephone office.

Rachael Emery spent the week at Ocean Park with Mr. Davis' family.

East Sumner.

Mr. D. E. Andrews of Bates College, an able and interesting speaker, is supplying the Congregational pulpit very acceptably at present. He makes the weekly trip by auto. A greater part of the travel to and from the cities is now by auto, as it affords more time, and is cheaper for a party than to go by rail.

Mrs. Stella Robinson has sold quite a lot of fine strawberries in the place at only 15 cents per box.

Herbert Harlow in about two hours landed 43 fine pickerel, one of which weighed two pounds and was 21 1-4 inches long. Some cheaper than meats.

The Red Cross Auxiliary is keeping up its interest well and doing a good work. Householders and others having old cotton sheets, pillow cases and pieces of cloth that they can spare will aid the noble work by sending them in to the post office or to Mrs. Florence Keene, where good use will be made of them for the boys "over there." Please look over such pieces at once and see if you cannot dispense with some of it, and do a kind act for the sick and wounded brave men trying to save our republic from autocratic despotism.

People generally are quite cheerfully conforming to flour substitutes though at more expense. The self-denial of some very costly articles is not felt to be very severe. Country people are generally loyal and willingly striving to aid in our country's struggle for peace and liberty. They are all right, while some who are getting rich out of exorbitant, disloyal high prices, are all wrong.

Big dance at Buckfield village Saturday night this week. Shaw's Orchestra.

Locke's Mills.

Nearly all the camps are now occupied. Mr. and Mrs. Moses of Portland at Island Cottage; a party of nine from Rhode Island at Beachcrowe; Mr. and Mrs. Bion Wilson of Sharon, Mass., at Birchaven; Mr. and Mrs. G. Dubey of Berlin, N. H., at Camp Echo; and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mann of West Paris, at Idylwilde.

Elmer Cummings caught a three pound pickerel just above Johnnie's Bridge.

W. W. Coolidge has bought a horse of Delphon Howe to replace the one he recently lost.

J. C. Littlefield was at South Andover last week painting and papering. Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Holt of Bryant Pond kept house during his absence.

Work on the state road will be discontinued for two weeks, so the men can do their haying.

Miss Lillian Blake of Bethel is keeping house for D. N. Blake. The Blake farm has been sold to Azel Bryant.

Andover.

Mrs. Chas. Adams and Dr. and Mrs. Harry P. Jones, who have been visiting relatives in town, have returned to their homes in Norway.

The Elliott & Bartlett Spool Co. of Andover have had a large order for spools from Brazil.

There was a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Marston Fourth of July.

Miss Annie Akers has returned from Boston and Chelsea.

Mrs. Addie Gregg from Kansas has been visiting relatives in town.

Clarence Akers from Chelsea, Mass., is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Akers.

West Sumner.

Services will be held at the Universalist church July 21 at 10:45, the Rev. C. G. Miller officiating.

News has reached the village that Everett G. Burnham, age 23, was drowned at Jay when the rope by which he was pulling a ferry boat across the Androscoggin River broke. He was plunged into the water and almost immediately disappeared. He leaves a wife. He was formerly employed in Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Barrett had their reception Saturday evening, July 6. It was largely attended.

Miss Glennie Record of Buckfield, the telephone operator, commenced her duties the first of July.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Stetson of East Sumner were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bisbee.

G. A. Chandler has sent 70 chickens to market.

Mrs. John Foster of Bryant's Pond, who was taken sick at the home of her mother, Mrs. Freeman Farrar, is convalescing.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ryerson, presenting them with a baby girl.

Rev. L. M. Robinson, D. D., of Philadelphia, was in the village last week. He has engaged Herbert Barrows as caretaker of his estate here.

Services will be held at the Baptist church July 14th at 2:45 and 8 o'clock. Miss Gwynne, a state evangelist, will preside.

East Brownfield.

The haying season has opened but not auspiciously.

Letters have been received from Dr. Stickney, who is "somewhere in France." He left New York June 4 and reached England June 11. The passage was uneventful. Leaving as he did at the time of the U-boat scare, he was anxious to hear from home.

The Pine Grove Inn is closed for the present.

The Ethel May Shorey Co. will reach here on Sunday morning, being at the Uberty the most of the week following.

The three clubs, potato, corn and canning, are to have an outing on the 15th. They will go to North Conway to the circus. They will go on C. E. Hill's truck.

Isabel Stickney has returned from Boston, where she spent a week.

The draft is taking more young men from town.

Hebron.

Mrs. Warren Hanscom and two daughters of New York are at their summer home in the Packard house.

Roy Conant was at home for a short time this week. Mr. Conant has three sons in the army, Roy being the second one. Alton, the oldest, is across.

The Ladies' Circle met Tuesday with Mrs. J. C. Donham.

Mrs. Noble and Mrs. Eager of Toronto are visiting their sister, Mrs. Charles Dwyer.

Prof. and Mrs. Marriner went to Watertown, Mass., to visit his parents and say good-bye to his brother, who expects soon to be called. They will afterward visit Mrs. Marriner's home at Wells Depot. Mrs. Anna Field and daughter, Miss Charlie Field, are guests of Prof. and Mrs. Field.

Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harvey were in Norway on business Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harvey attended the celebration at Harrison July 4th.

F. A. Damon has begun haying.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Aldrich of South Portland, Me., were visiting her brother, F. A. Damon, Sunday.

Mrs. F. A. Damon and Mrs. J. C. Harvey were in Bolster's Mills Tuesday to attend the Red Cross meeting.

John Ingersoll was through this part of the town looking after the corn.

F. A. Damon and Master Ernest Ripley went to Norway on business Thursday.

Matti Pulkkinen's children are attending the Finn school at Bolster's Mills this week.

Bethel.

Miss Mary Atherton, who has been working at Miss Stearns' for a long time, is having a month's vacation, and will shortly leave for her home at North Stratford, N. H. At present she is visiting at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Hal Stanley.

Mrs. O. R. Stanley spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Merton Soule of Portland.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Purington on Main Street was nearly full last Sunday, when the son and daughter with their families were there for the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Purington from Manchester, Mass., stayed only a few days. Mrs. Holt and son Reginald are to stay longer, but Mr. Holt returns soon to their home in Andover, Mass.

B. W. Kimball is working over the river at the Dea Chamberlain house for a while. The people who bought the house are summer guests and are doing quite a little repairing.

Green peas not quite the Fourth, but didn't they taste good!

All schools closed two weeks ago. We do hope that Miss Blackington, our music teacher, will come back in the fall, as she is an efficient teacher and faithful in doing her work.

MIDDLE INTERVALE.

The Springer Mill Co. truck went by here recently with a load of cord wood.

Marjory Farwell is at home from the hospital.

John Carter from Canada is here through haying-time.

Some have commenced haying.

Pressed hay is being shipped from the Carter barn.

Wm. Coffin, who lived a while on the Ferry farm, has moved to Hanover.

Charles Martin was here recently en route to Bethel village. He had a fine looking horse and harness, and is quite a fine looking gentleman for a man of his age.

Edward Stanley and son of Berlin have been to his old home. Mrs. Stanley, his mother, has been in Portland recently with her daughter.

Once in a while we get a beautiful letter from our little Florence, who used to write letters for this paper. She has four lovely children and a good husband, with his father and mother with them to care for.

We are looking for our dear Blanche home again as we cannot get along here without her. She is homesick and prays to return to her home and mother here, where she has lived since a small child, the adopted child of the writer. She is now 16 or 17 or 18 years of age, and the best girl in many ways we ever had here.

We recently called at the Soldiers' Home at Togus and found a Stephen Packard, who was a relative of the old Revolutionary soldier, Daniel Packard being his uncle. We read that Packards have been soldiers to the seventh generation.

Mrs. E. T. Russell and daughter Shirley of Brooklyn, N. Y., are at their summer home here. Her sister, Isabelle Shirley, is with them.

KIMBALL HILL.

Mrs. W. W. Brinck, who has been ill, is very much better.

Lena Thompson made her mother a short visit recently.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Mitchell of Locke's Mills called at G. L. Haines' Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eames and family of Newry were at W. W. Brinck's recently.

Mrs. I. H. Swan spent the past week with her daughter, Mrs. G. L. Haines, who has been very sick.

West Lovell.

Alonzo Lord had three sheep killed by bears the past week. They were in his orchard quite near the house.

W. S. Fox and family have come up from Limerick to do his haying. Elmer Davis drove up the team.

Mrs. Caroline Fox has sold her auto.

Walter Laroque is at home helping do the haying. His father is guiding on Lake Kezar.

Brownfield.

Mrs. Nellie Seavey Morrison and son from one of the western states are guests of the Seaveys in this town.

There was a big crowd at Town Hall Saturday evening. The entertainment was moving pictures.

Mrs. Mary Gray, who was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Fannie Fitch, for a number of days, has returned to her home in Corinna.

W. Bennett has sold his house on Main Street to parties in Denmark, and purchased the Harry Harnden buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Moulton have rented the parsonage and moved in.

Paul R. Stevens of Portland is visiting the Misses Stevens at their home, The Birches.

Davenport Meserve, who has been staying at Mrs. McDonald's, is now boarding at Mr. Gilpatrick's. Mr. Meserve is in very poor health.

Rev. Mr. Peterson, formerly pastor of the Congregational church, now of Amherst, N. H., and his family made a few calls recently on his old parishioners in this place.

During the electrical shower Sunday, the lightning struck the house of Mrs. Mary Walker, doing a good deal of damage.

North Waterford.

Leola Hatch of Lovell is visiting relatives here.

The Ethel May Shorey Co. was here last week and played two nights to large audiences.

Perley Grover, who is in the hospital, is gaining and will soon be home. His mother visited him Tuesday.

Mrs. G. E. Farmer is on the gain.

Frank Moore of New York is staying with his mother, Mrs. Chas. Cheever.

John Kilgore and family have moved into W. H. Kilgore's rent.

Mr. Kilgore remains in very poor health.

Harry Brown has had a part of his mill crew shingling his mill buildings.

There was a family reunion at Frank Bryant's last week, and all their children and grandchildren were present. Their son Charlie, who had not been home for a number of years, is here on a visit.

Wilson's Mills.

Carl Palmer of Haverhill was a guest of his niece, Mrs. E. S. Bennett, for a few days, going to Metalluk Lodge the middle of the week to spend his vacation.

Myers Epstein was in town with his auto and usual line of dry goods.

Mr. Holman took Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Littlehale and E. S. Bennett to Berlin in his auto Wednesday afternoon on business.

Mrs. Millie Linnell and little daughter Elva went to Auburn the first of the week for medical advice.

Mr. and Mrs. John Olson had the pleasure of entertaining their daughters, Mrs. E. E. Bennett and Mrs. Dwight Thurston, and their respective families the 4th.

The Ripley faction with its various branches celebrated the 4th with a family picnic. About thirty were present.

Mrs. Bertha Storey and son Robert went to Berlin Friday on business.

Chester Ripley went Friday to The Balsams, where he has a position.

North Stoneham.

Goldie Adams has gone to Gorham, N. H., to work at the Glen for the summer.

Mrs. Bertha Knowlton and daughters, Hazel, Marion and Bernice, and sons, Earl and Frank, and a Miss Lunn from Boston visited her sister, Mrs. H. B. McKeen, the Fourth.

Reta Adams is staying with Mrs. Freeman McKeen at North Lovell.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Stone from Belmont, Mass., with a party of friends were at their camp on Rattlesnake Island from Saturday till Monday.

Louise Trimback of North Lovell is at work for Mrs. I. A. Andrews.

Dr. James B. Cochrane of Dover is proud of the fact that he cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln and walked from Bowdoin College to his home in Fayette, 50 miles, to do it. Many young men to-day are loyal enough to their party to go quite a distance by automobile or train to vote, but few would walk 50 miles.

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SOUTH PARIS.

J. F. McArdle of Boston is in town meeting his friends.

Big dance at Buckfield village Saturday night this week. Shaw's Orchestra.

Mrs. L. A. Rounds was in Auburn visiting her brother for a few days last week.

Mrs. Agnes Huntoon of Portland has been the guest of Mrs. Kate Stuart for a few days.

Walter L. Gray made a business trip of several days to Fryeburg and other places last week.

Miss Helen M. King, who teaches in Portland, is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. King.

Master Lester Bryant of Bryant's Pond is visiting at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Swan.

Mrs. Jack Cavanaugh of Brockton, Mass., was the guest of Mrs. Harold C. Fletcher for a few days the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Shaw and daughter went Saturday to Old Orchard, where they are to spend a vacation of some two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Collins and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Collins, all of Pawtucket, R. I., were recently week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sewall M. Rowe at Willow Farm.

Rev. G. H. Newton and family went Wednesday to Bailey's Island for an outing, occupying the Strickland cottage, which was vacated that day by H. W. Dennison and family.

Andrew Eastman of Albany, who is a graduate of Paris High School, and is now in the army aviation service, having been training at Dallas, Texas, has been commissioned lieutenant.

Watch out for the big jazz dance, at Paris Grange Hall, Thursday evening, July 25. All drafted men invited free. All come and give the boys a good time. Shaw's jazz music. See posters.

About as hard a week for haying as we often have was the past one. Not a real hay day since the Fourth, and some hay that was cut the 5th was out at least eight days before it could be put in.

Clarence G. Morton and son Hugh, Henry Morton and Leslie Marston spent Wednesday and Thursday in a trip to Crystal, N. H., and the boys had a great time fishing and engaging in other outdoor sport.

Harlan Dennison, who is in the employ of the General Electric Co. at Lynn, Mass., is here to spend the rest of his vacation, having spent the first part of it with the family at Bailey's Island, and coming with them on their return home last week.

The Red Cross rooms will be open for work Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons of this week. The change is made on account of the food demonstration Friday afternoon of this week and the Chautauqua next week.

Ernest H. Nason accompanied by Arthur Welch of Norway went last week to Long Island, N. Y., and drove home two Ford Sedans for Ripley & Fletcher. One of these cars has been sold to Carl P. Dunham of the Hotel Andrews livery stable.

The food sale for the benefit of the Red Cross at Grange Hall Friday afternoon was very successful in spite of the rain. A large quantity of food was brought in and sold, and the receipts of the afternoon were $43.79.

Merton A. Titus and family of Portland are spending a vacation of about two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Titus. Mr. Titus was formerly a telegraph operator on the Grand Trunk, but has been for several years train dispatcher on the Maine Central.

Mrs. Agnes L. Morton is engaged as organist at the Paris Hill Universalist church while services are held there during July and August. Miss Nellie M. Jackson has taken her place as organist at the South Paris Universalist church for the last two Sundays.

The Universalist Sunday School will have its picnic in Ames' Grove on Wednesday of this week, and all connected with the church and parish are invited to be present, either for the lunch hour or a longer time as they wish. It is hoped that the weather will be of the possible variety.

A sign bearing in good sized letters, "Moore Park," has been erected under the direction of the village assessors at the southern end of the park. The trimming of the trees at the bottom has been completed, opening up the park to an almost surprising degree, and improving its general appearance more than one would have thought.

A canning and drying demonstration will be held at 2 P. M. Friday, July 19, at Grange Hall. Miss Lucy E. Jones, the Emergency Home Demonstration Agent for this district, will give the demonstration. She is a member of the Extension Division of the College of Agriculture, University of Maine. She will also give a talk on war-breads. It is hoped that every woman will make a special effort to be present, and it is requested that she bring pencil and notebook.

Mrs. J. P. Sprague and two daughters came Tuesday to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Maxim, for a stay of a few weeks. Dr. Sprague is expected later in the month for a brief stay. Dr. Sprague is a member of the faculty of Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, but is given leave of absence from the college for the duration of the war, and has a position with the Shipping Board, in charge of sanitary inspection work. He was at first stationed at Washington but with the removal of the Shipping Board to Philadelphia went to that city, and the family have been there for the past month.

The annual meeting of the Paris Trust Co. was held Wednesday afternoon, and the directors and officers were all reelected. They are:

Directors—Perley F. Ripley, Alton C. Wheeler, George M. Atwood, William J. Wheeler, N. Dayton Bolster, Delbert M. Stewart, Fred N. Wright, George W. Cole, Jr., Sumner E. Newell, D. Henry Fifield, John B. Robinson, Charles B. Tebbets, Leslie L. Mason, Benjamin R. Billings, Herbert G. Fletcher, J. A. Titus, F. R. Penley, Edwin J. Mann.

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President—Perley F. Ripley.
Vice-President—Alton C. Wheeler.
Clerk and Secretary—J. Hastings Bean.
Treasurer—Irving O. Barrows.

Vivian Lord, employed at the creamery at South Paris, has just closed his period of vacation. It is the desire of Mr. Davis, the manager, that the men take their vacation at a time best suited for farm food production if they wish to do so. Mr. Davis is also striving to make arrangements with the force at Orono to have the testing of samples of patrons' milk and cream received at the creamery, done each month at that state institution. He reports that the amount of cream and milk received at the creamery reached its culminating point so far in the history of the creamery during the last week in May of this year.

All the members of the Republican County Committee were present at the meeting held at the court house Thursday—Walter G. Morse, Rumford; Walter L. Gray, South Paris; W. W. Waite, Dixfield; Leon M. Small, Mexico; Harry E. Dyer, Hanover; Stuart W. Goodwin, Norway; Charles E. Hill, Brownfield. There were also present Frederick R. Dyer of Buckfield, Oxford County member of the State Committee, a number of the county candidates of the party, and some who are not candidates. Conference on the coming campaign and plans for it were the principal business of the day. Mr. Dyer, who is candidate for county attorney, and desired to be relieved from his duties on the State Committee, presented to the County Committee his resignation as member of the State Committee, but on urgent solicitation finally decided to reconsider his action and remain on the committee.

Miss Alberta Thompson of Portland is stopping at Charles Edwards'.

Arthur T. Royal of Worcester, Mass., was here with relatives over the week-end.

S. C. Ordway and family will return from Peak's Island Thursday of this week.

Mrs. Leona S. Wheaton of Waterville is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Thompson of Portland are guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Anderson.

Ashley Sutherland of Caribou is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. William L. Gray, for a few weeks.

It is now vacation at the Universalist church, and there will be no more services there until Sept. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Noyes and Mrs. Albert Ames returned Saturday from their stay at Peak's Island.

Mrs. C. A. Frost of South Framingham, Mass., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Maxwell.

Sherman T. Oliver and family are spending a two weeks' vacation at their former home at North Anson.

The replanking of the Park Street bridge, which was suspended on account of the supply of plank being used up, was completed Friday.

L. C. Button returned the last of the week from Portland, where he had been in a hospital to undergo surgical operations on throat and nose.

People intending to buy Chautauqua tickets should purchase this week as they will cost $2.75 instead of $2.20 after the course opens on Sunday. Buy this week.

Mrs. Elsye Trenoweth and daughter, who have been visiting relatives here, left Friday on their way to their home in Athol, Mass. Miss Lois Wing accompanied them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Anderson and their son Harold C. Anderson spent a few days in Portland last week, and Harold C. Anderson returned from there to his home in Wollaston, Mass.

In honor of her guest, Mrs. Agnes Huntoon of Portland, Mrs. Kate Stuart entertained a number of Mrs. Huntoon's former associates at her home on High Street Saturday evening.

Miss Gertrude Hall returned Wednesday from the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston, where she has been for surgical treatment. She is getting along comfortably.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton C. Wheeler left Saturday for a combined business and pleasure trip to Lewiston, Skowhegan, Kineo and Bangor. They expect to arrive home Monday night.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. M. L. Noyes next Thursday afternoon to sew and have a box supper. Each lady bring her own lunch. Drink will be served by hostess. All are invited and come early.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Wiggin and son Rinaldo and Mrs. Nellie Brickett joined Mrs. Wiggin's people in Lovell Sunday, and went from there to Bartlett, N. H., to visit Mrs. Wiggin's sister, Mrs. Fred Garland, making the trip by automobile in a day.

The Loyalists, a class in the Congregational Sunday School, were entertained last Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Donald P. Chapman on High Street. Two guests were present in addition to the members of the class. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Lieut. Erland C. Torrey, now at Camp Devens, was here Thursday, coming from Dixfield, where he was spending a short leave of absence with his family, in company with Frank Stanley and W. W. Waite of Dixfield, who were here to attend the meeting of the Republican County Committee.

Rev. C. G. Miller has put in since the Fourth eight tons and a half of good hay which had not had a drop of water on it. That may seem incredible, but is due to the peculiar distribution of the showers during the past ten days. It is certainly remarkable, and almost shakes our faith in the rain falling alike on the just and on the unjust.

A party which made the trip around the mountains on Sunday in Alton C. Maxim's passenger truck was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Mark B. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hollis, E. B. Clifford, Miss Velma Lord, Miss Gertrude Curtis, Howard Davis, Lawrence DeCoteau and Richard Rogers, with Alton L. Grant driving. The weather was not the best for the trip, but averaged better than it was here, and the day was much enjoyed.

George Allan England, the author, was here for a short time last week, while on his way to his summer cottage at Bryant's Pond. Mr. England has recently returned from Cuba, where he was traveling with a camera, acquiring material and atmosphere for his literary work. Before completing his tour he got a tip that he had attracted attention, and was about to be arrested on suspicion of being a spy, and not wishing to take the chance of detention, he left quite suddenly for the States.

A little illustration of the cheerful way in which we pay our war taxes is afforded by the delivery of Chautauqua tickets. At the Chautauqua last year pledges were given for the purchase of some over five hundred course tickets for this year's course, at the price of two dollars each. Later in the year the war tax act was passed, putting a tax of ten per cent on these, so that they cost $2.20 each. The ticket committee, who have been delivering the tickets to the pledge givers, report that they have not encountered a murmur of complaint at the increase.

Sugar Card System Now in Force.

Monday morning the sugar card system went into effect in the town of Paris. A conference was held Wednesday evening by the dealers and Walter L. Gray, the local food administrator, at which it was decided to adopt the system. In fact, that is the logical action under the conditions. Under the orders of the food administration, either that must be done or dealers must keep a record of all their sales.

A supply of sugar cards has been printed, as approved by the local food administrator, and these may be obtained by purchasers at any of the stores which deal in sugar. On one of these cards the consumer may purchase sugar to the amount of three pounds per month for each member of the family. As the month of July is half gone, the allowance for the rest of this month will be only one and a half pounds per person.

The fact that the card is procured at one of the stores does not oblige the customer to make all purchases of sugar at that store. He may purchase sugar on the card at any store where it is sold.

Maine Casualties.

The casualty lists of the past week contain names of Maine men as follows:

KILLED IN ACTION.

Pvt. Edmond J. Labonte, York Beach.

DIED FROM WOUNDS.

John Arthur Stowell, Freeport.
Pvt. Elmer A. Chatham, Bath.
Corp. Clarence S. Dunlap, Skowhegan.
Pvt. Harry M. Gibson, Newport.

SEVERELY WOUNDED.

Corp. Joseph Duncan, Old Orchard.
Corp. Thomas P. Conroy, Cornish.
Pvt. Antonio J. Poirier, Van Buren.
Pvt. Homer W. Bonney, New Gloucester.

PRISONERS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING.

Pvt. Newman S. Gee, Caribou.

Each Reader Allowed One Guess.

(Kennebec Journal.)

George Smith of Sagadahoc Bay, Georgetown, had an unusual visitor the other evening, when a neighbor's little child called him from his supper with the cry: "Look at the big animal down in the water!" The falling tide stranded the "beast" in the shoal water and Mr. Smith later shot it. It measured about six feet in length and weighed about 150 pounds.

McIntire-Fuller.

Mr. Ernest F. McIntire and Miss Bertha Fuller, both of Buckfield, were united in marriage by Rev. Chester Gore Miller of South Paris at his residence at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the single ring service being used. They will reside in Buckfield.

Chautauqua Is Right Upon Us.

GREAT FIVE DAYS' PROGRAM OPENS NEXT SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

It is only a few days now to the opening of the 1918 Community Chautauqua, which begins its sessions on Sunday, July 21, and continues them until Thursday night, July 25.

Everybody in this community, or rather, everybody in this part of Maine, ought to know by this time all about the Chautauqua. If any one doesn't, as a mere outline of physical facts it may be stated that the Chautauqua is held on the county fair grounds, in a big tent belonging to the Community Chautauquas; that its financial success is guaranteed by a considerable number of business men and citizens of Paris and Norway, who have signed a contract, and are organized into a local association; and that the Chautauqua is fully worth while for everybody.

Season tickets admitting to all the ten entertainments, afternoon and evening, should be bought, and bought of the local committee. These tickets are transferable, so that they can be used by any member of the family at any time, and admission by them is much cheaper than to pay the single admissions which are charged at the gate.

But be sure to buy your season tickets of the local committee, as by that means the local association gets the benefit, while if they are bought at the gate the proceeds all go to the management. We have no ill-will against the management, but we want the benefit to go to the local association.

This doesn't tell what the Chautauqua actually is. Well, if you don't know, it is a series of ten entertainments, by high-class musicians, lecturers and entertainers, who are engaged for the entire season on a circuit, appearing every day. By this means their services are secured at a less cost to the individual member of the audience than could be secured in any other way. Each day there is a lecture, and each day there is some other form of entertainment.

But if you want to get right into it, and learn just what the Chautauqua is, you have to go to it, and see its informal but not undignified sociability, be edified and amused by its entertainers, and absorb its general atmosphere.

Below is given the program of the five days. We confess to being most frankly interested in the lecture of Dr. Joseph Clare, who speaks Sunday evening on "The Riddle of the Russian Revolution." If Dr. Clare can succeed in unriddling to us the riddle of that Russia whose name now seems to be Chaos, we shall be highly delighted with him.

The Junior Chautauqua also is a well conducted feature of the affair, conducted without interference with the other program, and very pleasing to the young people.

The program:

EVENING BEFORE CHAUTAUQUA OPENS.

7:00—Community Rally with Junior Patriotic Parade, Play Festival and Ticket Hunt. Free to Everybody.

SUNDAY, JULY 21. LIBERTY DAY.

2:30—Opening Exercises and important announcements.
Sacred Prelude...Fisher Shipp Concert Co.
A program of rich variety and peculiar charm.
Lecture, "England in War Time," Dr. Joseph Clare
4:00—Vespers, a short service to which everyone is invited.
8:00—The Music of Our Allies, Fisher Shipp Concert Co.
Lecture extraordinary, "The Riddle of the Russian Revolution."
Dr. Joseph Clare of Petrograd
Leading authority on conditions in Russia

MONDAY, JULY 22. NATIONAL SERVICE DAY.

2:30—Musical Entertainment, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Winters
Accomplished artists in a program of Music, Monologue and Mimicry.
Crayon Lecture and Clay Modeling, J. Franklin Caveny
Renowned Cartoonist, Artist and Clay Modeler.
8:00—Patriotic Prelude, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Winters
Illustrated Lecture, "Under the Stars and Stripes in France," Albert Edward Wiggam
The distinguished publicist who has just returned from a special mission to the Western Front.

TUESDAY, JULY 23. INSPIRATIONAL DAY.

2:30—Instrumental and Vocal Concert, Introducing the Sacred Hula Dance, Steel Guitar and the Ukulele,
Royal Hawaiian Singers and Players
The most talked of attraction in America
3:30—Round Table Discussion, "Recreation and the War,"
Conducted by Junior Play Leader
8:00—Selections from "The Bird of Paradise,"
Royal Hawaiian Singers and Players
Lecture, "The University of Hard Knocks,"...Ralph Parlette
America's foremost platform Humorist-Philosopher.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24. BAND DAY.

2:30—Popular Concert, The Famous Kilties Band of Canada
Considered the greatest Scottish Band in the world.
8:00—Grand Double Concert, The Famous Kilties Band
With Alfred E. Zealley, Conductor; James Pearse, Tenor Soloist, and Wee Jamie Muir, Dancer.

THURSDAY, JULY 25. COMMUNITY DAY.

11:00—Pageant of Our Allies by Members of Junior Chautauqua.
2:30—Concert...Weber Male Quartet
The best Male Quartet in America.
Lecture-Recital, "Kipling, Master Interpreter of the War Spirit,"
Wallace Bruce Amsbary
An intimate picture of the favorite War-Time Poet.
8:00—Grand Farewell Musical Entertainment, Weber Male Quartet
Presenting the old favorites and many new numbers. An inspiring close to a great program.

About the State.

Mrs. Florence Blood of Bath, 24 years of age, was drowned in Lake Nequasset Wednesday by the overturning of a canoe.

Albert H. Merrill, 19 years of age, was struck by a train and killed at Anson Friday evening, while walking down from his home an the track.

Brackett Gilman Archer of East Mariaville, 38 years of age, died Tuesday from injuries received a few days earlier in the overturning of an automobile.

Albion P. Alley, proprietor of the St. Saveur Hotel at Bar Harbor for forty years, was killed Monday when he fell from the fourth floor in the hotel hrough an elevator shaft to the cement cellar floor.

Statistics given out by the educational department show a total number of persons of school age in the state of 228,956 against 228,426 last year. The number in Oxford County is 10,748 against 10,900 last year.

Clifford Bunten, 11 years old, son of W. F. Bunten of Livermore Falls, was instantly killed Friday night by the accidental discharge of a rifle in the hands of his brother Walter, who "didn't know it was loaded."

Von Hartford of Smithfield, 20 years of age, committed suicide by drowning, his body being found about a week after his disappearance. He was quite sick in the spring with pneumonia and had not been well since, and is supposed to have been mentally affected.

Mrs. Harris Meltzer, 51 years of age, of Auburn, was fatally injured, and her daughter, Mrs. Morris Shiffer of Auburn, was painfully hurt, when the truck in which they were riding was overturned by skidding on the car track near the DeWitt House in Lewiston Sunday afternoon.

Walter C. Emerson, the well-known Maine writer and editor, who has for several years been with the Boston Herald, has severed his connection with that paper and will soon go to Philadelphia, where he has accepted a position with one of the leading dailies. He is now with Mrs. Emerson at their cottage at Squirrel Island for a few days.

C. Fremont Simmons, senior member of the firm of Simmons, White & Co., wholesale lobster dealers, of Rockland, died at the Knox County General Hospital Friday from injuries received when he was thrown from an automobile under the wheels of a passenger train of the Georges Valley Railroad in the outskirts of Warren. George T. Hodgman, former postmaster and former representative from Camden, suffered a badly strained back, and two other men who were in the car sustained minor injuries. Mr. Simmons was the chairman of the Republican County Committee and Mr. Hodgman the Knox County member of the State Committee, and the party were on the way to Augusta to attend a meeting of the State Committee. The crossing where they were struck is an exceptionally blind one.

Itch! Itch! Itch—Scratch! Scratch! Scratch! This means you, or someone you know. Try Resinol, the wonder ointment, and stop that itch at once. Resinol Soap also helps. At all druggists' 50c a box.

State Assessors Meet Here.

The board of State Assessors, C. S. Stetson of Greene chairman, J. J. Dearborn of Newburg, and W. F. Dresser of South Portland, with F. H. Sterling, clerk, had a meeting at the court house Wednesday. This is one of three meetings held by the board in Oxford County, the others being at Fryeburg on Tuesday, and at Rumford on Thursday. The object is to meet the assessors of the several towns, examine their valuation books and inquire into the methods of valuation, perhaps discuss the assessment on certain large pieces of property, and hold general consultation with the local assessors and assist them in any way they can.

At the meeting here the assessors from most of the towns in this part of the county were present, in some cases all three and in others a single representative of the board. The state board did not take a large amount of time with each, but examined their books quite carefully.

It is evidently the opinion of Chairman Stetson, as has been expressed in several published interviews, that there is a great need of equalization in the valuation of property in the state. Furthermore, it seems evident that he regards the property of some of the corporations as being especially undervalued. In the course of the session here he said in substance, "A fair equalization of valuation should result in favor of the small holder, whose property is all spread out to open view. If all the property of the small owners were fairly assessed according to its market value, and the same thing were done with the large corporations, the state tax of the small towns would be reduced, I think, something like thirty-five per cent."

As an instance of the way in which property sometimes escapes taxation, Mr. Stetson mentioned that a law was passed by the legislature in 1917 for the taxation of personal property in the unorganized townships of the state. Under this law there was returned for purposes of taxation property of the Great Northern Paper Co. alone amounting to over a million dollars, on which no tax had previously been assessed.

Teachers Appointed.

True C. Morrill, superintendent of Norway-Waterford-Oxford District has appointed his teachers as follows:

NORWAY.

Norway High—Percival E. Hathaway, principal; Albert C. Parker, sub-master; *Ruth E. Brown, English; *Ruth W. Skillings, Latin and history; Edith M. Knight, Commercial; *Alma Pendexter Hayden, assistant for unclassified subjects; Mrs. Jannett Pratt, assistant in teachers' course and tutor.

GRADES.

Eighth—Mary F. Dresser.
Seventh—Agnes H. Fuller.
Sixth—Eleanor P. Allen.
Fifth—*Dora L. Farr.
Fourth—Mary L. Whittredge.
Third—Tessa R. Thibodeau.
Upper Primary—Gertrude O. Gardiner.
Middle Primary—Elizabeth O. Lasselle.
Lower Primary—*Geneva S. Allen.
Music and drawing—*Mary Lucia Alford.

RURAL.

Norway Lake—Minnie Upton.
Center—Dorothy S. Noble.
Swift—Melessa J. Twitchell.
Nobles Corner—Ora Howe.
Crocketts Ridge—Ruth Holgate.
Chapel—Lena M. Buck.
Pierce—Ruth R. Elliott.
Sodom—Mrs. C. L. Delano.
*New teachers.

Ruth E. Brown of Brewer, University of Maine, '17, taught this year in Garland High School. Highly recommended.

Ruth W. Skillings, Winthrop, graduate Boston College, teacher of Latin and history in Guilford High school.

Alma Pendexter Hayden, a well known teacher here. Has been following the profession in Rochester, N. Y., since 1907. She needs no introduction to the Norway people.

Dora L. Farr, graduated from Lewiston Training school, '18. Comes highly recommended.

Geneva S. Allen, graduate Gorham Normal School, been a successful teacher in South Waterford during the past two years.

Mary L. Alford, Lewiston, a graduate Industrial Art School, Boston and Baypath Institute of Music, Springfield, Mass. Recommendations are the best, and samples of her art work submitted of the highest quality.

WATERFORD.

North Waterford Grammar—Cora I. Wentworth; primary, Edith G. Millett.
South Waterford Grammar—Gertrude Foster; primary, Harriett J. Smith.
East Waterford—Mrs. L. D. Pride.
Flat—Margaret Silas.
Plummer Hill—Eloise F. Merrill.
Temple Hill—Hazel M. Miller.
Bisbeetown—Phyllis Sawin.

OXFORD.

Oxford High—E. C. Mequier, principal; Lena G. Perkins, assistant.
Oxford Grammar—*Emogene I. Hunt.
Intermediate—Mrs. Helen A. McAllister.
Primary—Vera Paine.
Welchville—*Angie E. Hawkes.
Caldwell—*Ernestine E Maxim.
Webber—*Consuello Wood.
Pratt—*Nellie L. Tracy.
Pigeon Hill—Isabel Thayer.
*New teachers.

Angie E. Hawkes, New Gloucester, graduate Gorham Normal School, five years' experience teaching at Upper Gloucester. Comes highly recommeded.

Ernestine Maxim, graduated Norway High School, '18. Specialized in teachers' training class.

Consuello Wood, Oxford High School '18. Recommendations first class.

Nellie Tracy comes from the rural schools in Woodstock, where she taught in a satisfactory manner and well recommended.

Emogene I. Hunt, graduate N. H. S., '17, special course at Gorham Normal school and one year in the North Waterford grammar school. Very efficient, not only in the school, but her efforts have extended to the community.

Valuation of Town of Norway.

Real estate, resident	$1,013,925.00
Real estate, non-resident	150,730.00
Total real estate	$1,164,655.00
Personal estate, resident	$351,875.00
Personal estate, non-resident	14,370.00
Total personal estate	$ 366,145.00
Grand total amount	$1,530,800.00
Total value of land	$704,385.00
Total value of buildings	$459,770.00
Number of polls taxed, 763.	
Number of polls not taxed, 77.	
Town tax, 1918, $25.50 per thousand.	
Town tax, 1917, $26 per thousand.	

NORWAY CORPORATION VALUATION.

Real Estate.	
Valuation of resident real estate	$717,490.00
Valuation of non-resident real estate	82,460.00
Total	$799,950.00
Personal Property.	
Valuation of resident personal property	$363,080.00
Valuation of non-resident personal property	5,850.00
Total	$368,930.00
Number polls taxed, 534.	
Number polls not taxed, 62.	
Poll tax rate, $1.50.	
Property tax rate, $4.80 per thousand.	
Sewer tax rate, $4.40 per thousand.	
Property tax, 1917, $5.50 per thousand.	
Sewer tax, 1917, $4.70 per thousand.	
Total assessment for 1918	$8,362.83

Comforted.

A sodden night had come, and drizzling rain,
And over the war-furrowed Flanders plain
The murky clouds fell dark; not one star shone
O'er a poor soldier left to die alone.
"So cold!" he said, "no fire, no light, no love!—
O Angel Mother! from the heights above
Can you not come to me in this dark hour?"
And, as if High Heaven had lent the pow'r,
An instant answer came. A tender light
Illumed about him all the darksome night,
And from its midst shone soft his mother's face—
And kissing him with old-time tender grace,
She said, "Dear boy! I come to set you free!
And you now go to heaven's bright land with me,
Where comes to you a compensation great
For all you've suffered in this warring state.
In duty's path your feet could never lag,
Nor mind forget your service to your flag.
O, great your satisfaction yet, to know
That you have helped the whole wide world to grow—
That your brave deeds have strengthened Freedom's arms
And helped to free the earth from war's alarms;
For after this, no more red war shall be,—
God's will henceforth shall hold all peoples free
And peace and love shall reign from sea to sea."
His cruciful sign! and all was dark and still.
His spirit passed with one ecstatic thrill,
And swift upborne by faithful mother-love
Was on the way to brighter fields above.

ALICE ELIZABETH MAXIM.

Berry-Bean.

Mr. Joseph Lawrence Berry and Miss Marion Roxane Bean were united in marriage July 11th, by Rev. J. H. Little at his residence, using the double ring service. Both reside in West Bethel. Mr. Berry is about to enter the U. S. service.

I wish to thank my friends for all the flowers, messages and other tokens of love and good will that were sent to me during my recent illness, with special thanks to all who helped to entertain my son and grandson at that time.

MRS. CHARLOTTE M. HOWE.

NORWAY.

The operetta "The Lost Necklace," is in preparation, to be put on early in August. The operetta tells a story of adventure in Spain, and the costumes and appointments will be appropriate. Miss Marjorie Barker is business manager, Miss Beatrice Stone treasurer, Miss Berenice Nash committee on orchestra, Miss Marion Bradbury on costuming, Miss Ruth Cummings on stage and general decorations, Miss Mildred Curtis on advertising. The cast is:

Lola...Miss Berenice Nash
Ines...Mrs. Alma Packard
Esmeralda...Miss Ruth Akers
Margaret...Miss Marjorie Barker
Dolores...Miss Ruth Cummings
Chorus of Grape-gatherers.
Gypsies' Chorus.
Bolero Dancers.
Accompanist, Miss Genevieve Barker.

Dr. Albert Thompson of Philadelphia has been spending a few days with Capt. and Mrs. W. W. Whitmarsh.

Mrs. Fannie Whitman Roberts of Wolfboro, N. H., formerly of Norway, is reported much better from a severe case of blood poisoning.

Miss Dora L. Kirwin, formerly of Norway, has been for the past three months substituting as instructor in oral expression and English at the American College in Honolulu, and has accepted an offer to remain there permanently at a substantial salary.

Miss Helen S. Swan and her niece Frances Bartlett have been spending a few days at Ocean Park.

Thomas Hayes, formerly of Norway, died at the home of his daughter in Groveton, N. H., on the 7th, at the age of 65 years. Mr. Hayes lived here for some years and worked for O. M. Cummings in the livery stable. After the death of Mrs. Hayes some ten years ago, Mr. Hayes and his three children returned to Groveton, N. H., and Mr. Hayes has been employed in livery stables in Portland. He was stricken with paralysis in Portland and later taken to Groveton where he died. The remains were brought to Norway for burial in Pine Grove Cemetery. He is survived by three children.

Clifford W. Buck, who has been with the saw mill unit in Scotland, after that was disbanded enlisted in the United States navy and is in European waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox Bickford have returned from Stoneham and are with Mrs. Emma J. Bickford at present.

Dr. Donald S. Bartlett has recently passed the state dental examination with a high rank. He expects soon to be called into the service.

Dr. Arthur W. Easton, who has enlisted and is subject to call, has resigned as superintendent of the Congregational Sunday School. He was presented with a Swiss wrist watch as a token of esteem by the school. Eugene N. Swett, formerly for years superintendent of the school, was again elected to the position.

Miss Hazel E. Bicknell has returned from Farmington, where she was employed for some weeks as milliner, and is in the store of Z. L. Merchant.

Mrs. Olive P. Eastman of Kearsarge, N. H., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. Waldo Nash. Other recent guests of Mrs. Nash were Professor and Mrs. A. R. Curl of Tilton, N. H.

Charles Matta of Sumner was before Judge William F. Jones of the Norway Municipal Court Wednesday, and paid a fine of $10 and costs on complaint for running an automobile without registration. The complaint was made by Deputy Sheriff Harry O. Stimson as state automobile officer.

Nineteen boys from Camp Kineo, Harrison, were guests at Cedarbrook Farm for a few days last week, and made hiking trips to points in the vicinity.

Miss Harriett Mains from Los Angeles, Calif., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Cora Maine, at Fred Rowe's. Mrs. Fred Rowe, Jr., of Saco, is also a guest there.

Miss Harriet Cragin of Everett, Mass., is with her mother, Mrs. Susan Cragin, for the summer vacation.

Mrs. Myrtle Millett Currier of Haverhill, Mass., is visiting her father, Justus I. Millett of Cottage Street.

Corp. Harold W. Chandler of the Quartermaster's Corps, after spending a ten days' furlough at Bethel and Norway, returned last week to Newport News, Va.

Faye Bickford is here from Augusta to spend July with her father, Robert F. Bickford, and her grandmother, Mrs. Emma Bickford.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Buck have moved from Main Street to the home of Mrs. Buck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Abbott, on Whitman Street. Mr. and Mrs. Abbott are both in poor health.

Willie Block is bell boy at the Fabyan House, N. H., for the summer.

New concrete crossings have replaced the flagstone at the Main Street end of Danforth and Lynn Streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stearns of Hot Springs, Ark., were here recently. They are visiting Mr. Stearns' brother, A. E. Stearns of Rumford, and other relatives in Lovell and elsewhere.

Sergt. Paul Hosmer of the medical department, stationed at Fort Levett, has spent the past week with his parents on furlough.

Forest Longley is working at Poland Spring for the summer.

Peter Isaacson is at the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston.

Superintendent of Schools True C. C. Morrill is attending the summer school at the teachers' college of Columbia University, New York. This is his third summer course there. He is taking special work relative to some phases of rural school management.

George W. Horne of Lewiston, well known in Norway, is the composer of the music for the song, "America, My Country," which was first sung in public on the Fourth at the All-American meet at Lewiston. Vernon Stiles, who conducted the music at that time, spoke in high praise of both the words and the music.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. Percy Nevers Wednesday afternoon of this week. Mrs. M. O. Baltzer is leader, and the subject Home Missions.

Hiram Wiles has received word that his son, Currie H. Wiles, is safely across.

Dr. Arthur W. Easton has enlisted in the Naval Reserve as a first class hospital apprentice, and will go to Hingham, Mass., for the present. Dr. F. E. Drake will keep open the dental office of Drs. Drake & Easton during his absence.

Arthur Bartlett is clerking in the dry goods store of Brown, Buck & Co.

Miss Tessa Thibodeau has returned from a visit to relatives in Massachusetts.

Two sarcophagi are being placed in Dr. Albert Thompson's mausoleum at Pine Grove Cemetery.

The office of the superintendent of schools has been transferred from Odd Fellows' Block to the new quarters fitted up in the high school building.

Dr. L. Hall Trufant has been commissioned first lieutenant in the medical department of the army, and expects to be called for service at any time.

The Norway Branch railroad Co. at its annual meeting formally chose the following officers:

Pres.—Lawrence M. Carroll.
Clerk—Eugene N. Swett.
Treas.—George F. Hathaway.
Directors—John Wood, Edwin S. Cummings, F. Robert Seavey.

Winfield Kimball, principal of the high school at New Bedford, Mass., is with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kimball, for the summer vacation.

Alton L. Curtis has received official notification from the British war office that his son, John Eugene Curtis, who was serving with the Australian forces, has been missing since some date in June. He is supposed to be a prisoner in the hands of the Germans.

During the shower of Friday afternoon lightning struck the barn of D. M. French on Pleasant Street, and damaged it somewhat. Mrs. French was alone in the house at the time, but suffered no serious effects.

The ladies of the Norway Universalist church will hold a lawn party and sale Friday at 3 P. M. at the church. There will be four tables, underwear, aprons, fancy and food with beautiful and generous offerings. Ice cream, sherbet, etc., will be served. Music by Miss Ruth Cummings and Miss Marion Haskell. A regular supper will be served at 6:45 P. M. A great sale and supper, don't miss coming.

True American Navy Spirit.

Portions of letters written by Emerson Manley to his grandfather, C. Freeland Penley of South Paris, are given below, and demonstrate the spirit which animates the men of the American navy.

U. S. S. RAINBOW,
JUNE 2, 1918.

Dear Grandpa:

Ever since I got your letter last March I have been on the go and simply couldn't find time to write. I was transferred to this ship March 10, and like it pretty well. On account of the strict censorship, I can't tell you anything about our ship or our plans. I hope though that I will be able to visit you this summer, that is, if you stay in South Paris. We three older boys will never forget the happy days we have had with dear old Grandpa back in Maine. If I am alive after the war, I shall surely plan to visit you, and warn you now that we will stay for a good long time.

How does the war strike you people in South Paris? Are a good many of the young men in the army and navy? Every available man *must* go, and the sooner they realize this, the sooner will we get the Kaiser. It's a big job we've got on our hands, of transporting an army across the sea, fighting German submarines, and then getting the men trained to trench fighting when they get to France. If Germany and Austria had to come across to tackle us, it would be an easy job for Uncle Sam, as we could beat back all the Huns from now till doomsday.

My young brother Will has been in the trenches with the Canadians since the spring of 1915. He is an old veteran now. He was wounded at the taking of Vimy Ridge, and was in a hospital in England for six months. He is in the thick of it again from what he wrote in his last letter. The Germans are making one supreme effort to break through the western front, but I believe the allies will hold until we get our army across, then it will be *Good night* for your old *Kaiser Wilhelm the Last!*

EMERSON MANLEY.

U. S. S. RAINBOW.
JUNE 29, 1918.

Dear Grandpa:

Your letter of June 10th arrived when we got into this port. It had been waiting for me for over a week. Glad to hear that your health is good, and that you are getting along so well. Is Mel Pratt still in South Paris? And the Porters?

Leda arrives to-morrow from Denver. Our ship is getting some new apparatus installed which will take about two months' time, so I sent for Leda. This new machinery we are getting aboard will make the old Kaiser's submarines mighty sick! We've got them pretty well trained now. They haven't tackled an American man-of-war for a long time now. They sure hate our "depth bombs," which every American warship carries.

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Seasonable Recipes.

(By Janet M. Lee.)

In all recipes where flour is used, unless otherwise stated, the flour is measured after sifting once. Where flour is measured by cups, the cup is filled with a spoon, and a level cupful is meant. A tablespoonful or teaspoonful of any designated material is a LEVEL spoonful. In flour mixtures where yeast is called for, use bread flour; in all other flour mixtures, use cake or pastry flour.

HOMINY OR RICE PUFFS

To one cup of boiled hominy or rice (preferably hot) add half a teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of fat and two egg-yolks beaten until thick and light colored; then fold in the whites of two eggs beaten very light. Drop by tablespoonfuls on a greased baking tin and bake in a quick oven.

CORNMEAL-AND-RICE GRIDDLE CAKES

Sift together half a cup, each, of cornmeal and barley flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one teaspoonful of salt; add one cup of boiled rice (grains distinct) and the beaten yolks of two eggs mixed with one cup of milk; add the whites of the eggs beaten very light, at the last. Bake at once on a hot well-greased griddle.

HOMINY-AND-BARLEY MUFFINS

Pour boiling water over half a cup of hominy (fine), drain in a fine sieve, rinsing in cold water meanwhile. Set to cook in two cups of boiling water and half a teaspoonful of salt. Cook an hour or longer. This will make two cups of thin hominy.

1 cup cooked hominy
2-3 cup hot milk
2 tablespoonfuls shortening
1-2 teaspoonful salt
2 tablespoonfuls sugar
1 egg beaten light
3-4 cup barley flour
1-4 cup cornmeal flour
3 teaspoonfuls baking powder

The hominy may be hot or cold; mix the milk through it evenly; add the shortening, salt and sugar, the egg, and the flour and meal sifted with the baking powder. This makes one dozen muffins. Rice may be used in place of the hominy.

MISSOURI HOE CAKE

Pass through a sieve, together, two cups of cornmeal and half a teaspoonful, each, of salt and baking powder; add one tablespoonful of melted fat and stir in water to make a soft dough. Make into small cakes about half an inch thick and bake on a hot, greased griddle until well browned on both sides.

BARLEY POP-OVERS

Beat two eggs, one cup of barley flour one teaspoonful of sugar, half a teaspoonful of salt and one cup of milk until very smooth. Use a Dover egg beater. Bake about forty minutes in a hot, well-greased iron pan. The pop-overs are good, but will not puff quite as high as when made with wheat flour. One-fourth a cup of rice flour may replace half a cup of the barley flour.

MEAT PIE

This may be made of any tender left-over meat. The broth left from the meat is used for the sauce. For rather more than a pint of meat prepare a pint of sauce. Melt four tablespoonfuls of fat; in it cook four tablespoonfuls of flour and half a teaspoonful of salt; add a pint of broth and stir until boiling. Stir into this the meat, cut in thin slices and freed of all unedible portions. Let the meat stand on the stove to become hot throughout while the crust is being made.

CRUST FOR MEAT PIE

1 cup barley flour
1-2 cup rice flour
3 teaspoonfuls baking powder
1-2 teaspoonful salt
3 tablespoonfuls shortening
Milk for a soft dough

Sift the dry ingredients together; cut in the shortening and add milk gradually while mixing to a dough. The dough should be mixed quite soft as it thickens after first mixing. Turn on a floured board, to coat lightly, knead, and roll into a sheet to fit the top of the baking dish. Make a slit at the center, grease the edge of the dish and set in place. Bake about twenty minutes. This mixture makes good baking powder biscuit.

CHICKEN-AND-RICE SOUFFLE

Melt two tablespoonfuls of fat; in it cook two tablespoonfuls of rice flour, half a teaspoonful of salt and half a teaspoonful of paprika; add one cup of chicken broth and one cup of tomato puree and stir and cook until boiling; add one cup of boiled rice. The rice may be hot or cold but the grains must be distinct when it is stirred through the sauce. Add also one cup and a half of chopped chicken and the beaten yolks of three eggs; fold in the whites of three eggs beaten very light, and turn into a well-greased baking dish. Let cook in a pan of boiling water, in the oven, until firm in the center. Serve the instant it is taken from the oven with a sauce made of one-fourth a cup, each, of fat and rice flour, one cup, each, of chicken broth and tomato puree and half a teaspoonful, each, of salt and pepper.

RICE OMELET WITH PEAS

This may be made with peas "left over"; if there is less than a cup of peas, they might be stirred through a cup of cream sauce to make them "go further." Season the peas, made hot, with salt, pepper, a teaspoonful of sugar and a tablespoonful of butter. For the omelet, the rice may be hot or cold, but the grains must be distinct and, preferably, they should be hot. Beat the whites of two eggs very light and the yolks until thick. Mix a cup of rice and half a teaspoonful of salt through the yolks, then fold in the whites. Melt a tablespoonful of fat in a hot omelet pan; turn in the rice and egg mixture, and make smooth on the top. Let cook in a moderate oven until no uncooked egg adheres to a knife thrust into the center. Score across the top at right angles to the handle of the pan. Sprinkle a few peas over the top and fold at the scoring. Turn on a hot platter and pour the hot peas around it. Serve at once.

SUNDAY NIGHT CHEESE

Melt two tablespoonfuls butter substitute; in it cook two tablespoonfuls of flour, and one-fourth a teaspoonful of salt; add one cup of milk or one cup of tomato puree and stir until boiling; beat in one egg, beaten light; when cooked stir in one package of snappy cheese, and when smooth turn into an earthen bowl and set aside until ready to use. Have ready any variety of Liberty biscuit, rolled very thin before cutting, or they may be rolled thicker and split for use. Spread the biscuit with the cheese mixture, dredge on a little paprika and set into the oven to become very hot. If preferred, this may be made at time of serving and served on crackers or toast as any cheese rabbit. The egg may then be omitted.

CORNMEAL WAFFLES

Put two cups of water and a teaspoonful of salt over the fire to boil; gradually stir one cup of cornmeal mixed with one cup of cold water into the boiling water. Keep the mixture boiling constantly while the meal is being added, then cover and let cook over boiling water, stirring occasionally, one hour. Beat in one-fourth a cup of shortening and pour into a bowl. When cooled a little, beat in half a cup of sour cream or buttermilk and two-thirds a cup of sweet milk; sift together two cups of wheat flour, or one cup of wheat and one of barley flour, one-fourth a teaspoonful of soda and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and beat in to the first mixture; beat in two egg-yolks beaten light, and, lastly, two egg-whites beaten very light. Bake at once on a hot, well-greased waffle iron. The mixture will fill the iron five or six times.

BARLEY-FLOUR SPONGE CAKE

Beat the yolks of five eggs very light; gradually beat in one cup of granulated sugar, then the grated rind and juice of half a lemon. Fold in one cup of sifted barley flour and the whites of five eggs beaten very light. Bake in a tube pan about fifty minutes. Half a cup of potato or corn flour may be used in place of the barley flour.

Must Have Sugar Certificates.

Many sugar users who are now required to secure sugar on the new sugar certificate system invoked by the U. S. Food Administration have failed to make application for certificates according to a statement by Federal Food Administrator Leon S. Merrill.

"No wholesaler or refiner can sell any sugar whatsoever unless he received the certificates," said Food Administrator Merrill, "and the regulations specify that any person who does not file his statement will receive no sugar during the balance of the year. Action will be at once taken against any sugar he may have in hand in excess of thirty-days' supply and he will be charged with hoarding.

"Everybody with the exception of household consumers using sugar must secure this commodity on certificates issued from the Food Administration office at Orono. This new regulation became effective July 1st, and applications for certificates must be made before July 15th for July allotments of sugar.

"It should be distinctly understood that all hotels, restaurants, clubs, dining cars, and steamships, boarding houses, hospitals, public institutions and public eating places generally, in which term are included boarding houses who take care of 25 persons or more, must make a statement to the Food Administration at Orono, in order to secure their supply of sugar."

There are five distinct groups of sugar users and they may be divided as follows:

A. Candy makers, soft drinks, soda fountains, chewing gum, chocolate and cocoa manufacturers, tobacco manufacturers, flavoring extracts, invert sugar, syrups, sweet pickles, etc.

B. Commercial canners, vegetables, fruit, milk, medicinal purposes, explosives, glycerine, etc.

C. Hotels, restaurants, clubs, dining cars and steamships, boarding houses, hospitals, public institutions and public eating places generally, in which term are included all boarding houses who take care of 25 persons or more.

D. Bakers and cracker manufacturers of all kinds.

E. Retail stores and others selling for direct consumption.

Hundreds of letters have come to the Food Administration office in the past two weeks which it is absolutely impossible to answer promptly on account of the new sugar program which went into effect July 1st. This correspondence is being classified and will be answered at the earliest possible moment. The Food Administration has been working night and day to get people properly classified and sugar certificates into the hands of the proper persons.

Manufacturers who appplied for sugar statements at the eleventh hour of the old quarter, or who failed to make satisfactory statements of their sugar consumption by July 1st, are doubtless annoyed by the delay in getting favorable advice from the Orono office. As far as possible the Food Administration will handle first the requirements of those manufacturers who established satisfactory records of sugar consumption in May and up to June 10th, which was the limit for filing applications under Class A. The lateness of many applications was due to the fact that the manufacturer had a surplus of sugar on hand and preferred to use his sugar regardless of the 80 per cent rule covering all Class A activities.

The Food Administration announced to-day that it should be distinctly understood that all applications must be filed on or before July 15th to entitle the applicant to sugar for the balance of the year. Local Food Administrators will provide statement forms which should be sent to Food Administrator Leon S. Merrill, at Orono, Maine.

A Changed Attitude.

When the Salvation Army first came to Maine it was treated more in derision than respect. The first time that this little band marched down the streets of Portland in the foreign section, the men and women of the Salvation Army were the targets for sticks and stones and a near riot was the result. That, however, was years ago. No doubt these brave people felt the insult but that did not dete them from carrying on their work, and the sticks and stones and the hooting of the crowd of hoodlums only made them more determined. They won out.

The great world conflict has given the Salvation Army a chance to show its value. It has been one of the biggest surprises of the War. The girls in the army khaki have won the deepest respect of the American soldiers through their kindly administrations of the wounded in the shell-torn districts. One young Yankee writes home, "Because women are religious their fingers are none the less nimble when sewing on buttons, and the fudge and hot chocolate, or the doughnuts and the apple pie lose none of their sweetness to a weary man as he trudges to the front."

The influence of several good women in the company of a large crowd of men is of the highest importance, and the purifying of the conversation is a logical consequence, and the men are certainly better for both. It is a matter of record that during the three and one half years of war, there has been no scandal attached to the Salvation Army women, and it is to the credit of the soldiers, both American and Allies, that they have regarded as inviolable the persons of those who share in the common sacrifice of war.

Aviation Mechanics.

The Bureau of Navigation has sent forth a call for aviation mechanics. These men are wanted to tune up and keep aeroplanes in repair. For each aeroplane there will be ten ground mechanics.

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Certificates of deposits	83,019 47
Treasurer's checks outstanding	57 50
Due other banks	6,622 78
Bills payable	50,000 00
	$611,899 22

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$215,104 35
Loans on mortgages of real estate	101,325 42
Overdrafts	236 37
Stocks and bonds	148,846 71
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