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AMONG THE FARMERS.

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KNOWLEDGE ESSENTIAL TO FORECAST VALUE OF BULL.

Dairymen have paid a great deal of attention to breeding for increased milk production. The medium through which this has chiefly been done is the system of "advanced registry." Now there is a fundamental difference in principle in the method by which cows are put into the advanced registry, and that by which bulls are entered. A cow is put into the advanced registry if she is a high milker; her production, in itself, is taken as sufficient evidence to enroll her in a list of animals, of which the presumption is that they are good animals to breed from to get increased productiveness. Obviously the male cannot be enrolled on such a basis. So he is put into the advanced registry on the basis of the performance of his daughters. If he has a certain number of daughters that are high milkers he is entitled to registry. It will be recognized at once that in the method of entering the cows in the advanced registry the cattle clubs are proceeding on the theory of breeding which was at the basis of the mass-selection experiment to improve egg production at the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. This experiment, it will be recalled, signally failed to bring out any improvement. In the method of entering bulls in the advanced registry, on the other hand, the procedure is strictly in accord with that plan of breeding which, since 1907, has led to such excellent results with egg production at the Maine Station, namely, the plan which is based on tested progeny. Bulls get into advanced registry on the basis of their demonstrative ability to get high producing daughters. Cows go in simply because they milk well.

These facts clearly point to the progeny test for the transmitting qualities of herd sires as the proper method of improving the herds' production per cow. The analysis of the progeny test has now been completed by the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station for the Guernsey breed and for the Jersey breed in so far as the data necessary are available in the advanced registries. As rapidly as the funds permit the same information on the Holstein-Friesian breed is being obtained.

The "prepotency" of certain of the Jersey sires may be cited. There are 224 Jersey Registry of Merit sires which meet the requirements of this performance test for their transmitting qualities in milk production. One hundred and five of these sires or less than one-half raise the milk production of their daughters over that of the dams of these daughters. The largest number of daughter-dam pairs is 39 for the sire Hood Farm Pogis 9th, 55552. Of those sires which have a large number of pairs Hood Farm Toronto, 60326 with 34 pairs stands first in his transmitting qualities raising the milk production of his daughters on the average 26201 pounds. Among the other sires standing well upon the lists might be mentioned Queen's Raleigh 88232; Sans Alol 81012; Ternisla's Interested Prince 71698; The Plymouth Lad 89792; and Chief Engineer 47148.

Two hundred and twenty-five sires are included in the sires which met the requirements of the daughter-dam performance test for transmitting qualities of butter-fat percentage. Out of this number 101 sires raised the butter-fat percentage of their daughters' milk as compared with the butter-fat percentage of the dams of these daughters. The leading sire in this butter-fat percentage performance test was Clear Brook Chief 74685 raising his daughter on the average 1,338 per cent of butter-fat. This sire had two daughter-dam pairs. The dams were both in the lowest group for butter-fat percentage (class D) and this sire raised his daughter from these dams to the highest group (class A). Among the sires with a fair number of daughter-dam pairs which raised the butter-fat percentage to a marked degree might be mentioned, Irene's King Pogis 73182. Merry Maiden's Grandson 71003; Pogis 75th of Hood Farm 94501; Jacob's Emanon 84177; and Golden Fern's Son 78687; Hood Farm Pogis 9th leads in number of daughter-dam pairs with 42. This bull raised the butter-fat percentage of his daughter on the average of 0.243 per cent over the butter-fat percentage of the dams of their daughters.

The sires mentioned as superior in the milk transmitting ability, Hood Farm Torono and Spermfield Owl, do not check up so well in their ability to transmit high butter-fat percentage. Hood Farm Torono caused his daughters on the average to be 0.225 per cent of butter-fat below what the dams of these daughters produced. Spermfield Owl only raised his daughters on the average 0.027 per cent of butter-fat over what the dams of these daughters produced.

There are 224 sires of known transmitting ability for net butter-fat given. Of this number only 99 sires raise the butter-fat production of their daughters over that of their dams. The sires which raised the production of their daughters' butter-fat most were Sans Alol 81012, Signal's Successor 72758, and Golden Glow Chief 61460. The sire which made the deepest impression on the breed by raising the butter-fat of the largest number of daughters over that of their dams was Hood Farm Torono with 34 pairs and an average increase for each daughter of 121.51 pounds. The next bull, Spermfield Owl, with 26 pairs raised the butter-fat production 97.71 pounds on the average for each of his daughters. Some of the bulls lowering the production of their daughters markedly were Gertie's Son of Washington 83799, Hood Farm S. Tormentor 96311, and Oxford Lad's Owl 75599.

The information summarized above was arranged to reveal the transmitting qualities for milk production, butter-fat percentage and butter-fat of Jersey sires to their sons. There were in this table 159 sires which had sons whose progeny performance was known. Of this number 69 or significantly less than half had sons who raised the butter-fat production of their daughters over that of their dams. Among these sires who had sons of merit Signal's Crown Prince 61621 and Chief Engineer 47148 are the leaders. Among those sires whose sons lowered the butter-fat production of their daughters may be mentioned Merry Maiden's Grandson 91003 and Etheel 2d's Jubilee 18249.

The sires of superior merit are defined as those which raise the milk production and butter-fat percentage of their daughters as compared with that of their dams. The inferior sires are defined as those sires who lower the milk production and butter-fat percentage of their daughters as compared with the same variables in their dams. There are 28 sires in the group of sires superior in their transmitting qualities for milk production and butter-fat percentage. In the group of sires inferior in their transmitting ability for these two characters there are 47 sires, a ratio of 1 to 1.7. Such a difference speaks for itself. It emphasizes with startling clearness the need of exact knowledge of the transmitting qualities of bulls to be bred as sires and of the necessity for exact knowledge of the inheritance of milk production and butter-fat percentage. In fact the sire whose performance test is known is only good as long as he lives and with his death dies the value of his test. This would not be so if the way in which high milk or butter-fat are transmitted from sire to daughter were known, for by the application of these rules, once discovered, it would be possible to produce from that sire, sons or daughters whose progeny performance would be known when they were born. To have the progeny test on these sires of lasting value it is consequently necessary to obtain the facts of milk production inheritance the Maine Station is trying to do through the agency of the carefully controlled matings of high and low milking animals.—Chas. D. Woods, Director.

What Will They Do?

In some quarters it seems to be a good deal of a question what the dairy farmers of the country are going to do within the next few months. We hear it said frequently that because of the high cost of producing milk and the unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in the great milk distributing centers, dairymen will sell off their cows and take up other forms of farm work, thus still farther complicating a bad situation. Reference is made to some who have already sold their herds. These isolated cows are pointed to as being proof of the sweeping statement that we are going to see a nation-wide movement away from dairy farming.

While I am not prepared to give expression to the prevalent intentions of the dairymen of the country as a whole, I do know that in the part of the country in which I live, the southern central portion of the state of New York, there is no such exodus as is recorded and predicted by some alleged prophets. The farmers of this section, which is largely a milk producing territory, are steadily going on with their business. A few may have sold their cows, but this is not for the purpose of getting out of the business, but to enable them to get better cows as soon as this can reasonably be done. Others who have sold some of their cows have only the same thought in mind, to dispose of the cows that are least profitable, for the sake of filling their places with better cows in the future. There has been no falling off to speak of in the great volume of milk produced in this area, and unless I am greatly mistaken there will be none for some time.

In the near future we will have some new light, however, on the dairy situation in the territory surrounding the city of Binghamton, if the Price-fixing Commission recently appointed by the governor, acting in conjunction with the local authorities, does the work confidently expected of it. This commission has already organized and is setting about its business with a vigor that promises good results. One thing has already been brought out as throwing light on the high cost of milk in this city. Milk is now retailing at 14 cents a quart. To distribute this milk sixty different wagons traverse the streets every day. In the central part of the city we are told that ten wagons go over the same ground daily. And this is in a place of some seventy thousand people. It looks reasonable that this work might be done by a far less number of men, with a lowering of cost that would reduce the price to the consumers. The farmers who supply the milk used here receive about nine cents a quart for their product. That means that the dealers who receive, bottle, and distribute the milk get five cents a quart. For certified milk and milk of a high grade two or three cents more are received.

From statements often made of late it would appear that some folks are actually getting afraid of the dairy farmer. Is this because the farmer is slowly finding out that he has been doing a losing business and is determined now that he ought to have at least cost for his milk and a living per cent more? Why should this be such a disturbing thing? Is it not just what men in every other branch of business have always been doing? Why not the farmer? And there is nothing in this to make anybody afraid. The farmer never yet has used his power to harm anybody. He will not now. The farmer knows the need of the world for his products. He has done his best to meet that need, and he will keep right on doing all in his power to furnish milk and butter, even though he may not always receive a living price for them, but he cannot be blamed if he consistently works in all reasonable and legitimate ways to secure for himself and his fellow workers the returns he should have in justice to those who are depending upon him. Seems to me this is only right and fair.—E. L. Vincent in Hoard's Dairyman.

Increasing Production.

We have held that the plan put forth by Secretary Lane for reclaiming large tracts of swamp, arid, and stump lands was not to the advantage of agriculture or to the nation if carried on to the extent which he advocates. It would seem sufficient for the present to provide some plan to start reclaiming these lands on a small scale. We already have agricultural sections where roads are developed and markets are near by; thousands of acres of land now non-productive which could be made to yield profitable crops. We believe these lands should be the first to receive attention, as well as the acres already under cultivation, before reclaiming large tracts of wild land.

We must bear in mind it is only within recent years that farming has become a profitable industry in itself. If we measure the advancement made by the farmers from 1870 to 1910, we find that very little money was made in the occupation of farming. The farmers were miners; that is, they made their advancement very largely through selling the fertility of the soil. If they had been called upon to replenish the fertility which had left the farm in the form of crops and live stock, we doubt whether their accounts would have balanced.

The largest production that came through the opening up of the prairies of the Northwest caused people to be extremely wasteful with food. It was cheap and to be saving did not appeal to them. But now our country has become sufficiently populated to require all the farm products produced and at remunerative prices.

Since it is highly desirable that agriculture be placed upon a basis similar to other enterprises, there is no reason why we should increase our food supply to such an extent as to make this occupation again unprofitable by cultivating new areas. We can have too many farmers just as we can have too many merchants, blacksmiths, or carpenters. The most serious situation confronting the farmer to-day is labor—not more land to operate.

The farmer will not hire labor to cultivate his acres unless it will yield him some profit. In view of the fact that there is opportunity for increasing the production of foods on the lands already occupied, we can see no good reason for attempting to open up new areas of land on a large scale. It is our opinion it would be better to increase the production of the acres now under cultivation through the selection of better seed, better live stock, and better methods of farming if more food is needed.—Hoard's Dairyman.

Watering Farm Horses.

It is a common thing for some farmers to work their horses in the field from morning to night, watering them only at noon. This is done even on days of excessive heat. The driver usually has two or more refreshing drinks in the middle of the morning, and again in the afternoon; but the horses, who are equally thirsty, go without.

This want of water is not only distressing, but it causes the horses to drink to excess at noon and again at night, which often results in colic, and always tends to produce a distended stomach, or what farmers call a "hay belly." Farmers who would treat their horses humanely should take water into the field for them in hot weather.

Again and again has it been proved that birds are the farmers' best friends. How many corn-growers owe their success to the birds! One man in particular was being literally ruined by ravages of grasshoppers, when a friend induced him to build attractive bird-houses in his fields. Result, prosperity.

Eleventh Annual Poultry Show.

GOOD EXHIBITION OF WESTERN MAINE ASSOCIATION AT NORWAY.

One of the finest lots of birds ever shown was that brought together last week by the eleventh annual show of the Western Maine Poultry Association. The show was held this year in Norway Opera House, and was as usual for three days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Some 600 birds were on exhibition, including not only those of the immediate vicinity, but considerable numbers from a distance. Two of the largest exhibitors were the Worcester Poultry Yards of Old Orchard and O. W. Eggleston of Lyndonville, Vt., each of whom had an exhibit of several different strains. Rhode Island Reds were the breed showing up in the largest numbers, though some of the other most common breeds were not far behind. The number of Silkies shown this year was notable.

Secretary E. P. Crockett of South Paris and his assistant, Mrs. F. Albert Dodge of the same place, were very busy during the show.

The judges were Elmer F. Benson of Whitman, Mass., and O. W. Eggleston of Lyndonville, Vt. Judging was by the comparison system.

PREMIUMS AWARDED.

The premiums awarded by the association in the several breeds were as follows:

Rose Comb R. I. Reds—Cock, Guy W. Coffin, Mechanic Falls, 1st and 2d; W. A. Stone, Oxford, 3d and 4th. Hen, W. A. Golderman, Mechanic Falls, 1st; Coffin 2d; Stone 3d. Cockerel, Coffin 1st and 2d; Stone 3d and 4th. Pullet, Stone 1st; Coffin 2d; C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 3d; Golderman 4th. Pen, Stone 1st; Coffin 2d.

Single Comb R. I. Reds—Cock, Mrs. Guy Coffin, Mechanic Falls, 1st; Sterling Poultry Yards, Portland, 2d; F. F. Roche, Lewiston, 3d; Charles F. Cummings, Norway, 4th. Hen, Mrs. Coffin 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 2d; C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 3d; Sterling Poultry Yards 4th. Cockerel, Mrs. Coffin 1st; Sterling Poultry Yards 2d; Mrs. Coffin 3d; Worcester Poultry Yards 4th; Clinton F. Parker, Auburn, 5th. Pullet, W. A. Stone, Oxford, 1st; F. A. Taylor, South Paris, 2d; Mrs. F. P. Morrill, Norway, 3d; Taylor 4th. Pen, Mrs. Coffin 1st; Sterling Poultry Yards 2d.

Black Wyandottes—Pullet, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st.

Partridge Wyandottes—Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st each on cock, hen, cockerel, pullet and pen.

Buff Wyandottes—Cock, J. B. Field, Norway, 1st. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st; Field 2d. Cockerel, Field, 1st, 2d and 3d. Pen, Field 1st.

White Wyandottes—Cock, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st and 2d. Cockerel, E. L. Greenlief, Oxford, 1st and 2d; Worcester Poultry Yards 3d and 4th. Pullet, Greenlief 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d and 3d. Pen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

Columbian Plymouth Rocks—Pullet, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st.

Buff Plymouth Rocks—Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st each on cock, hen, cockerel, pullet and pen.

Partridge Plymouth Rocks—Cock, W. A. Stone, Oxford, 1st. Hen, Stone 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 2d and 3d. Cockerel, W. A. Stone 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d. Pullet, Stone 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d. Pen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

White Plymouth Rocks—Cock, Lee M. Smith, Norway, 1st and 2d; Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 3d and 4th. Cockerel, Smith 1st; Harry A. Russell, Norway, 2d; Worcester Poultry Yards 3d and 4th. Pullet, Smith 1st; Russell 2d; Smith 3d; Worcester Poultry Yards 4th. Pen, Smith 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d and 3d; Bert Melvin, Norway, 4th.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—Cock, Geo. W. Haskell, South Paris, 1st; Sterling Poultry Farm, Portland, 2d; Charles C. Lane, Auburn, 3d and 4th. Hen, Sterling Poultry Farm 1st and 2d; C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 3d. Cockerel, Lane 1st; Haskell 2d, 3d and 4th. Pullet, Haskell 1st; Lane 2d, 3d and 4th. Pen, Haskell 1st.

Columbian Wyandottes—Cock, B. A. Carpenter, Mechanic Falls, 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d. Hen, Carpenter 1st, 2d and 3d; Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 4th. Cockerel, Carpenter 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d. Pullet, Carpenter 1st and 2d; Worcester Poultry Yards 3d. Pen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

Rose Comb R. I. Whites—Hen, E. P. Crockett, South Paris, 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th.

Light Brahmas—Cock, E. P. Crockett, South Paris, 1st; C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 2d; Crockett 3d. Hen, Crockett 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th. Cockerel, Crockett, 1st, 2d and 3d. Pullet, Crockett 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th. Pen, Crockett 1st.

Buff Cochins—Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Pullet, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

Partridge Cochins—Cockerel, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st; E. P. Crockett, South Paris, 2d. Pullet, Eggleston 1st and 2d.

Black Langshans—Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Cockerel, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st. Pullet, Buck 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d; Buck 3d and 4th.

Black Langshans—Cock, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st.

Single Comb White Leghorns—Cock, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; F. H. Beck, Norway, 2d; C. D. Morse, Waterford, 3d; Beck 4th. Cockerel, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Morse 2d. Pullet, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Morse 2d. Pen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Morse 2d.

Blue Andalusians—Cock, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st; Buck 2d and 3d. Cockerel, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Buck 2d and 3d. Pullet, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Buck 2d. Pen, Buck 1st.

Single Comb Anconas—Cock, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st. Hen, Buck 1st, 2d and 3d. Cockerel, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Pullet, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

White Cochin Bantams—Cock, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st; C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 2d. Hen, Buck 1st; Eggleston 2d.

Black Minorcas—Cockerel, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Pullet, Mrs. Arthur Gary, Norway, 1st and 2d; Carroll B. DeCoster, Norway, 3d; Worcester Poultry Yards 4th.

White Crested Black Polish—Cock, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

Buttercups—Cock, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st.

White Face Black Spanish—Cock, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st. Hen, Eggleston 1st, 2d and 3d.

Red Caps—Cock, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st. Hen, Eggleston 1st, 2d and 3d. Pullet, Eggleston 1st.

Black Orpingtons—Cock, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st. Cockerel, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

Blue Orpingtons—Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st on hen, 1st and 2d on cockerel, 1st, 2d and 3d on pullet.

Buff Orpingtons—Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 1st; Norman S. Trask, Auburn, 2d and 3d. Pullet, Trask 1st, 2d and 3d.

Rose Comb Black Bantams—Guy W. Coffin, Mechanic Falls, 1st each on cock, hen and pen.

Black Tail Japanese Bantams—Hen, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st.

Silver Sebright Bantams—Hen, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st.

Golden Sebright Bantams—Cock, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st. Hen, Eggleston 1st and 2d.

Buff Cochin Bantams—Hen, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st.

Light Brahma Bantams—Cockerel, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st. Pullet, Eggleston 1st.

Black Buff Cochin Bantams—Hen, O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st. Cockerel, Eggleston 1st.

Buff Polish Bantams—Hen, O. W. Eggleston 1st. Cockerel, Eggleston 1st.

White Japanese Bantams—Hen, O. W. Eggleston 1st. Cockerel, Eggleston 1st. Pullet, Eggleston 1st.

Dark Brahma Bantams—Hen, E. P. Crockett, South Paris, 1st, 2d and 3d. Cockerel, Crockett 1st. Pen, Crockett 1st.

Japanese Silkies Bantams—Cock, F. H. Beck, Norway, 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard, 2d. Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Howard D. Smith, Norway, 2d. Cockerel, Smith 1st; Worcester Poultry Yards 2d; Smith 3d and 4th.

Japanese Silkies—Pullet, F. H. Beck, Norway, 1st; Howard D. Smith, Norway, 2d, 3d and 4th. Pen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st; Beck 2d.

Oxford Bears—E. P. Crockett, South Paris, 1st on cockerel, 1st on pullet.

Single Comb Brown Leghorns, Light—Leonard Doughty, Norway, 1st each on cock, hen and pullet.

Single Comb Brown Leghorns, Dark—Leonard Doughty, Norway, 1st on cock, 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th on hen, 1st on cockerel, 1st, 2d and 3d on pullet, 1st on pen.

Black Leghorns—O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt., 1st on cockerel, 1st, 2d and 3d on pullet.

Silver Leghorns—Pen, O. W. Eggleston 1st.

Single Comb Buff Leghorns—Hen, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st and 2d. Cockerel, Worcester Poultry Yards 1st.

Rose Comb Buff Leghorns—Cockerel, O. W. Eggleston 1st.

Single Comb White Orpingtons—Cock, Clinton F. Parker, Auburn, 1st, 2d and 3d. Hen, Parker, 1st, 2d and 3d. Cockerel, Parker 1st, 2d and 3d. Pullet, Parker 1st, 2d and 3d. Pen, Parker 1st, 2d and 3d.

East India Ducks—Cock, O. W. Eggleston 1st and 2d. Hen, O. W. Eggleston 1st and 2d.

Black Cayuga Ducks—Cock, C. Guy Buck, South Paris, 1st.

African Geese—Cock, Mrs. D. L. Benson, South Paris, 1st. Hen, Mrs. Benson 1st. Pullet, Mrs. Benson 1st.

Embden Geese—Cock, Mrs. T. B. Doughty, Norway, 1st. Hen, Mrs. Doughty 1st. Cockerel, Mrs. Doughty 1st and 2d.

White Call Ducks—Cockerel, O. W. Eggleston 1st, 2d and 3d. Pullet, Eggleston 1st.

Mexican Ducks—Cockerel, Mrs. D. L. Benson, South Paris, 1st. Pullet, Mrs. Benson 1st.

White Indian Runner Ducks—Mrs. D. L. Benson, 1st each on cock, hen and pullet.

Besides the regular prizes as given above, and a large list of specials in cash and goods from individuals and firms, the association awarded the following silver cups:

For the best cock, hen, cockerel, pullet and pen of any one variety, cup to be won three times by an exhibitor before it becomes his property, Lee M. Smith, Norway. Mr. Smith also won the cup last year. Two years ago it was won by Guy W. Coffin.

For the largest number of birds, all varieties, securing prizes, exhibited by one person, cup, Worcester Poultry Yards, Old Orchard.

For new exhibitor paying the largest entry fee, cup, Sterling Poultry Farm, Portland.

Also silver cups for the best display in the several strains, as follows:

White Plymouth Rocks, Lee M. Smith, Norway.

Rose Comb R. I. Reds, W. A. Stone, Oxford.

Single Comb R. I. Reds, Guy W. Coffin, Mechanic Falls.

White Orpingtons, C. F. Parker, Auburn.

Cup for best Rhode Island male in the show, awarded to Guy W. Coffin, Mechanic Falls. This cup was given by H. M. Tucker, and must be won twice before it becomes the property of the owner. Won in 1917 by Mrs. R. T. Wilder, Auburn, in 1918 by Guy W. Coffin, in 1919 by W. A. Stone, Oxford.

At the annual meeting of the Western Maine Poultry Association held Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected:

Pres.—H. E. Lovejoy, Norway.
Vice Pres.—Geo. W. Haskell, South Paris.
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Treas.—D. H. Bean, South Paris.
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Supt. of Show Room—H. E. Lovejoy.
Judges—Elmer F. Benson, Whitman, Mass.; O. W. Eggleston, Lyndonville, Vt.

The 12th annual exhibition will be held at South Paris, Jan. 4, 5, 6, 1921, unless a change in date is necessary to avoid other shows.

The Surplus Milk Question.

With a smile and more enthusiasm than ever for the ultimate success of the cooperative movement among farmers, Mr. F. S. Adams, Chief of the Division of Markets, Department of Agriculture, Augusta, and President of the New England Milk Producers' Association, returned last Thursday morning from a conference in Boston with other officials of the Milk Producers' Association and officials of the H. P. Hood & Sons Company. The reason for this optomistic spirit was that apparently a great step has been taken towards solving the question of surplus. It is doubtful if any other phase of the milk question has caused so much misunderstanding and dissatisfaction as this same surplus question.

According to the new agreement reached for the month of January, the surplus is to be declared by the distributors under oath with an opportunity for the N. E. M. P. A. to verify their statement if desired, and this surplus will be paid for according to the average price of the butterfat as quoted by the Chamber of Commerce for creamery extra butter for the month of January plus 38 1-4 cents per cwt. delivered at skimming station. To those who have followed the surplus dispute, the simplicity of this plan will appeal very strongly as compared with the many deductions and intricate methods of figuring out the surplus as followed in all previous plans. More than ever does this demonstrate the importance of loyal, hearty support of such real farmers' organizations which are so effectively protecting the farmers' interests and developing their prosperity.

A Bath citizen was speaking to the Times of an old time ship owner, who died years ago, worth a million, who had gone through life amassing wealth to the utter neglect of making friends. Previous to the funeral service in the house which had been the millionaire's home, a woman remarked to the man in charge of the place on the absence of chairs in the living room. The woman thought that more should be brought in before the time of the services. "What for?" asked the man. "For the mourners," the woman replied. "There won't be any mourners," the man said, "Old —— did not leave a friend on earth." As the event proved, there were plenty of chairs.

A state boys' conference will be held in Lewiston and Auburn Jan. 23, 24 and 25. Eight hundred boys will be invited to attend.

My Four Months at Surveying.

(By Charles E. Glover.)

I started my career at geological surveying, as a rodman, which is a very necessary factor in the geological survey field. But the initial factor that bears more importance is the topographer, or "map maker." Then next in importance is the recorder, if the topographer chooses to have one.

First a description of the nature of the work is necessary to form the idea. The general idea of geological surveying is to make new maps, and revise maps relative to the physical nature of the territory surveyed. An important feature in the surveying game is the contours; a contour used in geological surveying is the number of feet taken as a standard above the level of the sea, for instance the surveyor's contour in one section of the country differs from other sections, because of the geographical condition of land and elevation.

The contour of land in the state of Maine would not be the same as in the state of Virginia, for instance a twenty foot contour is used by surveyors in Maine, while only a five foot contour is used in Virginia, especially along the coast. The reason is obvious, as the physical condition of the land is regular and level.

The duties of topographer are to carry a tripod, map-board, map-outline, map, telescopic alidade, tape, rule and pencils. The topographer by means of his delicate instrument can obtain the distance of points he wishes to get, but in order to procure the distance of a specified place a rodman is necessary.

The duties of a rodman are to carry a level rod, if topographer wishes to get the elevation of a place, if not a stadia rod is carried by rodman, also map case, knapsack, paint, paint brushes, bench marks and tools pertaining to the work, and rations for the men in party for the day.

The topographer is dependent upon rodman in many ways, he cannot get the elevation of a place without rodman's aid. In obtaining elevation the rodman finds a standard or point to be used as a mark. Usually if territory has been surveyed formerly, bench marks are found here and there. The rodman holds his level rod on benchmark, while the topographer stations himself a thousand or fifteen hundred feet in advance of rodman, sights through his instrument, obtaining almost in an instant the elevation of the point. The rodman moves the target on level rod up or down as the topographer signifies. When target is on exact mark of feet topographer notifies rodman by a semaphore motion of the arms, the topographer advances to the rodman to get the reading on level rod, puts reading down in level-book. rodman remains on mark while topographer advances fifteen hundred or two thousand feet then sets his instrument and obtains the elevation. As we go along in this manner I paint the elevation obtained on a telephone pole or anything that permits a ready reading by the next topographer that comes along determining the distance.

The next day or week we would start out with stadia-rod, tripod, telescopic alidade, tape, rule, map, pencils and of course rations for day. This line of surveying differs from the elevation part of it, the rodman carries stadia-rod, while the "map maker" carries his telescopic alidade, etc. In this case the same procedure is carried out by rodman and topographer.

Map making is a very interesting part of surveying, as it leads to a closer and more accurate observation of the surrounding territory being surveyed. A surveyor will more readily detect the physical or geographical conditions of the land and water, than any other man can possibly do.

The third and last man to be mentioned in the surveying party is the recorder; he serves as an orderly, like a military organization.

My four months were spent in a southern city near the Atlantic coast, an important seaport and railroad center. The surveying party remained in this particular city during the four months.

We not only surveyed this city, but the vicinity north, south, east and west of the city. The purpose of surveying was to make a military map. It was deemed necessary at that time as military structures were being built in that vicinity.

Reinstatement of War Risk Insurance.

Discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who have dropped their War Risk Insurance may reinstate it without paying all the lapsed premiums, providing that they make application within 18 months after discharge from the service. It will only be necessary to pay premiums for two months and sign statement to the effect that the applicant is in as good health as he was at the date of discharge. No physical examination is required. It will not be necessary to reinstate the full $10,000. A person may reinstate $1,000 or more.

Provision has always been made to permit persons to convert their war insurance to other kinds of government insurance such as Ordinary Life and Twenty Payment Life and Twenty Year Endowment. The Government is to remain in the insurance business for the benefit of those who served in the war.

Every discharged soldier or his dependents should be interested in the above matter and immediately write to or call on the "Department Insurance Officer, Room 717, 99 Chauncy Street, Boston, Mass." All information will be furnished and assistance given at that office or through the mail.

The above mentioned officer will also give his personal attention to any matter concerning the service such as Liberty Bonds, Compensation, back pay due, personal effects and the return of bodies of deceased soldiers, etc.

Profit in Club Work.

ORONO, Dec. 30.

That there is in boys' and girls' club work substantial profit, as well as pleasure, experience and lessons in self-reliance, is shown by State Leader Ralph P. Mitchell's report of agricultural club work in Maine for the year 1919.

The 2049 club members who completed their projects, and submitted financial statements and stories of their work, had a total season's production valued at $60,429.49. Their total costs of production, including a fixed charge per hour for their own labor, were $37,047 82; total net profits, $23,381.67.

The results by projects were as follows: Sweet corn, 147 enrolled, value of products $7198.03, cost of production $3220 38, net profit $3977 65; flint corn, 27 enrolled, product value $1213 05, cost $631 84, profit $581 20; potatoes, 124 enrolled, value $14,442 39, cost $6160 45, profit $8281.94; gardens, 413 enrolled, value $4340.54, cost $1971.61, profit $2368 93; canning, 600 enrolled, value $19,624.94, cost $14,158.15, profit $5466 79; poultry, 159 enrolled, value $4691 27, cost $2694.41, profit $1996 86; pigs, 254 enrolled, value $8919.27, cost $8210.98, profit $708.29.

In the eighth project, cooking and housekeeping, in which no financial statement is kept, and the element of profit does not enter, 325 girls were enrolled.

Twenty-five vessels with a gross tonnage of 47,123 were built and registered in the Bath Customs District during 1919. This was the largest tonnage constructed in a similar period for 25 years, and probably in the history of the district. The number consists of four steel steamships, three gas screw steamers, one screw steamer, six steel scows, six schooners and five barges.

Mayor Charles B. Clarke of Portland has announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in the First District. He is the seventh declared candidate.

SET HIM THINKING

Squire's Placard Caused Unpleasant Surmise.

Of Course Mr. Carr Knew That Under No Circumstances Could He Be Considered a Bore, but, Well, There It Was

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South Paris,	Howard's Drug Store.
	Shurtleff's Drug Store.
Norway,	Noyes Drug Store.
	Stone's Drug Store.
Buckfield,	A. L. Newton, Postmaster.
Paris Hill,	Helen R. Cole, Post Office.
West Paris,	Samuel T. White.

Coming Events.

Jan. 14, 15—Annual assessors' convention, state house, Augusta.
Jan. 23, 24 and 25—State Boys' Conference, Lewiston and Auburn.
Feb. 17-18—Annual convention of Maine Fruit Growers, Auburn.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Z. L. Merchant.
Brown, Buck & Co.
W. J. Wheeler & Co. (2 ads.)
Paris Trust Co.
Percy P. Allen.
Savoy Theatre.
The Norway National Bank.
Wanted.
For Sale.
Perfection Oil Heaters.
Kemp's Balsam.
L. F. Pike Co.
Paris Manfg. Co.
Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge. (2)

Maine News Notes.

Mrs. Eleanor D. Sparks, the oldest woman in Sagadahoc County, died at her home in Bowdoinham on the 4th, at the age of 100 years.

Morris, youngest son of Joseph Baker at Macwahoc, perished in a fire that destroyed their home on the 2d. His 14-year-old brother attempted to rescue him but failed.

During the year 1919 eight pardons were granted by the governor and council to persons serving sentences in the state prison, the length of the sentence imposed in the several cases having been from 10-20 years down to one year. Four persons serving sentences in jail were also pardoned.

William Trufant Foster, president of Reed College at Portland, Ore., and former instructor at Bates and Bowdoin, has been chosen superintendent of the public schools of Los Angeles. Dr. Foster lectured at Harvard and Columbia, was instructor in English at Bates in 1902-3, and in English, rhetoric and oratory at Bowdoin in 1909-10.

A few days since the operator of one of the elevators in the county building at Portland was stricken with cerebral hemorrhage while the car was in motion and his hand was on the lever. The elevator made at least seven trips between basement and roof until it was finally stopped by County Commissioner Hawkes, who jumped in as the car was passing the second floor, and forced the operator's tightly clenched hand from the lever.

The amalgamation of the State Board of Trade and the State Agricultural and Industrial League was completed at Augusta Wednesday when the delegates chosen to represent those two organizations formed the State Chamber of Commerce and Agricultural League. Officers are:

Pres.—James Q. Gulnac, Bangor.
Vice-Pres.—George H. Bass, Wilton.
Sec.—Frank A. Peabody, Houlton.
Treas.—Henry A. Free, Lewiston.
Directorate Chairmen:
Industrial—Hugh J. Chisholm, Portland.
Commercial—Henry F. Merrill, Portland.
Agricultural—Bertrand G. McIntire, Norway.
Labor—Roscoe Eddy, Bar Harbor.
Home—Mrs. Herbert J. Brown, Portland.

Highway Road Needed.

The improvement of a town road to properly develop the resources of the town has become so urgent that it is necessary for the authorities and the citizens to devise ways and means for bringing such a development about. The bad road tax is greater than the good road tax.

If the hard surfaced road 18 feet wide, costing $3 per square yard or $31,680 per mile—that is the highest estimate, or perhaps $2 50 or $2.75 will do it—the material at hand that makes the cost per square yard.

When the best authority in New England like Hon. H. Elting Breed of New York City, for 20 years first deputy highway commissioner of the state of New York and now one of the leading consulting highway engineers of the country will talk a high type of road construction and their lower cost of maintenance for heavy traffic as compared with gravel and similar surfaces, also Col Wm. D. Sohier of Boston, formerly chairman of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, one of the best known highway experts in the United States, and Hon. C. M. Robinson of New Haven, Conn., chairman of the legal committee of Connecticut Good Roads Association,—all agree on the same type as the lowest cost in the end, it's safe to say they know their business.

Now we think the whole town of Paris says we want a permanent road from Park Street bridge to the Norway town line. The South Paris Board of Trade are for a bond issue sufficient not to see the road in the condition it was at the last county fair. We cannot afford to advertise Paris that way.

ROAD COMMITTEE BOARD OF TRADE.

Shriners' Ladies' Night in Portland.

At its last meeting Kora Temple voted to hold its annual ladies' night, this winter, at Portland. This is the one state wide social event that is an annual affair in Maine and is always looked forward to with a great deal of interest by all Shriners and their ladies, with particular emphasis on the "ladies," and always means the best procurable in all that goes to make up the necessary elements of a good time.

It will be remembered that in 1917 Portland was chosen as the place of meeting and at that time the Exposition Building, one of the largest buildings in New England, was taxed to its capacity. The plans for the coming affair are in the hands of the several committees and the date fixed as March 11th. It is safe to predict that the Portland Shriners will see to it that the event is properly cared for.

Resolutions.

Whereas, Our esteemed friend and comrade, Charles F. Penley, after a life of over eighty-six years in this world of shadows, has passed out into the light where loving kindred and friends awaited him, and where "Everlasting spring abides and ever blooming flowers,"

Resolved, That the members of W. K. Kimball Post, G. A. R., truly mourn the loss of a kind friend and worthy comrade who served his country faithfully for nearly three years during the civil war.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to all sorrowing relatives and friends.

Resolved, That these resolutions be copied upon the records of our Post, and a copy sent to the Oxford Democrat for publication.

H. H. MAXIM,
W. S. STAREBIRD, } Com.
E. I. SPOFFORD,

Bernard Terrio of Mexico, 24 years of age, a veteran of the Yankee Division, died Wednesday at Bangor of pneumonia. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Terrio.

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. Sunday School at 12. Sunday evening service at 7:30. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. O. A. Maxim is slowly recovering from her serious illness. Her nurse has left.

The annual parish meeting of the First Baptist parish of Paris will be held in Cummings Hall on Thursday evening, Jan. 15, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perkins have moved recently with their family from their former home near Mechanic Falls to the Francis Slattery house in this village. Mrs. Perkins was nurse for Mrs. Olban A. Maxim during her recent illness and is now attending Mrs. Dora Jordan in the same capacity.

Mrs. Edward L. Parris visited her son, Edward L. Parris, Jr., at the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston last Thursday. Mr. Parris is making good recovery and now gets about with the aid of crutches.

Mrs. Emma T. Hubbard is at Hebron Academy where she is employed as matron at the Sturtevant Home.

Miss Ione Harlow and Mrs. Harry B. Marsh of Dixfield were here last week. Miss Harlow drove her car through from Dixfield to Portland and back.

The threatened snow storm of last Friday failed to arrive, having spent itself in Boston, where four inches of snow was reported by the daily papers. The country roads continue to be in fine condition for automobile traffic but too little snow for sleighing.

Albion W. Andrews is employed on the construction work of the addition to the Ripley & Fletcher garage at South Paris.

Hebron.

Miss Carrie S. Tripp, for nearly half a century a regular correspondent of the Democrat, has closed her home in Hebron and gone to spend the winter with Mrs. Ansel Scholfield in Portland. Mr. Scholfield, who is first mate on a coastwise steamer, boarded with Miss Tripp while he was a student at Hebron. Miss Tripp's Portland address is 187 Franklin Street. She has arranged for her correspondence to the Democrat to be regularly continued until her return in the spring.

There are twelve new students at the academy for the term which opened Dec. 30. Among them are three Cubans, two boys and a girl. The older boy speaks English well, and is preparing to enter Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Miss Tripp, regular correspondent, reports good health and happiness as her lot in her new quarters in Portland.

Regular entertainments in the annual winter course in Hebron Academy occur on the evening of Jan. 15, Feb. 11, and Feb. 21. The first two entertainments are musical, the last interpretations by Edwin Whitney, the popular reader so well loved by Hebron audiences.

Kwai Loo, the young Hawaiian, who has been seriously ill at the home of J. F. Moody, Jr., is able to attend classes at the academy again.

Albany.

Arthur D. Bean has finished drawing his birch and putting in his ice, cutting it at C. G. Beckler's mill pond.

Mrs. Addie Connor is caring for Mrs. Dolly Tyler at Bethel.

George Connor is hauling pine logs to Bethel for John Deegan, those which Calvin Cummings cut and yarded off C. D. Connor's.

Rowe Cummings is at home helping his father yard pine.

Arthur Cross' water pipes froze from the barn to the main road. The plumber came and thawed it. Quite a few water pipes froze.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Beckler and Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Beckler went to Bethel Grange Thursday, also Mr. and Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Abel Andrews and Miss Anna Cummings.

Albert Keniston's baby was sick so they called the doctor Monday evening.

Estella Bean and Sewell Pingree took dinner at Arthur D. Bean's Wednesday.

School finished at the Town House Friday, the 9th. The teacher is to finish out the school in the Clark District, where the teacher had to go home on account of the death of his grandfather.

East Bethel.

Alder River Grange held a special all-day meeting Thursday, Jan. 8. J. H. Martin of Rumford Center Grange in his usual pleasant and helpful manner, assisted by Mrs. Jennie Swan Mitchell as marshal and Mrs. Helen Bean pianist, installed the following officers:

Master—Albert L. Swan.
Overseer—Ceylon M. Kimball.
Lecturer—Mrs. Nina V. Swan.
Steward—George L. Haines.
Chaplain—Mrs. Grace Haines.
Treasurer—Russell L. Swan.
Secretary—Mrs. Blanche Trask.
Asst. Steward—Willis Bartlett.
Gate Keeper—Alfred Maddix.
L. A. Steward—Mrs. Rose Bartlett.
Ceres—Mrs. Ora Field Swan.
Pomona—Mrs. M. L. Hastings.
Flora—Mrs. Carrie Bartlett.

During the work a very interesting program was presented. A bountiful dinner of hot oysters, coffee and pastry was served. Four applications for membership have been presented.

Byron.

Dr. Stephen Taylor recently returned home from McCarty's Hospital, Rumford, where he had been five weeks and underwent a critical operation. He is gaining quite rapidly.

Mrs. George Thomas is quite low, not expected to live long.

Clarence Young is cutting birch on his lot near the John Hodsdon place.

Fred Ladd has taken the job to cut the birch on the Maxim place. We hear that C. V. Richards is to haul the wood to the railroad siding.

The North Star Grange installation meeting Friday night was well attended. Mrs. Robinson from Peru was the installing officer.

O. H. Pingree has a crew of twelve men cutting pulp and spool wood on the old Stockbridge place. He is to haul the wood to the railroad siding.

H. B. Lohnes has a crew cutting and hauling wood from the Henry Thomas place in Roxbury.

Jotham Shaw has gone to Massachusetts to visit relatives and friends there.

Miss Ada Taylor has gone to Connecticut to teach school.

West Sumner.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. George Dyer were pained and grieved to learn of her serious illness. She went to Lewiston hospital Wednesday in the morning, and was operated on in the afternoon.

David Boyle of Livermore Falls is at home sick with the mumps.

Mrs. Holt of Hanover is with her mother, Mrs. Ella Dunn, who has been very poorly.

Pleasant Pond Grange held their regular meeting with a large attendance. One old lady of North Buckfield, who is 89 years of age, attended.

Frank Chandler, formerly of this place, died of pneumonia in a Boston hospital. His remains were brought here for burial. The funeral was at the home of his sister, Mrs. Horace Barrows, Saturday at 10 A. M., Rev. Chester Gore Miller officiating.

West Peru.

Dairymen are busy hauling ice and sawdust.

Ina Andrews, who has been quite ill, is on the gain.

Frank Lamb is having electric lights installed in his dwelling house.

The heirs of the late Clinton Porter had an auction Jan. 7.

At D. W. Oldham's Jan. 4th eighteen sat down to dinner. That is a larger family than Wilson generally has.

Henry Farrar is driving the gray horses hauling birch for E. C. Staples to the mill at Dickvale.

H. E. Bowker, who has been in poor health, is now sawing birch for Bruce Chase, who has a job near Baxter Hill.

H. E. and Richmond Rafuse are cutting birch and wood for E. W. Sturtevant.

Business is lively at Kidder's portable mill on Oscar Frost's farm.

Shirley Widber is hauling dry wood and pulp wood for J. E. Dow.

Lester Phinney is hauling white birch for E. C. Staples.

Bethel.

Ruth Buck spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Buck, going back to Massachusetts to her work about the first of January.

Mrs. Mansfield sprained her ankle last Saturday quite severely, and the resultant shock to her mother, Mrs. Carver, coming home in that condition, made her prostrated. She is some better, but has a trained nurse and is seriously ill.

Roger Bartlett was taken Sunday, Jan. 4, at night, with acute appendicitis and Dr. I. H. Wight took him down to the McCarty hospital at Rumford Monday afternoon. He was operated on that same evening, and is doing nicely. His father went down with Roger.

Harold Bartlett came home from Durham, N. H., State college last Tuesday, for a few days as he was anxious about his brother Roger, who was just operated on for appendicitis.

Miss Ethel Hammond returned to her school in Portland Sunday, Jan. 4.

Malcolm Bean returned to Boston University Sunday, Jan. 4.

Miss Marion Wilson returned to her school at Sebago last Monday.

Mrs. H. C. Rowe and son Herbert motored to Portland Jan. 1st, where Master Rowe has entered St. Barnabas Hospital for treatment.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Gehring and Mr. and Mrs. William Fuller spent last week in Boston.

At the home of Mrs. Ella Carter was gathered a party Saturday evening, Jan. 3, in honor of Miss Sarah Lewis of Louisville, Ky., who was the guest of Misses Frances and Florence Carter. There were six tables of whist, after which refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and doughnuts were served, and all voted they had a nice time.

At the first social meeting under the auspices of the Twentieth Century Club, which was held at Garland chapel Jan. 1, there was quite an attendance of old and young. The older people were onlookers, and certainly looked on more fun than they usually do at such a time. They played a French vintage game set to music, also a disc tournament, with prizes, which was much enjoyed. All the boys can belong to this club if regular at church and Sunday School.

On New Year's day, Mrs. Edward P. Lyon entertained in honor of Miss Sarah Lewis of Louisville, Ky., who was a guest of Mrs. Ella Carter and family. They received from four to six. The tea table was decorated by an immense bouquet of poinsettias and foliage of southern laurel. The affair was of unusual beauty and good cheer.

Beginning Sunday Rev. Erwin C. Swartz, who is supplying the Methodist church here, will hold a series of meetings continuing till Friday evening at Locke's Mills church. It is to be hoped that many will take part in these meetings.

On Monday evening occurred the installation of the Sunset Rebekah Lodge officers. D. D. P. Mrs. Addie Ramsell, assisted by D. D. G. M. Mrs. Susan Edwards, installed the officers in an able and pleasing manner. After the installation a short but enjoyable entertainment was given, consisting of readings by Laura Cummings and Marion Frost, and singing by Mona Martyn, followed by a social hour, during which delicious refreshments were served by the committee, Mrs. Mina Brown, Mrs. Ida Douglass and Mrs. Durkee. The following officers were installed:

N. G.—Daisy Philbrook.
V. G.—Constance Wheeler.
Rec. Sec.—Edna Wheeler.
Fin. Sec.—Emily Forbes.
Treas.—Ida Packard.
Chaplain—Mrs. Allie Morgan.
R. S. N. G.—Fannie Lovejoy.
L. S. N. G.—Lillian Stowell.
R. S. V. G.—Cora Sawin.
L. S. V. G.—Mrs. Durkee.
O. G.—Lena Brinck.
I. G.—Ida Douglass.
Warden—Florence Springer.
Con.—Alice Littlehale.

Bryant's Pond.

Our photographer, A. W. Arkett, was in Boston Tuesday and Wednesday of this week on business. One feature he noticed in particular regarding the Boston liquor saloons, they made a fine display of bottles in the windows but they were all empty ones, "dead soldiers."

There has been a good harvest of ice from Lake Christopher this season and of the best quality, free from snow and some eighteen inches thick.

Many of our lumbermen seem to be doing a good business on just a crust of snow and ice.

Many are ill with common colds. No cases of pneumonia have been reported in town and only one case of diphtheria.

Ernest Cushman has arrived at Lakeland, Florida, and pronounces the weather there perfect.

Our Board of Trade entertained the ladies on Thursday evening and on Saturday evening, under the direction of the board, a lecture was given by Prof. Tubbs of Bates.

East Sumner.

Mrs. Cynthia T. Bonney, Sumner's eldest resident, passed her 90th birthday on Sunday, Jan. 4. Her children, some of her grandchildren and one great-grandchild, were present to extend hearty congratulations.

Her children are: C. Augustus Bonney, Mrs. Frank W. Palmer and Mrs. Epyrus Bosworth. She has made her home for several years past with the last named daughter. A fine dinner was enjoyed at the residence and it was a happy event for all. Mrs. Bonney's mental and physical faculties are wonderfully preserved, and she is cheerful and in good spirits and may yet live for years to come.

An old time friend, now in his 83d year, was the pleased recipient of a generous slice of the wedding cake.

It is said that Mrs. Jane Pulsifer at West Sumner is the next in age, being 88 years last November. Then follow in the descending order of ages, John Heald, 84; David R. Coles, 83; Sharon Robinson, 82; John H. Robinson, 81.

Lines suggested by the 90th birthday of Mrs. Cynthia T. Bonney, Jan. 4, 1920:

Ninety years have passed away
Since first you saw the morning light.
Yet you are spared to see this day
And greet your friends with spirits light.

Alas! how few your age attain
And life's joys and sorrows bear,
Your useful life is not in vain,
Our greetings you will gladly share.

Old age is not without its charms
To those who place their hopes above.
They fear not the world's rude alarms
And live in blissful peace and love.

Surely thus you will then attain
The crown for which you here have striven,
And when your earthly life shall wane
You'll find sweet peace and rest in heaven.

E. Sumner. SLOCUM.

Northwest Albany.

Born, Jan. 1, to the wife of E. W. Rolfe, a son.

R. T. Westleigh and son of West Bethel were at L. E. Mills' Sunday, also Channing Scribner of Grover Hill.

Mrs. Z. W. Mills is visiting in Norway.

P. H. Rolfe of Pattee's Mills has visited his mother, Mrs. C. W. Rolfe.

Lots of water freezing in this vicinity.

Dr. Wight of Bethel was in this place Jan. 1.

Wilson's Mills.

The school house was cleaned and put in order Thursday and Friday, for the second term of school.

Mrs. A. W. Linnell is again on the sick list. She was taken by auto Saturday to Bethel to the home of her sister, Mrs. Grace Foley, for medical treatment.

Peter Littlehale had the good fortune to find a lynx in one of his fox traps the past week.

Floyd Hart started back Friday to his school in Massachusetts.

Cliff Wiggin is cooking for the H. B. Cummings Construction Co. at Aziscoos dam.

The want of snow makes it very hard for the lumbermen.

Mercury 20 degrees below zero Sunday morning.

Hanover.

John Morse is cutting birch for M. A. Holt.

The farmers in this vicinity are busy harvesting their ice.

Neville Howard is not as well at this writing.

Duncan McPherson is working for C. F. Saunders.

Bear River Grange is to hold an all-day meeting next Saturday, it being installation of officers.

The mill yard here is fast filling up with birch.

C. F. Saunders is sawing wood for Clyde Brooks with his drag saw.

Warren Cole is cutting wood for Mark Arsenault.

West Paris.

The week of prayer was observed by the churches of West Paris in union services last week. The general theme was "The Church Awakened by Her New Opportunities," and the several topics considered were: Tuesday night, "The Church Awakened by a Vision of the World's Needs," at the Universalist church; Thursday night, "The Church Awakened by the Call for Workers, and the New Call for Co-operation," at the Finnish Congregational church; Friday night, "The Church Awakened by the Revival of Family Religion," at the Methodist church. Subject for sermons in the churches on Sunday, the 11th, was "The Church Awakened by a Rediscovery of the Reality of Prayer."

The union meetings during the week of prayer have been helpful and quite well attended. Especially large was the attendance at the Finnish Congregational. The Boy Scouts were present at the service at the M. E. church Friday evening and gave their Scout oath, and three new members gave the Scout oath and were admitted to membership by the Scout Master, Rev. H. A. Markley.

The officers of Onward Rebekah Lodge were installed Tuesday evening by D. D. P. Mrs. Addie Ramsell assisted by D. D. G. M. Mrs. Susie Edwards of Bethel:

N. G.—Myrtle Dean.
V. G.—Ida Jacobs.
Rec. Sec.—Leona P. Ridlon.
Fin. Sec.—Juliette F. Curtis.
Treas.—Ethel Penley.
Warden—Lottie Pratt.
Con.—Lillian Doughty.
O. G.—Wilma Pierce.
I. G.—Stella Dean.
Chaplain—Winnie Ridlon.
R. S. N. G.—Ina Martin.
L. S. N. G.—Nettie Swan.
R. S. V. G.—Marion Mayhew.
L. S. V. G.—Agnes Gray.

Grand officers:

Grand Warden—Mabel Ricker.
Grand Secretary—Mildred Davis.
Grand Treasurer—Marion Mayhew.
Grand Chaplain—Sarah Curtis.
Grand Guardian—Ina Martin.
Grand Herald—Margaret Farrar.

Buckfield.

The newly elected officers of Nezinscot Lodge, I. O. O. F., were installed Saturday night by D. D. G. M. Harry Harlow, assisted by Ralph Pierce as installing marshal, both of Blake Lodge, Turner. An oyster supper was served after the installation.

The annual meeting of the Baptist society was held Monday evening at the vestry. The board of officers were elected and the treasurer's report showed all bills paid with a small amount over. A drive for funds has been successfully completed for the new year.

Tuesday evening Past Commander C. T. Bowen of Warren Camp, S. V., installed the new officers for the year.

B. and G. B. Spaulding entertained a few friends at a whist party at their home.

W. C. Allen has been in Portland this week.

F. R. Dyer, A. E. Cole, N. E. Morrill and L. M. Irish were in Augusta last week at a hearing before the public utilities commission in relation to the water rates here.

Guy O. Gardner of Dixfield has been here with his parents for a short stay.

The officers of Buckfield Grange will be installed Jan. 24 by State Secretary Libby.

Mrs. Charlie Allen has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Conant for a few days.

North Buckfield.

A wedding of interest to Buckfield people occurred at high noon Jan. 1st, 1920, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Varney of Sumner, when in the presence of about thirty relatives and friends Frank A. Lowe was united in marriage with J. Hattie Varney, their daughter, by Rev. Mr. Berkeley of East Sumner, the double ring service being used. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Clara Jones, Mrs. Lewis Irish, Mrs. Elisha Stetson of Rumford, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Atwood of Minot, Mr. and Mrs. Atwood of Turner, Mrs. Martha Lowe of Brockton, the mother of the groom, Mrs. Cora Crockett of Locke's Mills, Mr. O. L. Varney, Mrs. L. C. Varney, Mr. and Mrs. W. Heald from Buckfield, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Varney of Gray. After a wedding lunch the bride and groom left on a trip. On their return they will reside in Brockton, Mass., where a furnished home awaits them. They received valuable and useful gifts, including gold, checks, silver, cut glass and linen.

On Jan. 3d Mountain Grange held an all-day meeting with about forty members out. Installation of officers by Joseph Blanchard of Auburn took up the first part of the afternoon and was much enjoyed by all present. Reports of all standing committees were given, and the committees for the year were appointed by Worthy Master Herbert Spaulding. A short program of music, reading and questions was given, then a short but enthusiastic talk by Brother Blanchard completed a well spent day.

W. Heald attended the poultry show at Norway Tuesday.

Mrs. A. S. Bessey is very poorly again.

Miss Lucia Spaulding returned Monday from Hartford Center, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Sampson.

The community was shocked by the sudden death at Norway Thursday of Everett F. Bicknell. Mr. Bicknell was born and spent his early manhood in this place, being the son of the late Francis and Rebecca (Fletcher) Bicknell. Much sympathy is felt for the family.

Mrs. Fred Ashton and daughter of Haverhill, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Field of Auburn have been visiting their mother, Mrs. Herbert Smith.

School commenced Jan. 5. Margaret Pearl of Turner is teacher, and boards at M. A. Warren's.

Mrs. Kenneth Sampson and baby have returned to Hartford.

Jan. 8, autos, sleighs and wagons are seen. The roads are excellent.

Mrs. Minnie Keene and Mrs. Leone Gerrish went to Oxford Pomona at Norway Tuesday.

C. M. Keene and John Gerrish are running a meat cart to the surrounding towns.

Mountain Grange will visit East Hebron Grange Jan. 10.

Locke's Mills.

The Red Cross meeting Thursday afternoon was well attended.

Will Coolidge has been having a severe attack of asthma.

Mr. and Mrs. Raynor Littlefield have returned from their wedding trip and are going to live at Mr. Littlefield's home on the farm.

Jimmy Ring, who has been in poor health for the past few weeks, is much better, and able to do his barn chores.

Mrs. Elmer Cummings visited her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Meader, at Bryant's Pond, Wednesday.

The many friends of Edwin Perham will be glad to know that he is gaining fast, and rode out for the first time Saturday.

Azel Bryant has gone to Byron for the winter. He is to run the bolter in a saw mill.

Clifton Bean was at home from Portland for the holiday recess.

Mrs. Goodwin is very poorly at this writing.

Miss Elizabeth Foster of East Bethel was at Lola Foster's Thursday.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to our many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes and to the business people of South Paris for the beautiful stand of flowers in our recent bereavement.

MRS. ADDIE Q. WHEELER.
MR. AND MRS. ALBERT J. STEARNS.
MR. AND MRS. HOWARD G. WHEELER.
MR. AND MRS. ROY E. COLE.
MR. AND MRS. STANLEY M. WHEELER.
MR. ROBERT W. WHEELER.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for their expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness in this our time of sorrow. Especially do we wish to thank the Ladies of the G. A. R. and neighbors of Hill Street for their beautiful flowers.

BENJAMIN TURNER.
ANGIE DECOSTA.
HATTIE CASWELL.
WILLIAM HOOPER.
GEORGE MERRILL.

One way to relieve habitual constipation is to take regularly a mild laxative. Doan's Regulets are recommended for this purpose. 30c a box at all drug stores.

Paris High School Notes.

P—A—Rah! Rah!
R—I—Rah! Rah!
S—Rah! Rah!
P—A—R—I—S
Hooray! Hooray! Hooray!
Paris!

Paris High School opened for the winter term Jan. 5, 1920, under the new principal, Clarence A. Dyer, who promises to be very popular with the students and very successful in all phases of the work.

P. H. S. enrollment registers 23 seniors, 17 juniors, 22 sophomores and 63 freshmen, making a total of 125 students.

The class officers are as follows:

SENIOR.
President—Raymond Shaw.
Vice-President—Emma West.
Secretary and Treasurer—Florence Eastman.

JUNIOR.
President—Perley Shaw.
Vice-President—Gladys Doran.
Secretary and Treasurer—Helen Cummings.

SOPHOMORE.
President—Carlton Gray.
Vice-President—Henry Howard.
Secretary—Hester Ordway.
Treasurer—Laura Brooks.

FRESHMAN.
President—Henry W. Morton.
Vice-President—Gwendolyn Record.
Secretary and Treasurer—Frank B. Maxim.

It is proposed by the Senior girls to serve a hot lunch at the noon hour. Plans are under way for a small beginning in the near future. With so many out-of-town pupils it ought to be a success.

Snow cannot dampen football interest. Nearly every day the boys have been doing some practicing on the field.

The morning sessions begin at 8:55 A. M. instead of 8:45 A. M.

An "aftersession" of two half hour periods is held every day but Friday to enable pupils to make up work or receive help in lessons. At the present time Mr. Dyer has charge of them, but later each assistant will take her turn.

Principal Dyer is now teaching Advanced Physics and Mrs. Bartlett the Ancient History. No other changes in schedule have been made.

Rehearsals have begun for the Senior drama, "No Trespassing." The date when this will be given has not yet been decided upon.

The Juniors were highly pleased with their class rings which came during the recent vacation.

A Glee Club, composed of the girls of P. H. S., has been formed under the direction of Miss Barnes.

There will be a fair and a supper given by the high school students in the Paris Grange Hall on the afternoon and evening of February 6th. The tickets are already on sale. There will also be an entertainment, the program of which will be announced later. The tickets will be thirty-five cents to everyone not attending the public schools. Students will be charged twenty cents and it includes admission to the fair, supper and entertainment. The high school students are very anxious to make their fair a success. The faculty have the fair in charge but all the detail work will be done by high school students. The public is requested to take hold of this thing and help bring the Paris High School back to its former status.

THE NEW LEAF.

By Leota Schoff, '20.

If I can write upon this last turned page so white
That I some pathway dark and drear have made more bright;
And that my glance has fall'n like sunshine where it went;
And that from careless lips no idle words were spent;
That to those about me I have grown much kinder;
And to their many faults have been still blinder;
That through the hardest days though so pressed and weary,
I've not fretted, shirked, but only grown more cheery;
That I, by self-denying acts have grown more strong;
And faced the struggle trying hard to right the wrong;
And through this all have kept upon the sunny side
Then, only, with the year shall I be satisfied.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during our bereavement, and for the beautiful flowers.

MR. AND MRS. HOWARD MAXIM.
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Paris Mfg. Co.

South Paris, Maine

Prices for Logs 1920

White and Yellow Birch, and Maple

No. 1,	$30.00 thousand
No. 2,	18.00 thousand

Brown Ash and Bass

No. 1,	$28.00 thousand
No. 2,	18.00 thousand

Oak and White Ash

No. 1,	$35.00 thousand
No. 2,	25.00 thousand
Spruce and Fir,	$24.00 thousand
Hemlock,	20.00 thousand
Poplar,	20.00 thousand

All sound logs, straight, and 10 inches in diameter at the small end, and free from knots, will be classed as No. 1.

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From the famous story by Edith Wherrey.

Special bargain prices. All seats 20c

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 14

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Frank Keenan

-- IN --

"The False Code"

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Prices 15c and 20c.

THURSDAY, Jan. 15

The biggest sensation the screen has ever known.

Aurora Mardiganian

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"Auction of Souls"

Thousands of people. Facts, not fiction. The most powerful human drama of all time. A film that will make the blood of American women boil. This picture was first shown at $10 per seat. Special ladies' matinee at 2:30. All seats 25c.

Evening prices 25c, 35c, 50c.

Two shows at 7 and 8:30.

FRIDAY, Jan. 16

BRYANT WASHBURN

-- IN --

"Love Insurance"

SENNETT COMEDY

PICTOGRAPH

Prices 15c and 20c

SATURDAY, Jan. 17,

Matinee and Night.

Rupert Julian

-- IN --

"The Fire Flingers"

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Gaumont News and Comedy.

Matinee 10c and 15c.

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Bankrupt's Petition for Discharge.

In the matter of HARRY E. EASTMAN, Bankrupt, } In Bankruptcy

To the HON. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine:

HARRY E. EASTMAN of Rumford, in the County of Oxford, and State of Maine, in said District, respectfully represents, that on the 27th day of September, last past, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said Acts and of the orders of Court touching his bankruptcy.

Wherefore he prays, that he may be decreed by the Court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said bankruptcy Acts, except such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 8th day of January, A. D. 1920.

HARRY E. EASTMAN, Bankrupt.

ORDER OF NOTICE THEREON.

DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.

On this 10th day of January, A. D. 1920, on reading the foregoing petition, it is

Ordered by the Court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 13th day of Feb., A. D. 1920, before said Court at Portland, in said District, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in The Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in said District, and that all known creditors, and other persons in interest, may appear at the said time and place, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further Ordered by the Court, that the Clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors copies of said petition and this order, addressed to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the HON. CLARENCE HALE, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Portland, in said District, on the 10th day of Jan., A. D. 1920.

[L. S.] FRANK FELLOWS, Clerk.

A true copy of petition and order thereon.

2-4 Attest: FR

The Oxford Democrat.

South Paris, Maine, January 13, 1920

SOUTH PARIS.

Mrs. O. H. Libby and two young sons of Houlton are guests of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Wilson.

Dancing at Grange Hall Saturday night. Dances half and half. Shaw's Orchestra. Always a good crowd.

Fred A. Dunham and Wallace B. Strickland were drawn Saturday as traverse jurors for the February term of court.

Jasper C. Haggerty of Bolster's Mills, a former principal of Paris High School, is now submaster of Norway High School.

Charlie Jefferson, the race horse owned by the late Fred N. Wright, has been sold to a man in Caribou, through W. A. Nelson.

Preparations are under way for a fair and supper, with entertainment in the evening, to be given by Paris High School at Grange Hall, Friday, Feb. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Mason entertained at a small dinner party Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Alton C. Wheeler, and Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard G. Wheeler of Manchester, N. H., and Roy E. Cole of Canton, Mass., have been here for some days, called by the illness and death of William J. Wheeler.

Miss Sara R. Coffin, a former teacher in the South Paris schools, who has recently been teaching in Portland, has gone from there to Torrington, Ct., at a large increase in salary.

Mrs. Ralph R. Butts is now teaching the eighth grade in the schools, succeeding Mrs. Harold C. Fletcher, who opened the term as substitute teacher. Mrs. Butts will complete the term.

Ex-President William H. Taft went up through on the train Thursday afternoon, and back Friday forenoon, speaking at Berlin Thursday evening, in Portland Friday noon, and in Brunswick Friday evening.

Prentiss F. Crockett and son Richard went Saturday to Abington, Mass., where they will visit Mr. Crockett's sister, Mrs. Leon S. Fairbanks, for some weeks. Mr. Crockett's hand, which he injured severely some time since, is improving, but he will not be able to work with it this winter.

The Seneca Club meets this Monday evening with Mrs. L. L. Mason on Pleasant Street, Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Edith Wheeler being the hostesses. "Health" is the topic of the evening, with program as follows:

Roll call—What to do in emergencies.
Prevention of Disease.....Mrs. Littlefield
Forming New Fashions in Food.....Mrs. Allen
Reconstruction Work for the Soldiers, Mrs. Taylor
Geography of Medicines.....Mrs. Stewart

If you should miss from the Democrat the announcement of some affair at which a money prize is to be awarded or has been awarded on a "drawing," you may know that is because of observance of the regulations. Strictly and technically, a paper containing such an announcement or report can be excluded from the mails as containing lottery advertising. While it is unlikely that such action would be taken, it is just as well to observe the letter of the law.

Last Monday evening the annual meeting of the Congregational parish was held, when the usual business was transacted, and officers for the year were chosen as follows:

Moderator—Walter L. Gray.
Clerk—Irving O. Barrows.
Treasurer—Morton V. Bolster
Prudential Committee—A. W. Walker, N. G. Elder, Morton V. Bolster.
Ministerial Supply—M. V. Bolster, T. S. Barnes.
Music Committee—Mrs. Edith Wheeler, Dr. D. S. Bartlett, Merton K. Clifford.

The former firm of Ripley & Fletcher was organized Dec. 31st as the Ripley & Fletcher Co. Capital stock, $100,000; all common; paid in, $73,300; par value, $100; shares subscribed, 753. President and treasurer, Perley F. Ripley, South Paris; clerk, Alton C. Wheeler, South Paris; directors, Perley F. Ripley, Harold C. Fletcher, Fred L. Harriman and Ernest H. Nason, all of South Paris. Purposes, a general automobile and all other kinds of business. Certificate approved Jan. 1.

Hamlin Lodge, K. of P., elected the following officers Friday evening:

C. C.—M. Kennagh.
V. C.—C. E. Whitney.
P.—J. E. Kenney.
M. of W.—Guy Swett.
K. R. S.—B. W. Tuttle.
M. of F.—C. C. Record.
M. of E.—E. S. Jones.
M. at A.—L. A. Andrews.
I. G.—Ernest Paine.
O. G.—B. G. Hammond.
Rep. to Grand Lodge—1 year, E. F. Shaw; 2 years, Emery Mason.
Alternates—W. E. Kenney, C. C. Record.
Trustees—E. M. Dunham, 1 year; W. L. Gray, 2 years; T. S. Barnes, 3 years.

Jerome B. Smith, Jr., had a horse fatally injured on Monday of last week. He was driving to Hebron, and while going down the hill by Alonzo Dean's, the horse went down and struck against the bank in such a way as to break his neck. Mrs. Smith was with her husband, and they were riding in a wagon, with a set of horse sleds trailing. Neither of them was hurt. Mr. Smith says that the horse stepped in a hole, and that the travel had been going out through the field for some time to avoid the road down the hill, but he did not know it.

At the regular meeting of Mt. Mica Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F., Thursday evening, District Deputy Grand Master Ellsworth D. Curtis of West Paris installed the following officers:

N. G.—Wm. G. Cushman.
V. G.—Howard A. Swan.
R. Sec.—D. P. Chapman.
Fin. Sec.—Elmer E. Stiles.
Treas.—E. M. Millett.
R. S. N. G.—L. W. Hollis.
L. S. N. G.—Asa Wing.
Warden—R. Leslie Cummings.
Con.—Chas. F. Swett.
Chaplain—Fred A. Bailey.
R. S. S.—R. Lester Wood.
L. S. S.—Amos Barnett.
I. G.—Gerald Wing.
O. G.—Fred Wight.
R. S. V. G.—N. A. Cummings.
L. G. V. G.—Jesse Stiles.

They were installed in a very efficient manner. Refreshments were served after the installation. At the next meeting, Jan. 15, the second degree will be conferred.

The Juniors of the Congregational church will present the playlet, "Just Plain Dot," on Friday evening, Jan. 16, with the following cast. Tickets 25 cents; children under 12, 15 cents:

Mrs. Wilson, the mother.....Ruth Rogers
Grandma Wilson, the grandmother, Glenna Starbird
Bessie Blake, Mrs. Wilson's niece, Geraldine Stewart
Polly Prime, friend of Bessie who is considered a bad girl.....Louise Abbott
Buster Black, Mrs. Wilson's Negro errand boy who possesses a "whooping" big appetite.....Harlan Abbott
Den Dennis, a newsboy.....Ralph Cutting
Meg, a poor girl.....Kathryn Green
Dot, a fairy.....Katherine Chapman

THE WILSON CHILDREN.

Alice, the oldest girl, who is very careful of the family reputation....Miriam Chapman
Withi, the oldest boy, hard to please, Roland Howard
Dick, the second boy, great reader, Donald Green
Maud, the second girl, who imitates Alice in all things.....Ethelyn Stanley
Roy and Joy, twin brother and sister, Reta Shaw, Nelson Haskell

The installation of officers of Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge occurred last Friday evening, District Deputy President Mrs. Ramsell of Bethel, Mrs. Edwards as marshal, assisted by some of the past grands of Mt. Pleasant Lodge, doing the work in a most excellent manner. The officers installed are:

N. G.—Ines Hollis.
V. G.—Augusta Bean.
Warden—Dora Merrill.
Conductor—Clarabell Stiles.
Rec. Sec.—Gertrude Curtis.
Fin. Sec.—Grace Starbird.
Treas.—Helen Briggs.
Chap.—Lizzie Millett.
R. S. N. G.—Sophia Clark.
L. S. N. G.—Ava Leach.
R. S. V. G.—Maud Button.
L. S. V. G.—Georgie Thayer.
I. G.—Ida Stiles.
O. G.—Clarissa Starbird.

The retiring N. G., Mrs. A. D. Park, has done a decidedly satisfactory work in her position the past year, and leaves the chair with the lodge in a most flourishing condition, both socially and financially. Here's success to her successor.

Maynard Curtis is ill with pneumonia at his home on Pine Street.

The Republican women of the representative district composed of the towns of Paris, Woodstock and Hebron met at the court house Saturday afternoon and made choice of Miss Jeannie Hubbard of Paris Hill as member of the County Committee for this district.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Park entertained Friday night at their home Mrs. F. L. Edwards and her niece, Miss Marion Frost, of Bethel, who were here on the team which installed the officers of Mt. Pleasant Rebekah Lodge. Mrs. Ramsell, the installing officer, was a guest at Hotel Andrews.

The annual meeting of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church of South Paris was held at the parsonage last Friday evening and the following officers were elected:

President—Lester Wood.
1st Vice President—Ruth Graves.
2nd Vice President—Mrs. Helen Briggs.
3d Vice President—Mrs. Lester Wood.
4th Vice President—Leota Schoff.
Secretary—Hester Ordway.
Treasurer—Bernice Simpson.
Organist—Laura Brooks.

After the election of officers a short entertainment was enjoyed consisting of games and music.

Indications are that there is a bad break in the water main where it crosses the mill pond above Billings' mill, the water boiling up through the ice. The water will be drawn off and the extent of the trouble ascertained.

If the little pugilistic encounter enacted on the depot platform Saturday morning was intended for the entertainment of Ex-President William H. Taft, it was timed a day late. They say that "Mayor" Sam Davis missed out on it too, being on the lower end of the platform and failing to arrive until after the "show" was over, much to his disappointment.

The Paris Public Library Association at its annual meeting Saturday evening elected the following officers for the coming year:

Pres.—J. Hastings Bean.
Vice-Pres.—C. L. Buck.
Sec.-Treas.—Ruth M. Bolster.
Trustees—J. H. Bean *ex officio*, James S. Wright, Minot L. Whittle, Charles H. Howard, Mrs. Ella Wight.
Librarian—Mrs. Ella Wight.
Asst. Librarian—Mrs. Elsie Chapman.

The librarian's report showed 157 new books added to the library during the year, 92 fiction, 55 juvenile, 7 war books, 1 reference book, and two presented. It also showed 12,986 books loaned during the year.

William J. Wheeler.

After a brief final illness, William J. Wheeler, one of the best known citizens of Oxford County, died at his home in South Paris Wednesday morning, Jan. 7, at the age of 77 years. Some months since Mr. Wheeler underwent an operation for hernia at his home, and before he had fully recovered from that was attacked with sciatica. He was not afterward able to travel except with a crutch, but with his characteristic energy would get out to business, and was about the street until within a few days of his death.

Mr. Wheeler was born in Dixfield May 26, 1842, the son of Joseph S. and Phebe (Gleason) Wheeler, and was the last survivor of a family of ten children. He came to South Paris in 1871, and started in the insurance business, in which he continued for the rest of his life, building up a very large business. Besides the insurance, he dealt in pianos and organs, and did a considerable business along that line. This was for years in his own name, but for some years now has been in the name of W. J. Wheeler & Co., the others in the firm being Miss Margaret A. Baker of Norway, who has been with him twenty-six years, and his two sons, Stanley M. Wheeler and Robert W. Wheeler.

WILLIAM J. WHEELER.

In addition to this business, he owned considerable land and carried on quite extensive farming operations. He was a man of tremendous energy and activity, which was displayed in all his work and in every enterprise in which he engaged, and the way he held out and kept his grasp on matters when some years past threescore and ten was almost a marvel to his acquaintances.

He was always an active Republican, and had served on the state, county and town committees of the party. For twenty-six years, up to the time of his death, he was town clerk of Paris. He was president of the Oxford County Agricultural Society for twenty years from 1899 to 1919, a period of unexampled prosperity for the society. He had been a trustee of South Paris Savings Bank from its early days, and a director of Paris Trust Co. from its organization. In all movements which affected the prosperity of the community he was interested, and went into them with the same energy which he manifested in his own business.

He was a member of Paris Lodge, F. and A. M., Oxford Chapter and Oxford Council of Norway, Portland Commandery, and Kora Temple, of Mt. Mica Lodge, I. O. O. F., Hamlin Lodge, K. of P., Paris Grange, and Wm. K. Kimball Post, G. A. R.

Mr. Wheeler was three times married, the first two wives living only a short time. In 1876 he married Adelaide Q. Mathews of South Paris, who survives him. There are three sons, Howard G. Wheeler of Manchester, N. H., Stanley M. Wheeler and Robert W. Wheeler, who have been associated with him in the business, and two daughters, Alice, wife of Albert J. Stearns of Norway, and Susie, wife of Roy Cole of Canton, Mass.

The funeral was held at the home at 2:30 Friday afternoon, and was attended by a very large number of people. Friends and men who had had business relations with Mr. Wheeler were present from several towns in the county and from distant places. There was a great quantity of flowers in many beautiful designs. All business places in the village were closed during the funeral hour. A simple service was conducted by Rev. C. W. Rogers. Delegations were in attendance from the several organizations to which Mr. Wheeler belonged, and though none of them had charge or took part in the service, the procession was escorted by members of the several lodges of Masons, Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. The remains were placed in the tomb at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Among those who were here to attend the funeral were Robert C. Knox and John B. Knox, Hartford, Ct., F. C. Verrill, J. H. Campbell and R. F. Norton, Portland, O. D. Stinchfield, Auburn, John M. Philbrook, Henry H. Hastings, H. E. Littlefield, Ernest M. Walker, Fred L. Edwards, Bethel, A. R. Stowell, Locke's Mills, John B. Robinson, George Jones, Oxford, E. W. Penley, Clarence L. Ridlon, West Paris.

Miss Retta V. Shaw spent the week-end with her parents at Bethel.

The Delta Alphas will meet Thursday evening of this week, the 15th, with Mrs. Dora Merrill.

The officers of Hamlin Temple, Pythian Sisters, will be installed Tuesday evening. Grace Starbird, D. D. G. C., will be the installing officer.

The South Paris local of the N. E. M. P. A. will meet at Grange Hall, South Paris, next Saturday at 10:30 A. M. Dinner will be served by the grange at noon to those attending.

The Philathea Class will hold their regular January meeting in the vestry of the Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 13. This will be followed by the annual class banquet at 6:30.

The teacher training class will meet with Miss Nellie Jackson on Tuesday evening. Now that the holiday season is well over we are hoping for an increase in attendance. New members will be gladly welcomed.

W. W. Ripley returned Saturday from the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston, where he has been for a number of weeks, having undergone an operation for an advanced case of appendicitis. He is making a good recovery.

The public library was closed Saturday for a fumigation of the books. The library will be open as usual this week to receive books that are returned but no books will be put out until all those now out have been returned and fumigated, therefore those who have library books are requested to bring them in at once.

Gilman A. Whitman is ill at his home on Park Street, but is reported better Monday morning. On Sunday his children were all here to see him—G. Bertrand Whitman of Portland, Mrs. Fannie Ross of Rumford, Mrs. Clara Hathaway of Bryant's Pond, and Mrs. Genevieve Walker of Portsmouth, N. H. Mrs. Walker will remain here for a while.

Another one of the popular leap year balls will be held at Grange Hall, South Paris, Tuesday evening, Jan. 20. Music by Shaw's Orchestra, Miss Emma West, soloist. Floor managers, Miss Viola Walton, Miss Doris Culbert, Miss Helene Pitts, Miss Ida Stiles and Miss Gladys Damon. Ice cream will be served at intermission. These are good times and no one should miss them.

Scarlet fever has appeared in the place, Christine, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Noyes, having been ill with it at their home on Park Street. She has not been dangerously sick, and is improving. The families of James S. Record on Elm Hill, and of Walter T. Knightly are quarantined, some of the children having the disease in a mild form. Mrs. George Twitchell and child are also ill with it at their home on High Street. Dr. Raymond of the board of health made an investigation Friday, and in consequence has deemed it advisable to suspend the Porter Street school for this week, and has already fumigated the school house. The books in the public library have been called in, and the library will be fumigated.

Mrs. Sarah Chute has sold her house on High Street to her brother, E. P. Woodbury. Mr. Woodbury and wife have been for some time with Mrs. Chute at the house, and the household will continue as before.

A special meeting of the South Paris Board of Trade will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 20, to hear the reports of various committees, and transact such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

John Small has sold his place south of the village through the L. A. Brooks agency to A. C. Davis of Harrison, who moved in with his family Saturday night. Mr. Davis has sold his farm in Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Small now live in Portland.

Areson-Wheaton.

Rev. Clinton W. Areson of New York and Mrs. Leona S. Wheaton were married Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Wheaton's sister, Mrs. Fred S. Brown, at 41 Dartmouth Street, Portland. Rev. R. J. Bruce performed the ceremony. The wedding was very quiet. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stuart of South Paris, the parents of the bride.

Mr. Areson is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work, and has recently returned from Russia, where he was working among Russian war prisoners and with the army, and traveled over the country extensively. He is at home for a year's leave of absence. Mr. Areson is an Episcopal minister, and before entering war work was in charge of a large church in Bridgeport.

Mrs. Wheaton has been for some years engaged in some line of welfare work, and for some time has been a representative of the Little Wanderers' Home of Boston. She was formerly stationed at Bridgeport, Ct., in charge of the branch office of the Home at that place, but for the past two years has been at Waterville, Maine, in a similar position, resigning only a few days before the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Areson expect to make their home in Boston during his leave of absence. They will study the Russian language, which Mr. Areson now speaks, with the expectation that Mrs. Areson will accompany him to Moscow when he returns there.

American Legion.

A meeting of the American Legion post was held in Grand Army Hall Tuesday evening, Jan. 6. The post has been named Arthur Foster Post, No. 72, in memory of Sergt. Arthur S. Foster of Paris, who served in Co. D, 103d Infantry, and died from wounds received north of Verdun, in October, 1918.

Dues have been fixed at four dollars per year, payable quarterly.

A committee has been appointed to consider holding a banquet in the near future, and they hope to have the fellows come and have a good time.

The next meeting will be held in Grand Army Hall Wednesday, Jan. 14.

Automobile registration fees up to the close of Jan. 3 amounted to $125,419, against $59,973 in the same period last year. They included over 10,000 operators and over 7000 cars, besides trucks, etc.

Universalist Church Debt Raised.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR FULL AMOUNT REPORTED BY MR. MILLER.

Tuesday evening was a gladsome occasion for the Universalist church, as at that time, in connection with the regular January supper of the Ladies' Social Union, the pastor, Rev. Chester Gore Miller, reported the raising of the full amount required to cancel the mortgage and note indebtedness of the church. This is a work on which he began some months ago, and on which he has put in much time. And especially taking into account the numerous calls which have been made on the people in the past few years, the result is almost surprising, and certainly gratifying.

An excellent new year supper was served by the Ladies' Social Union, the tables being well filled. While the people were still seated, after the supper was finished, Mr. Miller addressed them and unfolded the subscription paper which he had been circulating, and with some preliminary remarks proceeded to read it in detail.

Mr. Miller explained that since the church was built about seventeen years ago, there had always been a mortgage on it, and that in addition there were certain notes which constituted a further incumbrance on the property, it all amounting to approximately $3500. By vote of the parish he was authorized to undertake the raising of this sum, with the vote of the parish and the distinct understanding with the subscribers that when the property is free from incumbrance it shall be deeded in trust to the Maine Universalist State Convention.

With some running fire of comment regarding the circumstances of the subscriptions, Mr. Miller then read the list of subscriptions. They covered a paper eight feet long, and consisted of 203 subscriptions, in amounts ranging from one dollar to $500. The sum total was the amount of the indebtedness, $3500. Included in the subscribers are not only the people connected with this church in some way, but people of the other churches, business men and women of South Paris, business men of Norway, and other friends. Not only in its magnitude but in its scope it was an impressive list.

After the list had been read and the result had been greeted with hearty applause, all rose and sung the doxology, and Mr. Miller then called for remarks from some of those present, including J. A. Kenney, H. R. Carter, W. B. Russell, Mrs. Carroll Edwards, Mrs. Charles Burgess, Albert D. Park and Arthur E. Forbes. To close the program he called on his "good Universalist brother," Rev. C. W. Rogers of the Congregational church, who responded in kind by forecasting in his opening remarks the time when all the Universalists are to become Congregationalists. Mr. Rogers' remarks were fraternal and congratulatory.

Later the adjourned annual meeting of the parish was called to order, and officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Moderator—W. B. Young.
Clerk—William P. Morton.
Treas.—Mrs. W. B. Young.
Trustees—J. A. Kenney, H. R. Carter, W. B. Russell.

Mr. Miller, this month, enters upon the eleventh year of his pastorate.

C. Freeland Penley.

After an illness of only a few hours, Charles Freeland Penley died in the early morning hours of Tuesday, Jan. 6, at his home on High Street, South Paris. Though he complained somewhat of not feeling well Monday night, he ate supper with the family of Silas Keniston, who live in the house and with whom he boarded. Shortly afterward he was attacked with an illness which a physician, called against his protest, said was an affection of the heart. He lived a few hours, but died about four o'clock in the morning, sitting in his chair.

Mr. Penley was 86 years of age, having been born May 11, 1833. He was born in Paris, the son of Joseph and Lovina (Monk) Penley, and was the last survivor of their thirteen children, of whom ten lived to maturity. His early life was spent in Paris, but he later lived on a farm in Bethel, and married Miss Abbie Locke of that town.

During the civil war he served three years in the Seventeenth Maine Regiment, and from the effects of some of his service his hearing was affected, the deafness steadily growing, until it became practically total, and though he attended public gatherings frequently, he had not for some decades heard the sound of a human voice.

After the war he took up some land in Kansas, and was engaged in farming there for about twenty years. From Kansas he returned to Maine, and for many years had been a resident of South Paris. Except for his deafness, his faculties were well preserved up to the last, and he was very active for a man of his years.

Three children survive Mr. Penley, all in the western part of the country. There are Frank H. Penley of Augusta, Kan., owner of a large farm on which oil has been found; Alice, wife of Rev. William R. Manley, of McMinnville, Oregon, who was formerly in missionary work, the Manleys having been in India for thirty years; and Albert E. Penley, who is in the grain business in Colorado.

When nearly eighty years of age, Mr. Penley made a visit to his several children, being gone a number of months, and traveling entirely alone, in spite of the handicaps of deafness and advanced years.

Subsequent to the death of his first wife, who was the mother of all his children, he was married three other times, the second and third marriages being terminated by the death of the wife, and the fourth by divorce.

Because of illness in the family of Mr. Keniston, who live in Mr. Penley's house, the funeral was held at the vestry of the Methodist church Thursday afternoon. It was attended by Rev. D. F. Faulkner, and the procession was escorted to Riverside Cemetery by Wm. K. Kimball Post.

Everett F. Bicknell.

Very sudden was the death of Everett F. Bicknell of Norway, who was stricken with a shock Thursday forenoon while working about his premises on Orchard Street, and lived only about fifteen minutes. On Sunday preceding he had suffered an attack of indigestion, but had apparently fully recovered.

Mr. Bicknell was born in Buckfield April 4, 1854, the son of James F. and Rebecca S. (Fletcher) Bicknell. He married Miss Elizabeth A. Bennett of Buckfield, and they lived in Paris for a few years, going to Norway in 1880. Mr. Bicknell went into partnership with a brother-in-law, Henry J. Hamlin, and they were in the grocery business in Opera House Block for some years under the name of Hamlin & Bicknell. Their store was burned in the big fire of 1894, and the partnership was dissolved, and Mr. Bicknell took the stock which had been saved from the fire. He continued the business, having been in the Cole store for twenty-three years with a stock of groceries, firearms and ammunition.

In May, 1918, he closed out his stock and retired, after being in business twenty-seven years continuously. For some months afterward he worked for the American Railway Express Co., driving the team.

Mr. Bicknell was a Republican and a Universalist, was a past master of Oxford Lodge, F. and A. M., and a member of Oxford Chapter and Oxford Council.

He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Grace, wife of Edward E. Eisenwinter of Waterbury, Conn. There are no brothers or sisters.

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NORWAY.

Mrs. Vivian Akers will entertain the Barton Reading Club on Thursday, Jan. 15.

Mrs. Gideon Dubey has returned from the Maine Sanatorium at Fairfield, where she was under treatment for a number of weeks. Her health is much benefited.

Superintendent True C. Morrill has received from the Massachusetts Board of Education a certificate which makes him eligible to a superintendency in that state. This is on the strength of his experience in the work, also because of his thesis presented at Columbia University, entitled "Some Administrational Problems of the Public School Union in the State of Maine."

Mrs. Inez S. Cummings is at the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary in Portland for treatment.

Hon. B. G. McIntire was in Springfield, Mass., Augusta and Farmington on business last week.

Mrs. H. L. Horne was in Portland a few days last week, and Mrs. George W. Holmes, who has been for four weeks in the hospital, returned home with her Friday. Mrs. Holmes is making a good recovery from her operation.

John I. Parker of McIndoe Falls, Vt., is the guest of his cousin, Dr. H. P. Jones, and other relatives in this vicinity.

The Browning Reading Club will meet this Monday evening with Mrs. Eva Kimball. The program will include roll call, patriotic quotations, and "Our Littlest Ally" by Mrs. Kimball.

Everett Whitman and John Cleveland are planning to leave here on the 15th with a new Ford, for California, where they expect to land in about thirty days. They will take a complete camping outfit, and use it along the way. They will go through Boston and New York to Washington, thence west. They will return after looking the country over, unless something should cause a change in their plans.

F. H. Noyes has sold his interest in the Blue Stores of this village and South Paris to his partner, L. Fred Pike, and retired from the firm of Noyes & Pike Jan. 1st. He has been in business practically continuously for forty-three years. Mr. Noyes expects to go south soon for the rest of the winter for the benefit of his health.

Mrs. Chester Gates, who had been in town for a few weeks, left last Monday for her home in Black River, N. Y.

Miss Clara Schnuer has returned from Fitchburg, Mass., after spending some weeks there with her father, Otto Schnuer.

Jasper C. Haggerty of Bolster's Mills is submaster of the high school, and Miss Eva Hapgood, a graduate of Bridgton Academy in 1916 and Gray's Business College in 1919, is the head of the commercial department.

The high school seniors have selected "The Heiress Hunters" as the play to be presented by them this year, and it is being cast.

The clerks' ball, the great social event of the year, will be held this year on Tuesday evening, Feb. 3. The clerks' association has elected the following officers:

Pres.—W. Maford Mann.
Vice-Pres.—Edward J. Burnell.
Sec.-Treas.—Adeline DeCoster.
Executive Com.—Homer Luck, Evander Whitman, Marjorie L. Barker.

Committees for the ball are:

Music—Mrs. C. S. Akers, Douglass Farrar, Edward J. Burnell.
Refreshments—Philip W. Bradeen, Edward McCormick, Muriel B. McKeen, Ida Merrill, Leon Newcomb.
Decorating—Ralph Andrews, Walter Hutchins, Homer Luck.
Badges—Mrs. Etta Maxim, Jessie H. Everett.
Reception—The lady clerks.
Floor Manager—Charles S. Akers. Aids to be appointed by him.

Mrs. Mabel K. Leavitt, Worthy Matron of Oxford Chapter, O. E. S., installed the officers of Elmvale Chapter at Bolster's Mills Tuesday evening. She was accompanied by Mrs. Edith S. Bartlett, Mrs. Eva C. Kimball and Mrs. Laura A. Sanborn.

Miss A. L. Brackett has returned to her home in Boston after spending some weeks at Hon. B. G. McIntire's.

On account of low water in the lake and the freezing of the stream, the Oxford Electric Co. is now running practically all the time on steam.

Miss Edith Knight, who has been instructor in the commercial department of the high school for the past six years, has resigned to accept a similar position in Claremont, N. H., at an increase of salary.

Miss Ruth N. Bean, who recently returned from Y. W. C. A. work overseas, has gone to Leominster, Mass., where she teaches French in the high school.

Officers of the Congregational parish chosen at the annual meeting are:

Moderator—H. D. Smith.
Clerk—G. W. Holmes.
Treas.—E. N. Swett.
Collector—A. L. F. Pike.
Parish Com.—Dr. H. P. Jones, J. F. Swain, E. S. Cummings, H. F. Andrews and L. M. Smith.
Finance Com.—A. J. Stearns, J. N. Tubbs and W. F. Jones.
Music Com.—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Horne, Dr. H. L. Bartlett.

Officers of the Congregational Sunday School have been elected as follows:

Supt.—E. N. Swett.
Asst. Supt.—J. C. Briggs.
Sec. and Treas.—R. S. Osgood.
Asst. Treas.—Kenneth Sloan.
Librarian—Mrs. Gladys Rich.
Asst. Librarian—Marjorie Rich.
Supt. Primary Dept.—P. F. Stone.
Supt. Cradle Roll—Mrs. P. H. Nevers.
Supt. Home Dept.—Mrs. G. W. Holmes.

Norway High School defeated West Paris High School in a fast game of basket ball at the Opera House Friday evening, by the score of 27 to 20. Norway High School girls were also winners over the West Paris High School girls, by a score of 12 to 3. A dance followed the games.

Miss Marion Millett.

Particularly sad was the death of Miss Marion Millett, which occurred at her home in Millettville, Norway, Thursday morning, Jan. 8, at the age of 18 years, her eighteenth birthday having been the Friday before her death. She was taken ill with scarlet fever about four weeks before, and while hope of her recovery had been entertained for some time, it had been evident for some days that the end was near. She was the daughter of J. Harry and Jennie M. (Patterson) Millett. She was a member of the senior class in Norway High School, and an exceptionally bright scholar. During her high school course she has lived at her home, six miles from the village, driving to and fro with a pony. In the community Sunday School of Millettville and Crockett Ridge, and in Norway Grange of which she was a member, she was an interested and active worker, and was a general favorite. She is survived by her parents, one brother and one sister.

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In Bethel, Jan. 2, to the wife of Ralph Berry, a daughter, Vivian Mae.

In Norway, Dec. 24, to the wife of Constantinois Verenis, a son.

In Norway, Jan. 4, to the wife of Leroy O. Lapham, a daughter.

In Albany, Jan. 1, to the wife of E. W. Rolfe, a son.

In Dixfield, Jan. 3, to the wife of Burt Trask, a daughter, Louise.

Married.

In Portland, Jan. 8, by Rev. Robert J. Bruce, Rev. Clinton W. Areson of New York and Mrs. Leona S. Wheaton of South Paris.

In Bryant's Pond, Jan. 3, by A. Mont Chase, Justice of the Peace, Mr. Elmer Adelbert Wing and Mrs. Catherine Powers, both of Woodstock.

In Rumford, Jan. 5, by Rev. J. A. LaFlamme, Mr. Raffael Millet and Miss Josephine Leger.

In Lewiston, Jan. 3, by Rev. W. A. Sanell, Mr. Walter Francis Aldrich of South Paris and Mrs. Gertrude M. Verge of West Paris.

In Bethel, Jan. 11, by Rev. J. H. Little, Mr Arthur George Coolidge of Greenwood and Miss Anna Marie Bennett of Newfoundland.

Died.

In South Paris, Jan. 6, C. Freeland Penley, aged 86 years.

In South Paris, Jan. 7, William J. Wheeler, aged 77 years.

In Andover, Jan. 4, Joseph B. Parsons, formerly of Alna and Winthrop.

In Mexico, Jan. 7, Mrs. William N. Bessey.

In Norway, Jan. 8, Miss Marion Millett, aged 18 years.

In Norway, Jan. 8, Everett F. Bicknell, aged 65 years.

In Fryeburg, Dec. 30, Mrs. Sarah (Osgood) Allard.

In Bangor, Jan. 7, Bernard Terrio of Mexico, aged 24 years.

In Dixfield, Jan. 3, James McAllister, aged about 60 years.

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Seasonable and Tested Recipes.

(By Janet M. Hill and Wealtha A. Wilson.)

SIMPLE TOMATO BISQUE (SOUP)

Scald one quart of milk with a stalk of celery and two slices of onion. Press enough cooked tomatoes through a sieve to make one pint; add half a teaspoonful of salt and pepper as desired. Stir one-third a cup of flour and a teaspoonful of salt with milk to make a smooth batter; dilute with a little of the hot milk, stir until smooth, then stir into the rest of the hot milk. Continue stirring until smooth and thick; cover and let cook fifteen minutes. Strain into the hot puree, mix thoroughly, and serve at once with croutons.

CREAM-OF CHICKEN SOUP FOR TEN PLATES

Let two quarts of chicken broth (the better and richer the broth the better the soup) with two or three stalks of celery, a few slices of carrot, and half an onion simmer twenty minutes. If the soup is to be made from the framework and trimmings of roast fowls, discard all stuffing, cover the whole with cold water and let simmer an hour, then add the vegetables, simmer fifteen minutes and strain. Melt one-third a cup of butter; cook in this half a cup of flour, a teaspoonful of salt and a dash of pepper; add five cups of milk and stir until smooth and boiling (to save time scald three cups of the milk and add, after the cooked flour and butter have been smoothly blended and brought to the boiling-point with two cups of cold milk). When all the milk has been added and the whole is smooth and boiling, add the hot broth and strain if needed. More salt will be needed. The beaten yolks of two or three eggs mixed with a cup of cream improve the soup wonderfully. Do not let the soup boil, after the egg mixture has been stirred into it.

CANAPES, COQUELIN STYLE

From thin slices of stale bread cut out small round, square, or diamond-shaped pieces. Fry these in butter or olive oil, and let them become cold. Pound to a smooth paste one-fourth a cup, each, of butter and cooked chicken, half this quantity, each, of cooked ham and grated cheese, a dash of paprika and a little salt. Spread this paste upon the prepared bread. Garnish the paste with capers and figures cut from slices of gherkin and beet root.

ROAST GOOSE

The goose should be less than a year old; one four months old is considered the choicest. Such a goose is usually roasted without stuffing. Wash and rinse thoroughly inside and out. Rub the inside with an onion cut in halves; then season with powdered sage, salt and pepper. Put the goose, after trussing, on the rack in the pan and let cook about an hour; then pour off the fat from the pan and dredge the goose with flour; season, also, with salt and pepper. When the flour is browned, baste often with hot water, dredging with flour after each basting. If the goose is not too fat, the dripping in the pan may be used for basting, but usually boiling salted water is better. Cook until the joints separate easily, from one hour and a half to three hours. Garnish with sweet potatoes, grilled, and whole apples, boiled in syrup.

CHICKEN A LA KING

(Often served from chafing-dish)

Melt two tablespoonfuls of butter; in it cook one cup of fresh mushroom caps, peeled and broken in pieces, and one-half a green pepper, chopped fine. After three or four minutes add two level tablespoonfuls of flour and one-half a teaspoonful of salt, and stir until the sauce boils. Set over hot water; add three cups of cooked chicken, cut in cubes; cover and let stand to become hot. Cream one-fourth a cup of butter; beat in three yolks of eggs, one-half teaspoonful of onion juice, one tablespoonful of lemon juice, one-half teaspoonful of paprika, and stir into the mixture. Continue the stirring until the egg is set. Serve on toast.

PARSNIP FRITTERS

The fritters may be made of cooked parsnips left over from a former meal. Cut off all the tender portion from the parsnips, and press through a puree sieve or a gravy strainer, set in a small saucepan. To a cup of this puree, add one-fourth a teaspoonful, each, of salt and pepper, and a beaten egg, or simply the beaten yolk of an egg; mix thoroughly and press into five or six small flat cakes. Saute in hot butter, bacon or salt pork fat, first on one side then on the other.

FILET MIGNON

Broil four small tenderloin steaks. Place each on a slice of toast. Fill timbale cases with carrots and turnips, cut in cubes, and mixed with peas and string beans. Arrange the cases on platter with steak. Garnish with water cress and slices of lemon. Serve with mushroom sauce.

CHICKEN-AND-PINEAPPLE SALAD

On heart-leaves of lettuce place a slice of pineapple (canned). On this put half a cup of cooked chicken, diced or cut fine; over this spread mayonnaise dressing; decorate with narrow strips of pimiento and serve.

CHICKEN PANCAKES

Remove all bits of white meat left on the framework of a roast chicken. Take the bones, skin and giblets of the fowl, with as much chicken broth or water as will cover the whole, an onion, cut fine, and a piece of carrot, and simmer an hour or two. Strain, remove the fat and thicken with butter and flour; remove from the fire and stir in the yolks of two eggs, beaten up with the juice of half a lemon. Pour this sauce over the prepared chicken and let it get cold. Make one or two very thin pancakes, cut out of them eight pieces five inches long and four inches wide, and put them aside. Spread the pieces of pancake on a big dish, and cover each with thin-sliced cooked bacon. On the bacon set a large tablespoonful of the mince, fold the pancakes over, hold them in place with a little white of egg, bread-crumb them, and bake them a pale brown on a well-buttered dish; serve upon a napkin.

BACON FRITTERS

The supply of bacon is unexpectedly short, it can be "stretched" by making into fritters. They are also helpful, if one's palate or eye objects to the fat of bacon, which is, nevertheless, a very valuable food. Any good fritter batter may be used. It should stand for at least two hours, and may even stand over night.

FRITTER BATTER

Dissolve one-fourth a teaspoonful of salt in one cup of cold water, and add it to the well-beaten yolks of two eggs, which have been blended with one tablespoonful and a half of melted butter or oil. Add one cup of flour, beat well; cover and put in a cool place for two hours or over night. When ready to use beat the whites of the eggs stiff and fold into the mixture. Either chop the bacon into rather coarse pieces or dip the slices into the batter. Fry in sufficient fat to float the fritters.

APPLE AND CELERY SALAD

Mix two cups of apple, peeled and cut in half-inch cubes, and one tablespoonful of lemon juice, to keep the apple from discoloring. Mix the apple cubes with one cup of tender celery, cut in one-fourth inch slices, and with mayonnaise dressing. Add one-half a cup of walnut meats, broken in pieces.

SALAD DRESSING

Into a mixing bowl, put yolks of two eggs, one generous teaspoonful of salt, one teaspoonful of mustard, one-eighth a teaspoonful of red pepper, two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice, and two tablespoonfuls of vinegar. On to this, pour one cup of oil and do not stir.

Have ready a sauce made of one cup of water, one tablespoonful of butter or margarine, and one-third a cup of flour. Cook this about ten minutes in small double boiler. Turn sauce (hot) into bowl containing other ingredients, and beat all together, briskly, with an egg-beater, and almost immediately a thick mayonnaise will be the result. It is not only delicious, but makes twice the amount of the other kinds of dressing.

Same Old Arithmetic.

Some university professors are talking about getting out a new arithmetic. However, our guess is that it will bother the boys just as much to discover how long it will take one man to build a wall 18 feet long and six feet high and 12 inches thick, if eight men can build a wall three times that size in four days. Arithmetic has always been the castor oil of school life; they may fool with it as much as they will but they'll never find a way to make it pleasant to take.

Learned Her Lesson.

A friend of ours was a collector for a lodge. His little daughter was in the habit of accepting pennies from the members. Her mother chastised her and told her she must not accept pennies any more. So the next day, when one of the members offered her a penny, she said: "I can't take pennies; I can only take nickels and dimes."—Exchange.

Mystery Solved.

Her eyes were red, and she explained that she had been to a wedding. "I always cry more at a wedding than I do at a funeral—it's so much more uncertain."—Boston Transcript.

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NOTICE.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maine. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of CLEVELAND LADD, of Byron, Maine, } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Cleveland Ladd of Byron in the County of Oxford and district aforesaid:

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1920, the said Cleveland Ladd was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the Referee, No. 8 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1920, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

South Paris, Jan. 3, 1920.

WALTER L. GRAY, Referee in Bankruptcy

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STATE OF MAINE.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court at Paris in vacation in and for the County of Oxford on the twenty-sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat published at South Paris in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1920, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Wilson Shaw late of Buckfield, deceased; petition that Warren S. Shaw or some other suitable person be appointed as administrator of the estate of said deceased, to act without bond, presented by Helen D. Shaw, widow.

Witness, ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Attest:—ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of

MARY K. ROBBINS, late of Paris, in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

FRANKLIN ROBBINS, Paris, Me.
December 16th, 1919. 52-2

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of

LUNA W. CLEASBY, late of Paris, in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

JAMES P. ELLIOTT,
December 16th, 1919. Rumford, Maine.
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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of

HATTIE C. KILGORE, late of Dixfield, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

GEORGE E. MOY, Dixfield, Maine.
December 16th, 1919. 52-2

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of

WILLIAM H. FREEMAN, late of Denmark, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ANNIE J. FREEMAN, Denmark, Me.
December 16th, 1919. 52-2

NOTICE.

The subscribers hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed executors of the last will and testament of

EMERY PARSONS, late of Hartford, in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

EDITH P. ROBERTS, Readfield, Me.
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