

PLAINFIELD

Relatives and Friends Met for Mrs. Susan Parks' Birthday Anniversary.

Mrs. Susan Parks celebrated her 75th birthday Sunday at her home on School street. Those present were Mrs. Fanny Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Morse and sons, Pliny and Mark, of Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Parks and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Martin of Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Parks and sons, Raymond and Ryland, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bartlett. Dinner was served on the lawn. Mrs. Parks' grandson, Raymond Parks, leaves Saturday for training at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

Our boys are now fighting on the "frontier of freedom" in Belgium and France. The daily casualty lists tell the melancholy story of their heroic sacrifices to vindicate the rights of American citizens and to make the world safe for free peoples. With these boys giving their last full measure of devotion to freedom, it must not be that we, who are far away from the battle lines, shall fail in the performance of our duties here. It is hardly necessary to state again the reasons for the sale of war savings stamps. The purposes to be accomplished are already so well understood that every man, woman and child knows that their sale will promote the savings habit among the people and make easier for the government to secure the money necessary to meet the stupendous expenses of the war.

Plainfield, in the last two reports from the state distributor of war savings, ranks second in the county in its per capita sale. Let us get together and see if we cannot lead the county. It will be easy if you will all do your bit. There are lots of the townspeople who do not possess even one stamp, and a lot who have bought one, but do not stop there, as \$20 per capita is the quota and those who have bought more than their quota keep buying, as a sufficient supply of war savings stamps will be on hand, either at the postoffice or at Leavitt's drug store, so do not let that worry you. Remember that the government does not ask you to give, but to lend at 4 per cent.

Mrs. C. B. Story and Miss Hazel Martyn were in Montpelier Saturday.

Misses Fanny Martin and Lucy Stoddard of Groton, Barre, spent Sunday and Monday in town.

Merton Whitcomb and Dwight Hollister are in camp at Edgewater for a few days.

A. M. Cate was a business visitor in Montpelier Friday.

Arthur Woodcock is at work for H. E. Lane.

Miss Doris Knapp is at work at the Bancroft inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie J. Moore, jr., of Derby Line, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Duke. They also called on their grandmother, Mrs. Maria Duke, on her 101st birthday.

Maurice Moore, another grandson, has enlisted in the Royal Flying Corps in Canada, making three grandsons who are fighting for the allies.

Mrs. George Brown spent Monday in Montpelier with relatives.

Mrs. Eugene Spicer and child visited friends in Lanesboro Monday.

Mrs. Emma Bartlett spent Thursday in Montpelier.

Mrs. Ed Stowe accompanied Daniel Abbott and his sister to North Hatley, P. Q., Tuesday.

Privates Clarence Bartlett and Elmer Bancroft of Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C., were in town last week, visiting relatives.

George Whitcher was in Montpelier on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Pike of Cabot visited Mrs. Gertrude Knapp Thursday.

Mrs. Frank Woodcock recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamberton of Marshfield.

A son was born May 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gould of Springfield, Mass. Mrs. Gould was formerly Miss Edith Bancroft of this town.

Mrs. Ellen Shorey has returned from East Montpelier, where she has been caring for Mrs. Levine.

Mrs. Ben Warren of Montpelier was in town Thursday.

Maurice Townsend was taken to Burlington Wednesday, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis at Mary Fletcher hospital.

Mrs. Brooks Buxton and son, Roy, were in Montpelier Saturday.

C. L. Silver and family spent Sunday in Cabot.

Mrs. Frank Jackson and Miss Irene Colt recently visited relatives in Montpelier and Adams.

Brooks Buxton was in Barre Friday on business.

Mrs. Sadie Colt and three daughters of Canada are spending a few days at the home of H. C. Holt.

William Meers of Barre recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gokey.

Mrs. Lee Daniels and Mrs. George Coffin and son of East Calais spent Friday in town.

Elmer Labree of Cabot is at work for C. L. Silver.

Mrs. Nettie Hutchins has returned to Groton.

ONLY POWERFUL MEDICINE WILL END RHEUMATISM

It matters not whether you have had agonizing pains from rheumatism for 20 years or distressing twinges for 20 weeks, Rheuma is strong enough and mighty and powerful enough to drive rheumatic poisons from your body and abolish all misery or money bank.

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RANDOLPH

Miss Dorothy Whipple left here Monday for Lake Sunapee, where she is to be employed for the summer.

Harold Tatro, one of the men who have been called to service, came from White River Junction on Saturday for an over-Sunday stay in town with relatives. Burton Flint, who has been called to report at Montpelier on Friday of this week, united with the Methodist church on Sunday evening, preferring to be a member here before leaving town.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ketchum left here Monday for Gayville, where they will remain for a short time with their son, Walter Ketchum, and family.

Miss Minnie Carpenter came from Montpelier on Monday for a few days' stay here with Mrs. F. C. Angell and other friends.

Joseph Menard, employed at present in White River Junction, was in town over Sunday.

Mrs. P. R. Chase and little daughter, after a two weeks' stay in Waterbury with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hart, returned home on Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Callahan of New Bedford, Mass., has been in town for a two weeks' stay with relatives and friends, and on her return home was accompanied by Miss Evelyn Sault, who went to pass the next week with her there.

C. S. Grow of Washington, D. C., was the guest of his sister, Mrs. L. A. Russell, over Sunday, coming on Saturday to make the journey from Brooklyn with his mother, Mrs. R. B. Grow, who has been in that city for the winter months with a daughter, Mrs. Holbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. Grider, who recently purchased a farm in town, came from Paterburg, N. J., this week to make the necessary business transaction and will soon take possession of the same.

Mrs. O. W. Mann has gone to Boston to visit her aunt, Mrs. Mary Bryan.

Rev. and Mrs. Moore, who have been boarding with Mrs. Lena Wright since coming to this town, took possession of the parsonage on Monday, the repairs having been completed upon it.

The date of the graduation exercises in the high school is June 14 this year.

Monday afternoon the Red Cross drive was on through the town, and many were out canvassing for funds, which it is hoped will reach the sum of \$1,000.

Harry Chase, who passed Sunday with his family in town, has returned to Boston to resume business.

The death of Mrs. S. M. King, who had been ill with erysipelas for the last month at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Dales, occurred Saturday morning.

Mrs. King came here several weeks ago from her home in Island Pond to visit her daughter and soon after coming was taken with erysipelas on her finger, which spread rapidly until it reached her arm, shoulder, face and body, and it was impossible to arrest the spread of the disease.

Mrs. King had reached the age of 77 years and is survived by four daughters, all of whom were with her in her last illness and at her death. Mrs. Dales, with whom she was staying, Mrs. Alfred Farmer of Windsor, Mrs. A. P. Cobb of Island Pond, Miss Sadie King of Gardner, Mass. One son also survives, Chester King, of Island Pond.

Short funeral services were held at the home on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Moore, pastor of the Methodist church officiating, assisted by Rev. Joseph Hamilton. The remains were taken on Sunday night by the way of Montpelier to Island Pond, where the funeral will be held, and interment made in the family lot beside her husband, who died several years ago.

Mrs. J. B. Adams, who is at the sanatorium, is thought to be making a good recovery from her late surgical operation.

Miss Lucy Paine of Bethel passed the day in town Monday, on a business trip.

TOPSHAM

A three-act play, entitled "Safety First," will be presented at town hall Friday evening, May 24, by local talent for the benefit of the Red Cross. At the same time and place there will be sold to the highest bidder a full-blooded registered Guernsey bull, seven months old, the generous gift of J. K. White to the Red Cross.

More Men Wanted in U. S. Service. The United States civil service commission is taking men of the allied trades to fill the positions of shipfitters, shipsmiths, riggers, sailmakers and copper-smiths.

Lay-out sheet metal workers on heavy work can be used as shipfitters. First-class blacksmiths, experienced on heavy forgings and on steam hammer work, can be used as shipsmiths. Structural iron men, experienced in the erection of steel buildings, or bridges, and who have had some rigging experience, can be used as riggers. Those experienced on cutting and working on heavy canvas or duck can be used as sailmakers. The work in navy yards requires men to repair pipes, utensils and articles made of copper.

Anyone having these qualifications and those who have made copper jackets and copper tanks, repaired cooking utensils and have had experience on brazing and making copper pipes can be used as copper-smiths.

All persons who are experienced in any of the above-mentioned trades and are in a position to offer their services should do so at once. It is the patriotic duty of every American citizen to offer his services in one way or another to the government at this critical time. A uniform wage of \$4.72 to \$5.76 is paid at all yards in the eastern United States for the above trades.

Further information will be supplied by applying at the Barre postoffice.

BETHEL

First Day of Red Cross Drive Was Highly Successful.

County Director C. D. Cushing and Town Director C. G. Clifford would give out no figures last evening as to the result of the first day's campaign in Bethel for Red Cross funds, but it became known that the day's work was successful beyond the highest dreams of the managers, and it is safe to say that if the canvassers who did not get to work yesterday do anywhere near as well as those who have reported, the town will meet its quota and more. There has been no noise about this campaign, but when the week's result is announced the campaign will be shown to have been of the highest efficiency. To say that the directors are delighted with the first day's result is to put it very mildly.

Since the fire which destroyed his house last Saturday, Byron W. Trumbel has temporary quarters for himself and family at Helen D. Sawyer's.

Mrs. Salvatore Chiaradonna went Saturday to Boston to attend the funeral of a brother.

Edgar H. W. Owen, master of Rising Star grange, received yesterday and last evening at the grange meeting a letter from Corp. Leon O. Barnes of the 103d machine gun battalion, written on April 21, in which he said his company suffered rather severely in a recent engagement and that three members of his own squad were wounded. He said that for 48 hours during the bombardment he had neither food nor drink. He was just out of the trenches when the letter was written. Probably the battle referred to was that of Seicheprey.

Gilson's orchestra furnished music for a grange dance for Red Cross benefit held at Barnard last Friday evening.

The premises in the Bethel inn block formerly occupied by E. C. McIntyre for a market, have been leased by the Atlantic & Pacific Tea company, whose will be moved to its present location in the Rogers block.

WILLIAMSTOWN

Last Friday afternoon at the Red Cross work rooms there were 18 women present, who were engaged in knitting for our younger patriotic women.

Is this not their war too, and have they no obligation to our brave boys who are defending us with their lives? Two or three hours' work one afternoon a week is very little to give in return. There are many young, able women in this town who have never been inside our work room, nor have they ever taken any knitting to their homes, yet would not want to be called slackers. When our boys come back, they are going to ask what we women did to help their war. Let us all make sure we did our part. Come to the work rooms and do your duty and at the same time encourage our faithful chairman of the work committee, who in spite of the multitude of home cares has never been absent from a sewing meeting since we organized.

Mrs. Emery and son, Wilson, of Monroe, N. H., mother and brother of Mrs. Ira Wright, a sister, Mrs. Aumer of Springfield, Mass., also Mr. and Mrs. Walker of Barnet, visited at Mrs. Wright's and Harry Whitney's Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Emery is very nearly 95 years old and is in the Eaton cemetery beside her husband, who died Nov. 24, 1901, and one child, Ralph Beeman, who died at the age of two years and two months. A quartet from the M. E. church will sing "Lead Kindly Light," the favorite hymn of the deceased. The bearers will be the son-in-law, B. L. Cameron, brother-in-law, G. A. Bemis, S. H. Parker and G. L. Dwinell.

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MARSHFIELD

Mrs. Helen West Loveland Died Last Night After Long Illness.

Mrs. Helen West Loveland, who had been seriously ill since Jan. 1, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. L. Cameron, at Loveland farm, last night. Although her demise had been looked for hourly for days, the end came as a shock to her friends and loved ones.

Helen M. West was born in Stratford, March 30, 1849, daughter of Albert M. and Elizabeth West, one of 10 children. She was married to Daniel R. Loveland Feb. 17, 1875, and came to live on the Loveland home farm, now occupied by her daughter, where her married life had been spent, except the past eight years, when she lived in Glastonbury, Conn., as companion for an elderly lady. She returned to her late home last October, the 27th, here to spend the remainder of her life.

A staunch member of the M. E. church and a diligent worker for her Master and humanity, and a friend whose sterling worth is known to many, Mrs. Loveland is survived by the daughter, two granddaughters, Misses Amy M. and Dorothea I. Cameron, two sisters, Mrs. Kate Lamberton of this town, Mrs. Jennie Bemis of Barre City and a brother, Grant West of Algin, Ill., and several nieces and nephews.

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SOUTH BARRE

Harold Adams Goes from Vancouver, Wash., to South Beach, Ore.

G. H. Adams has received a letter and card from his son, Harold, recently, the letter being written from Vancouver, Wash., April 22, as follows: "I have not had much time to write lately, but will take time now. Yes, we use the hour-earlier system here and like it all right now. Irish from Barre, in 441 squadron, was over to see me lately. Saw him again to-day, but have not found Thompson yet or Miles.

"Last Sunday I had a special invitation out to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dalley's in Portland. They moved from Barre about 13 years ago. They were in 'Frisco at the time of the earthquake, so lost some of their love for California, but like here very much.

"Although I still love Vermont, I am beginning to think you had better move out here yourself. The climate is fine.

"Mr. Dalley used to play in Bruce's orchestra. Mr. and Mrs. Dalley gave us a fine time in their home, after a 50-mile drive on the Columbia highway, beyond Multnomah, across a big landslide on planks to the state fish hatchery. There are millions of trout and salmon.

When we got back to the house, we had a fine lunch and entertainment. Then they took us back to Vancouver in their seven-passenger Studebaker. Mr. and Mrs. Dalley are good pals and are known as Dad and Ma Dalley to many of the young fellows. They asked for many of their old friends in Barre and wished to be remembered to them if you see them, or you can phone them. Tell the friends to write to me.

"Will write again soon. We are to leave Vancouver soon. Harold."

On May 8 was written this card from South Beach, Ore. "Arrived at South Beach, Ore., Saturday night. Worked all day Sunday loading lumber on the barge at Newport and unloading. Have been in the woods, getting ready to hunt in railroad and getting out logs. Harold."

SOUTH CABOT

Carroll Brown and Mary Carpenter have been quite sick the past week but are now on the gain.

Quite a number from here attended the lecture at Cabot Sunday night.

Fred Healey of Lanesboro was in the place Sunday.

George Gee and Samuel Lock were in Barre Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gee were in Danville Sunday to attend the funeral of Henry L. Danforth, who was killed in France.

P. A. Smith of Cabot was in the place on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hanscome and Herbert Hanscome of Littleton, N. H., visited at E. F. Kidder's Sunday.

Frank Walbridge and daughter of Woodville, N. H., were guests at S. E. Houghton's Saturday.

Jennie Webster spent Saturday and Sunday in town.

Philip Bork of Peacham is stopping in the place for a while.

Frank Marshall and wife of Montpelier were at their farm over Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. C. L. Hathaway returned from Boston Friday, where he had been for a few days.

Harry Tibbels of Cabot was at his sister's over Sunday.

Winthrop Colverth and wife of Lanesboro was at E. M. Putnam's the first of the week.

PREPAREDNESS.

By Edward W. Pickard of The Vigilantes.

The great war, whatever may be its effect on the fate of dynasties and on national boundaries, is certain to be followed by a "leveling" process wider than the world has ever known. Already the movement is well under way in many of the countries of the old world, and its spread to the new world is inevitable. The insistent will of the great mass of the people is imposing itself on the governments of the nations. Where it is not expressed by their legislative representatives, it will be given voice more directly.

The ancient fiction that there are no "slaves" in America has long been discarded, but before many years we will have approached much nearer to that ideal state of equality. The nations that are best prepared for the coming change will suffer the least disturbance from it. The United States now has under consideration a plan to prepare it—universal military service.

In the working of this plan the young men of all stations of life will be brought together on terms of absolute equality. The sons of the farmer, the miner, the artisan, the professional man, the capitalist, the congressman, will drill together, hike together, dig trenches together, mess together, sleep together, and no man will be better than his comrades.

In this close association they are bound to break out their differences, to learn one another's needs and views, and from this must come mutual respect for varying opinions. At the end of their term of service these young men will return to civil life with a knowledge of their fellow citizens such as their ancestors never have had.

What the people of America want they can have. The whole country, rather than Congress or any other administration, was to blame for our lack of preparedness for the war. Universal military service is the great preparedness program for after-the-war conditions. The whole country will be to blame if it is not adopted.

OIL AND COAL PRODUCTS

In Road Work Limited by Fuel Administration and Office of Public Roads.

Petroleum, asphalt, or tar products wanted for the construction, maintenance, or reconstruction of roads will be delivered only after approval of the application by a committee representing the United States fuel administration and the office of public roads of the United States department of agriculture. This announcement was made to-day by officials of the two federal agencies.

State highway departments, to which notices of the restrictions have been sent, are required to pass upon all applications for highway work in their territories involving the use of these materials. Applications are then to be sent to L. W. Page, director of the office of public roads, Washington, D. C. Mr. Page is chairman of the committee