

GROTON

Another Vermont Boy Buried with Wendell Lord. There is another Vermont boy buried in Portiers, France, where Wendell E. Lord is buried. The account of the memorial service held in Groton Nov. 8 was read in the Burlington Free Press by Mrs. M. J. Montague of East Fitcher, who wrote immediately to Mrs. C. C. Lord and told her how her son, Earl Montague, Co. D, 101st machine gun battalion, 26th division, died there Nov. 7, 1918, of wounds. She had also received pictures taken last Memorial day of the exercises held for the 23 American boys who rest in that little French cemetery. The graves were covered with beautiful flowers and the American flag. The crosses were all numbered and the white cross of our Groton boy is number six, and could be plainly seen in the pictures, which were five by seven inches in size. A good number of U. S. soldiers and sailors and Red Cross nurses were present and a fine program of singing and an address by Chaplain LeRoy Lawther was given.

Harry and Robert Hosmer were business visitors in Montpelier and Barre on Monday.

Miss Agnes Taylor of Woodsville, N. H., was at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. J. Montague, on Sunday. Miss Calista Crown is visiting her mother, Mrs. Rose Crown, at the home of Mrs. T. B. Hall. Miss Crown has recently completed a course in training for a nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Welch of Plainfield were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. George S. Welch's several days this week. Christmas exercises with trees are being arranged to be held Wednesday evening at both churches. A fine Christmas program is being prepared by the young people.

Barton Brown has received notice of his appointment as enumerator of the census for the town of Groton, including the village. His duties will commence Jan. 2 and continue until the work is completed.

Edna Hutchins is visiting her father at Montpelier. George Ricker, who is attending school at Keene, N. H., came to his home here on Thursday for the holiday recess.

Tuesday evening at the Baptist parsonage occurred the marriage of Wilfred Lagate and Miss Linnie Welch. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. E. W. Puffer.

Cards were received here this week announcing the birth of a daughter on Dec. 15 to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Atwood of Greenfield, Mass. Mrs. Atwood was Miss Carrie Downs of this place.

Miss Kathleen Henry arrived at her home here yesterday from Springfield, Mass., where she is attending school. James Main went to Hanover, N. H., Tuesday and accompanied Mrs. Main home from the Mary Hitchcock hospital, where she has been receiving treatment for several weeks.

Miss Joanna Welch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Welch, went to Burlington the first of the week, where she underwent an operation at the Mary Fletcher hospital for the removal of the tonsils. She was accompanied by her mother and is reported to be making good recovery.

Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. Stead Thornton, pastor. Morning service at 10:45. Sunday school at 12. Evening service at 7:30. Midweek service Thursday evening at 7:30. Topic, Sunday morning, "Life Abundant Through Christ." Special sermon by the choir. Address to young people, "The Gift of God." Evening topic, "Kamerad."

Ralph, the 14-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Welch of Peacham, died Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Welch, where the child had been suffering with double pneumonia for several days. The funeral was held to-day at the home of G. S. Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Smith, Mrs. C. J. Bailey, Mrs. Emma J. Clark and Mrs. F. Clark were in St. Johnsbury on Wednesday.

SOUTH RYEGATE

Y. D. Nelson of the Ryegate school board attended the meeting of superintendents and school directors at Burlington Thursday to consider raising the salaries of all school teachers in the state.

Walter R. Buchanan has been appointed a temporary clerk in the railway mail service and will be stationed at White River Junction during Christmas week.

R. F. D. Carrier Bailey is running his auto on the mail route at present and hopes to be able to do so through the Christmas rush.

Mrs. Ella S. Smith has received the appointment of census enumerator for this district and will take up her duties the first of January.

Mrs. Donald Beaton is in poor health at the present time and she and Mr. Beaton have gone to their daughter's, Mrs. A. D. Grant, for the winter.

Christmas trees and exercises were given in each school village school Friday afternoon instead of the public affair first planned.

The Sunday schools of the Presbyterian and United Presbyterian churches are both preparing for Christmas celebrations Wednesday evening. There will be the usual trees in each and a cantata will be given in the Presbyterian church.

The third number of the lecture course comes Saturday evening, a lecture by Stephen Haboush, a native of Galilee, who will describe the Holy Land and embellish his lecture with local selections and costumes characteristic of its people.

EAST MONTEPELIER

F. H. Tyler of Montpelier was a business visitor in town Tuesday. Edward Holmes of Worcester has moved his family and will work for C. A. Curtis this winter.

Mrs. Russell Collins, Mrs. Phillip Bean and Mrs. C. P. Dudley were among the Christmas shoppers in Montpelier on Thursday.

Lee Chandler is working for C. A. Curtis at the Quaker Willow farm. Phillip Bean shot a fox the first of the week. The pet is said to be worth \$20 the way prices run.

Leon Guinlaw has gone to Barre to work for John Pappin. The sudden death of George Sanderson was a shock to his family and friends. He seemed in his usual health in the morning, but his son found him unconscious in the barn shortly after breakfast Wednesday. He passed away a few minutes after being removed to the house. Burial took place at East Montpelier cemetery Friday.

WATERBURY

At the Congregational church Sunday, the sermon will be appropriate to the Christmas season. Rev. Edward C. Hayes, pastor. The following music will be rendered, "Sing the Blessed Morn'g," Morris; "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Wain; "Joy to the World," Williams; "The First Christmas Morn'g," Martin, and baritone solo by C. A. Riley. Violin solos will be rendered by E. M. Tomblow, who will also assist in the anthems by the choir. At 4 o'clock there will be a Christmas concert by the church school, at which Miss Kate Leonard will render a solo and the choir will also render "There Were Shepherds." A letter will be read from the boy they are supporting in India and the loose change in the morning and offering in the evening will be for this boy.

At the Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. George H. Locke, pastor, there will be Christmas services all day, with special Christmas anthems by the choir. The subject of sermon will be, "The Challenge and Victories of Christmas." At 7:30 there will be a Christmas concert.

The Advent Christian church, the subject of the sermon by Rev. L. E. Peabody will be, "Christmas, Its History and Value." Appropriate music will be rendered. Evening service at 7:30, at which the address will be, "The Overflowing Cup."

At St. Andrew's church, high mass and sermon will be at 10:30. Catholicism classes at 3 o'clock. The rosary and benediction of the blessed sacrament at 7:30. The new statue of Saint Philomine will be blessed Sunday before mass. Father Devoy will say mass in Stowe at 8 o'clock.

At the Methodist church at the Center, Rev. J. Garfield Sallis, pastor, "family day" will be observed, subject, "Christmas, the Charter of the Human Soul."

Among those who attended the meetings of the interchurch federation in Waterbury were Rev. George H. Locke of the Methodist church, Rev. Edward C. Hayes, E. G. Miller, Mrs. John Seabury, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Demeritt and Mrs. Edwin T. Palmer of the Congregational church.

MARSHFIELD

Among the business visitors in Montpelier this week have been Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Liley, E. L. Spencer, S. Swadlow, Frank Lamberton, Merle Buxton and Henry Johnson.

The Congregational church was represented at the county conference of the interchurch movement in Montpelier by Mrs. Swadlow as delegate, together with the pastor, Rev. E. L. Spencer.

The church conference held in Montpelier. All members of the church and parish are urged to be present. Hay is being loaded at the station here this week for \$26 a ton.

The coldest of the season came to us this week, with the mercury registering from 14 to 29 below zero.

It is reported that one or two parties are trying to negotiate for the May farm in the village.

Friends of Mrs. Cassius Lamberton of South Cabot will regret to learn of her critical illness at the hospital in St. Johnsbury. Mrs. Lamberton was to have had an operation there last Monday, but her condition was so serious that the operation could not be completed.

John Mayette, who has been visiting his brother the past two or three weeks, returned to Rhode Island the first of the week.

Schools of the town closed to-day for the Christmas vacation.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

Clever Musical Show Coming—"My Soldier Girl." The most talked of musical show of the entire season is the brilliant musical spectacle, "My Soldier Girl," coming to the Barre opera house Christmas time, at 8 o'clock, Thursday, Dec. 25.

The gorgeous costumes are fashion plates of the latest design, the novel numbers are staged under the careful direction of one of our best ballet masters, and the feature novelties are many—"Flirtation Walk," an illuminated number extending from the stage nearly half way to the rear wall of the theatre and the many numbers introduced on the "walk" offer new and amusing entertainment, while a moon dance at the lawn fete, a grand illumination of New York City and the switching "pony" ballet in the follies, are a few of the feature novelties. An elaborate production with gorgeous costumes forms a background for a brilliant cast and big "pony" ballet, who present the big spectacle in all its merry-making. There are some 20 musical hits, including "My Soldier Girl," "Jasper's Ragtime Band," "That Diddle Wedding Tune," "Wrap Me in a Bundle of Love" and "Won't You Be My Bean," which are the popular favorites.

EAST BRAINTREE

A son, Mitchell Franz, was born Dec. 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lambert. A son, Gordon David, was born Dec. 15 to Mr. and Mrs. David Abel.

Mrs. Mary Farnsworth went to-day to Greenfield, Mass., to pass the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Horner.

Rev. L. G. Chase went to Wilder on business Tuesday, Thursday he was in White River Junction, the guest of L. D. Wheeler.

Miss Louise Wheeler went to Randolph Friday to visit friends for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crain of Willamstown were in town Thursday, the guests of Mrs. Janet Crain.

The young people who attend Randolph high school came home Friday for a two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. J. W. Blanchard has gone to White River Junction to pass several weeks with her daughter, Miss Jessie Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walker and daughter, Margaret, who have been visiting relatives, returned to their home in Rochester the first of the week.

Mrs. Betsey Dame has gone to Randolph Center, nursing in the family of W. S. Bryant.

RANDOLPH

Miss Prudence Wells, Miss Arne Rumlil, Miss Emma Danway and Miss Heath, who are students at Baypath institute, arrived home on Friday for their Christmas vacation with relatives and friends.

Miss Clara Gates came from Ludlow, where she is this winter in school, to pass several days here with her parents during the school recess.

The schools here closed on Friday night for a two weeks' vacation, and many of the teachers left for their homes. Among those were Miss Lawson, the teacher of music and elocution, who went to Rutland to be at her home for the entire time.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Drew of South Royaland are passing the winter at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Paige, Mr. Drew is ill and has been severely so for several weeks and his condition does not seem to improve.

D. L. Loomis has been appointed census enumerator for the village of Randolph, and has the month of January in which to complete his work. His appointment was made through G. Herbert Pape of Barre, who is enumerator for the second district.

The University club recently admitted to membership Rev. W. S. Smith, Mrs. L. W. Webster and H. J. Mail. Mr. Smith is a graduate of Syracuse university, 1880. Mr. Webster of Dartmouth college, 1904, and H. J. Mail of Middlebury, 1914.

At a meeting held recently in Plymouth county, Massachusetts, Prof. Lewis Rye was re-elected president of the Plymouth County Teachers' association. Professor Rye, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Rye of this place, is one of the faculty of the Brockton high school.

Mrs. Lyndon Thomas of Salisbury came on Thursday night for a short visit with her mother, Mrs. Edna Fairbanks, and will return to her home on Saturday.

Harry Chadwick, who has been in this city with friends for the last two weeks, has returned to his home in St. Albans.

Friday morning the thermometer registered from 18 below to 30 degrees in different localities, and through the day the mercury went up as far as six above, but soon fell to the zero mark again.

U. S. Grant post, G. A. R., held its election of officers Dec. 5, and re-elected the same officers, who are as follows: E. H. Ketchum, commander; E. N. Rising, senior vice-commander; George V. Smith, junior vice-commander; John Manney, officer of the day; E. N. Rising, quartermaster; F. H. Ketchum, adjutant; E. N. Rising, quartermaster sergeant; E. V. Parker, chaplain.

At the grand meeting on Saturday night, Principal Leland Green of the Center gave an illustrated lecture on his experience in Y. M. C. A. work during the war. The male quartet sang, giving the meeting an unusual interest and enthusiasm.

Mrs. P. J. Bianehard, for a long time resident of this place, and later of Montpelier, is in a hospital in Boston recovering from an operation for an injury to her shoulder, received in an automobile accident a long time ago.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Rye of this place, and Miss Ida May Pierce of Warren were married at Lincoln Monday by Rev. Arnot Dexter. Mr. Turner has employment in the A. B. Guy livery stable.

W. E. Lamson has been confined to the house by a severe attack of the grip for several days.

WAITSFIELD

Next Sunday there will be a Christmas service at the Methodist church at 10:45. Special carols will be sung by the choir and a suitable sermon will be preached by the pastor, Rev. Allen Kirkness.

Daniel Moriarty has bought the Seaver lumber mill, and will move to a place nearby as soon as a tenement can be found.

Mrs. Bessie Spaulding of Burlington has been visiting in town the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Whitcomb have taken their youngest child, a boy, to the Mary Fletcher hospital for treatment.

Mrs. R. H. Downer has opened a lunch room and will serve regular dinners; also will put up transients for the night.

Q. A. Kirkness returned from Montreal, P. Q., on Thursday of this week. Sunday service in the Congregational church will have special reference to Christmas.

SQUEEZED TO DEATH

When the body begins to stiffen and movement becomes painful it is usually an indication that the kidneys are out of order. Keep these organs healthy by taking

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WHITE RIVER JUNCTION

Frank Alvord, who has been employed by Smith & Sons for the past year, is at his home in Northfield for a few weeks.

Commissioner E. L. Brigham of Montpelier was in White River Junction Thursday to attend the annual meeting of the state fair commission.

At a special meeting of St. Anthony court, 436, C. O. P., Thursday evening, Dec. 11, for services faithfully performed, Thomas O'Brien was invested with the legion of honor medal, third degree. During the past 25 years he has served as chief ranger and in other state offices. Vice Chief Ranger J. F. Roberts complimented Mr. O'Brien on his notable record.

Mrs. Mary Redell Pierce, widow of the late Sidney E. Pierce, a former resident of White River Junction, died at Lowell, Mass., Thursday, Dec. 11, at the age of 65 years. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Laura M. Andreoli of Lowell; one son, E. L. J. Pierce of Epsom, N. H.; two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Bacon of St. Johnsbury and Mrs. Anna Carter of St. Paul, Minn.; two brothers, Charles Kimball of Bath, N. H., and Edward Kimball of Manchester, N. H.; also by seven grandchildren.

Rev. S. P. Boire of Gonie, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Painchaud and Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Painchaud were recent callers. L. W. Webster and H. J. Mail, Mr. Smithers is a graduate of Syracuse university, 1880. Mr. Webster of Dartmouth college, 1904, and H. J. Mail of Middlebury, 1914.

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SHEETS

We have received another lot of those made Sheets and Pillow Sheds. We offer them at less than you can make them. Come and let us show you.

Lee and Clara B. Shortt Marshfield, Vt.

DEPORTATION NO PANACEA.

Springfield Republican Thinks Nation Does Not Thereby Solve Problem. Too much should not be expected from the deportation of undesirable aliens, necessary as that may be. If unrest were factitious, the result of the plottings of a few ringleaders of foreign nationality who could be got rid of, this treatment might suffice. But in fact unrest is a world-wide phenomenon, and America produces its full share of discontent which the banishment of a few foreigners will not instantaneously allay. It is extremely doubtful, moreover, whether the most dangerous individuals are those who happen to fall into the net; in general one may expect that the candidates for deportation will be the noisiest rather than the most influential of the "reds."

In general, also, extremists are not a very dangerous type; they constitute what Theodore Roosevelt happily called the "innate fringe," and even if personally sane the lunacy of their ideas alienates all but their fellow cranks. In any country anarchists are a nuisance, but they cannot be considered dangerous to the state, not simply because they are incapable of effective organization, but because they have nothing to offer which appeals to the ordinary man. When they turn to crime they become a menace to law and order and have to be suppressed precisely like motor bandits, bank robbers, counterfeiters, moonshiners and other organized criminals, but no American need lose a night's sleep in worrying over the spread of anarchism in this country; it has no chance whatever on American soil. Our special danger lies rather in lip service coupled with contemptuous disregard for it in practice. It is at the opposite pole from anarchism, but none the less it leads straight to mob violence.

It seems to be easiest, therefore, to deport those "reds" who are least dangerous because their views get least response. To get the interest of the average man, without whose sympathetic new movements do not get far, it is necessary to present ideas with which he can sympathize, and this is quite im-

possible for the advocates of anarchism or of "impossibilism" of any type. The average man may be taken in by economic fallacies, as our political history has more than once showed, but at least the fallacy must be plausible and attractive. To be dangerous a fallacy must appeal to good people as well as to bad, for the good are an overwhelming majority. It is a tactical mistake, therefore, to concentrate attention on those extreme views which carry their own antidote in the aversion which they create among normal people. A government is safe until normal average people come to desire greater changes than can be effected without a revolutionary upheaval.

At present this is very far from being the case, and while the economic fabric is being strained in all directions by conflicting interests, in the main this has no revolutionary significance; the weather is chilly and everybody wants more of the blanket, but this is all too human. Those who want the bed pulled to pieces are few, though it may happen if so cold that they take to suppose that getting rid of a few orators, mostly insignificant, constitutes a solution, or even a considerable step toward a solution, of the general problem. That remains much where it was, and the sailing of a ship of fools helps only as it may prevent distraction from the serious business of solving it. Upon a wise and just solution of it depends the growth either of a loyal and united spirit, or of an abiding discontent in which heresies more dangerous than those of the anarchists will find root.—Springfield Republican.

BROOKFIELD

Masquerade dance at Williamstown Christmas eve, Dec. 24: Gilbertson's orchestra. Dancing from 8 to 1. Admission, \$1.00 couple plus war tax. Spectators, 25c.—adv.

THE QUESTION OF SHOES

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possible for the advocates of anarchism or of "impossibilism" of any type. The average man may be taken in by economic fallacies, as our political history has more than once showed, but at least