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TOWNSHEND. Plans for Memorial Day. Plans for Memorial day observance have been made as follows: Pre-memorial exercises will be held at the graded school on Friday afternoon, May 27, including drills, recitations and songs. On Sunday, May 29, Memorial Sunday will be observed at Newfane with Rev. Mr. Hyde as speaker of the occasion. On Monday, May 30, Memorial day, exercises will be held at Townshend beginning at 10 a. m. Rev. C. W. Bishop will deliver an address and there will also be exercises by the school children and special music. Directly after the exercises the line of march will be formed and will include members of the Grand Army. All soldiers and sailors of the World war present, soldiers and sailors of the Spanish war, Sons of Veterans, members of the Relief corps, school children and all other patriotic citizens who care to join the procession. Automobiles will be furnished for the veterans and as many of the Relief corps as wish to ride. The march will be directly to Oakwood cemetery where the Grand Army service will be held and graves decorated. On the return of the procession dinner will be served in the town hall dining room. Those taking part in the procession with their families taking precedence at the tables and others to be welcomed later as long as the provisions last. Veterans of the World war are especially requested to take part in the exercises on Memorial Sunday and Memorial day, and to appear in uniform. W. M. Sparks and George Bush will have charge of the exercises for Memorial day and Mrs. F. H. Lawrence and Mrs. H. F. Howard of the dinner.

Officers of New Electric Light Co. As the next step after the granting of a charter to the Townshend Electric Light Co. by the public service commission at Newfane courthouse May 17 a meeting of the stockholders was called at the town clerk's office Saturday evening and a board of directors and officers chosen. These include: President, J. H. Ware; Secretary and treasurer, C. W. Cutler; directors, J. H. Ware, Dr. J. E. Hair, C. H. Willard, C. C. Robinson, C. W. Cutler, R. W. Blood and Dr. F. L. Osgood. Work on surveying a line to join the power line of the Twin State Gas and Electric Co. and another line was begun Monday and has been practically completed and the line staked and it is expected that the work of setting poles, etc., will be begun as soon as satisfactory terms can be made and other arrangements completed.

Baseball Meeting Next Monday. A baseball meeting is called for Monday evening at 7:30 in the town hall. All interested in the sport should be present. The near completion of the ball ground under the energetic management of the Community club committee gives promise of some local games in the near future.

Miss Marion Cummings of Newfane spent the week-end at home. Miss Cora Mason of Bellows Falls is stopping at the home of Mrs. C. H. Willard.

Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Pike and daughter spent the week-end with relatives in East Brattleboro. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Sage have moved to the Fitch bungalow which they recently purchased. Miss Evelyn Mann of Brattleboro has been a guest at the home of Mrs. J. S. Sayer the past week. Mrs. Ella Mason of Bellows Falls came Sunday to visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. J. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis and family of Westminster were guests at J. H. Ware's for the week-end. Much necessary work on the roof of the city building is being done this week by Mr. D. Phillips and son. Good reports are received from Town Clerk C. W. Cutler, who is recovering from an operation in the Memorial hospital at Brattleboro. Several automobile loads of young people about 30 in all, attended the Senior school convention at Athens Sunday. The Boy Scouts went in a body.

An interesting report of the Older Girls' conference at Brattleboro was given at assembly Thursday morning by the delegates from Lond and Gray. Mrs. Maria Sparks and daughter, Mrs. Ralph Cole of Saxtons River, were guests Sunday at H. M. Sparks. Miss Ruth Sparks returned with them for a visit. Mrs. Bertha Whitaker is spending some time at Brattleboro where she is taking electrical treatments. Her daughter, Miss Florence Whitaker, is visiting at her grandmother's at Dummerston hill.

Two automobile loads of West River Grange members went Wednesday to Winchester, N. H., to attend a joint Pomona Grange meeting to which the members of this district were invited. Mrs. Lois Harris of West Townshend came Sunday for an indefinite stay at the home of her cousin, Mrs. H. S. Kilder. Peter Penor accompanied her and went Monday to Walpole where he will spend the summer with relatives.

Seventy-two tickets were sold for the community club dance Tuesday evening and all present thoroughly enjoyed the affair. Music was furnished by Snow's five-piece orchestra. Ice cream was on sale during the evening by the senior jury class. E. B. Batchelder, who has been staying at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. L. Lowe, at Brattleboro during his wife's illness, was at home this week to plant his garden, etc. He reports Mrs. Batchelder as progressing favorably.

Work on the town hall ground is progressing rapidly under the direction of Will Scott, who has had much experience in such work. The field is being graded and it is expected will be finished in time for use on the day of the town hall dedication. Mrs. Will Sanderson and two children of Savannah, Ga., came this week to the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Sanderson. Her oldest son, little Jack Sanderson, who has spent the winter here with his grandparents, is in serious ill health. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Northup of Sharps, Va., and Mrs. Charles F. Tibbs of Saddle River, N. J., motored from their homes, arriving at Green Mountain farm on Friday to remain for a few days with their mother, Mrs. M. A. Northup, and brother, J. H. Northup. In the Christian Endeavor contest Newfane and Townshend each gained 30 points on Sunday evening. The points now stand: Newfane 125, Townshend 75. The topic for next Sunday is My Father's Saying of Christ's and Why. John 6:43-68. The leader will be Earl Vincent. Miss Leone Franklin, who has been attending Brattleboro Business Institute, beginning last September, has finished her course as stenographer and received a diploma the past week. Her examinations and standing have been unusually high throughout the course. She came Friday to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Franklin, for a vacation before taking a business position. At the regular meeting of Birchard W. R. C. in the town hall Saturday afternoon a class of nine candidates was initiated, three of the number being from Newfane and six from Townshend. Three members of Birchard post, G. A. R., attended the meeting. Plans for Memorial day exercises, which will be held in this village, during the afternoon the Relief corps charter was ceremoniously draped in honor of the departed members of the Grand Army, W. H. Miles, who was a charter member of Birchard post. After the business session refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served by the Townshend members to all present. The regular meeting of Birchard post was held on the same afternoon at the home of John Grout with five members present.

WEST TOWNSHEND. Harold Gale's little son, Wetzel, is very ill. Mr. and Mrs. Dorr Jenison of Brattleboro were at Arthur Jenison's the first of the week. Mrs. E. W. Holden attended the funeral of her cousin, George Prouty in Brattleboro Monday. Miss Nellie and Miss Fannie Edwards of Brattleboro were visitors at Walter Deuell's recently. Mrs. Veda Edwards of Massachusetts visited her sister, Mrs. Archer Wheeler, the first of the week. Z. C. Sleeper went Thursday to Vershire to spend some time with his son. Rev. William F. Bissell accompanied him as far as Brattleboro. One of H. C. Stratton's new pair of horses was cut badly by a kick recently. Dr. Snyder of Townshend was called and 12 stitches were taken. The Work and Win club of the village school has earned and received a new cabinet to hold their vitrola and records. The vitrola was earned by the school two years ago. The club also recently placed in the school room a beautiful framed picture of Washington Crossing the Delaware.

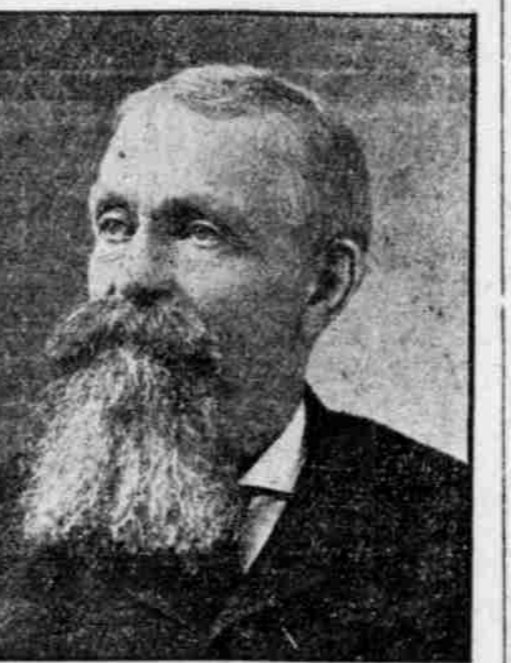
WILLIAMSVILLE. Mrs. Mattie Elliot came Wednesday from Northfield (Vt.) to visit her father, E. R. Willard. Judson Perry, who works for L. E. Stratton, went Tuesday to his home in Newfane on account of illness. Margery Williams, Bertha Gray and Edith Putnam spent Monday night in Newfane with their teacher, Mrs. A. H. Farnum. Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Thomas of Ware, Mass., were visitors Sunday in the home of Mrs. Thomas's brother, C. R. Thomas.

DUMMERSTON. Miss Miriam Reed, nurse, was called this week to Walpole, N. H. Walter Kent of Concord, N. H., called on old friends in town last week. Mrs. William O'Leary returned Tuesday night after spending a few days in Springfield, Vt. Mrs. A. C. Walker entertained a few women guests Tuesday afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. Lilla M. Reed, it being her birthday anniversary. Edward Bemis of Westmoreland, N. H., who spent the winter with Mrs. Bemis in Swampscott, Mass., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bills. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. George Reed of Newfane were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bills Friday.

GUILFORD. The graduates from the eighth grade met at Guilford Center Wednesday afternoon and chose the following officers: Ernest Brown, John C. Gale, vice pres., Ernest Worden, sec., Archie Aldrich, treas., Cedric Bevis. The class colors are blue and white. The graduating exercises will be held Friday evening, May 27, at the Grange hall.

JACKSONVILLE. C. H. Walse has this week put in his store for Dairymple & Robinson a new Detroit computing scale, and an up-to-date system of gas lights, costing \$300.

NEWFANE. William F. Rand Dies at 81. William F. Rand, 81, died in his home about 5 o'clock Thursday morning from dropsy. He had been a successful and prosperous farmer having dealt in short-horn Durham cattle during the 35 years he lived on his farm below the village on the Williamsville road. He always enjoyed good health and until he began to fail last fall had not called a doctor for 40 years. For the past few weeks he had been a great sufferer. Born in Townshend July 29, 1839, he was the youngest and last surviving member of a family of five children. He attended the village school in Townshend and later a student in the academy at West Brattleboro, where he gave lessons in writing during the evenings.



W. R. RAND.

At the age of 21, in September, 1860, he married Miss Lizzie H. Rutter of the town where they lived about 13 years before coming to Newfane. After living on the farm about 35 years he sold out and came to the village to live. In September, 1909, Mr. and Mrs. Rand celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Her death occurred August 3, 1914. During that year, Mr. Rand bought his present home and on August 4, 1915, he married Mrs. Mary Gardiner. Knowledge of this place, who survives. He was a kind neighbor, thrifty and devoted to home duties. At the age of 19, he was united with the church in Townshend and later with the Congregational church in this village. In 1898 he represented his town in the legislature, was a coparator of the Windham County Savings bank 25 years and served his town as lister. Mr. and Mrs. Rand were charter members of Newfane Grange, he serving as master the first year and she as secretary several years. The funeral will be held in the home today at 2 p. m. and the burial will take place in the family lot in Townshend. Howard Osborne spent the week-end in Burlington. A telephone has been installed at William Rand's, 15-11. The spring term of county court closed this week. Carlos Jones of Yarmouth, Me., spent Sunday with his nephew, Ray Jones. Plans are being made to hold a Charge-tian Endeavor social the last of next week. Mrs. M. E. Bellinger of New York city was a guest of her cousin, Mrs. H. B. Osborne, Sunday. Newfane Grange will furnish a hot supper for the dance to be given in Union hall Friday evening, May 20. Mrs. Lyman Bills was called to West Dummerston the first of the week by the illness of her daughter, Kathleen. Albert Brown, who broke his leg last winter, was able to go to work in the woods Wednesday for the first time since the accident. E. M. Goodenough's men have installed electric lights in Ward Leager's two houses and are doing other work in the village this week. Mrs. A. B. Waite, wife of assistant Judge Waite, of Londonderry, is spending the week in town as a guest at the Windham County House. Electrician Horton D. Walker of Brattleboro has been installing electric lights in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newton on West street. Albert Patch of Medford, Mass., came Monday evening to visit in the family of his brother, Alfred Patch. He will remain with them a few days. Miss Caroline Blies of Akron, Ohio, arrived Monday night and will open her summer home, We-like-it, soon. She is spending a few days in the village. Dr. John Burham and friend, I. L. Lewis, of Portland, Conn., have been recent guests in town, stopping while here at the Windham County house. Mrs. A. B. DeWitt was in Bellows Falls Friday to attend the Black River Union Christian Endeavor convention. Afterwards she visited friends and relatives in Chester and returned home Sunday. Charlie F. Rowe of this village, and bride, are visiting at the home of his father, Frank Rowe. They were married March 5 at the home of the bride.

Miss Alberta Knight in North Springfield, Vt. John W. Whitaker, master of Newfane Grange, and F. A. DeWitt went Wednesday to Winchester, N. H., to attend a Pomona Grange meeting, to which all the Grange organizations in the county were invited. On account of the serious illness of William Rand, Mrs. Margaret Wilcox has been called to help care for him. Mrs. Rand, who is suffering with rheumatism, has had the entire care of her husband several weeks. Ret. and Mrs. F. M. Wiswall went to Marlboro, N. H., Monday to attend the funeral of his brother, Herbert Wiswall, whose death occurred in Keene. The funeral was held at the old home of the family in Marlboro. Mr. Young and Mr. Adams, plumbers from Brattleboro, who have been placing a furnace for W. H. Newton in his new home, were obliged to defer for a few days the work on water pipes, but will return next week to complete the job. Charles Skinner, a former resident of Newfane, came Tuesday to his old home to move furniture that has been left when he and his wife went to Brattleboro to live. The recent death of his wife made his visit to Newfane doubly sad. His many friends extend sincere sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sargent and son, Robert, of Northampton went Sunday at the home of her father, J. H. Underwood, returning Monday. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. Josephine Howe, who has been a guest of her granddaughter, Mrs. Sargent, since March 1 and who will remain in Newfane for the summer. M. and Mrs. J. W. Perry, who spent the winter in their home in Hyattsville, Fla., have sailed for Jacksonville and are enroute to Newfane, planning to stop in Connecticut to visit friends before coming to Newfane. Mrs. Mary Perkins is expected soon at her summer home, The Nutshell, on the hill. The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting was held Sunday evening by Lewis Whitaker, whose home is in West Brattleboro. An unusually large number were present. Reports were given by Miss Mildred Eddy, Miss Thekla Martin and Miss Florence White, who attended the girls conference in Brattleboro last week. Miss Lawrence, their teacher and chaperone, added words of much interest. Union hall society held its annual meeting in Union hall Tuesday evening for the election of officers for the ensuing year. The warrant was read by the clerk, A. G. Warren, S. G. Brown was elected moderator. All the officers of the past year were unanimously re-elected as follows: Clerk and treasurer, A. G. Warren; prudential committee, L. H. Higgins, D. A. Benson and Mrs. F. W. Underwood; auditor, Ward H. Eager. Mrs. Ira Moulton, who has been in ill health the past few years, owing to injuries from an attack by a cow, met with another accident Sunday evening while returning to her home on Newfane hill after attending the church service. Being so near to a cliff in the village she was about to alight when her foot caught in the lap robe and she fell, face down, to the road, cutting her face and hip. A physician, took her to her home, dressing the wounds and she seems to be making a good recovery. Forty-two were present at the meeting of the Farmers' club Friday. The program follows: Singing by the club, recitation, Harold Whitaker; solo, C. L. Underwood; readings, Mrs. E. W. Miles; Miss Jackson; discussion, members of club. From the discussion one might deduce that, in spite of unfavorable conditions, the farmer must take a broader view than to limit production to his own needs and those of his immediate family. F. A. DeWitt spoke of the financial relation of the farmer and the business man. Salads and sandwiches were served. Mr. and Mrs. George F. Reed were pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when several friends came to their home at Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Thompson's to celebrate the second anniversary of their wedding. Games were played, musical selections on the organ, violin and phonograph were enjoyed and refreshments were served. It was a pleasant occasion for the young people, preceding the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Reed to Wardboro, where he has contracted to transport the mail from the railroad station to the postoffice. They plan to leave their present home sometime in June.

To fill the vacancy in the position of postmaster at Newfane, the United States civil service commission has announced, at the request of the postmaster general, an open competitive examination to be held on June 22 at Brattleboro. This office has an annual compensation of \$1,000. To be eligible for the examination an applicant must be a citizen of the United States, must actually reside within the delivery of the postoffice in which the vacancy exists, must have so resided for at least two years next preceding the date of the present vacancy occurred, must be in good physical condition, and must not be less than 21 nor more than 65 years of age. Full information and application blanks may be obtained at the post office or from the United States civil service commission, Washington, D. C.

GUILFORD CENTER. Miss Mildred Burlington of Springfield, Mass., was a week-end guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. E. New. Mrs. E. O. Wetten of Cedar Grove, N. J., is at the Lyon farm and at W. H. Castle's for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Burton Burrows and family of Greenfield were guests Sunday of her sister, Mrs. E. W. Legate. J. H. Thayer has moved the household goods of E. P. Goodnow to Brookline this week. Mr. Simmons and family come to their new home this week. Mrs. R. C. Ingraham, Mrs. J. H. Thayer, Mrs. E. W. Legate and Mrs. Leach attended the birthday party of Mrs. Ellen Miner Tuesday afternoon. Daniel Lyon returned home Tuesday from a weeks' visit with friends and relatives in Bellows Falls, Manchester and Jamaica. Mrs. Lyon visited last week in Bellows Falls.

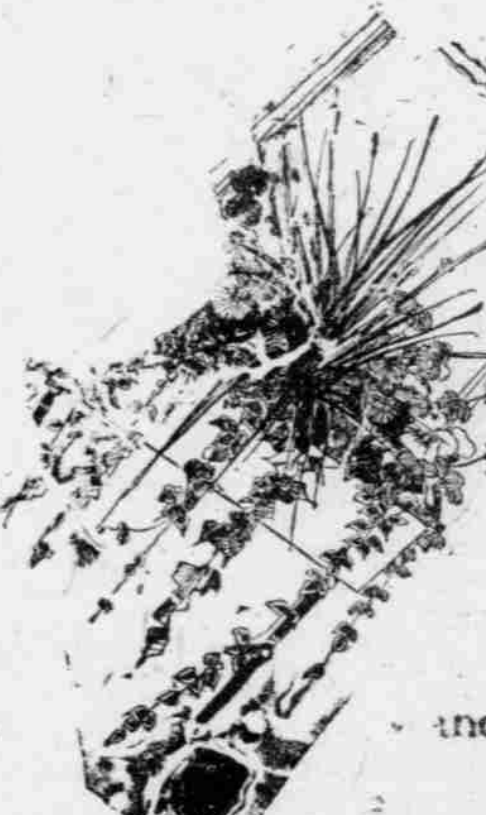
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