

# Under the Hump

## SOCIETY MEETINGS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 25th - VT in the Civil War at Crossett Brook Middle School 9 am - 5 pm
- August 9th - Picnic - South Duxbury Church Noon - Bring a dish to share



The members of the society enjoyed a presentation of artifacts and memorabilia presented by Larry Fraiser and Skip Flanders at the February meeting. We had another artifacts show and tell at the May meeting that included artifacts brought by the members. There were toy trucks, slide projectors, tools, photographs, clapboards and many more that were enjoyed by all.



*Larry Fraiser and Wade Morse at the February meeting*

### CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBER?



Last Issue  
Ralph P. Davis

## VERMONT IN THE CIVIL WAR

Plans are under way to host Vermont in the Civil War on July 25th. Several speakers have been scheduled as well as exhibitors of artifacts and the Vermont Civil War Hemlocks which provide demonstrations and battle recreations. If you have any artifacts or memorabilia that you would like to display, or know someone that does please contact Mark Morse or Donnie Welch. It will take place at the Crossett Brook School and run from 9am till 5pm.

The food committee is looking for help preparing food for the event. They need people to supply doughnuts, breads, muffins, cookies and brownies for the food table. Anyone that can make food please contact

Kelly Welch at 244-5627 or Mary Ethel Welch at 244-7558 as soon as possible.

We will need a lot of volunteers to work that day as well as assistance setting up and breaking down the event. The day of the event we will need people to help with admissions, parking, exhibits and food so please mark your calendar for July 25th and be there to enjoy the day.

The admission for the event will be \$8 for adults and \$5 for a youth ticket. Children 10 and under will be free. Be sure to spread the word and invite your friends and family to this event.

**BRING A SIDE  
DISH TO  
SHARE AT  
THE PICNIC**

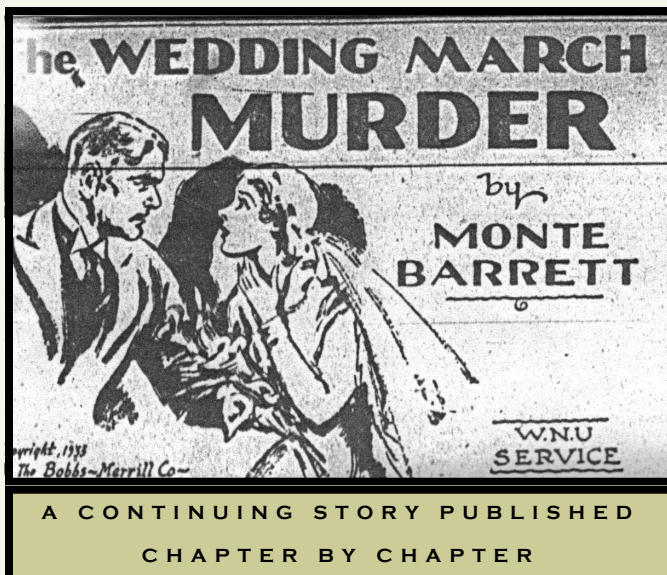
## THE WATERBURY RECORD

Duxbury being a small town did not have its own newspaper. The first newspaper in the area which started in 1849, was the Free Mountaineer which was published in Waterbury and Montpelier and edited by J.A. Somerby. The Waterbury Record was a weekly newspaper that started later in April of 1895 by Fred N. Whitney with Harry C. Whitehill as editor and manager. Later, he became the owner. The paper changed hands several times following Mr. Whitehill's death and finally the presses stopped about 1950. The very early editions had little local news and it increased as years went by. The small town happenings were the bulk of the information reported. A visiting relative was a newsworthy event as well as any illness.

The subject matter of the weekly reports changed some as the reporter's circle of contacts changed. Nellie Ravlin was a longtime reporter for the Record in the later years of the paper.

The paper had a section called Duxbury and later it was called Duxbury Locals with similar sections from other towns in the region. The Washington Farm Bureau report, Milkin' Stool Philosophy and serial stories such as "The Wedding March Murder" were regular features.

What follows are excerpts for several years of the Waterbury Record. The phrasing and punctuation have been left as they were printed at the time to show the difference in style from news reports of today.



A CONTINUING STORY PUBLISHED  
CHAPTER BY CHAPTER

## DUXBURY LOCALS

February 21, 1934

Miss Bessie Holmes has been at home for the past week as the Johnson Normal School was closed because of trouble with the water.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Webster were in Rochester Thursday to attend the funeral of Caleb Eaton.

Miss Doris Harvey was united in marriage to Herbert James of Waitsfield Saturday evening Feb 10 at the parsonage in Stowe, the Rev. George Marsh officiating. The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harvey of Stowe. They will reside in Waitsfield. The bride was the daughter of the late, Thaddeus and Mrs. Carrie Harvey. The family resided in Duxbury for years. In recent years Miss Harvey made her home here with her sister Mrs. Francis Grout. Congratulations are extended from Duxbury friends.

The Rock Bridge Parent Teacher Association held a card party at the school house Tuesday evening with four tables in play. The prize for the high score for ladies was won by Miss Maude Clough and for the men by John Deavitt. The booby prize was won by Raymond Parizo. Refreshments of cookies, cakes and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Robertson are the parents of an eight pound daughter born Sunday morning, Feb 18.

The Merry Heart 4-H Club of Moretown met at the home of Mrs. Ralph Preston Saturday Feb 10. There was a roll call on "The Season I Like Best and Why,". Some of the girls learned to darn and others did embroidery. The County Club Agent, Miss Gertrude Bingham was present. The Club will meet with Mrs. Harold Eastman February 24.

Cecil Goodheart reports having seen a herd of ten deer in Eugene Holmes orchard Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Arkley of Burlington were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Arkley Sunday.

Mrs. Phoebe Downing went Friday to the home of Mrs. Esther Downing in Middlesex where she remained over the weekend assisting the care of Alston Downing who is ill with the measles.

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Mrs. Jerry Manning and two children and Mrs. Hattie Perry were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Webster Sunday.

The South Duxbury Home Bureau met at the hall Monday afternoon with nine present. Miss Frances Metcalf was present and spoke on "The Family Health and Home Management". Miss Ordway, the C. W. A. worker, was also present and a special meeting on Children's Clothing was planned for March 1 to be held with Mrs. Lester Hills when Miss Ordway will be present and assist in clothing problems.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hayes and son of Waitsfield and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hayes and son of Moretown were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker Sunday.

Harry Walker is staying in Waitsfield assisting Harold Hayes for a time.

The Misses Myrtle and Eva Webster of Waitsfield were guests at the home of Roy Webster Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hayes of Waitsfield were callers at Fred Walker's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lamson have moved to Danville where Mr. Lamson has employment.

Mrs. Martha Hutchins has been quite ill with the grippe.

Mrs. James Collins of Riverton was a caller in town Monday.

The Valentine Party held at the South Duxbury school house Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Parent Teacher Association was not largely attended because of the severely cold weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Preston visited friends in Barre Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Webster spent the weekend in Waitsfield with her sisters, Myrtle and Eva.

Mrs. E.C. Harvey is suffering an attack of sciatica.

Miss Grace Harvey of Montpelier spent the weekend at her home here.

Donald Flanders visited friends in Johnson Sunday.

At the regular meeting of Dillingham Grange Thursday evening the following program was in charge of Mrs. Margaret Patneade: Roll Call, "Quotations from Washington or Lincoln"; Song, "Old Black Joe," Grange; Reading, "Washington," Catherine Patneade; Song, "Massa's In the Cold, Cold Ground," Grange; Heading, "Growing Up In A Cabin," Doris Atwood; Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," Grange; Poem, "George Washington," by Edgar Guest, Alice DeForge; Poem on Lincoln, Mrs. Margaret Patneade; Poem on Lincoln, Mrs. Lena Goodheart. The mystery package went to James Clifton.

Dillingham Grange will serve dinner at the town hall on March meeting day.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Robertson has been named Irene Josephine.

The Misses Eva and Myrtle Webster of Waitsfield and Pearl Webster of Moretown were guests at the home of Roy Webster Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sherman are the parent of a son born Saturday morning.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Currier Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perry of Moretown were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Webster Sunday evening.

The South Duxbury Parent Teacher Association met Friday evening with a good attendance. The following program was given by the school 'In charge of Miss Charlotte Barney: Song, "Mt. Vernon Bells") Play, "The First American Flag"; Recitation, "The Example"; Dialogue, "The Truth"; Play, "An Evening at Mount Vernon"; Dialogue, "Good Little George"; Song, "To Washington": ' Reading, "Washington and Lincoln": Play . "Abe Lincoln"; Song, "America," all.

The South Duxbury School with other young people of the neighborhood hiked up Dowsville Brook on Washington's Birthday and cooked dinner over an open fire, toasting marshmallows and frankfurts. A very enjoyable day is reported by all.

Mrs. Urban Parizo spent Thursday in Burlington with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Childs.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Reagan of Moretown are the par-

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ents of a daughter born at the Jackman Sanitarium Saturday night, Feb. 24. The child weighed seven pounds and ten ounces and has been named Patricia Lois Reagan.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Morse moved to their new home on Union St in Waterbury Monday. Miss Maude McMullen will board with them until her rooms in the E.J. Colby home on Union Street are ready for occupancy later in the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon McNall visiting relatives in Burlington Thursday.

Mrs. Margaret Lavanway has been quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy Pelkey.

Mrs. Alvira Munson of Waterbury spent the weekend with relatives on Crossett Hill.

Harry Harvey was a business visitor in Montreal Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Towne was ill with distemper last week.

Friend Barney of Montpelier Seminary was at home over the weekend.

Eugene Sherman spend the weekend with Ernest Sherman.

Mrs. Morton Driscoll is in Moretown caring for Mrs. Meridan Grandfield and her infant son who was born Thursday.

Miss Greta Sherman of Waterbury spent Sunday with her parents.

Miss Irene Harvey of Burlington spent the weekend at her home here. A classmate in Trinity College, Miss Kay Guibert was her guest over the weekend.

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Miss Edna Dubie of Barre is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Pelkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Urban Parizo visited relatives in Burlington Sunday evening.

Mrs. Frank Callahan has been ill with tonsillitis.

Mrs. Ida French, who has been employed at the home of Al Morse, is staying for a short time with her sister, Mrs. Phoebe Downing.

Three men in the employ of C.W. A. worked in the Town Clerk's Office three days last week looking up town records in connection with the Farm Loan Aid. They have returned this week and will probably continue this work for several days.

### March 7, 1934

There was a record attendance at Duxbury Town Meeting Tuesday, the largest number of votes cast being 115. The following officers were elected: Moderator, Homer Kennedy; Town Clerk, Inda Donovan. There were four candidates for Selectman, Howard Kennedy, E.C. Harvey, Bart Sherman and Jesse Young. There were four ballots before the election was made. The first ballot stood, Kennedy 41, Harvey 25, Sherman 19, Young 14. The second ballot Kennedy 45, Harvey 35, Sherman 15, Young 11. Third ballot, Kennedy 54, Harvey 49, Sherman 7. Fourth ballot Kennedy 55, Harvey 60, giving the election to Harvey. Lester Hills was elected School Director and Homer Kennedy Lister for three years; Road Commissioner, Walter Robertson; Treasurer, Inda Donovan; Auditor, Lula Preston who resigned and Ruth Phillips was elected for the vacancy; Overseer of the Poor, Howard Kennedy; Agent to prosecute and defend suits, George Jackman; Town Grand Juror, Fred Ravlin who resigned and Evalina Breen was elected to fill the vacancy; Tax Collector, Harold Morse; Constable Harold Morse. It was voted to give the American Legion ten dollars to help in the observance of Memorial and Armistice Days. The question of purchasing a truck and snow equipment was largely discussed and a ballot was called for which resulted in the following vote: for the truck, against

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28. It was voted to raise a tax of \$3.50 to be divided thus: Schools, \$1.50; maintenance \$1.40 and 10c for improvement on the two unimproved schools, Crossett Hill and North Duxbury; 50c for roads and \$1.50 for State, County and general. Dillingham Grange served dinner netting somewhat over ten dollars. The vote on liquor was 48 against and 39 for.

**March 14, 1934**

The regular meeting of the Duxbury Corner Parent Teacher Association was held in the school house Wednesday afternoon following school with thirty-five present. Timothy Callahan, Doris Davis and Paul Howland were the winners in a speaking contest among the pupils of the Grammar room and each was presented a box of fruit. The cake and wash cloths were sold for 93 cents. The ladies are to make holders for sale.

At the annual town meeting in Calais, E. Huntley Palmer, a native of this town was elected Tree Warden. Calais was one of the first towns to have a town forest in which there is much interest also of enlarging of same in that town. Mr. Palmer is now listed under the State Forest Service as one of the District Foresters and also one of the Agents under Federal Co-operation on Blister Rust Eradication. While his headquarters have been in St. Johnsbury for two years past, he is at his home in East Calais weekends and keeps his residence there. Mr. Palmer comes naturally by his interest in town affairs having been born and spending his early manhood in the Duxbury Town Clerk's Office, his grandfather, E. W. Huntley, having been Town Clerk for many years and in later years his mother holding the office. This interest in the Town Forest will be along the line of his State work.

George Morse, who has been very ill since Sunday evening, remains about the same.

Alec Lawrence went to his home in Essex Wednesday because of illness. Howard Welch is assisting at J.J. Breen's in his absence.

Mrs. Lewis Welch has been spending a few days in Waterbury with her mother, Mrs. Ellen Collins.

Mrs. Reginald Densmore of Burlington is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Crossett Shonio.

Ed Morse, of Moretown was in town Wednesday to see his brother, George Morse. Thursday Mr. Morse's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Church of Richmond were here to see him.

Twenty-two pupils of the Rock Bridge School are being served hot lunches every day during the winter term through the co-operation of the parents and teacher. The menu is varied each day. Vegetable soup, cocoa, chowder, baked beans, potatoes, dried beef gravy and macaroni are among the dishes which are been served.

Elizabeth Morse, a pupil of Rock Bridge School has been chosen by spelling tests to be the alternate speller to represent Moretown in the county spelling contest.

The South Duxbury Home Bureau held a special meeting Thursday, March 1, at the home of Mrs. Lester Hills. Miss Ordway, the CWA worker, was present and gave valuable assistance in making children's clothing, with also many excellent ideas along this line. Several garments were worked on and many patterns were cut. The dinner consisted of baked beans, greens, salads, sandwiches, jello, cookies pie and coffee. There were eleven ladies present.

Mark Eastman has been suffering with several cracked ribs received when dressing a sore foot on his horse.

Miss Dorothy Kennedy of Duxbury, a Junior at the University of Vermont, has been appointed Women's editor of the Vermont Cynic, a student newspaper of the University.

The Civil Works Administration (CWA), created in the fall of 1933 and disbanded the following spring, was the first, public employment experiment of the New Deal. At its peak in January of 1934, CWA employed approximately four million workers. The program initiated many projects that later were absorbed by the Works Progress Administration (WPA, 1935 to 1941). Perhaps most importantly, CWA took several million relief recipients off of the federal "dole" and gave them employment and regular wages.

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There were twenty-three ladies in attendance at the meeting of the Duxbury Home Bureau Thursday at the home of Mrs. Evalena Breen. Miss Frances Metcalf was present and in the forenoon gave a talk on the "Selection of Men's Clothing." The dinner consisted of vegetable hash, escalloped corn, cabbage salad, cold sliced ham, meat loaf, rolls, graham bread, cookies, cake, pies, cottage cheese, coffee. The business meeting was opened with the song, "Carry Me Back To Old Virginny." Mrs. Hazel Howland reported that two hundred yards of government cloth, which was the allotment for Duxbury, had been turned over to the Home Bureau to be used for the needy. Mrs. Hills reported six dresses made for welfare work. It was voted to entertain the Waterbury Center and South Duxbury groups sometime during the early summer and Mrs. Inda Donovan, Mrs. May Dillingham and Mrs. Minnie Towne were appointed a committee to make arrangements for same. During the afternoon Miss Metcalf pressed a suit giving many helpful suggestions along that line. Patterns were cut for a pad to be used in pressing.

There will be a special meeting with Mrs. Carrie Harvey March 28 when Miss Ordway, CWA worker, will be present to assist in making children's clothing. As we are not to have the meetings planned on "Tailoring" ladies may bring any tailoring problems to this meeting. Each lady is requested to bring her own lunch. Coffee will be served by the hostess. The date of the sugar party with Mrs. Lester Hills will be announced later.

The Red School has not been in session for several days because of the illness of the teacher, Miss Ruth Phillips.

Mrs. Fred Walker was a guest at the home of her father, G. L. Hayes of Middlesex Monday afternoon.

Clarence Dunster has moved from what is known as the Lewis Morse place to the Shonio tenement "house on Crossett Hill last occupied by Milford Durett.

Walter Robertson is quite ill with the grippe.

Mrs. Reginald Densmore, who was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Crossett Shonio for a week, returned to her home in Burlington today.

Mrs. Crossett Shonio and daughter, Marjorie, spent the weekend in Burlington with relatives.

The following St. Patrick's program was given at the, regular meeting of Dillingham Grange March 8: Roll Call, "What Impresses Me Most In the First and Second Degrees"; Solo, "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," Frank Griffin; two songs by the Grange; Several readings and Irish Jokes; Game, "The Pig Artist," the prize being won by James Clifton. There was a rehearsal last Thursday evening in preparation for inspection. Mrs. Margaret Patneau, Mrs. Edward Goodheart, Claude Phillips and Frank Griffin were appointed a committee to arrange for a sugar party in the near future.

Hot lunches have been very successfully served at the Duxbury Corner school since the first of December to between thirty-five and forty pupils. Hot cocoa made with milk has been served everyday and some, other hot dish nearly every day. Much credit is due the teacher and to the co-operation of the mothers who have made this possible. It has not been necessary to purchase anything for these lunches, everything having been contributed.

The Merry Heart 4-H Club of Moretown met Saturday, March 10, with Mrs. Homer Clough. The roll call was on "Something I Have In 4-H Club and Have Enjoyed Doing," Irene. Stewart gave a talk on "Shoes and Hosiery." After the business meeting the girls continued with their embroidery. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, cake and cocoa were served. The club will meet with Mrs. Herman, Stewart Saturday, March 24.

Mrs. Evalena Breen and three children and the Misses Evelyn and Margaret Kellett were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Kellett of Winooski.

Miss Dorothy Abare is working for Mrs. Kenneth Graves on Kneeland Flats.

April 1 is the last day for dog licenses. All dogs must be licensed on or before that date. From April 1 to May 15 the license may be paid with an added penalty of fifty per cent. This makes a \$2.00 license become \$3.00 and a \$6.00 license becomes \$9.00. After May 15 dogs not licensed are turned over to the dog catcher.

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Richard Louizell, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Willam Louizell. entertained six of his little friends Wednesday afternoon in honor of his sixth birthday. The little people played games and had a jolly time and a nice supper was served by Mrs. Louizell.

A number of friends and relatives of Mrs. Margaret Lavanway visited her Thursday, March 8, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy Pelkey, in honor of her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. Mrs. Lavanway received a number of nice gifts and a birthday cake was made by Mrs. Charles Pelkey.

Miss Mary Farrand, is very ill with pneumonia at the home of David Turner. Miss Marjorie Stevens, R. N., of Waterbury Center and Miss Hattie Miller, R. N., of Waterbury are caring for her. Miss Farron has been the housekeeper in the Turner home for a number of years. Her sister, Miss Theresa Farron, is assisting in the home.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Clark have been ill for the past week with the distemper.

Crossett Shonio visited his father, Philip Shonio, at the Mary Fletcher Hospital Friday. Mr. Shonio had an operation on his leg Thursday about two inches of bone being removed. A jagged splinter of bone left from a previous operation was found. This was probing the flesh and has probably been the cause of the continued trouble.

The Vice-President of the Duxbury Homo Bureau, whose duty it is to keep the clothing records for the year, requests every member to be ready at each meeting to report the sewing done during the month. Every member is also urged to carefully keep her canning record as it is only by so doing that a creditable showing of the year's work can be made in the annual report called for at the end of the year.

Miss Ruth Phillips has been very ill with an abscess.

Schools in town closed Friday for a three weeks' vacation.

Miss Ruby Pelkey has finished work in Barre and is at her home on Crossett Hill.

Clair Sherman, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sherman, has been very ill but is now thought to be on the gain.

J.J. Breen, who has been having a severe cold, developed bronchitis the last of the week and was quite sick for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Morse and daughter, Barbara spent the weekend in St. Albans where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Goad.

Mrs. Lizzie Chesley of Montpelier was a guest of the Misses Helen and Daisy Haseltine.

The Misses Evelyn Orton and Alida Fairbanks of Burlington were weekend guest of the former's brother, Oliver Orton, at the Couching Lion Farm.

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Mrs. George Howland entertained at a supper party Thursday evening, March 22, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edison Foss of Waterbury in honor of the eighteenth birthday of her son, Wayne. This came as a complete surprise to Wayne who was hurriedly called to Waterbury to go with others to Montpelier to the play tournament. Running into his grandmother's for supper before starting he found sixteen of his friends gathered around the table for supper. A very pleasant evening was spent. The young man's guests presented him a suede jacket and money. He also received other nice gifts and money. A beautifully decorated birthday cake was made by Mrs. Foss.

Mrs. Evalena Breen attended the District One Act Play Tournament in Montpelier Thursday evening.

Mrs. R. J. Dillon was a guest of her sister, Miss Alice Hannon, of Burlington, Saturday.

Many reports are coming in of deer being chased and killed by dogs. Two deer were found on Slip Hill Sunday morning by Game Wardens and a third one which was chased down the hill onto the river was so badly injured it had to be killed. The same day a deer exhausted and in starving condition was found on the ice in the river near Duxbury Corner and was taken by George Howland to Lyndon McNall's barn where it was fed and attempts were made to save its life but the animal died Sunday night. People owning dogs should make sure they are kept where they cannot chase the deer at this time when so many are in the open searching for food.

Miss Dorothy Abare has finished work for Mrs. Kenneth Graves.

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Mrs. Phoebe Downing and her daughter Blanche, were guests of Mrs. Esther Downing, of Middlesex over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Miller of Waterbury and Mrs. Leonard Wilmott of Northfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ermont Lawrence Sunday.

Burton Hart has deeded the balance of the Allen pasture on Crossett Hill of which he was owner to Mr. and Mrs. Al Morse.

Bobby and Clyde Morse are spending the week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Batchelder, of Plainfield.

James Collins and family of Riverton were guests of Mrs. Evalena Breen Sunday.

At the regular meeting of Dillingham Grange Thursday evening the fourth degree was exemplified for inspection by Deputy Warren D. Walker of Montpelier. Mrs. Walker was also present.

Friend Barney of Montpelier Seminary is spending Easter vacation at his home in North Duxbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ladd were visitors in Waterbury Center Sunday. Their little son Wendall, spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Webster.

Mrs. Evalena Breen and daughter Mary and Miss Evelyn Kellett were in Burlington Saturday and were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Kellett of Winooski.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Whittier of Hancock and Eugene Sherman of North Duxbury were guests of Ernest Sherman over the weekend.

Douglas Safford of Burlington was a guest at the home of Lyndon McNall Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lavanway are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lamson of Plainfield and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Sly of Cabot.

The Misses Irene Harvey of Trinity College, Ruth Harvey of Mount St. Mary's Academy and Grace Harvey of St. Michael's School are at home for Easter vacation.

Joe Barney was a visitor in Burlington Sunday.

The Rock Bridge school closed Friday for a four weeks' vacation.

Howard Sherman is working for Clayton Phillips through sugaring.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Abare visited relatives in Northfield Sunday.

Saturday is the last day for paying dog taxes.

Mrs. Clarence Kew, who has been convalescing at the Jackman Sanatorium returned to her home in Waterbury Monday evening.

Mrs. Ida French is working for Mrs. Fred Warren of Waterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morse both to be much better at this writing. They quietly observed their 54th wedding anniversary at their home at Duxbury Corner Tuesday.

Mrs. Carrie Harvey of Waterbury Center spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Grout.

Harold Harvey and family of Waterbury spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Grout.

Harold Harvey and family of Waterbury were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Harvey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Preston and Donald Flanders were visitors in Burlington Friday.

Timothy Callahan was a guest of his sisters, Mrs. E. R. Hayes and Mrs. Raymond Reagan of Moretown over the weekend.

Miss Jean Harvey is spending part of her vacation in Montpelier with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Shambo.

Mrs. Frank Dunn has received word of the death of her brother, Frank Sheridan who has been a frequent visitor here.

**Nellie W. Ravlin, Reporter  
February 22, 1945**

Mrs. Florence Jewett entertained the Duxbury Corner Home Demonstration Group Thursday with Mrs. Bessie Akey and Mrs. Josephine Ayers as co-hostesses. There were 14 members and five guests present. A delicious dinner was served followed by a business meeting which opened with the Vermont Homemaker Creed, the flag salute and roll call. Health notes will be the subject for the roll call at the next meeting. The proceeds from the mystery package were \$1.60. The President, Mrs. Marion Davis, told something of the Farm Bureau Hospital Expense Insurance.

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Mrs. Davis also gave an interesting account of her trip to Chicago where she attended the National Farm Bureau convention. A guessing game was conducted by Mrs. Jewitt. After closing the meeting with the Farm Woman's Prayer, Miss Ann Hamel, Waterbury District Health Nurse, was introduced. Miss Hamel is to conduct a class in Home Nursing for three meetings. At this first meeting she took as her subject "Bedside Care", which included the bathing of a patient and the making of the bed with the patient in it. This was an interesting and helpful demonstration.

Pfc. Howard Welch, who has been in a Medical Training Battalion in Ft. Lewis, Washington has now been transferred to a General Hospital in Ft. Lewis.

Ermine Griffith, who stayed for about a week with his daughter, Mrs. Nelson Russell of Plainfield after leaving Barre City Hospital where his right leg was amputated has returned to his home in South Duxbury. It is reported that he is getting along well.

Miss Maxine Harvey of Terryville, Conn. Has been home for a few days vacation.

Schools in town closed Friday for a vacation of a week.

Miss Amy Bassett, Miss Ruth Sherwood and Miss Cecile Bedard, who have done five weeks of practice teaching in the Corner and Red schools returned to their respective homes in Barre, Northfield and Northfield Falls Friday.

The Duxbury Corner Schools were entertained at Valentine parties in their rooms Wednesday. Games were enjoyed. The feature of the occasion was the Valentine boxes. Lunch and candy were served. The Grammar School presented the practice teacher, Miss Amy Bassett, a gift.

The Crossett Hill School enjoyed a Valentine Party Friday afternoon.

Miss Ramona Dalley entered the DeGosbriand Hospital in Burlington Monday for a goiter operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dunn have received word that their son, Richard Dunn, a supply truck driver in Belgium has been promoted to a corporal.

Mrs. Gladys Wrisley, Mrs. Pearl Williams and Miss Ruth Phillips entertained their practice teachers, Miss Amy Bassett, Miss Ruth Sherman and Miss Cecile Bedard at dinner at the Tavern Thursday night followed by an evening at the movies.

Miss Lucille Seaver, Shirley and Hildreth Seaver of Middlesex and Mrs. Erskine Seaver of Springfield were guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dunn Sunday.

Misses Maxine and Marilyn Harvey were visitors in Burlington Saturday.

Mrs. Marshall Clark has moved from the Frank Wagner house to Waterbury.

Mrs. J. R. Arkley has been ill with the prevailing distemper. Another victim has been Robert Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams who have been living with Mr. and Mrs. Clement Allen this winter have gone to the home of their son, Don Williams in Waterbury.

A dinner party in honor of three birthdays was given at the home of Victor Holt Sunday, those of Mr. Holt, Feb. 22, his daughter, Mrs. Delmer Woodard, Feb. 21, and his granddaughter, Betsy Jean Holt, Feb. 20. Mr. and Mrs. Woodard of Ludlow were weekend guests and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Holt and daughter, Betsy Jean, were Sunday guests. The three who were honored received nice gifts and two beautiful birthday cakes were a feature of the dinner.

Harold Lewis and daughter, Arlene of Middlesex spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lewis.

Pfc. Albert Mears, U.S.M.C. and Mrs. Mears of Brunswick, Me., have been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Rathburn in North Duxbury. Pfc. Mears is stationed at the Naval Air Base in Brunswick.

Frank Carpenter has returned to his home in Waitsfield after a visit at the home of his grandson, Walter Carpenter.

S.J. Demo has been quite ill.

Mrs. John Coughlin spent several days last week in Burlington.

Mrs. Minnie Morse, Mrs. Ida Kelty and Mrs. Howard Danyew and son, Stanton, were in Moretown Monday at the home of William Johnson because of the illness of Edgar Morse who was taken to the Barre City Hospital that day. Miss Ruth Phillips is staying with Mrs. Johnson for a few days.

Constance, the one year old daughter of Pvt and Mrs. Howard Sherman is ill with bronchial pneumonia. Other children in the family are also ill.

Mrs. Howard Morse is spending a few days in Winooski with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank because of her mother's illness.

Miss Maxine Harvey, returned to her teaching duties in Terryville, Conn., Monday after a few days vacation spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morehouse of Barre were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Coffrin.

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Rev. Hendrey preached here last Sunday.

Mrs. George Morse has been quite ill with tonsillitis.

Frank Lewis who has been quite sick is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Fargo have returned from Huntington.

C. G. Kennedy of Stanbridge is visiting at Charles Kennedy's.

Mrs. Lena Freeman was in St. Albans and Montreal last week.

George Conant who has been working in Wolcott, has returned home.

Frank Smith and wife of Starksboro visited Mrs. S.J. Luce last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey and Lottie Wrisley of Concord, N. H., recently visited Mrs. Harvey's father George Carleton.

Agnes McGrath closed a very successful term of school here last Saturday afternoon. Those having no tardy or absent marks are Ellanora and Gertrude Conant, Minnie Baldwin, Martha Baldwin, Ethel Martin, Ruth Martin, Dorothy Martin, Minnie Woodward, Horace Baldwin, Ezra Conant, Arthur Martin, and Clark Young. Beatrice Roby, Lenora Woodward and Verd Woodward were absent only one day and Lynn Lewis only two days.

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Ichabod Thomas is not as well.

Charles Dalton was in town Sunday.

Patrick Delhanty is confined to the bed again.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. E. Grover of Essex Junction visited friends here recently.

Mrs. Frank Lewis is very sick with acute dilation of the heart.

Vernon Fargo has been working at the Consolidated plant for the last few days.

Mrs. Eva Grace visited here a few days before going to her new home in Richford.

Miss Edith Kennedy closed another very successful term of school at South Duxbury last week. She returned to her home Wednesday.

The many friends of Mrs. Orin Atwood received news of her death with much sorrow. In her home there is one gone who was a kind wife and mother and her many friends have lost one who was ever willing and ready to go and help through sickness and trouble. Her many deeds will never be forgotten.

Sleep on, beloved, sleep, and take thy rest;

Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast;

We loved thee well, but Jesus loved thee best;

Goodnight - Good luck

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Tom Hoy was at home over Sunday.

Warren Roby has commenced work for W. R. Elliott.

Miss Annie Dalton of Montpelier visited Lena Freeman last week.

Miss Blanche DeForge of Concord, N.H., was in town last Monday.

Ichabod Thomas is not as well. He has the sympathy of many friends

The children in this place at Christmas time were remembered by W. R. Strickland by a bag of candy.

Mrs. Jessie Callahan and Mrs. Alba Durkee were in Burlington last week. Mrs. Callahan reports that her little daughter at the hospital is doing nicely and come home this week.



## WE NEED REPORTERS



We need help producing the newsletter. It takes a lot of time and research to produce the newsletter and we are recruiting your help. If you have an idea for a story and are willing to do some research we really could use the assistance. It doesn't have to be a whole newsletter, just a page or two. For those that don't like to write you can just research and outline the story or list the information for someone else to write up. Digging up some information or tracking down a photo is a tremendous help. Recollections of events that happened, businesses that were or characters that lived in the community that you are willing to share are a great contribution to the newsletter. Please consider donating some time to making the newsletter a success. Please participate in the challenge below by filling in the blanks bringing it to a meeting. Contact Donnie Welch or Maureen Harvey if you have ideas or information you are willing to share.

## NEWSLETTER CHALLENGE - BIOGRAPHIES

We know that you have connections to the Duxbury community so you probably had relatives that resided here. Please dig out a photo and jot down a few thoughts on your relatives.

Date Born \_\_\_\_\_ Date Died \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation and hobbies \_\_\_\_\_

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Mannerisms and Expressions \_\_\_\_\_

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Town office or employment held \_\_\_\_\_

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Where they lived in Duxbury \_\_\_\_\_

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Don't stop here - get a sheet of paper and add any information that you would like to share.

## NEWSLETTER CHALLENGE - THEN AND NOW

Do you live in an older home in Duxbury? If you have a photo of your home in years gone by please dig it out and let us make a copy and let us know of a good time to take a photo of it as it is today.

Location of the house \_\_\_\_\_

Family currently residing there \_\_\_\_\_

Families that have resided there before \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate year that the house was built \_\_\_\_\_

Structural Changes and additions over the years \_\_\_\_\_

Events and history (i.e. fires, floods, home to a business or event) \_\_\_\_\_

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CROSSETT BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL - 7 PM

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