January 6, 1927

Mrs. Sarah Woodman passed away at the home of her son, Charles W. Woodman, in Claremont, N.H., last week, after a short illness of pneumonia. The funeral was held at Amesbury last Thursday afternoon.

Four Pupils of the North Lee school have a record of perfect attendance for the fall term. Elizabeth Ellison, Chester Ellison, Mildred McDaniel and Winston Caldwell.

Frank Young has been very ill with pneumonia.

Herbert Dodge and family of Reading, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George McDaniel last Sunday.

William Ellison is moving his mill to the Charles Dame lot in Nottingham, which has been purchased by Hale & Twombly.

January 20, 1927

The Otyokwa Girls' Club will hold a box party at Lee town hall, Saturday evening, Jan. 22. Every lady will please bring a box with lunch for two.

February 10, 1927

The Otyokwa Club held its weekly meeting at the Old Hale Farm, as usual, last Saturday. They are planning this Friday evening to have their meeting at the home of Miss Imogene Simonds, where they will have a valentine party among themselves after their meeting.

There has been, in the past week, several cases of influenza. Some of the unlucky were Sidney Davis, Clare E. Ellison, Mary MacRae and Gladys Jones, also some pupils in the North Lee school have had slight attacks.

We have heard that Benton Layne has moved his saw mill to Hoitt's Crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Menter have a new Pontiac sedan.

Ice harvesting is being done at Turtle Pond this week by Mr. Phair, Ellsworth Garrity, Warren Sawyer and Chester Ellison. They report that the ice is fifteen inches thick and very clear.

The Deputation Team from the University last Sunday was very interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Durgin were visitors in Haverhill, Mass., last Monday.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Lee will meet with Mrs. Granville Thompson, Thursday, Feb. 10.

Among the visitors in Dover last week were Alphonso Jones, Mrs. Fred. C. York, Mrs. Helen Thompson, Mrs. Granville Thompson and Mrs. Sidney Davis.
February 17, 1927

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dodge and family of Reading, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George McDaniel over Sunday.

The Missionary Society met with Mrs. Granville Thompson last Thursday afternoon. Plans were discussed for the remainder of the year. Dainty refreshments were served. The meeting will be with Mrs. Alice Sawyer on March 10.

Mrs. William Carpenter is out of town for two weeks.

Mrs. Robert Thompson has a new telephone installed.

Mrs. John Stevens was the guest of her mother, Mrs. George James, one day last week.

Ethel Davis, who has been in the hospital, is now at her home in Greenfield, N.H.

Mrs. Nellie Libby from Boston, Mass., is visiting Mrs. Robert Thompson.

Lewis Ellison has moved his sawmill from the Frank Randall lot in Lee to the Stephen Chesley lot in Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fernald visited George Sherburne of Northwood last Sunday afternoon.

The Pioneers’ Club did not meet last Saturday because of several of the boys being sick.

Last Friday evening Otyokwa Club held a very pleasant Valentine party at Miss Imogene Simmons’.

Sidney Davis is still ill with the influenza.

Mrs. Chester Ellison received many congratulations, February 14th, on her birthday.

Woodbury Sherburne is hauling logs from the Bartlett lot to Layne’s mill at Hoitt’s crossing.
February 24, 1927

George P. James is keeping the Mast Road well broken out this winter.

Noland James has been unable to attend school lately, because of illness.

Miss Bagley, the Center school teacher, spent the holiday at her home in Maine.

Walter D. Smith, who has been ill with heart trouble, is somewhat better now.

Miss Evangeline Durgin, who has been home over the short college recess, returned to the University last Monday night.

Word was received last week from Mrs. Mary A. Dearborn, formerly of Lee, who is now in Bowling Green, Florida. She writes that the weather is nice. In the daytime the temperature is 70 degrees, although the nights are cold, and wishes all her friends in Lee were there too.
March 3, 1927

Mrs. Alice Sawyer is away visiting for a few days in Lynn and Boston, Mass.

Miss Gladys Jones is still unable to return to school.

Mrs. Robert Thompson is spending three weeks in Boston.

Ellsworth Garrity spent the week-end in Newmarket.

Katherine Jones visited her mother, Mrs. Belle Garrity, last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hardy are rejoicing over the birth of a son. Mrs. Hardy was formerly of Lee.

Miss Pauline Johnson is home on a week’s vacation.

The Pioneer and Otywoka Clubs have not been able to meet for the last two weeks as the weather and traveling has been unsuitable.

David B. Bartlett was a visitor in Manchester last Friday.

Lucille Wiggin spent Sunday with her grandmother in Madbury.

Roland Haines is cutting wood for George James.

Town meeting, Tuesday, March 8.

Deputy Sheriff Andrew McDaniel was in town on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fogg spent Sunday with Mr. Fogg’s parents.

Horace Caverno was a visitor in Durham this week.

The recent storm blew over two telephone poles in the yard of Mrs. Louis Snell.
March 10, 1927

The annual town meeting was held last Tuesday and the following officers elected: Town clerk, Fred P. Comings; selectman for three years, Walter W. Plumer, tax collector, Helen H. Thompson, treasurer, Mark L. Mills, highway agent, northside, Seth W. Sherburne, centre, John H. Currier, southside, William A. Carpenter, Auditors, James B. Walker, Nellie J. Durgin. Voted to raise $1000 for trunk line, $900 for state and maintenance, $500 for Mast Road and $1500 for general expenses. Also voted to build cement bridge on northside, known as the Fernald Bridge.

School meeting will be held Tuesday, March 22, at the town hall at 2 P.M.

Mr. and Mrs. David B. Bartlett entertained company from Colorado over the week-end.

Miss Grace Hill returned to her school in Andover last Sunday, after a week’s vacation spent with her brother, Horace G. Hill.

Mrs. Stephen E. Dixon and little daughter, Ruth Anna, of Milton, N.H., were the guests of her son, Elmer, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ellison last week.

Warren Sawyer was a visitor in Boston last Saturday.

Mrs. Alice Sawyer and son, Warren, attended the funeral of Mrs. Sawyer’s brother, John Little of Franklin, N.H. last Sunday.
March 17, 1927

Robert Keniston, while chopping in the woods Tuesday, cut a cord in his foot. He was alone at the time, but managed to get home, where a doctor was summoned.

Mrs. Arthur Thompson and family spent Wednesday in Concord.

Rev. Mr. Smith of Durham substituted for Rev. Mr. Barker at the church here last Sunday.

Mrs. James B. Walker spent a few days this week with her daughter, Marion, at Wellesley College.

Will Carpenter was called at 2 o’clock Wednesday morning to haul out a car stuck in the mud near his residence.

James Bean of Newton, N.H., was in Lee last week, looking at farms. During his stay here he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George James and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ellison and other friends.

The Ladies’ Missionary Society met at Mrs. Alice Sawyer’s Thursday, March 10. Refreshments were served and a very delightful time was had by all.

The Pioneer Club met last Saturday afternoon at Mrs. Helen Wiggin’s. There were twelve members present. After the regular program was over, the boys built a fire by the river, where they toasted frankforts. Then the leader’s brother, Wayne Dixon, spoke to the boys on the subject, “Certified Milk.” The lunch was given by Mrs. Wiggin and Mrs. Durgin.

Horace Caverno has recently sold his farm in Barnstead, N.H., to a Mr. Clark.

The selectmen went to Dover Monday on business.

Mrs. Simonds returned home last Saturday.
March 24, 1927

Mrs. Maud Page, who has been living in Exeter, is stopping with her father, Alonzo James.

The N.E.M.P.A held its meeting at Lee town hall, March 21. Mr. Brown of Lawrence, District Manager, got stuck in the mud between Exeter and Newmarket and was unable to be at the meeting. He wore out one tire by trying to get out of the mud. Chas. Johnson was chosen secretary and Mr. Phair of Durham, president.

Miss Audrey Spencer spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. Mattie Palmer of Dover.

Edgerton Bloom has been appointed to carry the mail from Lee Depot to the post office. He is to take the place of Will Ryan.

Miss Evangeline Durgin and mother are going to Boston Wednesday for a few days.

The thermometer went up to 113 degrees in the sun last Wednesday at Mrs. Belle Garrity’s.

School meeting was held at the town hall last Tuesday and the following officers elected: Moderator, David B. Bartlett; clerk, Fred P. Comings, member of school board for three years, Florence F. Caldwell, auditors, Ethel D. Thompson and Nellie J. Durgin. Voted to raise $5263 for school purposes.

Miss Gertrude Steele of Boston is the guest of Mrs. Kenneth Fogg this week.

David Fogg is painting the buildings of William Caldwell.

George McDaniel has one thousand chickens he is caring for.

Mrs. Helen Thompson will return from Boston Saturday.

James Bean of Newton has purchased the Albert Caverno farm.

Mrs. Rebecca Caverno, who has been spending the winter with her children in Boston and vicinity, will return home this week.

Mrs. James Walker went to Brockton last Wednesday.

Work on the trunk line will commence in about a week. James B. Walker will have charge.
March 31, 1927

After June 1 it had been decided to have a settled pastor for the churches of Lee and Madbury.

Mrs. Munroe of Lynn, Mass., is visiting her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Munroe.

Schools will close Friday, April 1, for two weeks.

Miss Flora Spencer and friend were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lavallee and her uncle, George Corson, also her sister, Miss Audrey Spencer.

William Carpenter is scraping the roads.

Mr. Stearns, Secretary of New Hampshire Conference, of Concord, was at Lee Church last Sunday.

Chesley Durgin and Russell Wilkes got a fall while riding a bicycle. Russell caught his foot in the wheel, which caused the fall. Chesley got his face well scarred and Russell received a sprained ankle, but they don’t know whether the bicycle can be repaired or not.

Haven D. Lane is working at a nursery in New York, driving truck there.
April 7, 1927

Bradbury Caswell is very low, and at any time we expect to hear of his death.

Easter Exercises were observed last Friday at South Lee school. The school room was very prettily decorated with Easter eggs and pictures.

Mrs. James Walker and daughter, Marion, and Mrs. Robert Thompson went to Boston Tuesday.

Mr. Jennison and daughter, Bess, with Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson. Mr. Jennison and daughter are going to live at the Buzzell farm this summer.

Mrs. Granville Thompson’s sister, Donna Lewis, is stopping in Chester.

Frank Davis of Portsmouth spent Sunday with his brother, Sidney Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Cammet stopped at the Tuttle farm and called on friends here in town last week.

The committee on the new minister, which consists of Clarence Laughton, Arthur MacDaniel and Alfred Durgin, meet with the Madbury committee at Durham to decide about the new minister.

There will be a box party at Lee town hall, Saturday evening, April 9, at eight o’clock. Every lady bring a box with lunch for two. There will be old-fashioned dancing and games after. It is given by the Girls’ Reserves.

Mr. and Mrs. Delay and friends spent the week-end at Camp Lee.

Miss Winifred Chesley and mother have returned to their home at Wadley’s Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stiles went to Concord to attend the legislature.

Warren D. Sawyer went to Northwood Tuesday.

Alphonse Lavallee is ill with ulcers of the stomach.
April 14, 1927

A surprise party was given for Fred Comings last Monday evening by friends from Lee and Durham. The party brought the treat with them and during the social hour cards were played. When about to leave, the party presented Mr. Comings with a box of 7204 cigars.

The box party was well attended last Saturday night and a good time was had by everyone. A large sum was taken in and Miss Batchelder and the girls all wish to thank the outsiders for their help.

Mrs. Robert Thompson has gone to work for Mr. Dow in Epping.

Mrs. Maud Page has brought the Horace Caverno farm on the Mast road, instead of James Bean of Newton, N.H.

Mrs. Raymond Munroe visited her mother and father in Northwood last Sunday. Her father has been very ill.

Mrs. Etta Munroe is stopping with her son, Raymond, for a while.

The Missionary Society meeting was held at the club room at the old Hale farm last Thursday afternoon.

Warren Sawyer and Harry Hill were in Ipswich, Mass., last Saturday. They saw some of ex-Governor Winant’s Ayrshire stock.

Arthur J. Thompson is confined to the house with the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and John Sherman, also Mr. and Mrs. Granville Thompson, were visitors of Ernest Wardwell of East Kingston.

The whist party was held at Mrs. James Walker’s last Saturday evening. James B. Walker has a new Ford truck.
April 21, 1927

The fire near the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Snell on Thursday, owing to the high wind was a serious one. The house, owned by parties in Somersworth, was destroyed, and a large amount of growth and lumber burned. Only by keeping wet cloths on the roofs of Mrs. Snell’s buildings, with the work of several hundred students, besides many neighbors and friends saved her home. The man who carelessly set the brush fire, during such a gale, was taken to Dover police station for a hearing.

Wallace Stiles was sent this week to bring a valuable animal from Vermont, for the University.

The girls’ club had a Maying party, on Wednesday Hill, Saturday, and secured some beautiful blossoms.

Wallace Stiles likes his new position in the “University” barn, and his employers seem pleased with his work.

Gertrude, Iber and Mary Smith passed Sunday with their parents at home.

Among the many fires was the one in Madbury and Lee. It was started by a brush fire. The house formerly owned by Martha Pierce was destroyed. There were approximately 1500 fire fighters there and 200 watched all night. Sandwiches and hot coffee were served to the night watchers.

Mrs. Jane Plumer observed her ninetieth birthday Tuesday, April 19.

Mrs. Alice Sawyer is at the Wentworth Hospital at Dover, with an infection of the finger. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. E. U. Bloom has a new horse.

The schools began in town Monday.

There was a good attendance at church on Easter Sunday. The books for the year 1926 were distributed among the Sunday school scholars. The new term begins May 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis and family of Newton, Mass., have been spending a few days at the bungalow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Munroe were visitors in town over Sunday.

Much sympathy is being expressed for Mrs. Alice Sawyer who is in the Wentworth Hospital, Dover. One of her fingers has been amputated.

Charles Stackpole spent a few days last week with his niece, Mrs. Clara Frost in Eliot, Maine.

Bradbury Caswell died at his home in Lee Wednesday. The funeral will be held at his late home Saturday afternoon.
April 28, 1927

Troubles never come singly, and while Mrs. Alice Sawyer was in the hospital, suffering from an amputated finger, her chicken house caught fire and burned the 200 baby chicks she had recently purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith are enjoying their new Dodge sedan.

Stanley Dalton, Mrs. Wallace Stiles and Frank Oldham are some of those who have been laid up by illness this past week.

Chester Ellison had callers from Portsmouth Navy Yard Sunday.

George Corson is painting Walter Ellison’s house in Barrington, N.H.

The A.L.A. man is canvassing in Lee, Epping and Durham and other towns near. He is making his home at Dover for the coming week.

Caverly Durgin has been appointed agent for the New Hampshire Mutual Liability Insurance Company for automobiles in Lee, Epping and Nottingham.

Mrs. Ethel Thompson is ill with the mumps.

The Girls’ Club will hold Mothers’ Night at their club room May 6. Refreshments will be served.

Fred D. Bassett of Berwick, Maine, has purchased a nice timber lot of Miss Abbie Scathers of Dover, and is located near Lee Hill.
May 5, 1927

Ben Lang was in town recently.
Miss Bertha Tootill is stopping with Mrs. William Carpenter.

Robert Keniston is at the hospital at Dover, with trouble with his heel, which he cut awhile ago.

Four of the boys in the Pioneer Club are going to South Berwick, Me., Friday, May 13, to the sixth annual Boys’ Conference of the Y.M.C.A. They will return home Sunday night.

Helen Wiggin, who has been sick for the past week, is out again.

There was a bad chimney fire at Bernard Simon’s last Monday.

Alfred Carlson and son spent the week-end with Mrs. Robert Thompson.

Mrs. James Walker is ill with throat trouble.

Mr. Jennerson and daughter have come to the Buzzell place for the summer.

Fred Houston is living at the Connor farm at Wadley’s Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer James were visitors in town last week. They made a call on Mrs. Belle Garrity and family before they returned to their home in Somerville, Mass. Miss Barbara James went back with them.

Clarence Fernald has been sawing wood for George Caverno.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis of Durham called on Mrs. Chester Ellison last Sunday.

The Pioneer Club held clean-up day at the church last Saturday.

The Lee Ladies’ Missionary Society held their meeting at the girls’ club room last Wednesday, after which they went to Durham, where they heard a returned missionary, Mr. Rough of China, speak on missionary work in that country. The next meeting of the society will be held at Mrs. William Caldwell’s Thursday, May 12.

Joseph Ackerman of Portsmouth called on Chester Ellison last Thursday afternoon.

Homer Johnson is working at the Hanson garage at Dover.

Esther Garrity and mother called on Mrs. Alice Sawyer at the Wentworth hospital last Sunday.

Among those that are ill with the mumps this week are Lucille and Marcia Thompson and little Richard at Clarence Laughton’s.

Louise Canney is working for Horace Caverno.
May 12, 1927

Mrs. Emma Corson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry Munroe, for a few days.

Raymond Munroe has purchased the Magnon farm. Warren Sawyer moved their furniture for them last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George McDaniel and family spent Mothers’ Day in Somerville, Mass.

Mrs. Frank Caldwell is the guest of her sister in Malden, Mass., for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sherburne and family called on Clarence Fernald last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rhind and daughter, Ruth, of Farmington called on Chester Ellison and family last Sunday.

Contributions to the Red Cross in aid of the Mississippi flood sufferers should be sent as soon as possible to Mrs. William Caldwell, R.F.D. 5 Dover, chairman of the Lee Red Cross. So far about $60 has been raised. Wake up, Lee, and make it $100.

Curtis P. Simpson passed away Monday night at the age of 85 years, 8 months, 3 days. He had been a resident here for the past 50 years. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home. Interment in Lee Hill cemetery.

The Barn of Gardner Kimball was burned Tuesday night, with a lot of farming tools, etc. The house, "Susanne Cottage," was saved.

Lee Branch, A.R.C., is soliciting funds for the flood sufferers.

Mrs. Lyda Jones was a visitor in town last Sunday.

William Caldwell spent last week with his daughter in Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bartlett went to Manchester Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Randall and family of Fitchburg, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Randall over the week end.

The State Congressional Conference is to be held at Laconia May 13, 14, and 15. A big rally is held the 14th and 15th for the young people. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Durgin are to be sent from the church as delegates and five girls from the Girl Reserve club are to go.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolloff of Winthrop spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson.

The selectmen met Tuesday to see about the cement bridge on the Dover road, by L. Fernald’s.

Eighteen were present at the Mothers’ Night programme held at the Girls Reserve club. Refreshments were served after the meeting, and a good time was had by all.

Mrs. Martha Palmer, sister of George Corson, passed away at the Wentworth hospital last Thursday night. The funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at two o’clock. She is survived by one daughter, Marion.
May 19, 1927

Among those that attended the New Hampshire Annual Congregational Conference at Laconia were Mr. and Mrs. Durgin, who were sent as delegates from Lee, and Miss Clare E. Ellison and Mary MacRae attended the young people’s rally, May 14 and 15 at Laconia.

Chesley Durgin, Russell Wilkes, Herbert Wiggins and Benny Clark attended the annual Y M C A Boys’ Conference of Strafford County at South Berwick, Me. They started from here May 13, and came home May 15, at eleven o’clock at night. Two hundred boys were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Beedy are stopping with Charles Langley for the summer months.

Miss Nora Whitehouse has returned to Alphonso Jones’s for the summer.

Arthur Thompson was taken to the Hayes Hospital for an operation and has been very ill, but is some better now, still the danger point is not quite over.

Mrs. Forrest James has been very ill with a sore throat, and has had to have two abscesses opened on her neck.

A ten dollar check was given by the Girl Reserve Club of Lee for the Mississippi flood sufferers.

The funeral of Curtis P. Stimpson was held at his late residence on Lee Hill, Thursday afternoon, May 12, at two o’clock, Rev. Mr. Barker of Durham officiating. The bearers were four veterans of the World War, Raymond Munroe, Charles Piper, Charles Hobbs and Allen Harvey. Members of the American Legion of Newmarket acted as escort and the G. A. R. service was performed at the grave by Comrade Brackett of Newmarket, assisted by members of the Sons of Veterans. There were many beautiful floral tributes. Mr. Stimpson was born in Durham, Sept. 6, 1842. He served four years in the Civil War, and was a member of the old Northwood G. A. R. Post. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Belle Burnham of Portland, Me.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Goodwin, and three nephews, of York, Me.; three granddaughters and twelve great-grandchildren.
On coming from school, one day last week, a car owned by T. M. Dudley of Concord, and occupied by two girls, in turning out to pass another car, struck Robert Stiles, throwing him under the car and dragging him, causing many bruises and abrasions. They did not stop to inquire if he was injured, even. Dr. Grant cared for the boy’s hurts.

The body of Harry Corson was taken to Lee cemetery for burial last week. A brother and sister in the family have passed away since January.

Lucille and Marion Thompson are stopping with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Durgin, during the serious illness of their father, Arthur Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanders (Marion Dudley Cram Sanders) are to come to the John C. Bartlett [n.d.] farm to take charge of [n.b.]

There was no church service Sunday on account of diphtheria at the Center School, by one of its pupils. The school has been closed but will open again Tuesday. No more cases have developed.
Herbert Wiggins is out of school with a cold.
Mrs. William Carpenter is substituting in the third grade at Newmarket.

Arlene James, who has been very ill with diphtheria, is much better now.
Herbert and Edwin Wiggin have returned from their trip to California. They motored there last November.

A very enjoyable time was had last Friday evening at the dance at the town hall. Another will be held this Friday evening.

Two girls from the Girls Reserves of Lee went to Manchester last week and they took the train at Durham Friday afternoon for Manchester, where they attended the Girl Reserve Conference. They returned home by auto Sunday afternoon. They had a very nice time.

Caverly Durgin went Sunday afternoon with the R.O.T.C. of New Hampshire University to Greeley Park, Nashua, where they camped for three days. They returned Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayo, with the other station agents of the B. & M. R. R., made a trip to Boston last Sunday. Mr. Mayo and wife left here on the 6 o'clock train. Busses were there to take the ladies sightseeing and the men went to East Cambridge to see the new Boston terminal. At 12 o'clock they had a banquet, with singing and speaking. They returned home Sunday evening.

Donald Thompson is in Boston.

Inez Carlson is visiting her aunt at the Buzzell place.

James B. Walker finished at the federal court Tuesday.

The Lee Missionary Society held their meeting Thursday afternoon, May 12, at the home of Mrs. William Caldwell. The next meeting will be June 9, with Mrs. Frank Caldwell. Mrs. George McDaniel will be one of the hostesses.