

News from the Stow Historical Society

A newsletter for all friends of Stow history. Please feel free to pass it along to others who might be interested!

July 24, 2020

# 1920 - 2020

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment: Women's Suffrage

#### Part II

Glimpsing at post WWI Stow

Stow's women nursed townspeople through two bouts of the Spanish Flu in 1918 -1919. Stow's women supported the town as the new decade dawned. The *Hudson News-Enterprise* featured weekly columns for STOW and GLEASONDALE. The paper was the place to read the comings and goings of Stow's residents.

Let's take a look at this era in 1919.

### Advertisements published in the Hudson News-Enterprise 1918 – 1919



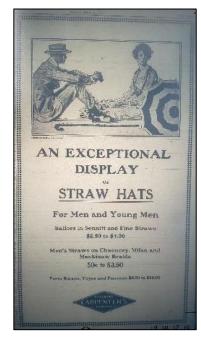
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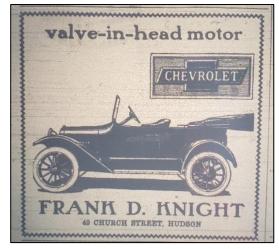


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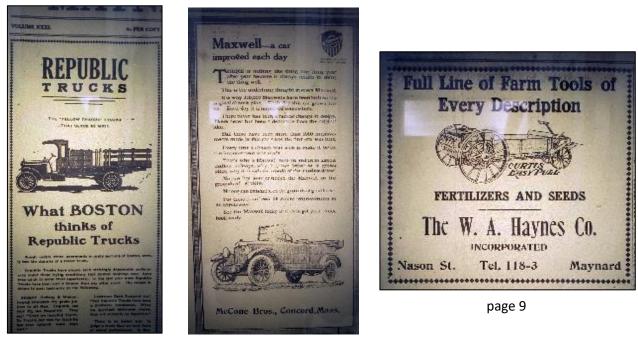


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#### Advertisements published in the Maynard News-Enterprise April 2, 1919

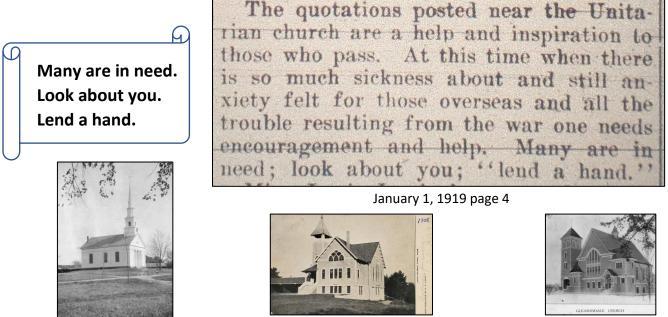


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## The Hudson News-Enterprise

Stow's three churches, Unitarian, Union, and Methodist Episcopal were strong and continually active.



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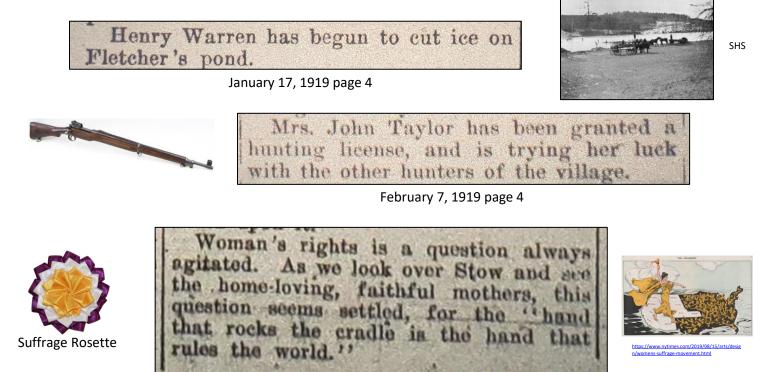


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#### The Hudson News-Enterprise correspondents noted daily life.



February 14, 1919 page 6

Persons having telephones and taking the receiver off and listening when others are talking are liable to lose their phone. It not only hinders the conversation but is a discourtesy practised by few.

#### 1919 Gilson Postcard

February 14, 1919 page 5



Do the persons selling cigarets to minors know the penalty connected with it? Too many of our boys are smoking cigarets and some girls have been seen smoking as well. These evils are not confined to the city by any means.

February 14, 1919 page 6

One of Armour's trucks was unable to climb Hearsey's hill on Wednesday afternoon. The chauffeur backed the truck to the store, where, on examination, some trouble with the engine was found. It was after dark before they got away.

#### February 28, 1919 page 8



Mud Season: Use your imagination! This is NOT a Stow photo.

There are several bad places in the roads of Stow. One place is by Herbert Marshall's corner. Another is where water rushes across the road over Rev. Allen J. Hall's land; also around M. P. Lewis' property. The main road is cut up in a bad condition and unless something is done before long there will be no roads to go on. There is no place now for pedestrians.

March 7, 1919 page 4



Hearsey's Hill

Gleasondale Road's steep

assent from the Village of

Gleasondale North towards

Great Road.





Postcard of Gleasondale and trolley tracks - SHS

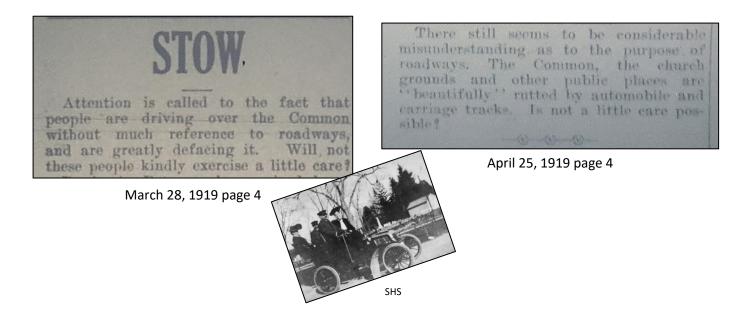
**Elizabeth Taylor, 68, was born in England. She was a merchant, owning a candy store.** Her three daughters registered to vote: Louisa Taylor McCarthy, Lottie Taylor Dwinells, and Mary Taylor Paradise. Monday morning as Mrs. Charles Tayfor was returning to her home, she saw a horse coming toward her at full speed with no driver to guide him. She signalled the electric car, which was just coming on the bridge, to stop, and then threw up her arms to stop the horse. As he hesitated, she seized the bridle and succeeded in stopping him. He was not inclined to go back the way he came, so she led him to the store, where she tied him. On her way home, she met the owner, whose name she did not learn, and directed him where he could find his horse.

March 21, 1919 page 8

The bridges at Gleasondale and Whitman's Crossing have been tested and signs printed and put up. Two new street lights have been installed, one at Brookside avenue and one at Gleasondale bridge.



April 18, 1919 page 4



Some complaint has been made by the villagers that those riding bicycles do not have lights on the wheels after dark. The state law requires lights on all vehicles after dark. Bicyclers take notice.

September 12, 1919 page 8



Great Road, Stow Stow/Trumpolt Family Archives - SHS

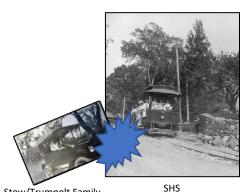


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The members of the Hale high school have been planning all the week on a "strictly high school" ride for today. In case it is pleasant weather, they will go in Mr. Tebbets' truck; their destination was to be decided by vote this morning.

October 3, 1919 page 8

While Misses Lena and Jessie Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Chaptelaine, cousins from Northboro, were on their way to take the trolley to Hudson, early Sunday evening, they were subjected to a painful and annoying accident by being run down by the reckless driving of three Aside from strains and drunken men. bruises and discomfort, the accident was The fortunately not a serious one. driver was arrested by Constable Larson and he with his two companions were summoned to appear in court in Concord the next morning on the charge of drunkenness and reckless driving.



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Lena Lewis registered to vote in 1920. Jessie Lewis registered to vote in 1926.

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**1920: Celebrating Stow's Women Who Registered to Vote** Part III: Gleasondale Ladies Coming July 31, 2020