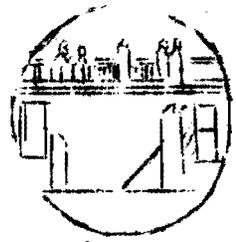


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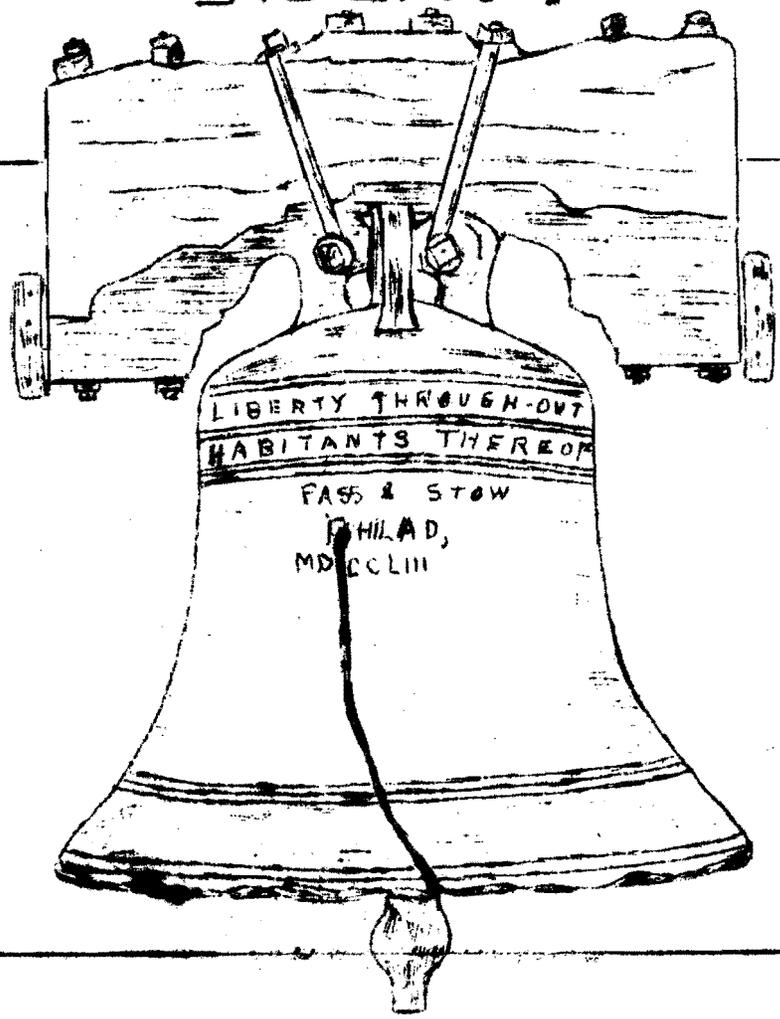
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## LIBERTY



The "Liberty Bell" was first imported from England in 1753. It was cracked at the first ringing after its arrival, and recast in Philadelphia in the same year. Upon the fillets around it were cast the prophetic words, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land, unto all the inhabitants thereof." After the first reading of the Declaration it was rung for more than two hours, with the firing of cannon and the beating of drums. The bell has been broken for many years, and is to be seen in the hallway of the old State-house, Philadelphia.

# SHOREHAM MEN & WOMEN AT WAR

Lt. J. E. Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hughes of Shoreham and New York, was married July 1st to Miss Sue Herriman. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Herriman, 1922 South L street, Fort Smith, Ark. Lt. Hughes and his bride were married at Fort Knox, Ky., in a post chapel, with a group of friends present for the ceremony at which a post chaplain officiated. When Lt. Hughes completes a course at Camp Knox the middle of this month, He and Mrs. Hughes will return to Fort Smith.

Jack Haslett recently received his commission. 2nd Lt. Lt. Haslett has since left for Seattle, Wash., but before he left his wife, Peggy, visited him a few days in Washington, D.C. and waved good bye to him as he left for an extended tour of the West Coast. After his present assignment is through, Lt. Haslett expects to be stationed in Washington, D. C.

Captain James O'Brien is now flying over the "hot spots" in the Mediteranean Theater of War. He was last heard from after being actively engaged in the Pantelleria victory.

Pvt. Jack Hagenah, who has been in sick bay, is recovered and has returned to his outfit.

Pvt. Otto Hagenah went through six scraps in the Mateur, Fouduk, sections and came out unscratched.

It was with no small thrill that we recognized Lt. Lila Seals, Army Nurse, in the foreground of a photograph from Africa in last Sunday's edition of the New York Times. It was topping an article, "The Most Rewarding Work", by 2nd Lt. Sylvia Van Antwerp also a nurse in the same Outfit. However proud we were, it could in no way equal the pride that must be swelling the hearts of her two sisters here in Shoreham, Mrs. Frank Schell, and Miss Margaret Seals. A letter written by Lt. Seals was printed in a past edition of the SHOREHAMITEM covering much of what was said in Lt. Antwerp's article.

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## NEIGHBORS.

Lt. Seldon E. Heatley, Jr. has recently left for Fort Sill, Oklahoma to show 15 of the Army's finest colts. Lt. Heatly has been directly responsible for the condition of these mounts and he was mighty proud to be chosen for this assignment.

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# AROUND THE TOWN



WE  
CERTAINLY  
CAN  
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The ladies of Shoreham have been busy this past week as "all git out" with their summer canning.

Tom Miles very kindly rounded up several bushels of tomatoes which were distributed to various families in the village. Some of the ladies, however, didn't stop with the tomatoes. Blue berries, crab apples, peaches etc. have all found a home in the little glass jars.

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## SONG SERVICE

Mr. Randall Warden will lead the Song Service this Sunday.

The Children's chorus, which has been under the direction of Mrs. Geysa Sarkany, will sing. Mrs. Sarkany will also accompany the hymns.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

Masquerade	Aug. 27	Eve.
Masquerade	Aug. 28	Morn.
Play	Aug. 28	Eve.
Dance Recital	Sept. 3	Eve.

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## RHODA REPORTS

A hilarious time was had by all at the Shoreham Country Club last Saturday Evening.

Departing from the usual formal program of entertainment seen at previous Club dances, the Entertainment Committee provided a "Lucky Number" dance which was won by Maxine Barnhart and Gilbert Frei. Another very amusing dance was the "Musical Chairs" won by Mary Palm and Jack Hunsicker. Neechie Jensen sang and after the dance was over, a moonlight swim was enjoyed by many of the "hotter" dancers under the chaperonage of Harriet Belknap, & Marie Bartle.



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## MINT JULEPS

On Labor Day, Sept. 4th, Mint Juleps will be sold on the Varian lawn the proceeds from which will be turned over to the "Mortgage Fund" of the Club. (Ed. note: If it ever gets paid off, what'll we use for news?)

A program of entertainment is also being arranged by Hettie Finn. Everybody Come! Join the Joy Jabber Juleps Jam Session.

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This is the second in a series of articles on Shoreham's history, reprinted from Jack Hughes' "Shoreham Scribe" of 1935.

The Peach Orchards of Shoreham

by Randall D. Warden

In the Eighties, Woodville Landing was a farming community--except when it was loading wood for Havestraw. I am often asked why the delightful name of Woodville Landing was ever given up. There is an easy answer. The Post Office Department ruled about 1896 that no new post offices could have names composed of more than one word. When this community petitioned Washington in that year for a fourth-class post office so we would not have to depend on the mail coming by coach from Port Jefferson to Rocky Point, the reply came back, "Select a single name for your office; there is too much confusion and waste of time in writing out forms if your present name is used." So Wardencliffe was selected. Nikola Tesla had given that name to the place he was to settle and to experiment in for more than three years, in honor of James S. Warden who had begun the redevelopment of Woodville Landing in 1894. The story of Tesla's work will come later.

Of all the farmers who worked this property in its early history one of the most progressive was John Dickerson who lived in the house now The Maples, and who owned all the land now included in the village of Shoreham as well as all the land south of the main road. As an example of his progressiveness he planted and grew lima beans before any other farmer in the community. But his most important contribution was to horticulture. He set out the first peach orchard in this locality. Traces of his 1200 trees can still be seen on the hill top southwest of the Shoreham store. This was the forerunner of the splendid modern peach orchards of Calverton.

It is around Dr. Baldwin my story centers. He was first a soldier, Captain of Volunteers in the war of the Rebellion. After the war he studied medicine and had been a practicing physician. With failing health he moved to Kansas. There on that treeless prairie of the 1880's he had been most successful in planting orchards and developing fruit trees. Here in Shoreham his job was to lay out and cultivate orchards to fill the cold storage plant with succulent fruit for community consumption.

In three years he set out 4000 peach trees and as many young apple trees. Twenty acres of trees were planted east of the Brickyard or Sill's Gully; ten acres on the old Dickerson orchard site, southwest of the store. The apple orchard now going to ruin along the Woodville Road south of the store was set out by him. In the beginning he planted a peach tree between every two apple trees because peach trees only live seven years and it is about that time before apple trees begin to bear. His last orchard was on the site of the present tennis courts. Here was once a beautiful orchard extending from Woodville Road to the Hughes' road, from Briarcliff Road on the north to the

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Mealia and Hughes property on the south and beyond these places on the southern slope to the old Company barn. 6

In the summer of 1901 we had a scourge of forest fires. Every week a fire would spring up in a new spot. No one knew their cause although they were attributed to engine sparks of the L.I.R.R. Father was in New York and I had gone to visit my brothers at college in Amherst. A forest fire suddenly broke out in a spot not far from where the Catholic church now stands. Old Dr. Baldwin--he was then close to seventy years of age--called out all the available men and went to fight the fire and protect the village and trees. The men scattered through the underbrush beating out the flames, directed by Dr. Baldwin. He sent the men around the burnt area to take a last look and make sure that all was well. Suddenly a gust of wind fanned the flames anew. The men redoubled their efforts and finally with shovels and spades once more had the flames under control. Then they returned for further directions and found--the charred remains of the old doctor's body, lying in a smoking pile of ashes. It was supposed when the fire broke out a second time, he had tried to fight the fire alone and in some way had been surrounded by the flames and, confused, had fallen and been overcome with the smoke and fumes.

So passed a grand old man, a fighter to the last. And with his passing, went, too, the promising glory of his work in Shoreham. Slowly the jungle once more claimed the soil. The catbrier, the grape vines and the poison ivy today grow where a third of a century ago a splendid promise of a prosperous and enduring enterprise made of Shoreham a place of unforgettable beauty.

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#### AIR RAID WARNING POST BENEFIT

Last Saturday night a party was held in Wading River for the benefit of Fort Wade, the Army Observation Post. Among the attractions of the evening were dancing, refreshments, and the drawing for the door prizes. There was also a showing of an Army film on the fighting in New Caledonia. The party was well attended and among the guests were to be found many Shorehamites, one of whom "hit the jackpot" and came home with a door prize.

In response to the appeal from the Civic Association of Wading River for financial aid in the maintenance of the Aircraft Spotter Post there, the Shoreham committee reports that the sum of \$50 was collected here and sent to Mrs. Marguerite H. Emmett, Treasurer, Wading River Civic Association.

Those in charge of the Post wish to thank everyone who contributed. The Shoreham collec-

tion committee was this year, as last year, in the capable hands of Mrs. Claude V. Pallister.

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"Doc, here, must be a bone specialist."

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# HOUSE GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. W. Oliver are expecting their son Mr. Wesley Oliver, Jr., his wife and son this week-end.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Aranow, of New York City, will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Finn.

Dr. and Mrs. T. McKinnon are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Henry Widke and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Widke, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Erskine and their two children will arrive for a visit with Mrs. H. Hughes next week.

The Misses Francis and Julie Hopkins are house-guesting Mr. and Mrs. John Wise, Miss Joan Markley and Miss Elizabeth Wood this coming week.

Mr. William Walker of New York City is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Koch.

Dr. and Mrs. Sarkany will entertain Dr. Emmy Ewald over the week-end.

Col. and Mrs. F. Schell are expecting Miss Caroline Schell.

Miss Helen Smith of Kansas City, Missouri, is visiting for a month with her uncle, Monty Lewis and his sister, Mrs. Blanche Smith, of Wildwood, New Jersey. Helen is a niece of the late Jane Lewis and Helen and Blanche visited Monty last winter at his home in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Mrs. J. Ferris is visiting her sister Mrs. Emil Frei.

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## CHILDREN'S DANCE.

Miss Ann Waters will be the hostess this Friday night at the Children's Dance. Last Friday Mrs. Grover Nulty did the honors.

All of the dancers, under the direction of Miss Jantzer, are working exceptionally hard this year to make the Dance Recital, Sept. 3rd, a big success.

Many pleasant surprises are in store.

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## JUDGE'S INN Wading River.

ANNUAL CLAM BAKE  
August 29th  
Bake and Beer! All you  
can eat and drink!

1PM to 6PM

\$4.00 ea.

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