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Y. M. C. A. GYMNASTICS.

Entertaining Programme Given Under Supervision of Director Bickel.

The annual exhibition of gymnastics given by the Willimantic Y. M. C. A. under the supervision of Physical Director Bickel took place on the gym floor Wednesday evening and was attended by a large number of interested spectators, who found much enjoyment in the numbers offered during the evening. The programme was slightly more ambitious than that of last year and showed the result of efficient training by Mr. Bickel. H. E. McLaughlin, a former physical director at the institution, took part in several of the events, and was warmly applauded by his many friends.

The programme follows: Athletic drill, junior class; horse, junior class; club swinging, Higgins, Jr.; wrestling, J. Grimes and C. Lamoureux; acrobatics, Lavalley and Belcourt; sword swinging, William Higgins, Sr.; hand balancing, Mack and Mack; wrestling, A. Lewis and W. Gorman; parellel bars, Mack, Mack, Bigley, Backart; rings, Rouillard and Aubin; boxing, Billy Jackson and Midget Sullivan; torch swinging, William Higgins, Sr.; horizontal bars, Mack, Mack, Bilye, Backart; types, W. Rosebrooks and E. Cotter; boxing, McCarthy and Terrien; pyramids, senior class.

Store Improvements Completed.

The new front of the J. F. Carr company's store on Main street is completed and makes a fine addition to the business section of the city. Many stopped to admire the attractive windows during Wednesday, while at night the new and effective system of lighting and the new cluster of lights on the standard in front of the store, draw the attention of all passersby.

In addition to the new window arrangements, with the large plate glass area, and handsome fittings of quartered oak and mahogany, several improvements have been made in the interior of the store, including the installation of large mirrors at the front, several new cabinets and a new lighting system.

Doyle & Murphy made the changes in the store, and Hillhouse & Taylor made and installed the woodwork.

BLAY BOUND OVER.

Man Who Stole from Bank Street Boarding House Pleads Guilty.

Edward Blay, who was found in Central Village by Chief Richmond Tuesday and brought to this city for trial, pleaded guilty in the police court Wednesday morning to breaking and entering and was bound over to the criminal superior court under bonds of $500. Blay was taken to the Brooklyn jail in lieu of bond.

The charge against the prisoner was that of entering the boarding house conducted by A. C. Mastin at 31 Bank street on the 29th of this month, and the larceny of several articles, including a clock, watch and raincoat. One of these was pawned at a local store, and this led to his arrest.

Two more trespassers on railroad property were presented to the court, found guilty and sentenced to jail. The usual course was then followed of suspending sentence on condition they leave town immediately.

Conservator Would Sell Real Estate.

Application has been made to the probate court by Anna M. Abbott, conservator of Charles A. Abbott, for an order to sell certain real estate belonging to Mr. Abbott. Mr. Abbott has been in ill health for some months now and recently moved to New Hampshire.

Will Build Oil Tank.

The Gulf Refining company has consummated a deal whereby they acquire a strip of land on the property of Leander Freeman bordering on the New Haven road's property. They will erect an oil tank and build an office there, with the intention of doing a wholesale business in kerosene and gasoline oils in this vicinity.

Publicity Agent for Circus.

Albert E. Greer of this city left Wednesday night for New York en route to Salisbury, N. C., where he will join the Sparks circus, starting out the middle of April on the advertising staff of the circus.

To Supervise Shipment of Army Horses

Dr. E. E. McKim, veterinary surgeon, who has been located in this city for some time, and made many friends during his stay here, has left for New York. Dr. McKim will have charge of a shipment of 1,200 horses sailing to France on the liner Campagne today (Thursday).

Two Members of Quartette Resign.

Mrs. G. E. Wilcox and Arthur Blackledge, members of the choir of the Congregational church, have recently resigned, to sing elsewhere. Their departure will be greatly regretted. As a result of this change, there will no longer be a quattet at the church, but a volunteer chorus will aid in the singing, with the remaining members of the old quartette.

Recovering from Blood Poisoning.

Mrs. Merton C. Andrews of South Coventry road, who has been in a serious condition as the result of blood poisoning, is now out of danger and her recovery is confidently expected.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Edwin H. Forsyth.

Eliza Jane, widow of James Madison Forsyth, 83, died at the home of her son, Edwin H. Forsyth, in Mansfield, Tuesday. She was born in Columbia Aug. 13, 1831, the daughter of Ephraim and Phoebe Esther Brown. The greater part of her life was spent in Windham, where she will be remembered by many of the older residents. There survive her one son, Edwin H., two grandsons, James H. and William E., of Mansfield, and three granddaughters, May E. Forsyth and Mrs. E. H. Bentley, of South Manchester, and Mrs. E. M. Linsley, of Sharon.

Peter Flaherty.

Peter Flaherty, 88, a Civil war veteran, formerly of South Coventry, died at the Soldiers' home in Noroton Tuesday night of pneumonia. He was a member of Company D, 21st Conn. Vol., and was well known in this vicinity. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Green, of South Coventry, a son, John Flaherty, of Rockville, and a brother, Dennis Flaherty, of this city. The body will be brought to this city for burial.

FUNERALS.

Mrs. A. R. Gillette.

Funeral services for Mrs. A. R. Gillette were held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the Congregational church in Hebron. Rev. E. O. Mead of Exeter officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Dr. Frederick E. Johnson.

The funeral of Dr. Frederick E. Johnson was held from his home at Mansfield Depot at noon Wednesday, Rev. E. W. Darrow of Willington officiating. The bearers were Col. W. H. Hall of Willington, Prof. E. Smith and Prof. Charles Wheeler of Storrs and F. O. Vinton of Eagleville. Burial was in the Storrs cemetery at Spring Hill, in charge of Funeral Director Jay M. Shepard.

Viola May Syphers.

The funeral of Viola May Syphers was held at St. Paul's P. E. church at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. C. L. Adams officiating. The bearers were William Syphers, S. K. Adams, Aimee Marrotte, Joseph Burnet. Burial was in the Willimantic cemetery, in charge of Funeral Director Jay M. Shepard.

Local Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Palmer of Woonsocket spent Wednesday in this city. Mr. Palmer was formerly principal of the commercial department at the Windham high school.

Application has been made to the probate court for the appointment of an administrator de bonis non of the estate of Louisa A. Raynes. A hearing will be held on the application April 5th.

There were 22 still alarms during March for chimney and brush fires. This is a record number. Chief F. W. Gerrick and the members of the department were kept busy attending to the calls.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kinsman of this city, accompanied by the latter's mother and by George Rothblatt, both of New York, left for the metropolis Wednesday, making the trip in Mr. Kinsman's automobile.

Mrs. George F. Taylor, Mrs. E. Frank Bugbee and Mrs. Lizzie P. Litchfield have been attending the state meeting of regents, delegates and alternates to the 24th congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which has been held in West Hartford the past two days.

Brief Mention.

P. J. Twomey is in New Haven.

C. B. Pomeroy is in Hartford for a few days.

A. W. Buchanan spent Wednesday in Stafford.

K. B. Millette was in Providence Wednesday.

Leander Smith returned to Newport Wednesday.

Valentine Murphy is in New Haven on business.

Mrs. A. E. Gurley spent Wednesday in Norwich.

Mrs. F. G. Eitlecan is visiting friends in Rockville.

Dr. J. A. Girouard arrived today from New York.

Homer Harrington was a Norwich visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. George Stiles is spending the week in New London.

Miss Florence Tittle is visiting in Putnam for a few days.

Mrs. J. C. Randall is in New Haven for the remainder of the week.

Mrs. F. W. Clapp and son are spending a few days in New London.

W. P. Martin of Hartford is in this city for a few days on business.

P. J. Lyons of Marlboro, Mass., was a Willimantic visitor Wednesday.

Herman Simmons, who has been in New York for the past week, has returned.

Miss Helen Burke is visiting friends in Sterling, where she taught for several years.

Miss Nora Carey of Fairview street is entertaining Miss Mae Sullivan of New London.

Harry Fitzpatrick of Waterbury is the guest of relatives on Chapman street for Easter.

Mrs. J. A. Kinsman and family are in New York spending the Jewish holidays with relatives.

Miss Louise Williams of South Manchester is entertaining her sister, Miss Ruth Williams of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Case of Windham street are entertaining Mrs. W. Case of Waterbury for Easter.

Dr. Daniel Donahue of Waterbury has been visiting his mother, who resides on Willowbrook street.

Mrs. G. R. Ennis of Worcester spent Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Backus.

Mrs. John Baldwin of Waterbury is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Whiting, of Jackson street.

Mrs. John Sullivan of Portland is entertaining Mrs. John Keirans and family, of Union street, for Easter.

Dr. Frank O'Loughlin, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Bridget O'Loughlin, has returned to Naugatuck.

Miss Violet Snow of the New Haven hospital is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Snow of Main street.

Dr. C. E. Blakesley of New Haven formerly of the Connecticut Agricultural college, is the guest of friends here for Easter.

Dr. C. E. Sullivan of Wallingford was the guest of his brother, in this city Tuesday and Wednesday and attended the Elks' anniversary party.

Hartford visitors Wednesday included: Mrs. A. I. Bill, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Hinman, Master Russell Hinman, James Bennett, C. A. Capen, Mrs. Peter Hardman, Miss Elizabeth Hardman, Miss Mabel Hardman, Mrs. John McQuillan, Royal Rose, Mrs. Norman Griggs, Miss M. E. Hayes, Miss Della Moreau, Mrs. Robert Bath, Miss Elinor Hillhouse, Miss Ruth Taylor, W. J. Sweeney, Mrs. Alfred Burdick, Mrs. T. R. Parker, F. P. Rafferty, Mrs. C. J. Healey.

FAST DAY SERVICES.

In Park Church and Church of the Good Shepherd.

At the Fast Day service Friday morning at 11.30 at Park Congregational church the sermon by the pastor, Rev. Dr. S. H. Howe, will be upon the theme, The Cross the Central Fact of the History.

Good Friday music will be a feature of the service and will be as follows: Organ prelude, "I Thirst" (from the Seven Last Words on the Cross), Otto Malin; anthem, Fling Wide the Gates, quartette; offertory, Jesus Said, And So Thou Liftest Thy Divine Petition, bass and tenor duet. Choir music all taken from "The Crucifixion" cantata by John Stainer. Organ prelude, "Epilogue" (The Darkness) (from the Seven Last Words on the Cross), Otto Malling.

At the same hour at the Church of the Good Shepherd, four of the churches in the center of the city will unite with the Universalist church in a Fast Day service, which will be one of the series in Holy Week. The churches uniting are the Broadway and Second Congregationalis, Sentral Baptist, Trinity Methodist, Episcopal and the Universalist.

TOURNAMENT SCORES.

John Bassett Ahead in Pinochle Contest at Bohemian Club.

John Bassett of Broad street won first honors in the second pinochle tournament of the Bohemian club members, getting a pipe; S. P. Marland, tied for second place with Henry J. Hyde, a pair of brushes in a leather case and Mr. Hyde a pearl handle pocket knife. William J. Young was given for consolation honors, cards in a leather case.

The complete score for the tournamant, each person playing 32 games, was as follows:

Games won: John Bassett, 23; S. P. Marland, 20; Harry J. Hyde, 20; E. L. Darbie, 19; A. E. Withington, 16; F. E. Shumway, 16; C. S. Francis, 17; W. L. Moran, 18; Herbert Barber, 18; Ralph C. Young, 16; W. W. Wheatley, 15; A. A. Williams, 14; A. V. Woodworth, 16; C. N. Turner, 15; M. S. Warren, 15; Dr. F. S. Todd, 17; William Young, 10; Hiram S. Franklin, 15; E. A. Sullivan, 17; William M. Franklin, 15; A. P. Woodward, 14; H. F. Glendining, 12; Samuel Dean, 12; Clarence E. Cundall, 14.

Extradition Papers For Zalco.

Chief George M. Piling went to Hartford Wednesday to secure from Governor Marcus H. Holcomb the necessary papers to bring about the extradition from Rhode Island of Edward Zalco, who is to be charged with the embezzlement of $135 from Nathan Berkowitz, who employed him up to Zalco's disappearance from this town with the sum of Berkowitz's money mentioned, just before Christmas.

Zalco has been fighting extradition and has obtained counsel. Chief Piling will go to Providence and will meet the governor of Rhode Island in carrying out the formalities of getting Zalco back into Connecticut.

Racine Working For Baseball League.

F. L. Racine of Plainfield was in Dayville Wednesday afternoon giving a boost to the plan of forming a baseball league of towns in the mill towns along the local trolley line. Mr. Racine thinks there is plenty of enthusiasm for a league this year and that some fine sport could be had by getting teams from Dayville, Atawaugs, Plainfield, Moosup, Wauregan and other places to come in. Teams and fans will await the results of Mr. Racine's negotiations with interest, for they want to see plenty of baseball this summer—without going a hundred miles for the fun.

Baptist Church Notes.

A special Lenten service was held Thursday evening.

The Women's Missionary societies will meet aat the home of Mrs. Frank Warren, Friday.

Sunday morning the choir will render special music and Mrs. Frost will sing. The pastor will preach on "The Message of Easter."

The anthems will be, And When the Sabbeth Was Past, Stultz, and Rise, Glorious Conquerer, Porter.

At seven o'clock the Sunday school will hold its annual Easter concert. The programme follows:

Song, Alleluia, by the school; prayer by the pastor; greeting, Bernice Burdick, anthem by the choir; responsive reading, school; song, O Day of Rest and Gladness, school; recitation, Richard Tillinghast; solo, Alice Jordan; Easter sermon, Harry Young; recitation, I Have a Lily, Emily Davis; carol, by the school; recitation, Easter Blossoms, Corinne Mitchell; duet, Ruth Franklin and Arlene Anderson; exercise, five girls; recitations, Alice Jordan; solo, Marjorie Gaffney; recitation, Arthur Williams; song by the primary; recitation, Edwin Davis; recitation, Vera Franklin; song by the school; recitation, Thomas Day; offertory solo, Mrs. C. Alton Frost; recitation, Message of Life, Mary Bassett; song by the school; exercise, Easter Around the World, seven young ladies; Poem, Dorcas Gallup; song, by the school; benediction.

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DANIELSON AND PUTNAM NEWS

DANIELSON

Norwich Rector to Deliver Lenten Address — Buffalo Firm Provides For Burial of Henry Cole—Pinochle Scores—Chief Pilling to Secure Extradition Papers For Edward Zalco.

Rev. F. J. Bohanon of St. Andrew's church, Norwich, will conduct the service at St. Alban's church this evening.

Miss Helen Dowe is spending a few days with relatives at Northboro, Mass.

St. Alban's parish supper is to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Keach Easter Monday evening.

Charles D. King has suffered another reverse in health at his home in Brooklyn.

John Farragut of Brooklyn, a patient at the Day Kimball hospital, does not improve as rapidly as was hoped.

L. B. S. Meets.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church held a meeting in the vestry Wednesday afternoon.

John Dowe of Brown university is spending the Easter vacaation at his home here.

Beginning today, April 1, all sealed letters dropped in the local office must bear a two-cent stamp, even for local delivery.

Rev. M. J. Ginet, M. S., will be in Hartford today, Holy Thursday, for the holy oils used in the church services throughout the year.

Some fishermen who will be whipping the brooks in this town at break of day this morning expect to return with some good catches of trout. Conditions seem right.

Boys Take Dangerous Chances.

Playing the game of purposely dodging out in front of fast traveling automobiles in the business section is going to result in somebody's little boy being sent to a hospital, or cemetery, before long. The practice is the prize fool trick of the season.

Don't hold up the letter carriers for chatty talks today. They have a great deal of territory to cover, hundreds of homes to visit and it will take most of their time to do it; give them at least an even chance.

John M. Bessette, tax collector in the town of Brooklyn, has received about 85 per cent. of the money due that town for taxes and expects to have received the remainder before the end of this month.

Moves to Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Whalen, who has been a resident on Cottage street for several years, left Wednesday evening for Philadelphia, where she is to make her home with her brother, John Whalen.

OBITUARY.

Miss Sibirian Berthiaume.

The body of Miss Sibirian Berthiaume, 34, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Berthiaume of Wauregan, was brought to that village Wednesday from Providence, where Miss Berthiaume died Tuesday in St. Joseph's hospital.

PROVIDES FOR BURIAL.

Buffalo Business House Arranges For Henry Cole's Funeral.

The body of Henry Cole, traveling salesman, which has lain at the undertaking rooms of L. E. Kennedy for nearly two weeks following his death at a local hotel, is to be buried at the expense of the Buffalo N. Y., firm which he represented. A letter received here Wednesday gave instructions to this effect, all efforts to find relatives of the dead man in this country having failed. The letter also gives instructions for the forwarding of Mr. Cole's personal effects to his relatives in England. The Buffalo firm has ordered that expense be not spared in arranging the details of the burial.

Miss Rosanna Baribeault.

At St. James' church Wednesday morning at 8.30 o'clock, funeral services for Miss Rosanna Baribeault were held. The services was attended by many relatives and friends, including the members of the French-speaking Children of Mary, a church society of which the deceased was a member. Rev. M. J. Ginet, M. S., was celebrant of the high mass of requiem. Burial was in Holy Cross cemetery. The bearers were Louis Woisard, Henry Woisard, Vitalis Bonneau, Albert Mailhot, Delor Mathieu and Mitchell Paul. Honorary bearers, officers of the Children of Mary, were, Miss Marie Champagne, Miss Flora Robarge, Miss Lolia Bonneau, Miss Rosanna Godreau. Louis E. Kennedy was the funeral director.

Joseph Farland.

The funeral of Joseph Farland, was held Wednesday morning from the home of his son, Philip, in the Squaw Rock section, with services at St. James' church, Rev. Joseph Deshaux, M. S., being celebrant of the high mass of requiem. The body was taken to Dayville, where the deceased formerly lived, for burial in St. Joseph's cemetery. L. E. Kennedy was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

PUTNAM

Adventists Appoint Conference Delegates—Baptist Church to Celebrate Ninth Anniversary — Postmaster Alexander Gilman in Charge of Office—Postmaster F. G. Letters' 20 Years' Service.

Mrs. Richard Hanrahan of Providence is visiting friends here.

Fayette L. Wright has returned to his home in Pomfret after spending the winter in Florida.

Chauncey Bosworth has returned from Florida, where he spent the winter.

Joseph Flagg and William Rafferty will make a week end visit with friends in Willimantic.

Judge M. A. Shumway will preside at the session of the superior court this morning at 10.30.

At Hartford Hearing.

E. C. Morse was in Hartford Wednesday to attend a hearing before the public utilities commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Myers, who have been living on the Senexet road, came here Wednesday to make their home on Florence street.

Miss Rita Champeau of the Holy Family academy at Baltic is spending the Easter recess here with her father, Isaac Champeau.

It was expected here Wednesday that Sheriff-elect Charles A. Gates of Willimantic would file his bond today and take over the duties of his office, succeeding Sheriff John O. Fox of this city.

Mrs. William Richardson is ill with pneumonia at her home here.

Union Fast Day Service.

A union Fast day service is to be held at the Baptist church Friday morning at 10.30.

Kenneth Sharpe will conduct the mid-week service at the Congregational church this evening. Our Schools and Colleges will be the subject.

Adventist Delegates.

Rev. G. H. Stone, Mrs. Addie I. Fox and Mrs. Mary Thurston are delegates from the local church to the annual conference of the Rhode Island and Eastern Connecticut Advent Christian churches.

Will Celebrate Ninth Anniversary.

The ninth anniversary of the dedication of the Baptist church in this city falls on Easter Sunday, but is to be observed by holding the roll call and supper Saturday evening.

Ideal weather Wednesday following weeks that have been without rain and during which the level of the brooks has fallen stirred the Waltonian spirit of Putnam trout fishermen in a manner that forecasted big fish stories for this, the first day of the open season.

OBITUARY.

John Brennan.

John Brennan, 76, died at his home, 117 Church street, Tuesday night. He had been in poor health for several years. Mr. Brennan had lived in Putnam about half a century and worked for forty years as a wool sorter at the plant of the Putnam Woolen company. He leaves his wife.

Easter Concert.

The Easter concert of the Sunday school is to be held at the Baptist church Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. The concert is to be followed by baptism.

Abington Delegation at Hartford.

A committee of Wolf Den grange of Abington, in the town of Pomfret, went to Hartford Wednesday to appear before the Public Utilities commission in an endeavor to have a morning eastbound passenger train make a stop at the Abington station. Abington people would greatly appreciate such a change.

BEGINS NEW DUTIES.

Postmaster Gilman Takes Charge of Office Today.

Postmaster Alexander Gilman will take up the duties of his office this morning, succeeding Postmaster F. G. Letters. Postmaster Gilman was at the office Wednesday afternoon getting a first line on the duties to which he is to give his entire attention from now on. Arrangements were made for turning over the office records from the custody of Mr. Letters to Mr. Gilman's charge. Postmaster Gilman said he would give his best efforts to keeping the service at a high standard and will overlook no opportunity to improve it as time goes on. The new postmaster is eager to familiarize himself with the duties of the office and will undoubtedly do so promptly and thoroughly.

POSTMASTER LETTERS RETIRES.

Has Held Office Over 20 Years, and Under Five Presidents—Appointed by Cleveland in '94.

Postmaster Frank G. Letters, who will retire today after more than 20 years at the head of the postal service in this city, is entitled to be rated one of the most efficient postmasters in New England. He has given Putnam the very best service possible at all times, and during the early days of his incumbancy did not hesitate to spend his own money in making improvements that would facilitate the collection and delivery of mail. He has held the office under five presidents, republicans and democrats, and appointments from administrations of both great political parties.

Under Postmaster Letters the Putnam office developed its rating from third class and with a business of approximately $8,000 a year to its present standing with a business of more than $18,000 during the last fiscal year. No administration that preceded Mr. Letters' was marked by such growth or expansion and addition of departments, and conditions were such, as to widening of the field of operations of the postoffice department, during his years in office, that it is not likely that as many and important changes will be witnessed under any future administration, excepting as to growth of business, which may be limited only by Putnam's own growth and development.

Under Mr. Letters the city delivery service, the rural free delivery service, the postal savings department and the parcel post were instituted—four great development steps. Today the Putnam office is the hub in a web of mail delivery lines radiating from this city.

The years that marked the ending of Mr. Letters' long term of office also witnessed the forwarding of the movement, as well as its inception, for the building of a federal post office building here, but unlooked for delays have prevented the cohstruction of the building for the time being.

Mr. Letters received his first appointment as postmaster, as a democrat, from President Grover Cleveland, August 2, 1894. He took charge of the post office on October 1 of that year. At that time, the office being of the third class, the postmaster was expected to furnish the office equipment. Mr. Letters purchased the old fixtures from his predecessor, removed them and installed a new and up-to-date equipment containing about 1,000 lock and call boxes, with separate windows for the transaction of money order, registry, box and stamp business.

During the first year of Mr. Letters' administration a city collection system was installed. Twelve street letter boxes were erected and maintained at the postmaster's expense and additional clerks secured to facilitate the delivery and despatch of mails.

Mr. Letters was reappointed by President McKinley, January 17, 1899, again by Theodore Roosevelt, February 4, 1903, and again by President Roosevelt February 7, 1907. His fifth commission as postmaster was issued by President William Howard Taft, February 8, 1911. This last appointment has carried Mr. Letters through the first half of President Wilson's administration.

Rural delivery route No. 1 from the Putnam post office was among the early routes started in Connecticut, being instituted June 1, 1901. Always keeping a watchful eye on the office and its business, Mr. Letters awaited the opportunity for the establishment of route No. 2, which was brought about on February 15, 1905, followed by the addition of routes No. 3 and No. 4, December 1, 1908, and making this city an important mail center for the district. The rural routes serve 515 families composed of 2,158 persons and cover a distance north, east, south and west of 102 miles. The carriers on these routes handle approximately 50,000 pieces of mail matter monthly.

July 1, 1902, city free delivery service was inaugurated with four carriers and two substitutes, making three daily deliveries in the business section, and two in the residential sections and three collections. This branch of the service has been increased so that it is now necessary to employ the services of two auxiliary carriers.

At the present time the post office force under Mr. Letters includes an assistant postmaster, five clerks and an auxiliary clerk, four regular city carriers, two auxiliary carriers, four rural carriers, two substitute rural carriers, all of whom are civil service employes and young and active.

In 1902, when the city delivery service was established, additional room was taken on at the post office, which was remodeled to meet the new requirements. A new room was added for the transaction of the much increased money order and registry business.

The postal savings service was established in Putnam coincident with the introduction of the system and there are now more than 300 open accounts here and deposits of approximately $40,000.

During the little more than two years since the parcel post was established, this branch of the business has grown rapidly at the local office and at times two or three deliveries are made daily, the first immediately after the arrival of the morning mail, and, by special carrier, reaches the merchants before 9 o'clock.

Mr. Letters has been one of the most successful postmasters in New England. He has been always on the alert for the betterment of the service, keeping at all times in mind the importance of immediate delivery and despatch of mail, doing with his own hands a clerk's work in the distribution of mails that they might be hurried to their destinations.

Under his administration the office has been kept clean and wholesome. He has shown a masterful efficiency in directing and developing the ability of his office force. He has made a practice of getting to the office at 6 a. m. that he might supervise the work to be done there.

After his retirement Mr. Letters will devote most of his time to his music business, founded 44 years ago by Mr. Letters' father. Mr. Letters is vice president of the Putnam Savings bank and a director of the Putnam Foundry and Machine company.

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Frank Shirley of Providence has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs Charles Shirley.

Mrs. A. R. Meislei spent part of the week in New London.

To Sing Easter Sunday.

Mrs. Albert Kilby will be soloist at St. Patrick's church in Mystic Easter Sunday. A. W. Rathbun will do the solo work in the cantata presented in the Mystic Congregational church.

Special Lenten services will be held at Grace church Friday evening. Preaching will be by Rev. C. S. Stewart of Groton.

St. Joseph's church will have Lenten devotions at 7.30 Friday evening. Rev. M. P. Hart of Mystic will conduct the service.

The Reading club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Miss Mary Latham.

Fennimore Weeks and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weeks of Hoboken, N. J., are in the village.

Miss Cora Rogers has been entertaining Miss May Miller and Miss May Thompson of New London.

Miss Ethel Latham who has been ill was able to go to New London Wednesday.

Alden Wilcox has reurned to Lyme after a visit of a few days here.

Entertained at Bungalow.

Miss Katherine Van Horn has returned to her home in Little Falls after entertaining a party of friends at her Mason's Island bungalow.

Stanmore Lamb, attendant at the state hospital, called at his home here recently.

The Post family living in the Miner tenement has moved to Stonington.

Mrs. I. J. MacQuarrie entertained the Silver Link society Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hull Anderson have returned from a visit in Stonington.

Mrs. Samuel Coles is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Leek, of Long Island and Mrs. Desmond of Brooklyn.

Freeman Rogers, who was called to Spring Hill a week ago by the illness of his mother, Mrs. Erastus Rogers, has returned. His mother is much better.

Captain James Sistare has a big new touring car.

L. L. Park has returned from New York.

Mrs. Howard Durfee who has been ill, is somewhat better, but not able to go out.

PLAINFIELD

Illustrated Lecture—County Farm Agent to Speak at Town Hall.

Early Tuesday morning—from 12.30 to 4.30 o'clock—a very bright fire could be seen south of the village. It spread little but which shown twice and then blazed up brightly again.

Miss Augusta Krause is suffering from tonsilitis.

The Life of Daniel, was the subject of Rev. J. H. George's illustrated lecture at St. Paul's Parish hall on Tuesday evening.

The small boys at the Academy building are forming a base ball team.

Visit From County Agent.

The new county agent of the Farmers' association, Mr. Kennedy, met the farmers of this town at an open meeting in Grange hall Tuesday evening.

Ira Edson has finished work for Walter Kingsley and Son.

The foremen of both sections of the railroad take on extra men for the summer season, Friday, April 2.

School closed this week for the Easter vacation.

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