

# ACTIVITY IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT

## BUILDING AND BUSINESS

Increase Shown in Number of Permits Granted About State.

A substantial gain is shown in the number of real estate sales for the past week in the cities reported. The Commercial Record, sales by warranty deed numbered 370, as against 325 last year. Mortgages loans for the week were \$304,930, comparing with \$381,427 in the corresponding week of last year. During the past week there have been six bankruptcy petitions, with total assets of \$21,870 and liabilities of \$10,185, filed in Connecticut. Last week in Connecticut have total authorized capital of \$565,000, a record which compares favorably with the first week of September last year, when there were eight incorporations, with total capital \$527,000, and in 1913, when there were four incorporations had total capital of \$100,000.

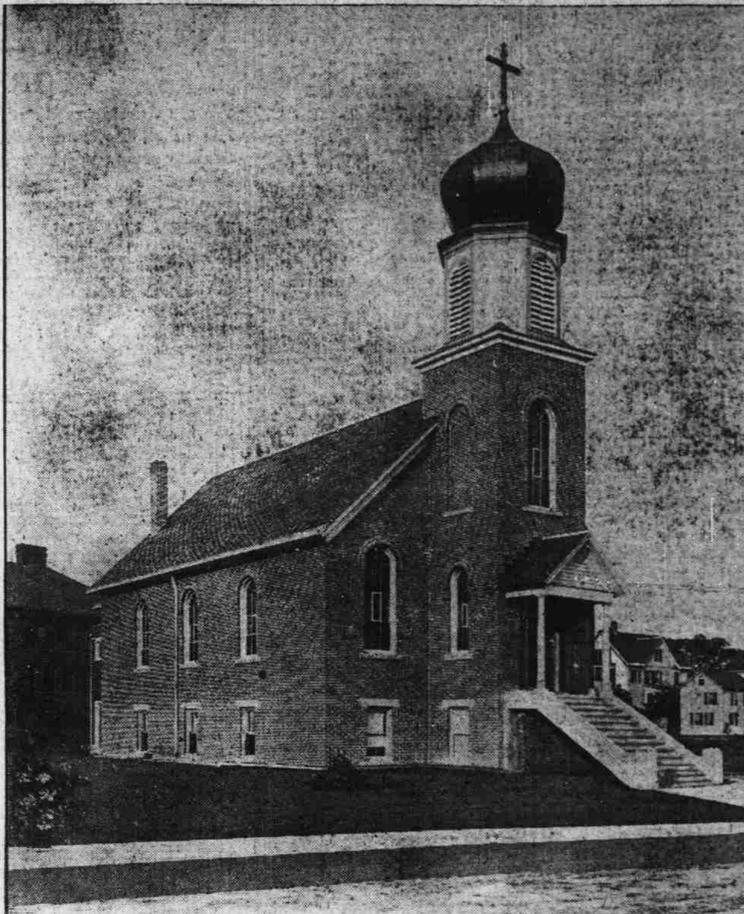
Last week showed an increase in the volume of building permits issued by permits issued in the cities of New Haven, Bridgeport, Hartford, Waterbury and Stamford. The record for the week in the first week of September is 133 permits for buildings costing \$508,778. Last year 107 permits were issued for buildings costing \$1,717,969. The largest increase for the week is found in Bridgeport and is caused by additional factories and brick works. The beginning of what will prove to be the largest contract of the fall was started last week when building operations were commenced on the first of 300 houses in Bridgeport to be erected by the Romington Co. The contracts awarded last week totaled over \$100,000. Other contracts awarded are for a brick church in New Haven, concrete factory in Bridgeport, brick factory in Waterbury, residences in New Haven, Bridgeport, Hartford, Waterbury and Stamford, brick business block and store and building in New Haven, and a number of smaller contracts in all parts of the state.

The volume of new work reported during the week has been very slight. Plans have been completed for a five-story warehouse in Bridgeport, brick factory will be soon for an addition to the brass shop in Bristol. Other work consists of two public garages in New Haven, Hartford, Bridgeport and Stamford, store and apartment buildings in New Haven, Hartford and parish house in West Haven.

Norwich had three sales of real estate last week to four a year ago the loans for the two weeks being \$5400 and \$5250 respectively. In New London there were six real estate sales last week to four a year ago, the loans being \$5,000 and \$38,350 respectively.

## WILLIMANTIC.

The foundation has been completed for the new house which Alexis Calais will erect on South Park street, for Arthur Reichert. It will be a brick building with two stories and a first floor and two tenements on the upper floors.



THE NEW RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

## St. Nicholas Church Nearly Finished

Will Soon be Thrown Open for Public Worship—Ceilings in Courtroom Nearly Finished—Work at the Several Schools.

The new Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic St. Nicholas church on Convent avenue is now nearly finished and will soon be thrown open for public worship. The building is constructed of dark red brick and has a ventilating system and has heavy thickness of walls. The church is 40x72 in size and has a brick vestibule at the front, ten feet square, surrounded by a tower. The tip of the Russian cross on the belfry top is 75 feet from the ground. It is finished in gold and is set on top of the customary Russian church form of tower. This is covered with heavy copper on all parts. The auditorium having truss roof over the arch. There is a gallery in front, extending across whole rear of the auditorium, and it is 12 feet in width, with a stair entrance from the auditorium floor. The basement is full size of the building, and 10 feet in story height. It is floored and finished to match the main floor. All work on the main floor is finished and a ventilating floor are laid, and have a ventilating shaft. The cornice is heavily moulded. At the front entrance is a covered porch, with reinforced steps and balustrade to grade. The altar is platformed and has railings as customary. The building is

nearly completed, and reflects great credit on the pastor, Rev. Nestor Nikolenko, who has raised the funds to build the church and has been in constant supervision of the work since it started. He has employed David Kudlick to act as foreman of construction, and the success of the work is in great part due to the pastor and Mr. Kudlick. There is a large membership of about 400 members embracing a district from Jewett City to Montville, and adjoining territory. The parish is in a very satisfactory financial condition. Notice of consecration and dedication will be given later. C. H. Preston is the architect.

**Court Room Ceilings Nearly Done.**  
The metal ceiling at the City Hall, being placed in the Superior Court room is nearly completed and it is expected that stinging will be removed before the last of the week. The Penn Metal Co. of Boston, were very dilatory in furnishing the material, causing a four weeks delay on this work. The ceiling was also included a new metal ceiling in the room used by the Clerk of Court of Common Pleas on the first floor.

**Work at Schools Finished.**  
The town school work is about completed, and the schools are now all open for the fall term. A delay at the Pearl street school because of failure of one firm to furnish the sanitary fixtures, as agreed, has been overcome by purchasing the same from a New York concern. The work on the land adjoining the school has been completed, and any final work, is to be done this coming Saturday morning. The completed fixtures are finished and ready for use. The old steam plant at this school has been cleaned and put in first class condition for winter and new floors of the best quality maple have been much needed, in two upper rooms, and placed, in this contract.

The East Great Plains school has received needed repairs, a new steam heating plant has been installed, new coal bins are needed, and filled with coal ready for use. A new concrete cellar entrance has been made, and the wood work has been repaired. At the Branch school the new heating has been installed, and now needs but little fully complete. The Yantic school has received needed repairs, a new Thatcher Hot Air furnace and boiler has been installed, and cellar excavated for a playground in stormy weather and will be much appreciated by the pupils. At the Tataville, Occum, Bean Hill, Mt. Pleasant and Greenville schools there have been numbers of improvements made and the Town school committee have been very thorough in making these repairs.

**NEW LONDON.**  
Property Acquired by F. A. Munsey for Hotel. Ball Room Will be Erected by Hotel. Frank A. Munsey, owner of the Hotel Michigan, has purchased the residence adjoining the hotel on Meridian street, occupied by Dr. P. Prentiss, and formerly owned by Dr. A. W. Nelson on Quaker's W. Clark, et al. The

## price it is understood, was approximately \$12,000.

Mr. Munsey will improve the hotel by his acquisition of the Nelson property, by tearing down the structure and erecting a brick addition, the ground area of which will be used as a ball room, an adjunct that has been needed at the hotel a long time, because of the compulsory use of the dining room for dances for this purpose.

**Contract for Addition.**  
H. R. Douglas, Inc., has been awarded the contract for the erection of an addition at the plant of the Industrial Building Co. on Division street. The addition will be a modern garage, 80x70 feet, covered with corrugated iron, and will have modern garage for this purpose.

**MIDDLETOWN.**  
Addition to Factory and New Residences.

Mylicreest Bros. have started work on the erection of the addition to the mill of the Coles Co. at the foot of Union street. The new building of brick and will be 10x30 feet. Otto Ehlers, 12 South Front street, has been awarded the contract for the new house to be erected on Highland avenue for William Luttriss of Durham. The house will contain six rooms. S. Annino Co. have the mason work.

The Berlin Construction Co. have been awarded the contract for the steel work for the addition to W. S. Reynolds' garage on Church street. Mylicreest Bros. have the mason work and C. O. Stone & Son the carpenter work. The addition will be 68x100 feet, two stories high, and will have a far and gravel roof, concrete floor, steam heat and electric lights. Work is under way on the erection of a frame cottage on Crown street for Omer Meilen, Deane street.

**GROTON.**  
An addition is being made to the cottage of Mrs. E. E. Tyler of New London at Eastern Point. Work is being done by J. Frank Edmonds. Piers Schellens has purchased the lot in Ramsdell street where the kindergarten building formerly stood. He has an option on the land adjoining in Thayer street owned by Miss Elizabeth Avery. The new house which is to be built by Mr. Schellens on his recently purchased property in Ramsdell street is expected to be a very beautiful structure. It is said the cost will be in the neighborhood of \$10,000. The lot will be graded and filled.

**PLUM ISLAND.**  
J. F. Tompkins, Norwich, has been awarded the contract for the plumbing, the Norwich Electric Co., Norwich, the electrical work and J. O. Johnson, Norwich, the roofing on the dormitory which the Connecticut Engineers Co., Norwich, is erecting for the U. S. Government at Fort Terry, Plum Island.

**SOUTH MANCHESTER.**  
E. J. Hickey is making alterations to the North street hall. It will be equipped for a moving picture theatre.

## FORCING PULLETS TO LAY.

A Practice Which Endangers the Health and Growth of the Birds.

Poultrymen should not allow the decreasing production of eggs and the forcing of pullets to lay before they reach maturity. Leghorns should have five full months of growth before they start laying and Rhode Island Reds, Wyandotters, Rocks and Orpingtons require 6 to 8 1/2 months. All of these breeds can be forced to lay a month earlier than this by close confinement and the feeding of large quantities of highly concentrated material.

This results in stunting the pullets permanently and causes them to lay small eggs as long as they live. It also has a tendency to force the birds into a long winter molt which checks their egg production for many weeks during the winter high prices. There is also a greater danger to the health of the fowls when they molt during the winter because their bodies to the cold and result in serious colds and sometimes roup. As long as the pullets are not forced to lay, they are forced to forage for a large part of their food and are allowed very limited quantities of grain and other meat foods they will not lay very much.

The fact that a few precocious individuals have started to lay does not indicate the general condition of the flock which on most farms should be maintaining a rapid, healthy growth for the next several weeks. In order to develop combs and storing up food for extra early egg production. This does not mean that the pullets should be hatched before April 1. Leghorns hatched in March or heavier breeds hatched late in February ought to be starting their egg production at this time.

If they were fed properly they will be four weeks later than they are because they will produce eggs during September and October while the hens are molting and the pullets will be in the main flock and not laid to lay heavily. Under ordinary conditions these early hatched pullets will lay during the first week of January, but this work will be just as profitable as those pullets which were hatched later in the year. It is better to winter but did not begin until November. A good poultry man so arranges his hatching that he will get a uniform crop of pullets throughout the fall and winter months.

## CORN.

Record Full of Yield from Bare and Kept-Tipped Ears.

In 1907 a test was started at the Ohio Station to determine the effect of the continued use of ears of corn having more or less bare cob at the tip end. The variety of corn used is the Clarage. Ears having 1-4 to 1-3 bare cobs were selected for the test with ears completely filled out at the tip. Throughout the test the selection of seed has been continuous, that is, ears with bare tips were discarded and filled-tipped from filled-tipped.

The eight years' results show, in so far as the ears are concerned, as one could expect from duplicate plots. The yield from bare-tipped ears averages 62.4 bushels, and from filled-tipped ears 62.7 bushels, a difference of 0.3 bushels. The yields of stover have been equally close, the filled-tipped ears being 1.2 bushels more than the bare-tipped ears. For five of the eight years the total length of bare cob at the tip of each ear in the crop grown from the two strains was determined. The measurements have been taken in the spring after the ears were well dried out. The average length of bare cob is recorded for each year and for the five years. There has been no marked tendency for the amount of bare cob to increase or decrease. The fact that this sort of selection, though continuous, has been barren of any important results.

## WINTER COVER CROPS.

Although Growth May Be Small They Will Protect Soil.

Whatever may be the system of crop rotation all soils which are subject to blowing or washing of the soil should be kept covered with some crop during the winter months. If the soil is not covered, though the field is not subject to blowing or washing of the soil should crop be grown during fall and winter months. If oats are to follow a corn crop, clover, cowpeas or soy beans, wheat, rye, or some other crop should be sown in the cornfield at the last cultivation, or as soon as the corn is cut. Although such crops may not be gathered, or the vines cut for hay, but the turning under of the entire crop enriches the soil to a greater extent than any other winter cover crop. The growing of beans, peas, clovers, etc. is a great help to the soil even though the crop is not gathered, or the vines cut for hay, but the turning under of the entire crop enriches the soil to a greater extent than any other winter cover crop. The growing of beans, peas, clovers, etc. is a great help to the soil even though the crop is not gathered, or the vines cut for hay, but the turning under of the entire crop enriches the soil to a greater extent than any other winter cover crop.

## SOIL IMPROVING CROPS.

Should Follow Those Which are Harvested Early.

According to C. P. Hartley, the authority on soil sections, where wheat, oats, or other crops are harvested in early summer, it is always desirable to follow them with a soil-improving crop that can be turned under in the fall or the following spring. Clover seed, turned under in the autumn and then from place and well mixed in the soil by cultivation the next spring, furnishes one of the best seed beds in which to plant corn. This is a method employed by a Pennsylvania farmer, who reports that his yields have been as high as 100 bushels of corn per acre during the past twelve years, with the exception of two seasons. His practices are: (1) Selecting the best seed and also frequent shallow cultivation in a manner well suited to conserve the soil moisture and to break up the soil. (2) Average rainfall during fall, winter, and early spring he can raise a fair crop of corn in rain form, planting time until harvest.

## SEED POTATOES.

Suggestion Made by Wyoming Experiment Station About Their Selection.

According to the Wyoming Station, there is no other way to get true bred, characteristic in potatoes except by selecting seed from good grades from the Norwich Free Academy in the class of 1915, have entered the freshman class at the Willimantic Normal school.

## Local School Teachers.

Local school teachers to resume their duties are: Miss Christine Miller, Plainfield; Miss May Leathers, Sterling; Miss Viola Chesbro, Baltic and Miss Elizabeth Weller, Baltic.

## Schools Open.

The two local schools, Sacred Heart and Wagonue school have opened for the fall term. The Sacred Heart school opened Tuesday and the Wagonue Wednesday.

## Left For New York.

Lawrence Rordan who has been employed at the Penomah mills has resigned his position and has left for New York City, where he will locate.

## Fred Stone is enjoying his annual vacation.

Edward Haverstraw has returned from a visit in New York.

## Robert Pilling and Richard Kyle are enjoying a three days' vacation.

## Miss Madeline O'Keefe is spending a few days at Riverport and Arctic Court, R. I.

## Henry Troeger of Deep River, formerly of Taftville is spending a two weeks' vacation here.

## John Caldwell of South Swansee, has been the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sharples of Front street.

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# TAFTVILLE

Local Schools Open—Funeral of Mrs. George Frohman—Notes of Interest.

With many relatives and friends in attendance the funeral of George H. Frohman took place from his late home on High street, Boston, Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 10 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Smith of the Baltic church officiating and the choir rendering several instrumental pieces. The bearers were George Sedal, Christopher Keen, John Puchs, members of the German Schutzen Verein, and Adam Sedal, Bernard Krause and Martin Lenz from the I. O. O. F.

The deceased leaves a number of relatives here and well known. Burial was in Yantic cemetery, where Rev. Mr. Smith read a committal service and the choir sang. Undertaker George G. Grant has charge of the funeral arrangements. The many floral tributes included: Gaiety from mother; willow, Brother Fred; anchor, Mr. and Mrs. Frohman; harp, Mr. and Mrs. Gresham; willow, Mrs. Kate Frohman and family; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Mossey; bouquet, Andrew, John, and Ernest Mossey; bouquet, Anna Gresham; bouquet of asters, Delor and Ernest Mossey; bouquet of asters, Mrs. Schuetzen Verein; wreath, I. O. O. F.; basket, Mr. and Mrs. Perkins; willow, Mesero, Topini, Brown, Baldwin, Boyen, Musgraves, Sengman and Le-paque; bouquet, Mr. and Mrs. Kinder; Mrs. Marie Floss and family; bouquet, Mr. and Mrs. Haddler; willow, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob; basket, Mrs. L. F. Pirth and Baltic friends.

## Enters Normal School.

The Misses Lillian O'Brien of Providence street and Margaret Hasler of Fifth street, graduates from the Norwich Free Academy in the class of 1915, have entered the freshman class at the Willimantic Normal school.

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