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TAFTVILLE

Special Meeting of British-American Relief Branch—Boy Scouts Attend Anniversary Service—Good Skating Again—Personals and Notes.

At a special meeting of the executive committee in charge of the British-American Relief fund which has been recently founded in this place it was decided to call a special meeting to be held in the room of the Taftville Football and Social club this (Monday) evening. The committee has received an important communication from the headquarters in New York and this will be read to the members at the meeting.

Rev. Joseph F. Cobb Spoke at Taftville Congregational Church

There was a good attendance at both services at the Taftville Congregational church Sunday. The morning sermon was delivered by Rev. Joseph F. Cobb, pastor of the Church of the Good Shepherd, in Norwich, who spoke interestingly upon a present day topic. At the evening service Rev. Arthur Warley delivered the sermon and there was a special musical program carried out by the girls of the Phi Kappa Sigma.

Good Skating Again.

Friday's cold was brought with it good skating again and the Blissett pond and the Ponomah dam was crowded with skaters Saturday and Sunday. Many hockey games were played during the two days. The regular seven played a practice game against the scrubs Saturday afternoon and defeated them by a large margin. The regulars think that in time for Walker's team of Baltic to show some life and come across with a game.

Attended Anniversary Services.

Troop 10 of the Boy Scouts, under the leadership of George Weller, Jr., attended the anniversary service of the Boy Scouts of America at the Trinity Methodist church Sunday evening. Mr. Weller had charge of the troop in the absence of the scoutmaster, Victor Davis.

Personals and Notes.

John Joubert has accepted a position in the cloth room of the Ponomah mills.

John Robish of Occum is spending a few days with business friends in Putnam.

Albert Portelance was a Sunday visitor with relatives in Providence and Pawtucket.

William Wohlbens and John Leopold spent the week-end with friends in Springfield.

Many local young people attended the dance at the Norwich Academy Saturday evening.

The Workers' conference of the Taftville Congregational church will be held Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weiland have returned to Bridgeport after spending the week-end at the home of Mrs. Weiland's parents.

John Kyle has resigned his position with the Ponomah mills and has accepted a position with the Crescent Arms Co. in Norwich.

The Misses Doris and Gladys Gardner and Miss Agnes Aberg and Miss Louisa Silgrist attended a dance given in Baltic Saturday evening.

Corine Marc Aurelle has resumed her studies at the Convent of St. Ann, Worcester, Mass., after spending a vacation with relatives and friends on the Canterbury turnpike.

The Misses Hester Crane formerly of this place and Mrs. M. W. McKinley of Providence and Miss Winifred Nolan spent Sunday with Plainfield and Jewett City friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crane, Jr., Mr. Kenneth Crane and the Misses Hester Crane and Myrtle Mae McKinley have returned to Providence after spending the week-end with Norwich and Taftville friends.

The Bulletin
 Norwich, Monday, Feb. 12, 1917.

THE WEATHER.
 Conditions.
 Pressure was abnormally high Sunday night over nearly all sections east of the Rocky mountains with temperatures from 10 to 30 degrees below the seasonal average from the plains states and Texas eastward.

Indications are that the weather will be generally fair in the states east of the Mississippi river during Monday and Tuesday.

The temperature will be lower Monday in New England. On Tuesday it will rise through the eastern states.

The wind along the north Atlantic coast will be fresh northeast; middle Atlantic coast, fresh northwest to north.

Forecast.
 Northern and Southern New England: Fair and somewhat colder Monday; Tuesday fair, with slowly rising temperature.

Eastern New York: Fair and continued cold Monday; Tuesday fair, with rising temperature.

Observations in Norwich.
 The following records, reported from Sevin's pharmacy, show the changes in temperature and the barometric changes Saturday and Sunday:

Saturday—	Ther. Bar.	Ther. Bar.
7 a. m.	32.98	30.18
12 m.	32.98	30.18
6 p. m.	30.10	30.18
Highest 32, lowest 11.		
Sunday—	Ther. Bar.	Ther. Bar.
7 a. m.	30.18	30.18
12 m.	30.18	30.18
6 p. m.	30.18	30.18
Highest 32, lowest 10.		

Comparisons.
 Predictions for Saturday: Fair and colder.
 Predictions for Sunday: Fair, slowly rising temperature.
 Sunday's weather: Fair; continued cold.

Sun, Moon and Tides.

Day	Rises	Sets	High	Low
12	6:48	5:16	1:03	11:07
13	6:47	5:16	1:03	11:07
14	6:45	5:19	1:03	11:05
15	6:44	5:21	1:03	11:03
16	6:43	5:21	1:03	11:01
17	6:41	5:23	1:03	10:59

Six hours after high water it is low tide, which is followed by flood tide.

GREENEVILLE

Surprise Party in Honor of Birthday—Former Greenville Girl Dies in Danialson—Notes.

A number of friends of John Dennis gathered at his home on North Main street Saturday evening to celebrate his birthday. The affair was in the nature of a surprise and many gifts were presented by the guests in honor of the occasion. Music and what were enjoyed. Prizes were given to the winners of the whist. Refreshments were served during the evening by the host, David Shahan and Maurice Coughlin made the arrangements for the pleasant evening.

Federated Church Services.
 At the Federated church Sunday morning a large congregation heard the pastor, Rev. A. W. Burdon, deliver an interesting and instructive sermon on Consideration. The text was from Rom. 8-9. At the evening service Rev. Mr. Burdon took for his topic, What is Your Opinion? taking his text from Ecc. 7-10. There was a large attendance at both services.

Former Resident Dies in Danialson.
 Word has been received here by the relatives of Miss Harriet Brooks, formerly of this place, stating that Miss Brooks died at the home of Mrs. Dennis in Danialson Sunday morning. Miss Brooks was well known in this place and her death is a sad loss to her family and the news of her death comes as a shock to her many friends.

Goes to Holyoke.
 T. C. Curtis, boss carter at the Shattuck mill, has resigned his position and gone to Holyoke to accept a similar position.

Notes.
 Mrs. Grant Foster of Prospect street has returned from a visit with her sister in Patterson, N. J.

Final arrangements have been made by the committee in charge of the C. E. valentine social which will be held in the church Tuesday evening.

The Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Greenville Congregational church will hold its regular meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Browning of Sixth street.

The many friends of Mrs. Agnes Turner, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Backus hospital three weeks ago, will be glad to learn that she is able to be at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Fleming of Central avenue.

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Military Census Committee

First Meeting To Be Held in Common Council Chamber

This Afternoon—Mayor Allyn L. Brown Announces Plan To Be Followed in This City—Work To Be Under-taken Immediately.

The military census committee for Norwich has been appointed and work will begin immediately. Such was the announcement made on Sunday evening by Mayor Allyn L. Brown in a communication received from him by The Bulletin. The communication follows in full:

By the courtesy of The Bulletin I am enabled to adopt the use of the column as the most expeditious manner of notifying the following gentlemen of their appointment to serve on the Norwich Census committee. I may add that I have not up to the written request asked anyone to assist in the work, feeling sure that the patriotism of everyone hereby requested would ensure his fullest possible cooperation without a personal interview to ask him whether he is willing or able to attend to the matter. I would further state that this committee is somewhat hastily named and there will doubtless be a number of most important names to be added during the next few days. The committee so far selected is as follows:

First Selectman Casper K. Bailey, Alderman William H. Allen, Alderman Guy B. Dolbear, Registrar Charles Cornelius D. Downs, Registrar of Voters Tyler D. Guy, Postmaster John P. Murphy, School Superintendent Thomas J. Graham, Tax Collector Thos. A. Robinson, Town Clerk Chas. S. Holbrook, Thomas J. Kelley, Frank H. Smith, George J. Chesbro, Charles James Herberich, Chief of Police George Linton, Robert McNeely, Joseph C. Broadhurst, Arthur G. Crowell, Col. Charles W. Gale, Louis H. Beckley, Grosvener E. Thomas, H. Beckley.

Gustave Lambert, Alfred C. Brown (of H. and A. Co.), Frank B. Ricketson, Herman Jackel, Jr., John F. Rogers, Henry A. Tirrell, William J. Fitzgerald, Rutherford C. Plant, George Greenberger, Cesare De Carlo, John M. Lee, Martin Rozycki, Arthur E. Sherman.

All of the above named are earnestly requested to meet at the council chamber, (Monday), at the council chamber in the city hall to begin work.

ALLYN L. BROWN, Mayor.

Mayor Explains Plan.

At the common council meeting on Saturday evening Mayor Brown read the following message bearing on the military census and the plan to be followed by the committee and canvassers in Norwich.

While there is no need in this time of national crisis of a word from me upon the situation, I am sure that the members of the court of common council will be interested in and that the public at large in the community should know the information given to the mayors called together at Hartford by Governor Holcomb regarding the census of the man-power and material resources of this state. Under authority of the statute recently passed by the legislature, the governor is proceeding to have this census taken, using as the agency to this end the cities and towns of the state. Where the cities and towns are not co-terminus with those of the town, the work is to be in charge of the mayor of said city under the direction of the state board of selectmen. While no definite plan of carrying on the work in the different cities and towns is at present in the city of Hartford, which has already undertaken the work, has outlined, with the assistance of the central committee, which is also in charge of the work, a model for doing this sort of work, and one which it seems to me it would be wisest to follow in taking the census in this city.

The Plan in Brief.

The plan in brief is this: In the first place, the mayor named a committee of some 25 persons, selecting those well calculated to effectively carry out the work in the different parts of the city. In the second place, this committee compiled a list as a basis upon which to work, and in making this list, which contained the names of all the residents over 16 years of age, the voting list, the list of personal tax payers, list of the male residents obtained from the postoffice, and a list of recent graduates obtained from the school committee were used as a basis. In the third place, a card index of all the names on this list was prepared, and secondly on buff colored cards, geographically, for example, "No. 3 Franklin street, John J. Jones." In the fourth place, canvassers were selected to canvass all of the names appearing in this card index, and the method of procedure adopted was to do it by the block system, that is, by canvassing each large industry, each bank, each office building, etc., and as the canvass progressed withdrawing the names of each block, and as the names were then taken up geographically by blocks, squares, etc., until the whole list was cleared up. The canvassing of an individual consists of having him fill out a blank upon which are questions for him to answer covering the necessary points of information requested by the federal government. In the fifth place, the information blanks, so obtained, are turned in by the canvassers to the local committee and are forwarded by this committee to the central committee at Hartford.

Will Tabulate State Results.

The plan is for the local committee, after obtaining the information in some such manner as is above outlined, to forward it to the central committee for the state, which is located at Hartford. This committee will place the blanks filled out, and then utilize the latest possible methods of tabulating the results for the whole state, and for this purpose some of the large insurance companies have contributed the use of their tabulating machines. Under this system, as I understand it, every question answered on the blanks filled out is noted in a hurry by a number in the proper place of 24 or 25, or whatever the case might be. The information contained on the blanks filled out is transferred to printed cards with regular spaces and code numbers in certain regular places. The process consists of punching holes in the squares where the code number appears, thus recording the desired information.

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BELOW COST
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CHARLES E. WHITAKER,
DANIEL T. SHEA,
JOHN T. SULLIVAN,
 Board of Gas and Electric Commissioners.

City Must Borrow Money.

After the communication had been read Mayor Brown announced that the commissioners, superintendent of the plant, Stephen J. Kehoe, and cashier, Frank Dolbear, were present and that he would throw the meeting open for discussion or questions bearing on the gas and electric situation. Alderman Dolbear was the first to be heard.

Action, I presume, will be whether or not the council will call a city meeting, he said. The council cannot make the appropriation for the plant as it will have to borrow the money. He then pointed out the necessity of having in hand an accurate estimate of the cost of the plant. He said that the \$50,000 was intended to include \$18,000 in unpaid bills. There are other conditions, he said, that will have to be met, he continued, and they might as well be faced now.

Figuring out the average expenses for the three corresponding months in the three years previous, he found it to be \$39,340. Adding to this the \$18,000 in unpaid bills, the total would be \$57,340. This would be a large appropriation than that asked for (\$50,000) necessary to carry the plant through the three remaining months of the year.

The estimate of \$50,000 for cash receipts to April 30th he thought was correct.

Councilman Telley E. Babcock inquired whether Alderman Dolbear had included in the \$57,340 the \$1,200 over-charge of each transformer needed and the bills of Feb. 5th were included in the \$18,000 in unpaid bills.

A Difficult Matter to Figure.

Superintendent Kehoe said that it was a difficult matter to figure out the expenses to be borne by the city in the next three months. Coal is advancing day by day and much of it is being used in the city. Copper is at a standstill; galvanized material, if you get it, you are lucky.

How would you get at the \$50,000 expense? he asked the mayor.

By basing it in part on the past three months and adding the increase in cost of production, answered Supt. Kehoe.

The line to Thamesville will have to be rebuilt to carry the extra load in that section. Two weeks ago we had a request from the Arlington mills for 500 horse power. Last year we closed a contract with the Ponomah company to take care of 300 horse power during the summer at a minimum of \$3,500 a year. Delivery of transformers needed last summer for this contract was delayed three months by the manufacturers. The Ponomah company have written me that they are not in a hurry but want the service next summer. So we are out \$3,500 on the income for this year. Heavier copper will have to be run to the Arlington plant to supply them.

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BORN
 Wright—in Norwich, R. I., Feb. 5, 1917, a daughter, Elizabeth Pauline, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wright.

DIED.
 WILCOX—in Springfield, Feb. 8, 1917, Fanny Elizabeth Burns Wilcox, wife of Norman F. Wilcox.
 HALL—in Preston, Feb. 9, 1917, John Hall of New London.

CONNOLLY—In New London, Feb. 9, 1917, wife of Joseph Connolly, aged 29 years.

KEYSER—In this city, Feb. 10, William Keyser.

Services at Gager's funeral parlors, 70 Franklin street, Tuesday afternoon 10 o'clock, in family lot, Maplewood cemetery.

BROOKS—In Danialson, Feb. 11, 1917, Miss Harriet Brooks, formerly of Greenville.

Federal services at A. F. Wood's undertaking rooms, Danialson, Tuesday at 11 a. m.

CONGDON—In Norwich, Feb. 9, Eliza L. Congdon, aged 63 years, her sister, Mrs. Emily A. Scott, 73 Boswell avenue, Monday afternoon, Feb. 12, at 3 o'clock. Burial in family lot, Yantic cemetery.

McLAUGHLIN—In this city, Feb. 11, Henry McLaughlin of Jewett City.

CLARK—In Bozrah, Feb. 11, Emily R. Carpenter, wife of Henry L. Clark, aged 72 years.
 Notice of funeral hereafter.

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