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What is Going On Tonight.
Obwastock lodge, No. 14, I. O. O. F., meets at 807 Main street.
Trinity Chapter, No. 5, R. A. M., state convocation at Masonic hall.

The question of building a new school house at Windham Center or expending a large sum for repairs on the old building took much of the attention at the meeting of the school board held Wednesday night in the selectmen's office in the town building.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. F. E. Gould and reports from Secretary Edgar A. Case were read and approved as was the report of Trust Officer J. B. Pauthus reporting 28 cases for the month just passed. The resignation of J. D. Elmendorf as Americanization agent for the town of Windham was read and accepted. Mr. Elmendorf's resignation took effect May 1 and he took up his new work as industrial secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of New Jersey at that time. It was voted that the salary of Miss Linnell of the high school facility should be paid for the week she was forced to discontinue

her work at the high school owing to quarantine for scarlet fever.

At this time Secretary Case spoke of the condition of the falling plaster, squeaking of the flooring and lack of heat in the building. He stated that one of the three teachers at that school had resigned and the two remaining would not teach there next year if the building remained in the condition prevailing at present. The building which is an old structure is of four rooms, three of which are used as class rooms. The average attendance at the school is over 120. The offering of the building has been worn down so badly that every step brings forth a squeak, and the plastering in many places shows signs of falling. The heating system has been out of use for several years, the furnace installed but being connected by pipes with the rooms. Several years ago the question of building a new school at Windham Center came up and in two successive years appropriations of \$30,000 and \$15,000 respectively were voted to be used in the building of a new school. Quotations as to the cost of the building have been so high that the \$25,000 raised would not cover the cost of construction but it is now thought possible that a wooden structure of one or two stories with four rooms could be built for \$25,000. The school has been growing and before the opening of the fall term either a new building should be ready or the old one fully repaired or the teacher could not be found to take charge of the school. It was finally voted that the repairs committee, Dr. W. P. Keating and George S. Elliott would confer with the building committee to see what could be done to remedy the situation, and a report be returned to the school board as soon as the matter was settled.

The matter of refunding the balance of \$40 paid out by George Williams, junior at the schools, to Arthur Sweet was also taken up and was voted paid. Mr. Williams was injured while working for the school and drew compensation to about \$17 during his lay-up. Mr. Sweet was secured to do the work and at the end of the period of time Mr. Williams paid him \$40 from his own salary. The difference between \$40 and \$17 was voted to be refunded to Mr. Williams.

Secretary Case requested that three new text books be used in the high school this coming year as the old ones were deemed insufficient or changes in courses made the change necessary. The matter will be voted upon at a future meeting.

Graduation of school comes next month on the 15th, 16th, and 17th, and the following members of the school board were chosen to make the presentation of diplomas to graduates: H. C. Sathrop to school graduates on the evening of June 17; Dr. W. P. S. Keating to graduates of Natchaug grammar school, evening of June 18; Robert H. Fenton to graduates of Windham street grammar school, evening of June 15; Dr. F. E. Gould to graduates of Windham Center school evening of June 17th. Adjourning was at 8:30 o'clock.

A meeting of the campaign committee of the Salvation Army drive in this city was held Wednesday afternoon in the hall of that organization on Church street. Final plans for the campaign for \$5,000 were made and canvassers will begin their work this (Thursday) morning. The drive will be for one week ending on Thursday, May 20th.

Members of the cast of "The 5,000" were the guests of the Y. M. C. A. at a supper served Wednesday night at the association building by members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. Following the school graduates on the top the members were invited to

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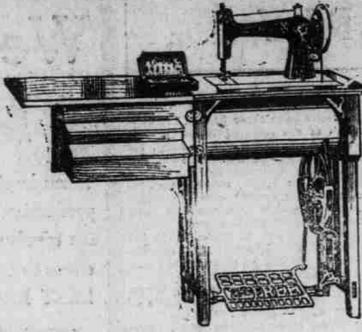
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The May dance held in the gymnasium of the Y. Over 75 couples enjoyed the dance, the music furnished by the Majestic orchestra. The affair was in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harris and was voted the best of the season.

A man giving his name as Gifford, called at the police station Wednesday morning and stated that the automobile he had been driving was struck by a bicycle ridden by a boy named Staples early in the morning, at the corner of Main and Jackson streets. He added that the boy was thrown from his bicycle by the force of the blow and that the bicycle was damaged to some extent. The boy, however, made no report of the accident to the chief.

A meeting of the board of relief was held Wednesday afternoon at the town building. Little business was transacted and the meeting was adjourned until Saturday of this week. The last meeting of the board is scheduled for Saturday, May 22.

Chief of Police Daniel J. Killourey was notified Wednesday morning by the motor vehicle department that the automobile operator's license of David Fortier had been restored, dating from May 8, 1920. Fortier lost his license last fall after an accident on Jackson street which resulted in the death of Pearl Smith, of 143 Jackson street. Fortier drove for the Providence Dairy Company at that time.

The voting for the most popular young lady of Willimantic at the carnival under the auspices of Company G, Third Regiment, Connecticut State Guard, had reached the following figures Wednesday, Anna Peteronone 609, Theresa Shea 523, Katherine Murphy 492, Blanche Charon 384, Grace Loiselle 382, and Ella Rockwood 375.

A Cadillac automobile found abandoned in Westford some time ago was returned to its owner, Joseph R. Bullock of Providence Tuesday, making that city under its own power. E. A. Childs of Providence representing an automobile liability insurance company presented the proper credentials to Chief Killourey and drove the machine to Providence. The machine was stolen from Mr. Bullock in Providence January 21

of this year. William G. Duffy and daughter of Worcester, Mass., are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murray of Pearl street.

Monday evening last Mrs. Fred Lyon, Miss Edith Peterson and Mrs. Sidney Mathewson were pleasantly surprised each receiving a pretty May basket hung at the home of Mrs. Lyon by the girls of their organized Sunday school class, known as the True Blue Girls. As the club meets every two weeks it was planned to have a surprise at this meeting and everyone was delighted with the thoroughness with which the girls carried out their program.

Each of the three baskets was decorated with the class colors, blue, white and gold, and was filled with the usual dainties. Besides this the girls had brought refreshments of delicious sandwiches and cookies. A delightful evening was passed and the teachers were very much pleased with the result of the girls' work.

The True Blue Girls has been organized but a short time but the club has been a great success from the first. The club is composed of some of the brightest and sweetest girls from the Congregational church and already the village has felt their spirit of sympathy and helpfulness in the cards sent to the sick and shut-in. Their friends hope for prophecy a long life for the True Blues; for it is on such organizations as this that the future social life of the village should be built.

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A Musical Evening.
The blind musical artists and entertainers, John and Mary McCoy, will appear here tomorrow evening in T. A. B. hall. They are very warmly commended by the press of New England and New York state. Both play the piano with skill and fine effect. Miss McCoy has a pure, sweet and sympathetic soprano voice, with a good range and her brother possesses a rich baritone. He excites much laughter by his droll humor and rich Irish wit. His impersonations of characters are to be wondered at according to the Albany Argus, since it has never been his good fortune to look upon the facial expressions and actions of others. No less natural and amusing is the dialogue song, Mr. and Mrs. Smith in which Miss McCoy represents the scolding wife.

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Motion Pictures at Bred Theatre, Vaudiville and Motion Pictures at Strand Theatre.
Norwich Stationary Engineers' Association, No. 6, meets in Carpenters' Hall.
Ladies' Auxiliary, No. 54, A. O. H., meets in Buckingham Memorial Hall.
Palmyra Encampment, No. 3, I. O. O. F., meets in the town building.
Lafayette Council, No. 207, I. O. O. F., meets in Foresters' Hall.
Women of Moosehide Legion, No. 124, meet in Moose Home.
Second Division, A. O. H., meets in Foresters' Hall.

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The Strand.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday Billy Hart and his circus girls will be featured at the Strand Theatre. The show is in themselves, combining as they do all the elements that go to make up roaring laughing entertainment. The offering is a novel comedy act, consisting of singing, dancing, talking and burlesque mind reading, so arranged and constructed as to make it one of the most amusingly funny acts in vaudeville. Billy Hart's reputation as a comedian and team maker has been established year after year for this clever artist has been before the public as an entertainer in practically every line of amusement. "The Circus Girls," who aid and abet Billy Hart in his bits of circus and vaudeville are four beautiful young women of more than attractive appearance, who sing gloriously and dance divinely, besides furnishing abundant opportunities for the many funny situations and clever comedy bits offered by Billy Hart. In a scene depicting the exterior of the side show tent of a big circus, with the immense painted banners describing the wonders exhibited on the inside, Billy Hart, as the manager, owner, lecturer and general factotum of the side show is discovered making a "Hally Hocky" which in plain English means the announcing of the wonders to be witnessed in the show. From the moment Billy starts until the finish of the act, things amusing happen in such rapid succession as to keep an audience in continuous laughter. The bright comedy feature of the offering is the burlesque mind reading stunt presented by Billy and one of the "Circus Girls." This clever bit of comedy is original with Billy Hart, and is figured always a riot of laughter. The offering as a whole is one of the best comedy acts today. The singing and entertaining standpoint that will be seen this season. If Billy Hart and his "Circus Girls" do not make you laugh and laugh loud, it is time to consult a doctor. The other acts on the programme are Roatini and Banetti, in a full stage comedy offering, entitled "Mamoucha Goin' Up." Also Haldwin and Sheldon in a comedy singing and talking offering.

For the feature picture Grace Davison will be shown in "The Hidden Code." If old Haroun Al Raschid of Arabian Nights fame were alive today it is a safe bet that he would be at the Strand Theatre on Thursday, Friday and Saturday when "The Hidden Code" is presented.

Old Haroun certainly loved his stories, and the more exciting and romantic they were the better he liked them. The Hidden Code is a romance of love, intrigue and excitement. The story is so rapidly that one literally holds their breath to see what will happen next.

A Kinogram Weekly completes this wonderful show.

Bred Theatre.

In one of the best plays of her screen career, Olive Thomas, the Seznick beauty, will be seen at the Bred Theatre today in "Footlights and Shadows," a play adopted by R. Cecil Smith from the story by Bradley King. Under the direction of John W. Noble, Miss Thomas is said to give her best performance of the season. "Footlights and Shadows" tells the story of a girl performer in the "Midnight Revue," which serves to take the star back to the role which brought her to a much wider audience. An excellent cast supports Miss Thomas, with Alexander Onslow as her leading man. The photography, lighting effects and settings are elaborate. The story is staged in the western hills of California. Buck Jones, truly accomplishes the seemingly impossible in numerous deeds of daring and the home. The story of "The Star" is a strong one, but it is made doubly interesting by Jones' brilliant hair-raising hero and a lover of typically western romances which is delightfully unfolded in a very satisfactory manner. A Kinogram Weekly completes this big double bill.

"Bab" Coming to The Davis Theatre.
A new comedy in four acts, will be presented at the Davis Theatre Wednesday, matinee and evening, when George C. Tyler will offer, by arrangement with Arthur Hopkins, a dramatization of the famous sub-deb stories of Mary Roberts Rinehart. The story of "The Girl Situation" of these stories has been made by Edward Childs Carpenter, author of "The Cinderella Man," a play which is now in its eighth year in London, and is being simultaneously presented in Australia, South Africa, and India. Bab, as all familiar with Mrs. Rinehart's charming stories are aware, is a young school girl of seventeen, who fancies the idea as much of a grown-up as her debutante sister, and as such she has many sprightly adventures, and gives full vent to her romantic ideas. She attracts a very lovable young person, filled with the love of adventure, and at her father's summer home, she has full scope for her romanticism. For the title role, Mr. Tyler has taken Helen Hayes from the leading role of the successful Booth Tarkington's comedy, "Clarence," in order that she may create the part of the sub-deb. Miss Hayes ideally fits the part as she is only eighteen herself. Last year she created a furore in theatrical circles by creating the role of the dream-girl with William Gillette in Sir James Barrie's "The Little Minister." Her appearance as Cora Wheeler in "Clarence" was equally heralded by the critics, although a role entirely dissimilar than the one which she played in "Clarence." In the cast included Helen Hayes, George C. Tyler, Paul George, the musical chef. This is a novelty offering that is something new. The four in Elliott and West, a team of comedians, who can dance and act funny without overdoing it. The fifth act is McNally and Ashton, a burlesque comedy duo, who do a little of everything, and Mr. and Mrs. Keady, a team of comedians, who do much to strengthen the argument that youth is supreme. The second act is "Cullin's Circus," a clever animal act entitled "Fanny in a Menagerie" with dove and monkey doing all the acting. The third act is Paul George, the musical chef. This is a novelty offering that is something new. The four in Elliott and West, a team of comedians, who can dance and act funny without overdoing it. The fifth act is McNally and Ashton, a burlesque comedy duo, who do a little of everything, and Mr. and Mrs. Keady, a team of comedians, who do much to strengthen the argument that youth is supreme. The second act is "Cullin's Circus," a clever animal act entitled "Fanny in a Menagerie" with dove and monkey doing all the acting. The third act is Paul George, the musical chef. This is a novelty offering that is something new.

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