WILLIMANTIC

NORWICH BULLETIN

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A great deal of interest is being manifested for the town meeting which will be held this (Monday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. The meeting is for the purpose of ratifying the appropriation of $325,000 for an eight-room addition to the Natchaug Grammar school. It is understood that advocates and opponents of the expenditure are busy getting as many voters as possible to the polls. Superintendent of Schools Herbert A. Case has prepared a statement which makes apparent the urgent need of additional facilities.

His report which has been issued by the school committee states the condition of the schools are overcrowded and give promise of being more so with each passing year. There are eight rooms which are already on part time. This is never jolindvantageous as it takes the average child ten years to complete a course which he could otherwise accomplish in eight years. The general public of course must realize that this is unfair.

An addition of eight rooms would relieve these conditions for the present and until such a time as the growth of the population called for the erection of a new school building in some other section of the city.

There have been several discussions which have been offered in regard to using unused rooms or converting other buildings into school rooms but these plans would prove to be an absolute waste of money.

The $325,000 appropriation could be paid by less than a half mill tax for fifteen years. If a person is living in a house taxed on the list to the value of $2,000 the rent would increase approximately eight cents per month to cover the whole cost, it is pointed out.

The continued case of Ernest Miles of 74 Meadow street, charged with assault on Edward Bennett, was heard in police court Saturday morning.

The assault was alleged to have been committed on the night of Monday, Oct. 9, on which night Bennett was brought to the police station by Officer Hurley after being intoxicated. On arrival there it was found that Bennett was suffering considerably and he was taken to the hospital for treatment. A few days later Miles was arrested, charged with assault.

In court Saturday morning Bennett said that he had no recollection of what occurred after a strange man had given him a drink, and therefore his testimony was worthless.

Ivy Millard of No. 74 Meadow street testified that she saw a scuffle and saw Miles push a man down, then help him to his feet and send him away.

Henry Lambert of No. 69 Meadow street said that he was directly across the street and also saw the affair. Ernest Columbe told the court that he was in the house with Miles and Bennett and the former took Bennett and struck him and when he fell Miles kicked him. Columbe said that he interpeded and then Bennett was put out of the house. Columbe, who talked in broken English, could not seem to tell how the incident came about.

Miles did not testify. The court did not think that the assault was with evil intent and imposed a fine of $25 and costs, amounting to $37.56 which Miles made arrangements to pay.

The continued case of Louis Bereube charged with intoxication and breaking and entering, was next heard. It was stated by the prosecuting attorney that on that night Bereube was intoxicated and seeing a house which looked similar to the one in which he lived he went in through a window. He was chased from the house and left some of his wearing apparel behind him which brought about his arrest. The charge of breaking and entering was nolled and Bereube paid a fine of $5 and costs amounting to $12.15 for intoxication.

The funeral of Henry Bedford was held from his late home, 496 Valley street, Saturday morning at 8.30 o'clock, followed by a requiem high mass at St. Mary's church at 9 o'clock, Rev. J. J. Papillon officiated. The services were largely attended and special singing was rendered by the choir. The bearers were Alex Auclaire, Walter Monast, Edward Sweeney and Roland Gaudreau. A committal service was conducted at the grave by Rev. J. J. Papillon.

An intoxicated man lost control of his legs the other night and fell through one of the windows of the John Wennehy barber shop on Church street. The man was taken to the police station where he agreed to pay for the damage. As Mr. Dennehy did not care to press any charge against him he was released.

A number of local members attended the 96th convention of the Willimantic Christian Endeavor Union which was held in Eastford Saturday afternoon and evening.

A large delegation of local fans made the trip to Norwich Sunday afternoon to witness the contest between the Norwich Kaceys and the American Thread A. A.

Raymond E. Clarke was named as one of the candidates for justice of the peace at the democratic caucus held in Columbia. His name was omitted in the list published recently.

Among some of the members of the Baptist society who attended the state convention held in New Britain recently were David Moxin, Byron Hawkins, Mrs. Clara Bullard, Mrs. E. B. Crane, Mrs. Charles Crane, Mrs. S. S. Pendleton, Mrs. M. S. Ladd, Miss Ada Bowen and Miss Mabel Slate.

The regular meeting of the King's Daughters was held at the home of Mrs. R. F. Stanton of 114 Pleasant street. The meeting was largely attended. Luncheon was served and the afternoon was spent in sewing.

An all day session of the Jolly Eight was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Bentley of West Main street recently. Ladies were served a chicken dinner, followed by music, game and stories. The party broke up at a late hour.

Mrs. Alton Griswold and daughter, Ruth Virginia, have returned home to East Haven after being the guests of Mrs. Walter Jones of this city for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Crawford and daughter Elinor, attended the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Clark in Putnam Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Parsons and daughter Margaret were week-end guests of Mr. Parsons' sister and brother in Winsted.

Mrs. Morris B. Smith returned Saturday from several weeks' stay in Elyria, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Potter left Saturday for Manchester-by-the-Sea and will attend the Rockport boat race there today (Monday).

Miss Regina Racicot, who is ill at her home, has received a fine basket of fruit from the Children of Mary's Society of St. Joseph's church.

Mrs. Minnie Cheney has resigned her position with the Tubridy-Weldon Company and has returned to her home in Bridgeport.

A Congregational Thimble club with Mrs. DeWitt C. Hills, leader, met at the home of Mrs. D. C. Barrows recently. The afternoon was spent in sewing and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Wallen and daughter Lois of Hartford were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Wallen after which Mrs. Wallen left with them to spend a few days in Hartford.

Mrs. John Loomis and Mrs. E. J. Tryon spent Saturday in Hartford.

Frederick H. Turner and Jack Carleton of Hartford spent Saturday with Mrs. Mary L. Turner in this city.

The former residence of J. L. Leonard, now owned by Christopher Leka is being made into two tenements, one of which Mr. Leka will occupy.

Across a banquet board in Chicago, A. D. Lasker, chairman of the United States shipping board, told United States Attorney General Daugherty and the other banqueters that the attorney general's recent ruling that all ships entering American waters must be "dry" was the greatest blow that could have happened to the American merchant marine.

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JEWETT CITY

Warden Joseph H. McCarthy is anxious that in connection with the proposed action for rubbish, cans and cleaner streets, that there should be a strict observance of certain borough laws that operate directly in connection with this movement. Hereafter no street is to be opened for water, sewer or any other purpose, nor any building erected, until permits have been received from the borough government. Warden McCarthy took occasion the night of the North Main street fire to point out a number of the borough's by-laws, made back in 1896, that show a plainly visible need of other revisions or enforcement. As for example, Section 33 which reads: Every person who shall race, or try the speed of horses upon the mal nstreet in the borough, or who shall ride or drive any horse, team or vehicle of any kind upon any street or highway, except Slater avenue, at a gait faster than 10 miles per hour, shall pay a fine not exceeding $10 for each offense.

A number of automobile parties from Jewett City went to Plainfield Saturday evening to attend Kathleen at the Community house.

A member of one of the parties who visited Norwich Suburban Day, figured that there were more shoes sold than anything else she said, because the delegation she was with wore out a pair apiece, looking for a window number to match their ticket coupons.

Miss Jean Burleson spent the week end in Hartford.

Rev. J. J. McCabe has been called to Waterbury by the death of his uncle, Rev. Luke Fitzimmons. Wednesday a solemn requiem mas will be said at St. Mary's church in Jewett City.

The conference of churches is not to be held in Jewett City as there are several reasons why it will not be convenient at this time.

Mrs. George Boardman of Glasgo has as guests for two weeks, Mrs. Thomas J. Scott of Derby and Mrs. Fannie Church of Norwich. They have visited several old friends, including John P. German of Jewett City and Olin Douglass and C. C. Palmer of Hopeville. Mrs. Boardman has received a letter from Dr. A. Fontaine, formerly of Jewett City, now in Florida. He writes that he would like to return to see his friends but that his health will not pemit in cold weather.

Sheriff and Mrs. Sidney A. Brown of New London were callers in the borough Sunday.

As considerable mail for Greece originates in this place it is of interest to learn that Postmaster D. F. Finn has received notice that the following articles are prohibited importation into Greece through the mails, for a period of six months: Chocolates, baptismal presents, feathers, artificial flowers, women's hats, false jewelry, lasnge, sweetmeats, umbrellas and parasols.

A large flock of wild geese passed over the town during the hour just before daybreak Sunday morning. The flock, evidently a large one, was flying low so that their distant honkings were distinctly audible in the borough streets.

Sunday in the borough was one of rare fall beauty, being cloudless, with bright sunshine and moderate temperature, until the mercury began to fall in the early evening. All the churches were largely attended. Automobile traffic over the state road during the afternoon averaged from 150 to 200 machines an hour. The mild temperature induced many to enjoy walks afield.

Annual meeting Red Cross chapter, town hall, Wednesday, 8 p. m. Every member should come and hear report of work done.—adv.

A cantata, Queen Calendar at Home, was given by Mrs. G. H. Prior's class in the Baptist vestry Friday evening. The parts were taken as follows, the programme being opened by a piano and violin duet, Frolic of the Months, played by Alice and Tyler Gilbert:

Queen Calendar, Rose Cramb; January, Ruth Bliven; February, Priscilla Tucker; March, Winifred Scates; April, Priscilla Scates; May, Arline Tucker; June, Ruby Gray; July, Doris Burr; August, Doris Carpenter; September, Violet Harris; October, Susan Terry; November, Ellen Prior; December, Verna Tarbox; North Wind, Emma Dearnley; East Wind, Mildred Sweet; South Wind, Beatrice Cathcart; West Wind, Margaret Jordan; Sunbeam, Mildred Gilbert; Raindrop, Ruth Cathcart.

The special numbers were: Blow Winds, a chorus by the Winds, a duett, Extremes, by Mildred Gilbert and Ruth Cathcart; solo, A Place For Everything, by Beatrice Cathcart; solo, Variety, by Emma Dearnley.

A solo, Summer Roses, by Verna Tarbox; duet, Vacation Days, by Ellen Prior and Doris Carpenter; solo, Everybodys Happy, by Mildred Gilbert; recitation, Rainbow Recipe, and two choruses, O Happy Holiday and Back to Our Places.

There were two recitations, Ginevra and The Last Hymn, by Mildred McCarron of Providence. Home made candy was for sale in charge of Miss Ida F. Foster. Mrs. G. H. Prior was in charge of the programme. The committee on decorations were Mis Ida I. Foster, Mrs. A. M. Brown and Miss Alice A. Brown.

Mrs. R. F. Cheney is in Vermont this week in order to be present at her parents' 58th wedding anniversary.

Faith Chapter, No. 82, O. E. S., has been invited by Sachem chapter, No. 57, of Norwich, to be present at their 19th anniversary celebration Tuesday evening.

WESTERLY

A large number of residents of Westerly went to North Stonington Friday afternoon to attend Founders' day. There were 50 guests who enjoyed the banquet at the Jennie Wheeler hall. The hall was most tastefully dressed in the school colors of gray and crimson, autumn leaves and berries combined with sprays of gray wild clematis. The favors were also in the class colors. A delightful menu was served and included consomme aux pates, olives, celery, tartar sauce, rolls, chicken, French fried potatoes, peas, fruit salad, ice cream, cakes, coffee. The food was prepared in the dormitory kitchen. Mr. Reed entertained the guests with songs, the words of which were composed by Mrs. Reed. Miss Olive Linton of Norwich was the accompanist. The toastmaster was Charles Perry of Westerly, president of the board of directors. Mrs. Tryon responded to the toast. Other toasts were: Miss Jennie Wheeler, Our Founder, and John D. Avery, to Thomas B. Hewitt, the former president of the board. Frank W. Stolpe, vice president of the alumni association, responded for the organization, and L. D. Crandall of Norwich, a member of the faculty, spoke on Ideals and Loyalty. Miss Elizabeth A. Lane of Norwich rendered two delightful violin solos.

Three rousing cheers were given the master of ceremonies, Mr. Reed. A dance followed with the alumni members as guests. In the afternoon a football game between the Wheeler boys and South Kingston High school, and the visitors won by a score of 24 to 0.

Miss Effie R. Crowther, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crowther of Lower Pawcatuck, was married Wednesday to Ira F. Meeker of Brooklyn, N. Y. Rev. F. A. MacDonald performed the ceremony. The couple were attended by Miss Alice G. Heseltine and Edward C. Heseltine of Auburn, R. I. A buffet lunch was served at the home of the bride. The groom, who is stationed at the submarine base, will soon leave for the Panama canal zone from Norfolk, Va. The bride is a stenographer at the submarine base at New London.

Rev. and Mrs. P. S. Ssiler of Summer street are at Burlington, N. C., where they are attending the American Christian convention there.

The members of the Westerly Community club are to enjoy an address this (Monday) evening at their meeting when Attorney Charles P. Sisson of Providence will address them at the Pawcatuck Congregational church. He will speak on political issues, state and national. Light refreshments will be served. The winter's program will also be outlined at this meeting.

Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Howard Tillinghast, eldest daughter of Edward M. Tillinghast of Hope Valley and Lester Edmond Gavitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Gavitt of 43 Beach street, Westerly, took place at the bride's home on Main street, Hope Valley. The service used by the officiating clergyman, Clayton A. Burdick, D. D., pastor of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist church, Westerly was written by the bride's mother (deceased) and used at her marriage. It was a double ring service. The home was handsomely decorated in yellow, green and white. The couple were married under a floral arch of palms. The bridal party entered the living room to the music of Lohengrin, preceded by the maid of honor, Miss Canta Clarke of Hanover, N. H., a college mate of the bride. The ribbon bearers were Marjorie Babcock, Lucy Rawlings, Dorothy Fisher, Gene Tillinghast and Rachel Tillinghast, Jr. The flower girl was Gladys Tillinghast, a cousin of the bride. The bridesmaids were the Misses Katherine Tillinghast and Marion Hiscox. The ushers were Jason W. Holman and June S. Cook. The bride was attired in her mother's wedding gown, white ivory satin, with sleeves and over draping of brocaded chiffon. She wore a tulle veil caught with a band of orange blossoms, coronet style. She carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor wore geranium Canton crepe and carried bronze dahlias. The maids' gowns were of Copenhagen blue satin and each carried bronze dahlias.

There was an informal reception and luncheon was served. The couple will reside in New York upon their return from an extended wedding trip. The at home cards are for January 1st. The bride is a graduate of the Westerly High school and Smith college, '22. The groom is a graduate of Westerly High school and Brown university.

Charles Todd, eleven, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Todd of Poquonnoc road, was knocked down by a Ford car Friday morning. The car was driven by John Minchen of Westerly. He was immediately attended by a physician. He was on his way to Groton Heights school and put chase to a trolley car in front of his home. He ran directly in front of the Minchen car, it is said.

When C. Palmer Chapman of Avondale was using a husking machine Friday, his forearm was drawn in between two rollers and was badly mangled nearly to the elbow. The machine was stopped and the belt thrown off. It had to be reversed to release the member. He was attended by Drs. Henry L. Johnson and M. H. Scanlon and was taken to the Brown Memorial hospital, Providence, in the sanitary corps ambulance. It was stated Sunday that the arm will have to be amputted at the elbow. Dr. Johnson accompanied Mr. Chapman to Providence.

Wells Fowler of 63 Elm street noticed sparks from the chimney on the roof of his home late Friday and he immediately dumped the contents of his fire extinguisher on the shingles which had started to blaze up. The chemical engine was sent to the scene and more chemicals applied and the fire was put out.

STONINGTON

Martin Clemens of Grand View park, Stonington, was given a preliminary hearing Friday evening in the local court. Judge L. D. Fairbrother was on the bench. Saturday morning Clemens was again before the court. His place was visited by federal agents Tuesday and liquor was seized by Patrolman Thomas O'Connell. Bonds of $500 were furnished by Mrs. Clemens. As one of the federal agents did not appear as a witness, the case was adjourned to this (Monday) morning at 9 o'clock.

The funeral of Richard Wilkinson was held Friday afternoon at his home on Church street. Rev. William F. Williams, rector of Calvary Episcopal church, officiated. The Masonic burial service was conducted by Asylum lodge, No. 57, F. and A. M. Worshipful Master Ernest F. Williams and Senior Warden Albert Fort officiated. The bearers were Harry Chesebro, Walter Anderson, John Haley and Henry Friedman.

The Stonington Girl Scouts will Monday evening have as guests members of the Westerly Girl Scout troop. The meeting will be held in Community hall.

Capt. Charles Emmett, who purchased the large shed at the shipyard, has commenced to tear it down.

Clarence Main has sold his residence on Elm street to John Szymonski, who will reside there.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Northrup are visiting in Southbridge, Mass.

Capt. J. C. Fratus of Latimer light has returned from a trip to Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Potter were callers in Norwich Sunday.

George Taylor and Charles Burtch have returned from a visit of a week in Providence.

MYSTIC

Miss Marguerite Duhaime, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Duhaime, has been complimented for her interpretation of Evangeline as well as her dancing and singing at Mt. St. Joseph's academy, Hartford. Miss Duhaime is a graduate of the Broadway grammar school, 1922.

Mrs. Fred Liese, who was delegate from Pequot temple, P. S., to the grand lodge at New Britain and New Haven, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Abell of Haley street entertained over the week end Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gallup of Willimantic.

Benjamin Mull, Howard Duall, Leonard Hermes, Henry Latham, Albert Cole, Jesse Stinson and Percy Morgan were in Bridgeport Saturday, where they attended the Shriners' fall conclave.

Reynolds Wheeler is confined to his home on High street by illness.

C. W. Chase of Leominster, Mass., was a week end caller here.

PHOENIXVILLE

Local people were in attendance at the auction in Thompson Thursday.

Roy Clemens enrertained John R. Vinton and son, George, of Hartford, Sunday.

The Pound party at the chapel Saturday afternoon was a success.

The dance in the old mill attracted numerous out of town guests.

Gladys Jocelyn has returned from a visit with her sister in Cincinnati.

Frank Bennette of Ashford is repairing his buildings.

Sunday evening Roy Clemons entertained a party of young men from Thompson.

Many men want to be great and a few try to be good.

THE WIDE-AWAKE CIRCLE

Boys' and Girls' Department

Rules For Young Writers.

1—Write plainly on one side of the paper only, and number the pages.
2—Use pen and ink, not pencil.
3—Short and pointed articles will be given preference. Do not use over 250 words.
4—Original stories or letters only will be used.
5—Write your name, age and address plainly at the bottom of the story.

POETRY FOR THE WIDE-AWAKES.

Over the Plate.

Bill Jones had the speed of a cannonball;
He could loosen a brick from a three-foot wall.
When he shot one across it would hustle by
Too swift for even the street eye.
No one could hit him when he was right,
As no eye could follow the ball's quick flight.
Bill should have starred in a big league role,
But he stuck to the "minors"—he lacked control.

Jack Smith had a curve like a loop-the-loop;
It would start for your head with a sudden swoop,
And break to your knees with a signag wave,
And the leagues best batters would roar and rave;
At the jump it took a sudden swerve;
Shade of the boomerang, "what a curve,"
But Jack's still doomed to a "Irish league fate"—
He couldn't get it across the plate.

Tom Brown had both the speed and curve,
A combination which jarred the nerve.
He could steam 'em by till they looked like peas,
They'd take a jump from your neck to your knees.
From the best to the worst in the league, by jing!
He had them all on the phantom swing.
But he missed the mark of the truly great—
Poor Tom—he couldn't locate the plate.

How is it with you, if I may ask?
Have you got control of your daily task?
Have you got control of your appetite?
Of your temper and tongue in the bitter fight?
Have you "got control" of your brawn and brain?
Or are you laboring all in vain?
It matters not what your daily role,
Have you got control? Have you got CONTROL?

It counts not what you may "have," my friend,
When the story is told at the game's far end.
The greatest and the noblest brain
The world has known may be yours in vain.
The man with "control" is the man who mounts,
And how to use "what you've got" that counts.
Have you got the head? Are you aiming straight?
How much of your effort "goes over the plate?"

—From Mind and Body.

GRANDPA'S CHERRY-TREE.

Grandpa has a cherry-tree
Full of cherries red;
"If you want those cherries, lad,
Hurry up!" he said.
"Cedar birds are coming fast,
Soon they'll strip the tree;
There'll not be a cherry left
When they're through, you'll see."

They're so pretty, gray and black,
With a spot of red
On their tall quills, this is what
I to grandpa said:
"Let them take all they can eat
What they leave will be
Quite enough for me to have—"
I love birds, you see.

—Helen M. Richardson, in Dumb Animals.

UNCLE JED'S TALK TO WIDE-AWAKES.

There are always those boys and girls who prefer to eat what they like without regard for whether it is good for them. There are those who are always ready to refuse part of their meals, who push away their nice baked potato, or cut every bit of fat from their meat before they will touch it, instead of eating fat and lean together. And then there are those who seem to think they do not like this vegetable or that, even though mother is always pointing out their good features and urging them to try them.

Members of the Wide-Awake circle have probably learned long before this that if a thing is put on the table it ought to be eaten whether they care very much for it or not. You cannot eat just honey cookies, cake, pie and deserts and get the necessary materials that are required to make you grow and be strong. It is necessary to have different vegetables and fruits, different foods in order to get the iron which makes the rosy cheeks, the materials that make the bones and the fat to keep us warm. It is necessary to have well balanced meals, and not only to have them but to eat them, for you eat for other reasons than because the food tastes good. It is necessary to eat to live and the more care that is taken in eating the food that is good for you, the better is the state of health.

That isn't so for boys and girls alone, but for everyone. It is to be realized that there are things to be learned in regard to what you should eat as well as about other things, for nothing is more important than good health.

So to be sure that you get all of the things that the body requires, it is best to eat all the things that are put before you at home, for mothers understand which foods are wholesome and beneficial and which should be eaten together. There is teamwork in connection with foods quite the same as there is in playing games.

WINNERS OF PRIZE BOOKS.

1—Newton B. Smith of Anston—Rescued by a Prince.

2—Oliver Wood of Eagleville—The Boy Land Boomer.

3—Harold Barstow of Plainfield—The Auto Boys' Quest.

4—Donald MacLearn of Baltoville—The Auto Boys' Vacation.

5—Alice Roy of Willimantic—The Camp Fire Girls on the Farm.

6—Charles Tracy of Putnam—An Aviator's Luck.

LETTERS OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

William Kuhne of Bozrah: I received your book and was very pleased with it. My sister likes to read it as well as I do, and I thank you very much for the nice present.

Idabelle Phillips of Hampton: Many thanks for the lovely book you sent me, The Auto Boys' Vacation. I am reading it and enjoy it very much.

STORIES WRITTEN BY WIDE-AWAKES.

From Field to Food.

Dear Uncle Jed: I am going to tell you about the story of shredded wheat. The reaper and binder, a very large machine used for cutting and binding the wheat, is drawn by a tractor. This machine cuts a swath of 40 feet, shocks, and binds the wheat.

The shocks are put into a feeder, and the binders are automatically cut and fed into the thresher. The thresher is also run by a tractor. The straw is blown out by a blower, and the wheat is weighed and bagged. This machine threshes about 50 to 160 bushels per hour. All of the wheat that is threshed can't possibly be used in the making of shredded wheat. That which isn't is stored in enormous elevators.

The wheat when taken from the thresher is quite dirty, so it must be cleaned. The cleaning process is very difficult. The wheat is put through 24 machines. The wheat is then let through the floor by chutes into large revolving steel cylinders.

The steam is turned on and steamed for 30 minutes. The wheat becomes softened and is poured between two rollers, one corrugated, the other smooth. They roll toward each other and roll the wheat into strings about two inches long. An endless chain carries the wheat to the cutter, which cuts it the proper size. The wheat biscuits, which are of a light color, are then automatically dumped into revolving ovens where they are baked over an anthracite coal fire of 1,400 degrees. These ovens bake about 5,000 biscuits at a time. The biscuits are then packed into boxes and automatically sealed.

I will now tell you a few things about the kernel of wheat. The outside coating is the bran of the wheat kernel. Next to the bran is the mineral, which makes teeth, bones and muscular tissue. The gluten cells come next, then comes the starch, which helps to keep the body warm. In the very center of the grain is the germ, which feeds the brain.

GEORGE W. STEDMAN, Age 14.
North Stonington.

Our Pig.

Dear Uncle Jed: We have 21 little pigs. They are red and white. There is one little runman. He is very small. He stays out in the lot all by himself. He is so small that he gets through the bars and then he goes rooting around the lot. There is a small hole in the wall just big enough for him to get through into the next lot. It is in the next lot where there are some apples. He eats them.

CHARLES TRACY, Age 11.
Putnam.

My Grandfather's Experience.

Dear Uncle Jed: I thought I would tell you about an experience my great great grandfather had during the Revolutionary war.

A man in his company was sent home on a furlough, but not being able to travel alone my grandfather accompanied him.

One night during their trip home they reached a house located in a lonely place in the woods. They stopped and asked if they might stay over night. They were granted permission. They were requested to go to their room and have their supper brought to them.

When it was brought to them my grandfather was suspicious that everything might not be all right. He asked the man to eat the food. This the man refused to do. My grandfather then told him to bring some food which he was willing to eat, which he did.

After eating their supper they fastened the door and without removing their clothes retired.

Some time later they heard footsteps ascending the stairs on the inside. Someone tried their door. My grandfather asked what was wanted. There was no reply and everything was quiet.

There was an outside doorway to the house with an outside stairway leading to the ground. Later during the night someone was heard coming to this outer door.

Someone rapped and said, "Open the door." My Grandfather replied by shooting through the panel of the door. He heard someone groan and go down the stairs.

He watched the rest of the night. In the morning he opened the outside door and cautiously looked out. There were blood drops on the stairs, but he saw no one. He then opened the inside door, and hearing nothing went down stairs. He looked around and found the house to be deserted. They made their way as rapidly as possible to the next house about a mile and a half distant. My grandfather told the experience they had during the night. The people told him that several men had been known to stop at this place, but they were the first who were known to come away.

Several men went back to the house and searched it. They found evidences of murder.

After reaching home with his comrade my grandfather returned to the army in time to see Burgoyne surrender at Saratoga Oct. 17, 1777. He had 3500 troops when he surrendered.

NEWTON B. SMITH.
Anston.

Grandpa's Farm.

Dear Uncle Jed: I am going to tell you about staying the week-end at grandpa's farm. Grandpa came after us in his two-seated wagon. Mother, sister and my grandma went with me. My father came over after his work.

When I got there I asked grandpa if I could set a trap and he said I could. So I set it in a hole that night. I went to the trap and it was tripped, so I set it again. I told Mr. Woodchuck I would get him the next time. In the afternoon Grandpa had company, a big auto full. After a late dinner I went down to see if I had got Mr. Woodchuck. There was something in my trap but it was not a woodchuck but a skunk. I was so pleased I knew I could get some money for his skin. So I took the skunk up to the house and I think grandpa smelt us before we got anywhere near him, for he asked me what I had got in my trap. I took the skunk up to the barn and I was going to take him out of the trap but my father was there and he said "Take that away; do you hear?" Yes, I did hear, but how was I going to skin him? But I went away with the skunk. The ladies came out of the house to see him. But they went back into the house with their noses between their thumbs and fingers. I am going down to the farm again and I hope there won't be any ladies there this time. Then I can see my trap again. This is my first letter. If you like it I will try and write again.

HAROLD ELLISON BARSTOW,
Age 11.
Plainfield.

The Motorcycle.

Dear Uncle Jed: I am interested in motorcycles because my father owns one and there are also many interesting things which are not on an automobile. Also I like them because they can go fast.

The first motorcycle was invented by Oscar Hedstrom and his factory was set up at Springfield, Mass.

The early motorcycle was like a modern bicycle with an engine in it. They kept improving them and now they are very popular.

This summer I learned to drive my father's. I was driving it one day and I nearly tipped over. I turned around and the sidecar wheel lifted about two feet from the ground but my father put his foot out and caught it in time.

The motorcycle is mounted on two wheels like a bicycle. It has an engine placed on the lower frame. The engines are two and four cylinders on the different makes. The gasoline tank extends from the front fork to the seatpost and the gear shift is on the side. The gas and spark is in the handle grips. In the year 1919 they manufactured sidecars to attach to the motorcycle to carry more people.

The advantage a motorcycle has over an automobile is a motorcycle can be put anywhere because it takes up so little room. Another is that motorcycles can get about quicker.

But the auto also has advantages over the motorcycle, as the automobile can carry more passengers and in an auto the people can be protected from the rain and weather.

Some makes of motorcycles are Indian at Springfield, Mass.; Harley-Davidson at Milwaukee, Wis.; and the Excelsior at Chicago, Ill.

This spring I went to the motorcycle hill climbing contest at Willimantic. There were supposed to be four contestants but one man could not control his motorcycle so he could not be a contestant. When he tried to climb the hill his motorcycle ran away from him. Lang was the man who made the best record on a Massachusetts Indian.

JAMES M'GEE, Age 11.
Gales Ferry.

On the Farm.

I live with my grandpa on the farm. We have good times all summer.

I have some chickens and a heifer and a cat. My cat's name is Tiger.

I have two brothers and one sister. We go in swimming every day.

We have to help grandpa when haying. I like to ride home horseback from the fields.

In the fall we pick up walnuts and sell them and we have the money for them.

WILLIAM FISH, Age 9.
Norwich Town.

My School and Home Work.

Dear Uncle Jed: I am going to write and tell you about my school. I like my teacher very much. Her name is Miss Bennett. I am in the third grade now. There are ten girls and twelve boys in our school. I help my father get in the cows. This summer I made loads of hay and drove home for him to cultivate. I help my mother feed the hens and helped take care of the chickens. I also wash the dishes after I get home from school.

DOROTHY E. CONLAN, Age 9.
Norwich.

A Trip to Worcester.

Dear Uncle Jed: I have been a reader of the Wide-Awakes for quite a little while, so I thought I would write a letter about my trip to Worcester.

I went with my father and mother and sister, at nine o'clock. We went in a nice seven-passenger auto. We went through North Oxford, where Clara Barton was born. The foliage was very pretty.

The best part of the day to me was the dinner. We had chicken, and the dessert was pinapple and orange ice cream.

We went through some of the stores, and then we made a call on some friends and later started for home. We reached home at 5 o'clock.

I have a nice kite and am waiting for a nice windy day to fly it.

I go to school and am in the Fifth grade. I have three cats and one dog.

DONALD MACLEARN, Age 10.
Baltoville.

My Camping Trip.

Dear Uncle Jed: I am going to tell you about my camping trip.

Thursday, August 31, 1922, my father, my sister and myself, went on a camping trip by Chaffee's pond. We started about half past two and arrived there about four o'clock.

When we arrived there we put up our tent and got ready for supper.

We went camping because my father's cousin and his wife and a friend of ours were camping there.

They had gone to Stafford, but soon arrived. We had supper and sat up and told stories till ten o'clock.

In the morning my sister, my friends, and myself were the first up, having got up about half past five o'clock. We took the boat and went out fishing and by half past six we had eighteen perch. My sister caught nine, my friend caught one, and I caught eight. When we came ashore we let them go. While we were eating breakfast we saw a turtle swimming toward us. We thought that it was three feet long or more.

In the afternoon we went rowing several times.

We started for home about half past four and arrived home about eight o'clock. We enjoyed our trip very much.

I go to the Gurleyville Grammar school and am in the Sixth grade.

OLIVER WOOD, Age 12.
Eagleville.

The New Doll.

Dear Uncle Jed: There was once a little girl named Mary. Mary's father brought a new doll to her. The doll was very pretty. Mary had a big dog named Rover. He loved Mary. Rover did not like the doll. He looked at the doll and growled. Rover was jealous because Mary loved her doll. But Mary noticed Rover and, seeing him growl at the doll, she took pity on him and turned around to pat him.

JANE WHEELER, Age 10.
Stonington.

Protecting the Hen.

Dear Uncle Jed: There was a cat, a dog, a hen and a fox who lived in the woods. One day the cat went to the dog's house. On the way he met the fox. The fox said: "You are thin. I was going to eat you, but you are too thin for me." The cat went on and said nothing. Soon he came to the dog's house. He opened the door and went in. "How do you do, dog," said the cat, "we must go and see the hen." So away they went.

Soon they met the fox. "I was going to eat you, dog, but you will bite me," so on went the dog and said nothing.

Soon they came to the hen's house. The hen went out doors and soon came in. She said that the fox was after her, so the dog went out and bit the fox. The fox ran away and was never seen again.

WALTER WARREN, Age 10.
Montville.

The Rainbow Land.

Dear Uncle Jed: Bobbie and Betty had just finished reading the rainbow story book, when the shower of rain outside ceased, and a beautiful rainbow stopped at their window.

"Oh!" they cried, "isn't that lovely? Let us get out and explore this rainbow."

They opened the window and hopped on. Hand-in-hand they walked up the beautifully colored way.

A little voice in their ear said: "You are coming to the Land of Dreams."

And, indeed, it looked like dreams, as bubbles, big, small and beautiful, were everywhere. Once in a while one would break. Bobbie liked to hear that, but Betty did not. She knew that someone's hopes had fallen. Then, as they walked, the bubbles grew fewer, for they had left Dreamland behind.

Then they walked into what was called the Land of Memories. Here they saw shadows—beautiful shining shadows—dancing around.

Next they came to the Land of Sunshine. Here the sun shown everywhere all the time. The houses were golden, the people dressed in gold and everything, indeed, was of this color. This was the most beautiful land of all. But it was the last. They had come to the end of the rainbow.

The two children looked down. They saw their own room with the big feather bed in the middle.

"Let's jump down," said Bobbie, and they did.

Bang! Bettie opened her eyes and rubbed them. "Why, what a funny dream!" she said. "It was nice, anyway."

That night she told her mother and her mother was glad to have her dream of nice things like that and she said so.

ALICE ROY, Age 12.
Willimantic.

DISAGREE AS TO LEGALITY OF TAX FREE STOCK DIVIDEND!

Washington, Oct. 23.—Secretary Mellon was charged today by Representative Frear, republican, Wisconsin, with overthrowing the action of congress by his ruling that section 226 of the revenue law designed to reach large surpluses accumulated by corporations to prevent the payment of individual sur-taxes was not applicable in the case of the projected 400 per cent. stock dividend of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Charge was made in a letter to Mr. Mellon made public by the Wisconsin representative. The communication was in reply to a letter from Mr. Mellon in response to one written by Mr. Frear early in the week calling attention to the reported stock dividend and urging that the penalty previsions be invoked. Mr. Mellon wrote that section 220 had no relation to such stock dividends as that proposed by the New Jersey Oil company, but added that there had been and would be no laxity on the part of the treasury in evoking that section "wherever there is any basis for so doing."

"Your letter," replied Mr. Frear under date of today, "ignored and misapprehended the plain reading and purport of the statutes and your ruling assumes the prerogatives of the supreme court when it sets aside this law.

"I trust that you are not under a misapprehension as to the question squarely presented to you because the press has been filled with announcements that the purpose of the stock dividend to be issued by the Standard Oil Company and the proposed stock dividend of $500,000,000 in United States steel, in which you are supposed to be interested, is for the purpose of avoiding the surtaxes which would apply if these enormous amounts, aggregating over $1,000,000,000 were distributed as cash dividends.

"In your letter to me you say the corporation has paid its full tax. This refers, I take it, to section 230, but the penalty of 25 per cent. is imposed by congress in order to reach the unwarranted