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TELEPHONE MONOPOLY IS BANGED

House Leader Burnes Meets With Usual Non-Success In Bolstering Up Monopoly.

(Special to the Farmer.)
Hartford, May 19.—Numerous important measures at the foot of the calendar were the order of the day for today in the House. The resolution incorporating the Billiard Company, that has to do with the stock of the Boston & Maine R. R. Co., was not acted upon. The first matter to receive detailed consideration was that providing that mufflers be used on the exhaust of all motor boats. This was amended so as to include internal combustion engines and passed after a little discussion.

The House took a long time over a resolution paying A. J. Wright for extra services rendered the State Board of Education in compiling its annual report. Mr. Wright's bill was not paid for this work for 11 years, beginning at a time when a change in the law made it seem that the board of control had no right to pay the bill which amounts to \$1,827.50. The House finally passed the resolution but not until it had listened to some very caustic criticisms of Secretary Hine of the State board and his office methods. Mr. Platt of Milford held aloft a copy of the last annual report of the board which now five years old, read from the law to show that the secretary should get out his report annually and that he had even refused to pay the expenses and then said that unless Mr. Hime can live up to the law in carrying on his department he ought to be summarily ejected from office. Certainly the House could not tell whether this was just or not. After a long discussion it was decided to refer the bill to the committee on Mr. Wright had done the work, but the more discussion there was the more it became plain that Secretary Hine was not popular with the House.

The next bill provided that the Southern New England Telephone Co. must extend its line three-quarters of a mile in order to give service to a new subscriber if he presents a petition signed by 20 subscribers in his town and five in the adjoining town and if it fails to do this it is to be held before the Superior court. Mr. Cary of Southington is the father of this bill which has been unfavorably reported by the Judiciary committee.

An act providing for the removal of grade crossings on railroads was passed after being amended as to a minor point.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Annie M. Robertson was largely attended this morning from the residence, 63 Hurd avenue, at 8:30 and thence to St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. A high mass of requiem was sung. Rev. J. E. Nihil being celebrant; Rev. J. T. Pickett, deacon; and Rev. E. F. Curran, organist.

The funeral of Mrs. Helen Rogers was held this morning from her late residence, 273 George street at 8:30 o'clock and thence to St. Charles' church at 9 o'clock where a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. C. J. McElroy. The pall bearers were William Thorne, Patrick Ronan, John Waterbury, John W. Thomas Flynn, and Emiel Stehle. Interment was in St. Michael's cemetery.

Many sorrowing friends and relatives attended the funeral this morning of John H. son of John J. and Bessie Kelly held from the home of his parents, 221 Helen street at 8:30 o'clock and thence to St. Charles' church where Rev. W. H. Lynch sang a high mass of requiem. The pall bearers were James, George and William Ramsey, Patrick Kelly, Patrick Banahan and Edward Reddy. Interment was in St. Michael's cemetery. The deceased was crowned in Fresh Pond, Stratford, Sunday last.

TWO WOMEN SEEK DIVORCE

Two divorce petitions were filed with the clerk of the Superior Court this morning. Esther W. O'Brien of Greenwich wishes to be freed from William O'Brien of New York. They were married Nov. 30, 1897. Desertion, March 15, 1906 and intolerable cruelty is alleged. The plaintiff desires a change to her maiden name of Lindstrom and the custody of their child, William, aged 10.

TRIAL OF MAN WHO GAVE BUTCHER AN ALLEGED BAD CHECK

In the criminal Superior court this afternoon before Judge Silas A. Robinson, the case of Mitchell Antons of Danbury, who was arrested for passing a bad check, was being heard. Antons owed his butcher a bill of \$8.72 for which he gave a check for \$74, receiving the difference.

MOTHER WAS HELD FOR CHILD KILLING

When the case of Mary Drumbrowsky of Westport, charged with the murder of her child was called this afternoon in the Criminal Superior Court, the charge of murder was nolle by the court and the charge of concealing the birth of a child substituted. It was the opinion of the court that the wronged girl was more sinned against than sinning. Judge Robinson will place the girl in charge of a probation officer.

HOW CHARITIES DEPARTMENT IS RUN

(Continued from First Page.)

Mr. Day—"Who admits them?"
Com. Rourke—"The superintendent of the almshouse upon a pass issued by the superintendent of outside poor. Every case is investigated and a record made of the same showing the age of the applicant, manner of living, and condition of the family."

Mr. McNeil—"Does anyone besides the purchasing agent purchase supplies for the department?"
Com. Rourke—"The storekeeper and the superintendent of the almshouse make out a weekly requisition which is sent to the purchasing agent. He does the buying. We only buy ten articles for distribution among the outside poor."

Mr. McNeil—"Are goods all purchased as the result of advertised bids?"
Com. Rourke—"Yes, except for the coal. Mr. Day—"Where the cost is over \$200 don't you?"

Com. Stone—"I might buy 20 cents worth of a kind of a thing and \$20 worth tomorrow. There are many things that it would never do to advertise for. You have to go and see what you are buying. The superintendent of outside poor. It would never do to advertise for that. I guess I am the only one on the board who knows anything about the machinery—I am a machinist."

Mr. Day—"Why not?"
Com. Stone—"We might get something that looked good and it would prove to be an inferior article. We had to go out of town to make the purchase because no one here had a right to buy. Mr. Day—"How much did you pay for the engine?"

Com. Stone—"Six hundred and some odd dollars." Mr. McNeil—"Was that the list price or did you get the discounts?"
Ald. Primrose—"Did you advertise for coal bids?"

Com. Stone—"I asked several dealers for bids. They all refused to bid. Some of the dealers refuse to take the job because of the long haul to the almshouse."
Mr. Rourke—"It is not like filling a contract with one concern. The most of our coal orders has to be delivered in quarter ton lots to the outside poor."

Com. Stone—"The contract for the coal was always let by the whole board."
Mr. McNeil—"Is the coal weighed?"
Com. Stone—"It is since we employed new help. I don't know whether it was before or not, but I know it is weighed now."

Mr. Day—"Who is supposed to see that the goods received at the town farm are weighed?"
Com. Stone—"Either the superintendent or the steward."
Mr. Kane—"I think that the by-laws will show that it is the duty of the steward to see that the goods are weighed."

Mr. McNeil—"Aren't the groceries and meats all checked up when they are received at the almshouse?"
Com. Rourke—"I don't know whether everything going to Lakeview Home should be accounted for when it arrives there."
Mr. Day—"How much coal does the board buy?"

Com. Stone—"I couldn't say off hand. We get a pass and then we have it delivered as we need it."
Mr. Day—"Wouldn't it be an advantage to advertise for bids?"
Com. Stone—"I don't think so after our experience of a year when only one firm bid. Year after year we all know that the coal dealers have a price. We pay \$3.85 for soft coal and \$5.00 for hard coal."

Mr. McNeil—"Was that gross or net tons?"
Com. Stone—"Gross tons."
Mr. McNeil—"Other departments were buying coal cheaper."
Com. Stone—"I have lived in Bridgeport for the past eighteen years and my experience has taught me that coal dealers have pretty near the same price."

Mr. Day—"I only ask because the ordinance demand that bids of over \$200 should be advertised for."
Com. Stone—"I did advertise to the extent of the purchase of a dollar and ten cents in bids."
Mr. McNeil—"How many dealers did you ask to bid last year?"

Com. Stone—"I don't see why you went to only two dealers?"
Com. Stone—"I said that experience has taught me that the price of coal is about the same all around."
Mr. McNeil—"Did you know that the city hall committee recently advertised for bids for the purchase of coal and that there were 8 bids with prices ranging from \$5.85 to \$6.25. The dealers have the same retail prices but when you buy in wholesale lots you ought to be able to get coal at a reduced rate."

Com. Stone said that he understood that the coal was sold to the city by the charities department involved in the purchase of Lakeview Home as well as supplying the outside poor in small quantities with hauls to all parts of the city. Mr. Stone said that he would like to see a list of the coal bids from McNeil & Sons and then he awarded the contract to Vincent Bros. When the McNeil bid did arrive he said it was a matter of a dollar a ton less but it was then too late.

Ald. Primrose—"Why isn't the advertising ordinance lived up to instead of three or four people by letter or phone without stipulating the time and place bids will be opened."
Com. Stone—"Well it might be an oversight."
Ald. Primrose—"Who has the charge of the steward?"

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Com. Kane—"According to the rules the board has."
Ald. Primrose—"Is there anyway of knowing whether the steward is performing his duty?"
Com. Stone—"I have a way of knowing about the present steward—I wouldn't say anything about the other steward."

Mr. Day—"Do the members of the board ever go near Lakeview Home to see how things are running?"
Com. Stone—"There is no regular time but the members of the board do there frequently and happen in any time."
Mr. Day—"Do you make a contract for bread, meat or flour or clothes?"
Com. Stone—"We don't use flour as we buy bread at 3 cents per loaf. We buy from three bakers and the price has been the same for years. The meat is bought the same way we go where it is the most advantageous. Clothes have to be specified. No dealer carries the line we need."

Mr. Day—"You make a yearly contract for the clothing do you not?"
Com. Stone—"We go to a merchant and get him to carry the line. It is the same way with shoes. We have two grocers. Mr. Day—"You could get bids if you desired couldn't you?"
Com. Stone—"I suppose we could but it is more a matter of judgment and we have to be sure that we are getting stuff that will wear. In shoes we buy one kind for people who work on the farm and another kind for those who do not work."

Mr. Day—"Who formerly supplied you with shoes?"
Com. Stone—"Holbrook & McNamara."

Com. Rourke—"Many of these shoe orders have to be fitted one pair at a time."
Com. Foster—"Shoes are something that couldn't be figured on. We sell ladies' and men's shoes for \$1.48 a pair and don't make any money on them. We don't want to make any money out of the poor people of the city."

Mr. Day—"There is not any specific grade of clothing furnished the department?"
Com. Foster—"No we take the goods right out of stock. We have only had to order a few large sizes."

Mr. Day—"How do you fix prices?"
Com. Foster—"The last order was for 48 suits at \$6.50. Not one of the suits would we sell at retail for less than \$8.50 in our store."

Com. Stone—"It must be remembered that these were three pieces suits."
Mr. Day—"Who fixed the price?"
Com. Foster—"I did. There is no clothing given to the outside poor. The little shoes we sell and fit to the children for 98 cents a pair cost us 92 cents."

Mr. McNeil—"Are the board's bills paid promptly?"
Com. Foster—"They are if there is any money to pay with. We run out of funds at the end of the year."
Com. Stone—"The bills have been paid promptly during the past two years if they were not before."

Alderman Primrose took up the coal proposition and said he had good reasons to believe that every ton of coal that went to the plant should be weighed.
Messrs. Rourke and Stone explained they had thought the coal was being weighed until Mr. Miller the retired steward told them after he resigned that he did not weigh the coal.

Com. Stone said that Mr. Miller was signing vouchers for the coal whenever any was delivered.
Mr. Day wanted to know if Supt. Com. Stone was responsible for the coal that went to the plant should be weighed.

Commissioner Kane said that in order that the justice might not be done anyone he wanted to say that a construction could be placed on the rules whereby the steward and superintendent would be independent in their positions.
Commissioner Kane asked President Stone about his visits to the town farm. The latter replied that he went to the farm every week and hardly a chicken could be missed without his knowing it.

In answer to Alderman Primrose Commissioner Rourke said that the accounts of Storekeeper Morrissey were balanced monthly so that every pound of provisions purchased was accounted for in distribution.
Judge Kane said that from what he had heard that the question involved was whether it was best to have a single head purchasing agent or whether it was best to advertise and have the board buy.

"What men tell me they would not bid to furnish the almshouse with meat," said Commissioner Foster.
"When they did let the furnishing of meat by contract they never got quality," said Commissioner Stone.
"Mr. Biltz lost \$1,000 one year furnishing meat to the town farm. He furnishes the meat to the jail now, but he has no contract and he also furnishes St. Vincent's hospital without a contract."

Commissioner Rourke said that the meat mostly bought for the town farm was plate pieces at 6 1/2 cents a lb.
"And we corn our own beef," said Commissioner Stone.
Commissioner Foster said: "This trouble started because Foster & Besse had a bill of \$1,130 for clothes and shoes before the board. It was a four month bill. These other dealers saw they were losing the business. It's curious that we have got it."

"When the others saw the bill they tried to have it held up. But we sold low and never made a dollar. Mr. Besse told me that he was sorry that it was on the board. He might have something come up that might hurt me and I would take it to the grave."
President Stone asked the investigators if they had ever heard anything said against the board.

"Well we couldn't exactly tell you that," said Chairman Day.
"You might hear lots of things, but you can't prove them," said Commissioner Foster.
Commissioner Stone said he was not opposed to the investigation but he would be if it was going to cost any thing like \$5,000 or so. He did not think the city should spend any money for such a purpose.

Mr. McElroy explained how the affairs of the commission were conducted. Three sub-committees during his eight year term on the board.
Judge Kane said that it was a question if it is practical to have all supplies purchased by one man and have some one else bring them before the meeting at one session to be audited when it had been suggested that the board have an auditing committee. Mr. Stone said that it would take too long and stop the bills from getting before the finance committee of the board of aldermen in time to get paid.

"If we want to change our methods," said Commissioner Rourke, we can do so without having this investigating committee decide whether we should do it or not."
"I go to the meetings before the regular time and go over all of the bills," said Commissioner Foster.
Foster, who added that if he was not on the board you could not draw him on with 30 yoke of oxen, but now that he was on he was going to stick.

The investigating committee adjourned until to-night when it will hold a public hearing and anyone who cares to be heard may be present.
JILTED SUITOR FREE WHO WAS ACCUSED OF STABBING RIVAL

Martin Yackovich, who was under bonds of \$500 to answer to the charge of assault with intent to kill, walked out of the police station this morning a free man. Martin Panluk could not identify him as the man who stabbed him as he passed through Howard avenue, shortly after midnight, Monday morning.

The police know that Panluk has been wooing Frances Tuzicki, who was formerly the sweetheart of Yackovich, a faraway Lithuania. When they came to this country the girl went to Ironton, Mich., and Yackovich came to Bridgeport. He induced the girl to marry him. She was discouraged to find that Yackovich was not as prosperous as she had hoped, and she accepted the attention of Panluk. A small pocket knife was used, and Panluk was stabbed three times in the forehead, the object being, the police believe to mar his looks.

TWO MORE TRAINS ON NAUGATUCK DIV.

(Special from United Press.)
Winsted, May 19.—According to information obtained from a reliable source, the new schedule on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad which goes into effect June 6th provides for two more trains on the Naugatuck Division, one each north bound and south bound. The north bound train is scheduled to leave Bridgeport at 11:40, arriving in Winsted at 1:28 p. m. and the south bound train will leave Winsted at 12:25 p. m. arriving in Bridgeport at 2:30 p. m. The train was withdrawn during the financial depression in 1907.

HOWLAND'S

Entrances on Main street, Fairfield avenue and Cannon street.

Bridgeport, Conn., Wednesday, May 19, 1907. The Weather—Fair tonight; showers tomorrow.

Beauteous wash waists in best and newest styles at a very-great price concession. A big lot and everybody may share.



Right at the very top of this advertisement, we could print the word bargain in great big letters. The waists deserve just such prominence. It is, with almost no exception, the most-impressive collection and the greatest in value that ever the store has had the power to put before you.

There are waists in the lot of marvelous fineness and beauty. There are waists of pure white with rich embroidered designs in color. There are waists in dainty stripes and charming plaids. There are plain fine tailored waists. There are waists of sheer handkerchief linen in pure white. There are waists of delicate hues of pink and blue and lavender with pretty little embroidered figures in contrasting color. Why it is such a lot of waists as you would never expect to see at a price one cent below usual.

But every waist has been given just that sort of price. The value of these waists runs from \$2.50 to \$7.50. But prices are \$1.75 \$2.75 and \$3.75

Tailored waists with Dutch neck
Linen waists with soft or stiff collar
Lawn waists with stiff or soft collar
Handsome embroidered lawn waists
Waists of attractive embroidery \$1.75

Colored embroidered linen waists
White tailored waists
Striped madras waists
Fancy embroidery waists
Pure white linen waists \$2.75

Fine lawn waists with rich colored inserting
Fine white tailored waists
Fine white waists with embroidery in colors
Eyelet-embroidered waists of handkerchief linen \$3.75

Beautiful waists of embroidered crepe
Fine lawn waists with rich decoration of lace and inserting
Colored waists of much beauty with contrasting embroidery

At each price there are all sizes up to 44; nobody need fear disappointment. Why are such waists selling at such prices? Makers' selling season is over. They want to clear things up and get ready for next season. And two of our best ones offered these lots to get them out of the way. They are so fine and dainty and pretty you'll wonder why they were anxious to get rid of them. Yet they were only so much money tied up, in the eyes of the maker. We gave him money for them; not anywhere near the usual amount;—and here they are, at your command, at a very-large saving.

Excellent shoes low-priced.

For women and girls, there could be no better shoe-chance than the one now offered. High shoes and low for women, in best styles and in every one of the wanted and durable leathers, in trim shapes, most of them with good welted soles, worth \$2.50 to \$3.50.— \$1.85 and \$2.35

Low shoes for girls, nice shapes, welted soles, patent leather or calfskin, worth \$2 and \$2.50.— \$1.35 and \$1.65
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Howland suits for women get prices cut.

The suits for women that have been trade-winners, the suits that are tasteful and attractive and good for wear all through the summer;—these suits get prices cut in order to hurry them out of the store.

You know the sort of suits this store sells. You know their goodness and excellence of style. You know the careful tailoring and good fit which are characteristic of them. So there is need to say nothing more. They will tell their own story best.

But this is the way we shall sell them:
Suits that have been \$15 and \$16.50,— \$12.50
All suits that have been \$18 \$20 or \$22.50,— \$16.00
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SUES FOR \$2,000 MAN WHO CHARGED HIM WITH THEFT

Louis Pascariello, through Attorney Greenstein, has sued to recover \$2,000 from Rosario Cannanel, the Lexington avenue baker, his former employer, alleging false imprisonment. Pascariello was accused by the defendant with stealing \$500 and eloping with the defendant's daughter. In the Superior court, criminal side, Pascariello was acquitted last week. The defendant is represented by Attorneys O'Neilman & Cullinan.

SEVEN UNCONTESTED DIVORCES TO BE HEARD

There are seven uncontested divorce cases on the short calendar list for the Superior Court to be heard by Judge Howard J. Curtis on Friday. The cases include: Clara Goers of Greenwich vs. George Goers; William Gordon of this city vs. Catherine Gordon; Sidney Hudson of this city vs. Emma Hudson; Arthur S. Platt of Norwalk vs. Annie C. Platt; Margaret E. Manville of Norwalk vs. Edward B. Manville; Mary Gabriel Hass of Stamford vs. Charles William Hass; and Alfred Poindexter of Stamford vs. Maude Franklin Poindexter.

CARPENTER FELL; FRACTURED SPINE

(Special from United Press.)
Meriden, May 19.—Stepping off a scaffold at Factory A. I. S. C., this morning, Robert J. Young, a carpenter, sixty years old, fell fifty feet. He was taken to the hospital with a broken femur and probably a fracture of the spine.

DEAD

McBERRY—In this city May 17, 1907, Catherine, wife of Thomas E. McBerry. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral from the undertaking parlors of St. J. Gannon, 1251 May 21, 7 a. m. for the repose of her soul, to which friends are invited. Interment at St. Michael's cemetery.

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WOMAN'S BEAUTY

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OLIVER PERRY DEAD

(Special from United Press.)
Collinsville, Conn., May 19.—After a long illness Oliver F. Perry, aged 70, a prominent resident of this town and bookkeeper of the Collins Company for years, died early to-day at his home.

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