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Bridgeport Evening Journal

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NEW BRIDGES CUT LARGE FIGURE IN STREET COMMITTEE BUDGET

For Bridge at Boston Avenue \$16,000 Is Asked—Money Wanted for Congress Street and Arctic Street Bridge Approaches.

The budget of the aldermanic streets and sidewalks committee was filed with Auditor Keating, this morning, asking for \$99,591 for general improvements outside of new macadam. The requisition for new macadam, which is made separately, is for \$51,950, and the figures are arrived at by adding together the estimated cost of macadamizing all of the streets for which pavement has been petitioned by property owners and residents of the streets. It is now in the hands of the tax board to designate the streets the appropriation shall be made for. The requisition for new macadam last year was \$58,000, but only \$50,000 was appropriated. The total requisition last year, exclusive of new macadam was about \$17,000 more than this year. In the first ward district, this year only \$5,000 is asked for street grading. The largest single request is \$16,000 for a bridge over the Pequonnock river at Boston avenue.

BIRTH RATE CUT BY PANIC SPRINGS TO MAXIMUM IN BRIDGEPORT IN 1909

Number of Weddings, Greatly Reduced in 1908, Increase With Returning Prosperity—Births for Five Year Period Almost Double Deaths—Population Increase by Births Alone, Since 1900, About 11,000.

TABLE SHOWING DECREASE IN BIRTHS AND MARRIAGES CAUSED BY HARD TIMES, AND NATURAL INCREASE IN POPULATION

Table with 4 columns: Year, Deaths, Births, Marriages. Rows for 1909, 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, and Total.

Natural increase in population during five-year period, 5,909.

The hard times of 1907 are undoubtedly responsible for the decrease in the number of births and marriages in 1908, and consequently for the abnormal increase in 1909, in this city.

The figures from 1909 have been made up from an inspection of the books in the office of the town clerk. They are accurate except that it has been necessary to estimate for a portion of December. The error arising from this estimate will be insignificant.

In 1909 there were 3,829 births, but only 2,597 births in 1908. The weddings in 1909, were 1,060, but in 1908 they were but 803. Both figures for 1908 represent a large decrease over 1907.

These phenomena are uniform throughout the country. They may be expected during every period of industrial panic. As the Farmer has indicated in a recent article, there is a similar decrease in the number of divorces.

The statistics show, however, that the hard times began a little earlier in Bridgeport and ended a little sooner. The depression in the birth rate has been felt in most cities in the year 1909.

The figures which are given for the five year period for deaths, births and marriages are also interesting. They indicate that the birth rate in Bridgeport has been not far from double the death rate and show that the natural increase in population, as the increase in excess of births over deaths is called, is 5,909. The gain for the ten year period, from 1900 from this source is probably about 11,000.

Assuming that the city will show a population of 100,000 at the census to be taken in June, some 19,000 must be derived from the entrance of persons from other towns, states, or countries.

Doubtless, despite the large immigration from Europe of people who maintain a high birthrate, the number of births in this country is destined to show a relative decrease, at least as long as the high price of commodities and the relative low rate of wages shall prevail. This is an intimate connection between the cost of living and the birth rate, which is shown in the statistics of all countries. The higher the cost of living, the more difficult it becomes to establish a home and the fewer the number of children that are born.

SECTION FOREMAN GORGELY SUES A. T. & S. CO. FOR \$10,000 FOR LOSS OF ARM

Louis Gorgely, a resident of Willow street, who has been an assistant foreman for the Consolidated railroad, having charge of the East Bridgeport section, has brought suit against the American Tube & Stamping Co. for \$10,000 damages for injuries received by being run down by the motor engine operating on the industrial railroad of the Stamping Co. The suit in the case was filed this morning in the Superior court.

Gorgely, in his complaint, states that on Dec. 20, 1908, he was walking across the tracks of the Consolidated railroad, where they meet the tracks of the

Stamping Co. He noticed the motor engine on the tracks, but it was not in operation. Just as he was crossing the tracks the motor engine started and he was run down, receiving internal injuries, and had his right arm cut off between the elbow and the shoulder. He alleges that no bell was rung, or whistle blown to warn him that the engine was starting. At the time of the accident he was wearing a coat and \$500 for medical attention, and other necessities, and was out of employment for some time. Because of the accident he was obliged to expend over \$500 for medical attention, and other necessities, and was out of employment for some time. Because of the accident he was obliged to expend over \$500 for medical attention, and other necessities, and was out of employment for some time.

MONARCHS OF THREE NATIONS GREET PRESIDENT OF ONE

(Special from United Press.) Washington, Jan. 3.—The Emperor of Germany, the King of Italy and the new King of Belgium exchanged their New Year greetings with President Taft. As announced by the State Department today, the messages were as follows: "My very best wishes for a Happy New Year to you and to the American people. (Signed,) William I. R."

The following went to the King of Belgium: "I cordially appreciate your kindly sentiment and wish for you and for the country and people whom you are called to rule, all happiness and prosperity in the coming year."

ROUNDING UP GANG WHO BROKE SKULL OF THEIR ENEMY

POLICE ARREST FOUR AND HOLD TWO FOR ATTEMPTED KILLING.

Victim in Bridgeport Hospital in Dangerous Condition—Other Arrests are Expected.

Four men have already been arrested, of whom two are held in connection with the investigation of a murderous assault on Andrew Makarek of 311 Willard street, late Saturday night. Makarek is in Bridgeport hospital having between life and death, with a fractured skull, and two men arrested in the city court today were held by Judge Widener on Jan. 11 in bail of \$1,000 each, charged with assault with intent to kill. The prisoners are Alex. Balas of 311 Willard street, and Charles Vanski of 774 Arctic street. The others who were released after investigation were Michael Kovacs of 311 Willard street, and John Novak of 283 Willard street. Handcuffed by the unfamiliarity with English of the parties involved, the police have made little progress in learning the cause of the assault. They say Kovacs was assaulted by Makarek, Friday, and the later assault on Makarek grew out of Kovacs' telling his friends about the fracas. The two prisoners are said to have been among the gang that maltreated the victim. Makarek was taken to the Bridgeport hospital the ambulance with a fractured skull. His recovery is doubtful. Other arrests are expected. So far as is known the first assault began in a good natured altercation and ended seriously. It is believed that Kovacs, angry because he was beaten, rallied his friends and lay in wait for Makarek.

JUSTICE LURTON TAKES THE OATH

INVESTED WITH ROBES OF OFFICE AS AN ASSOCIATE ON SUPREME COURT BENCH.

(Special from United Press.) Washington, Jan. 3.—In a ceremony enshrouded by tradition and notable for its impressiveness, Horace H. Lurton, of Tennessee, was today invested with the robes of office as an associate justice of the Supreme court of the United States.

The ably small courtroom of the highest tribunal was crowded to its capacity in the presence of his colleagues. When Chief Justice Fuller announced that the newly appointed justice was ready to take oath, the court and all spectators rose to their feet and Judge Lurton repeated the following words, as prescribed by the constitution, after the Chief Justice:

"I solemnly swear that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

After pronouncing the last phrase, Justice Lurton kissed an open Bible held by the clerk. Prior to this the new justice had already sworn to the same oath in the privacy of the court robing room in the presence of his colleagues. The ceremony of the public oath having been concluded, Marshal Wright conducted the new justice to his chair on the bench—the furthest on the left of the chief justice.

The court then proceeded with its usual Monday business, the rendering of opinions. Save Justice Moody, all of the members of the court were present. He is ill at his home at Haverhill, Mass., but is expected to return to Washington within the next few days.

Wounded Robber Escapes, Other Bandit Captured

(Special from United Press.) Chicago, Jan. 3.—A posse of citizens today are searching the prairies and the woods of Norwood Park, a suburb, in search of a wounded robber, one of two who attempted to blow the safe of Stoddard, Marsh and Stoddard, of day, because his companion had a "grudge against the government."

ELKS' TRAIN LEAVES TONIGHT AT 6:45

BIG DELEGATION OF LOCAL ANTLERS WILL ATTEND DEDICATION OF WATERBURY LODGE'S NEW BUILDING THIS EVENING.

This evening at 6:45 a special train will leave the local station for Waterbury carrying a large delegation of local Elks who are to be the guests of Waterbury lodge at the dedication of the new lodge rooms of the Brass City Antlers. Members of the local lodge who have not as yet obtained their excursion tickets may do so at the station this evening. The special train will leave Waterbury at midnight and on the return of the Park City visitors special trolley cars will be in waiting to take them to their homes. Arrangements having been made to that effect, Waterbury lodge has made elaborate preparations for the reception of visiting Elks, among other things a grand banquet is to be provided.

THREE OF 20 NEW TROLLEY CARS ARRIVE

Two of the twenty new cars which the Connecticut Co. is to put in to make up the fleet are being unloaded today in the freight yards and will be put in operation as soon as they are mounted on their trucks. The cars are being shipped from the factory at the rate of one each day until the entire twenty have arrived here. The addition of the 20 cars which are big double trolley cars with longitudinal seats are expected to greatly help the service.

30 Arrests for Assassination Plot

Bombay, Jan. 3.—The police today made 30 arrests of persons suspected of complicity in the assassination plot that resulted in the death on December 23 of Arthur M. T. Jackson, the English administrative head of the city of Nasik. Jackson was shot to death as he was entering a theatre in company with two women. The actual assassin was arrested at the time and today's arrests are believed to be of persons whom the assassin exposed. A large quantity of arms was seized in connection with today's arrests, which leads the authorities to believe that a widespread uprising was planned but was quashed by the premature murder of Jackson.

MARSH & STODDARD SUCCEED

STODDARD, MARSH & STODDARD Announcements have been mailed, by the surviving partners of the firm of Stoddard, Marsh and Stoddard, of the death of the senior member, Goodwin Stoddard, in July, with a card, stating that the practice of the firm will be continued under the firm name of Marsh & Stoddard, at the same offices, 164 State street. The members of the firm are Arthur M. Marsh, Sanford Stoddard and Henry E. Stoddard.

BOLDEST CLOUD JUMPER ARRIVES IN THIS COUNTRY

FAULHAN PREDICTS THAT IN A FEW YEARS HE WILL BE ABLE TO FLY IN AIRSHIP ACROSS ATLANTIC OCEAN.

(Special from United Press.) New York, Jan. 3.—Louis Paulhan, the 28 year old French aviator, who in 8 months has bounded into world-wide fame, will be in the city in a week to take part in the Voisin factories, Paris, arrived here today on the French steamer La Bretagne, accompanied by his wife and two children. Paulhan will compete in the tournament of aeroplanes.

The French aviator, who is the most spectacular cloud-jumper and the most daring air-acrobat of the day, will probably remain in America for a few weeks. He will leave tomorrow for Los Angeles, where Paulhan will compete in the tournament of aeroplanes. "The development of the flying machine," he added, "is in its infancy but astonishing results have been obtained. In a few years they will prove themselves worthy vehicles of war, as well as dangerous, although at present they are of little value to commerce."

"Mme. Paulhan has made many flights with me and will continue to do so here." The Frenchman holds the record of 1,970 feet for the loftiest flight in an airship, made at Chalons. In the ten days tournament at Los Angeles he will make from 10 to 15 flights. He brings with him four machines. Two are Farman bi-planes for high ascensions and two are Bleriot, No. 15 and No. 16, fifty horse power machines, for speed contests. Great difficulty has been encountered in securing freight cars big enough to transport the monster machines. It is said that there are only 14 freight cars in the country adequate to handle the big machinery. Paulhan declared that in a few years he will be able to make the flight across the Atlantic Ocean in an airship.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS

NEW CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS ADOPTED AND ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO OBSERVE FEAST DAY.

There was an important meeting last evening at St. Mary's Church of the Holy Name society of that parish at which officers were chosen, new by-laws adopted and arrangements perfected for a fitting observance of the feast of the Holy Name Jan. 16 next. The officers chosen are Michael McNamara, president; Christopher Hope, vice-president; Frank Munch, secretary; John J. McCarthy, treasurer. On the afternoon of Saturday Jan. 15 the members will go to confession and on the following morning to holy communion in a body. On the evening of the feast of the Holy Name there will be special services in St. Mary's church.

TOBACCO TRUST IS ON TRIAL

Sixty Corporations, Representing an Alleged Capital of \$400,000,000, Control World Wide Monopoly

Have Practiced Unfair Trade Methods and Exercised Duress, Lawyers for Government Declare

Grip of Trust on All Branches of Tobacco Trade Shown to be Substantially Complete—'Only Vigorous Measures Can Remove Mischief.'

(Special from United Press.) Washington, Jan. 3.—Argument was begun in the Supreme Court of the United States today in one of the government's biggest trust-busting suits. The "Tobacco Trust" is on trial.

The government seeks its destruction and the appointment of a receiver to segregate the sixty odd corporations now parties to the combination and once again restore competition in the tobacco industry.

The government's highest priced lawyers are "on the job." C. MacReynolds opened the argument and Attorney General Wickham will close it. "The government desires that the opinion of the Supreme Court shall go farther than that of the Circuit court at New York, which adjudged all except a few of the foreign corporations and several individuals guilty of attempting a monopoly in restraint of trade and strengthen the Sherman anti-trust law with a sweeping decision against predatory combinations."

Step by step MacReynolds in his argument today traced the history of the trust, its operations and its mechanical details. He held that the present time individual corporations representing a capital of \$400,000,000, were parties to the combination and that its tenacious grip extended over the whole world, engulfing in the United States at least the independent or small dealer, destroying free competition and debasing the industry.

In pursuance of their purpose to acquire a monopoly of the industry," said the special attorney, "they have constantly practiced unfair trade methods, and exercised duress. They used their greater power in oppressive ways; they have been actuated by unfair purposes to destroy competition; they have gradually disappeared and the combination, now strongly entrenched, unduly restricts the business of the tobacco industry. Competitors have been persistently destroyed; scores of contracts have retired skilled men from the trade. Only vigorous measures can remove the mischief."

MacReynolds was very plain-spoken in his denunciation of the trust. "Unethical methods," "sinister agencies," and "iniquitous practices hitherto by an uncivilized conscience" were some of the expressions he used. The action of the circuit court in dismissing the bill against the United Cigar Stores was held an error; and likewise the decree of that court exonerating the Imperial and British American Tobacco Companies, foreign companies, from the law. He declared that the advertising bill of \$10,000,000 (spent in 1906 by the trust) was more than sufficient to buy the public sentiment to the belief that there was no combination. The combination was illegal not only under the Sherman anti-trust law, but as well under the common law, was another contention made by MacReynolds.

In his arraignment, the special attorney summed up the grip which the "trust" has on the entire tobacco industry by showing that it controls absolutely the manufacture and sale of: All of the cigarettes for export; Practically all of the snuff and little cigars. Three-fourths of the smoking tobacco and cigars for domestic sale; Ninety five per cent of the licorice paste product, a commodity absolutely necessary in the manufacture of tobacco; Three-fourths of the output of tin filling; Great deal of the box manufacturing, tobacco machinery, pipes, containers, etc.

Irish Nationalists Demand Complete Independence

(Special from United Press.) Dublin, Jan. 3.—A manifesto issued today by the joint committee of the Irish Unionist Association declares that the Irish Nationalist party will follow the grant of home rule to Ireland, should such be granted, through the medium of a Liberal victory in the coming general election, by a demand for complete independence. The manifesto appeals to the voters of Ireland to prevent this threatened breaking up of the United Kingdom.

ROCKEFELLER, JR., FOREMAN OF GRAND JURY TO INQUIRE INTO WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC

Son of Oil King Pleads Pressure of Business Duties and Poor Health as Reason Why He Should Be Excused—Judge O'Sullivan Replies: 'I Believe You Are Patriotic Enough to Discharge Your Civic Duties.'

(Special from United Press.) New York, Jan. 3.—The so-called White Slave traffic in New York is to be investigated by a special grand jury which was sworn in today and of which John D. Rockefeller, Jr., son of the oil king, is foreman. For the first time in many months two grand juries were sworn in today for the month of January. The juries were charged by Judge O'Sullivan in the Court of General Sessions.

The juries will also take up many cases of alleged fraud growing out of the recent general and primary election. In charging the grand jury Judge O'Sullivan said: "The statement has been made in the public prints that this city has been made the clearing house of the infamous White Slave traffic. This is a very grave charge and should be thoroughly investigated and if it is found to be true, even in part, those who are guilty should be brought to justice."

Before the jury was sworn in Judge O'Sullivan and John D. Rockefeller had an interesting passage of words. "Mr. Rockefeller," the judge said, "the grand jury for the month of January will have a great deal of work to perform. Some of it is most important to the welfare of our city. I wish that you would take charge of this grand jury which, among other things, is to investigate the White Slave traffic in the city. I desire that you direct its labors and do all in your power to aid the new district attorney, Judge Whitman."

NEW YEAR'S DAY WEDDING

A very pretty New Year's wedding was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Swenson, of 204 Black Rock avenue, when their daughter, Miss Bertha, was united to Mr. C. Axel Frederickson of this city, by Rev. O. Olson from Pawtucket, R. I., who tied the nuptial knot. The maid of honor was Miss Lizzie Sherman of Westport, the best man, Mr. Chas. Lindstrom of this city, bridesmaid, Miss Ann Erickson, sister of the groom, of this city, usher, Mr. Fritz Peterson, also of this city. Miss Clara Lindstrom played the wedding march. Host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. John Larson of this city. There was a very large gathering of relatives and friends, and after the ceremony a supper was served. Many beautiful presents were received. A few congratulatory speeches by Rev. O. Olson, Mr. John Lundquist, Miss Maria Larson rendered piano solos.

Those who were present from out of town, were Mrs. Forrell, of Providence, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Olson of Providence, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Johnson, and three daughters, Emily, Anna and Olga of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Ann Erickson of New York, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson of Westport, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Johnson of Eastport, Mr. and Mrs. Lundquist of Brooklyn, N. Y., and also a large gathering from this city.

The bride and groom left on the 9:30 train for New York and other cities, and on their return will reside on Linwood avenue.

'FINE ME AND I'LL HANG MYSELF' SAID PEEVISH PRISONER

SO JUDGE WILDER GAVE HIM A JAIL SENTENCE INSTEAD.

"If you take any more money away from me, I'll hang myself," was the cheerful declaration of John Banon, one of the dozen or more occupants of the city court pen before Judge Wilder this morning.

"Every time the cops bring me in, you fine me. I haven't got enough money to be paying fines all the time. I'll be broke pretty soon. Yet fine me again and you'll be sorry." Banon was brought in for drunkenness. It was not the first time. He has also contracted the chicken steal habit, which had brought him in to contact with the police. "All right," said Judge Wilder. "We won't fine you. We'll send you to jail until you get sober."

Up to press hour Banon was still in the land of the living.

TRINITY COLLEGE RAISES ENDOWMENT

Hartford, Jan. 3.—The endowment fund of \$500,000 for Trinity College, this city, has been raised. An offering of \$100,000 in cash, the remaining \$400,000 was raised by the end of the year led to special efforts as the year was closing, and by midnight \$100,000 in cash had been pledged. Subscriptions have since come in to the total to date is \$602,245, of which citizens of Hartford gave \$167,127.

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TO RENT.—5 rooms, all improvements. Rent \$12. Apply 91 Carroll Ave. A 3 d*p
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AGENTS WANTED—to sell brand new specialty. Every farmer and horseowner buys one. Write today for free particulars. The M. Buschelt Co., 184 Friendship St., Providence, R. I. a*p
OUR SPECIALTY—Country Pork, Pigs, Hocks, and Brauts, at Nagel's, E. Main St. G 15 *t f 0 135
PRICES have gone up and will go higher, cover your boiler and pipes now. J. F. Welsh, 114 Kossuth street. H 18 *t f 0 631
GUINEA HENS, ducks, roasting chickens, broilers, fowl, liver pudding, sausage meat, bologna, B-m-mos & Blitz. G 15 *t f 0 135
WHEN YOU WANT a good Derby or soft hat, see Jim at 974 East Main street. You know who James J. Sheehan. D 14 *t f 0 135
PRATT'S CAFE, 137 Fairfield Ave., is sure to have what you want in ales, wines and liquors. Do not forget the fine free lunch served daily. G 28 *t f 0 135
DRESSMAKING thoroughly taught; individual instruction; you make dresses for yourself while learning. Specialized meeting of Dec. 21st. Patterns cut. McDowell's Dress Cutting School, No. 46 Cannon St. A 3 s * p
THE OFFICERS and members of Lucetta Warner Circle, No. 472, C. O. F. of A., are hereby notified that the adjourned meeting of Dec. 21st will be called to order Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, 1910, at 7:15 p. m., at 164 State St. Per order, B. A. Lester, C. C., and M. A. Brennan, a*
CARD OF THANKS. I wish to sincerely thank the Challenge Cutlery Corporation Mutual Benefit Association and all kind friends and neighbors for sympathy extended at the death, and to all those who kindly sent floral tributes to the funeral of my beloved husband, the late Nellis Johan Ljungberg. MRS. LJUNGBERG and Family. a*p
FOR SALE.—1 second hand sized safe in good condition. Address "Safe," this office. A 3 b *
FOR SALE.—Guild Upright Piano, tone—7-13 octaves—Upright Piano, Easy terms. \$135. Wisner's, corner Broad and State Sts. T 29 * p
THE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL, Fairfield avenue, Wednesday, January 5. Special opportunities to boys in or below High School grades. Enrollment in January has usually saved a whole year. A 1 r *
FOR SALE.—To close an estate, acres farm. Near Success Hill, bargain. The Bridgeport Land Title Co., Agent. T 29 * p
FOR SALE.—Mathushek Piano, size—re-strung, re-bushed—and refinished—\$150. easy terms. Wisner's, corner Broad and State Sts. T 29 * p
FOR SALE.—Sterling Piano, size, colonial case design, good tone, \$165. easy terms. Wisner's, corner Broad and State Sts. T 29 * p
WANTED.—A shirt folder and hand ironer. Bridgeport Steam Laundry, 377 Fairfield Ave. T 28 * p
FOR SALE.—Fisher, Behning, Gable and Mathushek Upright Pianos for sale cheap. Dial & Lee Music Co., 84 Cannon St. T 15 * t 0
FOR SALE.—Here is a chance to make money. A family house, 20 rooms, rents \$900 per year. Leave your address at Farmer Publishing Co. office. H 27 * t 0
FOR SALE.—Block of 40 rooms, rent for \$135 per year. Good paying property and a widow can't take care of same. Address Farmer office. T 1 t
TO RENT.—Apartments at 302 Gould Hill St. Seven rooms each. Enquire of owner, 441 Washington Ave. T 3 * t 0
TYPEWRITING.—Mimeographing, Notary Public, Seals, 103 Meigs Bldg. P 17 stop
TO RENT.—Desk room with roll top desk. 416 Warner Building. I 2 * t 0
BRIDGEPORT Housecleaning Bureau. Ashes, rubbish removed. 483 Newfield avenue. Telephone 1216-5. Ralph L. Miller, Prop. G 3 t
FOR SALE.—Single house, 7 rooms, good bargain. Leave your address at Farmer Office. H 37 * t 0
CONSTIPATED? Bilious? Headache? Casca, Laxative, knock them all. T 6