

PROGRESSIVE YOUNG BUSINESS MEN PICKED BY BUCKINGHAM FOR THE FIRE COMMISSION

Wallace G. Taylor and Joseph D. Hartigan to Be Named by the Mayor for Membership on the Fire Board—Judge Kane and Commissioner Foster to Succeed Themselves on the Board of Charities.

Mayor Buckingham announced today that he would appoint Joseph D. Hartigan, Democrat, to succeed George E. Crawford, as a member of the Fire Board, and Wallace G. Taylor, Republican, to succeed Charles Lee. Mr. Hartigan is a prominent business man, conducting a drug store at Congress and Main streets. He is a native of this city and is socially active. He is a member of a number of fraternal organizations and has been very active in the Connecticut State Pharmaceutical Association. Many years ago he was city pharmacist and for a number of years was an officer in the hospital corps attached to the Connecticut National Guard.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS IN 1910 AGGREGATES \$2,283,108 SOMEWHAT LESS THAN 1909

Nevertheless Year Now Ending is \$634,618 Ahead of 1908—Assessors Have Added More to List During Present Assessors' Year Than in Preceding One

Table showing the aggregate value of new buildings for which permits in this city were granted during 1910. Total aggregate value is \$2,283,108, compared to \$2,348,000 in 1909. Quarterly breakdown is provided for both years.

SPAIN MEANS TO SEIZE PORTUGAL IF LITTLE REPUBLIC SEEMS LOST

Move Decided on by Spanish Premier May Involve Whole Peninsula in Revolution and John Bull Will Be on Deck With His Big Guns of War

(Special from United Press.) London, Dec. 30.—The annexation of Spain of the new born republic of Portugal, is believed today by English officialdom to be imminent in the event that the reported monarchial movement in Portugal reaches the acute stage. Unofficial advice received today say that Spain is massing troops on the Portuguese frontier with the intention of intervening if the little republic is thrown into war. Premier Camello, of Spain, is declared to have decided on such a move in the hope that the seizure of Portugal will arouse the patriotism of the Spanish people and check the wave of republicanism that has been sweeping over Spain since its adoption of an anti-clerical policy. Owing to the Spanish and Portuguese censorship, definite news as to the extent of the monarchial movement is not confirmed. The Portuguese Charge d'Affaires here has received no news of any movement against the government. Neither ex-King Manuel, who is still exiled in England, nor the Marquis Soveral, former Portuguese minister to England, who is now here, was accessible today. The Marquis Soveral has been in conference with King George recently at Sandringham. While English officialdom admits that the provisional government of President Braga, of Portugal, is in a bad way, as the result of the failure of the new republic to meet the extravagant demands of the populace for the immediate mitigation of all their troubles, it is believed that an attempt to re-establish the monarchy would plunge the country into civil war. The seizure of Portugal by Spain is considered far more probable than the restoration of the monarchy. If Spain should intervene it is improbable that England would interfere.

DIABROTIC FIRE LOSS FOR POOR MESSINA. (Special from United Press.) Messina, Dec. 30.—Fire among the wooden buildings along the harbor was not under control today, after a

OVER 11,000 GROWN MEN WITHOUT VOTES

Surprising State of Affairs—Personal Tax Will Bring \$50,000

The surprising fact that there are 11,000 able-bodied men in Bridgeport, between the ages of 21 and 60, who are not voters and have no voice in the government of Bridgeport, has been brought to light through the question of assessing the personal tax of \$2 upon the citizens of Bridgeport. It has been discovered that the personal tax of \$2 will bring in less than \$50,000 from the citizens of Bridgeport. This sum will more than pay for the city's share of maintaining the State militia, but it will not pay the \$15,000 into the city's treasury besides. Investigators of the tax proposition have ascertained that there are 25,000 people in Bridgeport who are liable for the personal tax. This tax is levied on all males between the years of 21 and 60, excepting firemen, policemen, cripples, invalids, and those who have done military duty. There are 18,000 voters in Bridgeport. Of this number over 4,000 are above 60 years, and are not included in the 25,000 hit by the personal tax. Consequently there are 11,000 men in Bridgeport who are eligible to vote so far as age is concerned, but are not upon the voting lists of the city. The tremendous difference that this mass of voters might make, if they were to be "made" may readily be appreciated.

BIRD MAN'S NEW WORLD'S RECORD FOR DISTANCE

(Special from United Press.) Buc, France, Dec. 30.—By remaining in the air for 5 minutes Maurice Tabuteau, flying in a biplane, constructed by Maurice Farman, today broke all world's records for distance covered in one flight, flying 362 miles and taking the lead in the contest for the 1910 Michelin cup and prize of \$4,000. Tabuteau's distance record exceeds the world's record of M. Legagneux by 42 miles, but is 3 minutes under the world's distance record, a sustained flight of 290.3 miles. The time limit for the 1910 Michelin cup is up tomorrow. Henri Farman and number of other aviators are preparing to fly tomorrow in an effort to break Tabuteau's record.

ARMY AVIATOR'S FATAL FALL FROM MONOPLANE

(Special from United Press.) Paris, Dec. 30.—Lieutenant De Caumont, an army aviator, was probably fatally injured today in the 150 foot fall of a monoplane, which he was testing in a flight over the maneuvering grounds at Issy. Both legs were broken, his hip crushed and serious internal injuries inflicted.

BRANDEIS TALKS ON RATE CONTEST WITH RAILROADS

(Special from United Press.) Boston, Dec. 30.—Louis D. Brandeis, the attorney, who is representing shippers in the proposed rate increases by the Interstate Commerce Commission on the proposed rate increases by the railroads, today, when told of the action by the Canadian railroads and express companies in reducing rates on request of the Canadian railroad board, without contest, said that he would probably do the same in Canada as they were here. "I know nothing about the Canadian railroad rate matter," he said, "unless I would hesitate to make any comparison between the manner in which the American railroads have taken all the time possible for an investigation of the whole case. Our contest is undoubtedly the most important that ever has come before the Interstate Commerce Commission, and it is of the most important that ever came before it for the reason that it opens the whole question of present and future rates. It is the broadest in scope that I possibly can be, involving some 4,000 odd articles. For these reasons we cannot blame either the Interstate Commerce Commission, the railroads or the shippers for taking all the time allowed to investigate and prepare their data."

Postmaster Marigold Suffers a Relapse

Postmaster William H. Marigold is reported to be in a serious condition today at his home on Park avenue. Some time ago Mr. Marigold was struck by a trolley car in New Haven and injured. He came to his home in Bridgeport and has since been confined to his bed. He was progressing nicely until a day or two ago, when he suffered a relapse, and is seriously ill today.

Tax Collector Files Requisition for \$6,905. Tax Collector John M. Donnelly today filed with City Auditor Bernard Keating the requisition for the tax collector's office. The total assessed is \$6,905. Of this \$5,000 is for the salary of the collector, \$150 for new totalizers for the adding machines and the remainder for the winter advances of the office.

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Girl and Her Sweetheart, Frank Kilroy, Are Found in Springfield Hotel by Police, Claiming to be Man and Wife. Marriage of Pair Said to Have Taken Place in Hartford, Although Young Woman Was Under Age—Secured \$361 From Savings Bank on Forged Order

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