

# 'NEW HAVEN' MEN'S PLEAS ARE DENIED

New York, Dec. 4.—The pleas in abatement made by William Rockefeller and seven others of the 21 directors and former directors of the New Haven Railroad to indictments charging them with criminal violation of the Sherman law, have been dismissed and pleas of not guilty were entered instead today.

In addition to Mr. Rockefeller, Robert W. Taft and Charles F. Brookler, Frederick F. Brewster, D. Newton Barney, Henry McHarg, A. Heaton Robertson and James S. Hemmingway were the defendants who entered pleas of not guilty.

The new pleadings were made necessary by the dismissal of the pleas in abatement in which it was contended the indictments were improperly drawn. William Skinner, James S. Kison, and George F. Baker entered pleas of immunity on the ground that they had testified before the interstate commerce commission at Washington. These pleas and the ones filed by John R. Hillard, R. D. Robbins and T. DeWitt Cuyler, will be argued before Judge Ruddlein on Monday.

# CORONER DELAYS MURDER INQUEST

Winsted, Conn., Dec. 4.—Coroner Sherman stated today that he would not hold his inquest into the murder of Hubert B. Case, of Barkhamstead, until next week. No developments have been made in the case, it is stated by the officers.

The Kansas state report gives the corn crop as 87,000,000 bushels, the smallest in several years.

The Bank of England received 48,000 pounds in American coin, and 678,000 pounds bar gold.

### DIED.

**FULLER**—In New York City, N. Y., Dec. 2nd, 1914, Mary Jane Green, widow of John P. Fuller, formerly of Bridgeport, aged 72 years.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral at her home No. 163 Grove street, Bridgeport, on Saturday, 5th inst., at 2 o'clock.

**BOMESS**—In this city, December 4, 1914, Otto Bomess, aged 80 years, 10 months.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, 72 Liberty street, on Monday, Dec. 7th, at 2 p. m.

**DENCHFIELD**—In Stepany, Monroe, Conn., Dec. 3, 1914, Rev. Thomas C. Denchfield, aged 63 years.

Funeral service will be held in the Baptist church (Stepney) on Saturday, 5th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m.

**REGAN**—In Shelton, Ct., Dec. 4, 1914, Anthony Regan of No. 6 Oak street this city, aged 34 years.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

**FURNISS**—In Southport, Dec. 4, 1914, Capt. Joseph Henry Furniss, aged 82 years, 2 months, 23 days.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence Southport, Conn., on Monday, December 7th at 2:30 p. m.

Interment in Oaklawn cemetery, Fairfield, Conn.

**FINAGAN**—A month's mind mass will be held at St. Peter's church, Saturday morning at 8 a. m., for the repose of the soul of the late Mrs. Catherine M. Finagan.

Friends are invited to attend.

### ROSES, VIOLETS ORCHIDS AT

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### FLORIST.

**WANTED**—3 or 4 furnished house-keeping rooms. Phone W. D. Neff, Stratford Hotel. T 4 s p

**TO RENT**—Steam heated apartment, centrally located, nine rooms. D. B. Whitney, 1025 Main St. T 4 s o

**SWEDISH BOARDING HOUSE**—Good board and rooms. Terms reasonable. 313 East Washington Ave. Mrs. Johnson. T 4 b p

**WANTED**—Experienced entry clerk for department store work, must be experienced and accurate. Address D Farmer Office. a 7

**WANTED**—Experienced cashier one who is familiar with department store work, only those with experience need apply. Address D Farmer Office. a 8

**FOR SALE**—Two good business horses, been worked in parcel delivery wagon, good drivers and workers \$55 and \$85; also complete driving outfit, good driver, safe for lunch, nearly new, custom made harness, Moyer concord buggy first class condition, whip, blanket, etc., \$89 takes outfit. Address 227 Arctic street.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the kind expressions of sympathy extended to us by friends and acquaintances in our dark hour at the death of our beloved daughter and sister, Margaret E. Kane, who was called to her reward on Sunday, November 29; also for the beautiful floral tokens, custom helped lessen the burden of sorrow in our sad bereavement.

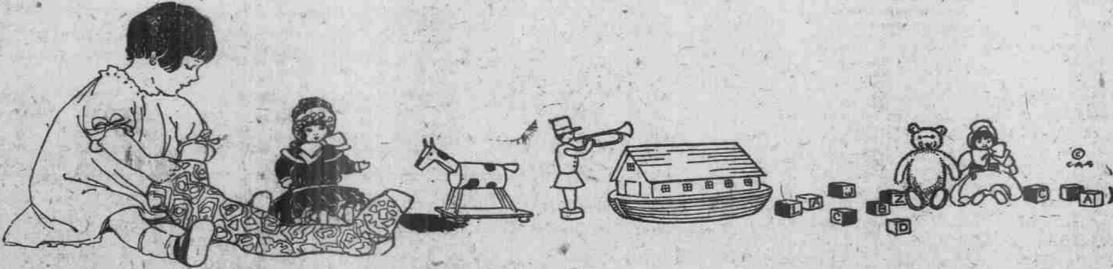
MR. and MRS. THOMAS FINAN, WINIFRED KANE, TRENE KANE.

263 Charles Street.

# HOWLAND'S

Entrances in Main street, Fairfield avenue and Cannon street.

Bridgeport, Conn. Friday, Dec. 4, 1914.



This is the children's month. Let Saturday be their own special day.

In the calendar, we mark December the 25th with red—because it is Christmas.

In our hearts we dignify the entire month of December by extra interest—because it is the Christmas month.

That interest finds its finest expression in our thoughts and deeds for the children. December is their month. Christmas is their day of highest enjoyment.

To the rest of us, all we grown-up folks. Christmas is but an incident of the year. To the children, ours and other folk's, it is an event.

The joy of their anticipation is almost as great as the joy that Christmas day actually brings. The simple thinking about Old Santa; the wondering what he will bring; the visits to Toyland;—all these make December the finest month in all the year for every boy and girl.

Here is a Christmas store for those boys and girls. It is big. It is complete. It is jolly.

From basement to upper floor it reaches, with its brightest lights burning at Toyland on the third floor.

Let Saturday, this first Saturday of December, be the boys and girls special day and let this be their special store.

We are ready for them. We will welcome them. Let them come.

# THE HOWLAND DRY GOODS CO.

## YOUNG BRIDGEPORT DANCES JOYOUSLY AT VANITY FAIR

Opening Performance of Huge Pageant Witnessed By Enthusiastic Audience.

Three Hundred Local People in Cast—Costumes Unusually Beautiful.

"Vanitas Vanitatum, all is vanity," wrote Thackeray in his great novel and this was the spirit of the wonderful pageant, "Vanity Fair" presented to Bridgeport by Bridgeport at the Lyric theater last evening. The audience, while representative, was small, and it is to be hoped that many of the exceedingly good performance will bring out larger ones. Some three hundred of Bridgeport's fairest young women and handsomest young men were included and let anyone who thinks that fortune has slighted this city in this respect but attend "Vanity Fair" to discover how very much they are in the wrong. The affair is given under the capable supervision of Miss Lola Agnew Stewart. The costumes for each division were most beautiful, the brightest of colors being used in delightful confusion. Of these the costumes in the Oriental scene were undoubtedly the handsomest.

From all the varied scenes it would be hard to choose a favorite yet the audience was put to this task just previous to the Oriental scene, with the result that the "Sunnybrook Dance," in which the maidens wore simple school girl costumes of pink gingham with sunbonnets and the youths, overall won out. Mrs. Annamæ Hammett Robinson, assisted by the University Club Quartet, sang "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm."

The Day Nursery Babies, for whose benefit much of the sum realized on the pageant will be used, opened the affair in tableaux, which showed the children grouped about the circular table in high-chairs. And in the crib, with their nurses tending them. Mayor Wilson stepped forward to greet the audience, welcoming them to the performance, and commenting upon the splendid work of the Associated Charities.

For a moment the curtain was lowered and then the thrilling Spanish scene teeming with its beautiful and graceful dances and carefree joyousness was shown.

Miss Marcia K. Delbridge and Miss Jane P. Patchen danced the valse, "Ideal," and Miss J. Katherine Blackman and Miss Mabelle Pedersen executed the dance, "Iola." The Tambourine dance followed and the beautiful "La Spagnole," sung by Mrs. Reba Dale Martin, assisted in the chorus by the entire Spanish cast. Nothing could have been a more direct contrast with this than the one which followed it, the "Indian Scene." The effective sunrise ceremonial dance was executed while "The Sunrise Call" was sung with the true spirit of the Indian brave by Joseph Weller. There followed what was probably the most beautiful dance of the whole performance, "The Wigwam," by Miss Emma Chase and Frank Lee Armstrong.

Again a contrast to the Indians were the Quakers next took the stage, affording a chance for the charming Reuben Clog, by Miss Marjorie DeLoos and Andrew R. Smith and Miss Bethesda Hamilton and H. Burton Smith, also the dance, "When a Maid," by Miss Dorothy S. Hard and Miss Louise W. Powe.

The Colonial tableaux and gavotte was next on the program, the dainty and graceful gavotte, "Glowworm," being executed by the Misses Agnes and Lucille Marsh. "In 1860" was indeed pretty with its charming girls, its dapper, Robert Glibney, and the ever pleasing song, "Annie Laurie," by Mrs. Reba Dale Martin. Mrs. Gertrude McMahon and George McCarthy and Miss Helen Burnes and John Molloy did the "Down South" dance in this scene.

The Departure for the Front was given by the local companies of Connecticut National Guard, C. A. C., the Lincoln Fire and Drum Corps, with Frank Perella, commander. "The Return," by the Elias Howe, Jr., Post, No. 3, was the most effective and touching scene of the whole performance, the audience voicing its appreciation by hearty applause. The famous old camping song, "We're Tenting Tonight," sung by the veterans, brought tears to the eyes of many.

Through the courtesy of Miss Slocum, the charming "Le Moment Musical" was introduced the graceful toe-dancers, pleasing exceedingly. This was followed by a graceful solo dance, "Psyche," by Miss Agnes Marsh. "The Grand Carnival in Bridgeport" followed next, in which

the crowning of Miss Edith Riker as queen was the main feature, and the dancing of Frank Lee Armstrong as Jester most effective. The small pages were the Masters Burr Bartram and Harvey Hubbell, Jr. The dancing sketch by John Harvey and Robert Gore was unusually good and different from the other numbers of the program.

In the Oriental scene which was indeed beautiful and distinctive. Sulka and Sorceress was cleverly portrayed by Mrs. Robert S. Hincks, Radcliff E. Spout was Kaid, Miss Emily Sanford, was the Slave of the Harp, Miss Natalie Hawley, the Slave of the Mirror, Miss Minnie Nichols, the cup bearer, Miss Dorothy Stanton, the Scarf Dancer and Mr. Hasbrouck the Slave of the Fan.

The Swing Dance was another exceedingly pretty addition to the program the dainty little soloist, Mrs. Ada Truck Whitaker furnishing the words. Miss Susan Bennett and John Bennett executed the Maxixe in a most graceful fashion.

The closing scene, "Dancing Fete in Vanity Fair," was full of rousing conviviality. Mrs. E. S. Hincks and Robert Abbott and Miss Sophie Smith and H. LeBaron Peters danced, "The Balancello." Miss Gertrude McMahon and George McCarthy, Miss Beattie Burr and James S. McBride, Miss Roselyn Barkey and Frank Denby, Miss Ethel Donovan and John Hurley, danced the Lulu Fado, Mr. and Mrs. John Field executed the One Step, Miss Barbara Waldo and Radcliff E. Spout, the Waltz Cecile, Miss Edith Riker and George R. Hann, the Innovation Tango, and Miss Celia Pearson, a most charming solo dance, "La Rose."

The performance was concluded with the singing of "Tipperary" by Miss Marguerite Bishop, the entire cast joining in.

### CAPT. MELIA'S BOWLERS WINNERS AT ELKS' CLUB

In the Elks' bowling tournament last night, Capt. Melia's team beat Capt. Mahoney's team by taking two strikes. Capt. Melia's players are doing so well that they expect to capture the championship.

The steel ship Javary, owned by L. C. Gillespie & Sons of New York, was chartered from British to American registry at Seattle, Wash.

The Chicago Association of Commerce has called a meeting to consider the advisability of changing Chicago time from central to eastern.

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Parent-teachers' association are to hold a reception to the teachers of Maplewood school at the home of Mrs. Carl Foster, 2440 North avenue on Saturday afternoon, December 12, from 8 until 5 o'clock. All members of the association are invited to be present.

The next meeting of the association has been postponed from Tuesday, December 8, until the 15. Let B. Myers, secretary of the Charity Organization Society will address the meeting talking on housing conditions in Bridgeport, with special reference to child welfare and the benefit of the school gardens.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. William Judge of Parrott avenue. Mrs. Judge was Miss Elizabeth Lynch before her marriage, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lynch.

The members of the High School Alumni Drama Club are to meet with Miss Natalie Newman of 825 Laurel avenue on Monday evening. The speaker will be Philo Calhoun and his subject, Modern Irish Drama.

### HOUSEHOLD NOTES

A sponge in a porcelain umbrella stand will keep the umbrellas from striking the bottom of the jar, which is often broken in this way, and will also absorb the rainwater from a wet umbrella.

Never have the house dusted before the heater has been shaken and ashes taken out of the firebox, for no matter how tight the floors may be, the dust will come through and settle on the furniture.

Broken potatoes, left over from a meal, should be mashed, added to a beaten egg, rolled into balls and fried or baked. Potatoes which are intended for roasting, baking or frying, should always be half boiled first.

It will pay the mother who can afford it to have two pairs of school shoes for each child. By this means there may always be a pair of clean shoes ready to wear, the child will appear better groomed and the shoes will last much longer.

If a small piece of camphor is placed in a bowl of glass of water it will be found to float on the surface, and when lighted will prove a good night light, especially as camphor is a good disinfectant and its smell not at all disagreeable.

To exterminate ants from the cupboard, wash the shelves, the dip a small paint brush in a little pure car-

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## Re-inforcements to the front!

More overcoats have come to close up the gaps in the line.

There are no stragglers; each one is ready to do its duty.

Cold weather will be repulsed sharply. Every Howland overcoated man will be comfortable. He will be stylishly overcoated too.

Every overcoat of this 1914 season is ready, as to style:—

- The Klavicle
- The Chesterfield.
- The Balmacean
- The Ulsterette
- The ulster.

Plenty of rich quiet fabrics. Plenty of snappy live cloths for young men.

Each sort made up so thoroughly that we proudly stand right back of it with the Howland guarantee of service and satisfaction.

**\$15 \$16.50 \$22.50 \$25**

# HOWLAND DRY GOODS CO.

## NEGRO LECTURER TO SPEAK AT Y. M. C. A.

Julius Rosenwald, the head of the Sears-Roebuck mail order house of Chicago, is the generous Hebrew of Chicago, who says "The Y. M. C. A. is unsurpassed by any other organization in the world" and backs it up with an offer of \$25,000 to every city in America where \$75,000 more is raised to erect a Y. M. C. A. for colored men.

He has already been called upon eleven times for a total of \$275,000 and says he hopes they will call on him for at least half a million. J. E. Moorland is the cultured, educated and forceful colored man largely responsible for the offer of Mr. Rosenwald and on whom Mr. Rosenwald almost wholly depends for securing the other thousands in these many cities to erect the building.

This most interesting man is also a splendid speaker and he will address the meeting for men in the lobby of the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 8:30. To add interest in his address, Mr. Moorland will furnish an afternoon of very fine pictures. His subject will be "Helping to Solve Lincoln's Unfinished Task," and will be filled with things which will surprise most people and gratify all. All men are cordially invited to this meeting. Good music will be an additional attraction.

## TASHUA AND LONG HILL.

Peter H. Lynch, the Long Hill blacksmith, was a Sunday guest in Bridgeport of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lynch.

James Clark has a position in Bridgeport at the Union Metallic Cartridge factory.

Mrs. Frith who has been in Bridgeport hospital for a serious operation, has returned to her home in Long Hill.

The Lower Long Hill school with Miss Theresa Lynch as teacher, closed for the Thanksgiving recess with appropriate recitations by the pupils.

John McGrunn and daughter, Katherine, spent Thanksgiving day with Luke McGrunn of Bronxville, N. Y.

Mrs. John Treadwell and Mrs. Lavinia Bradley attended the D. A. R. meeting in New Haven Monday.

## WEATHER FORECAST

New Haven, Dec. 4.—Forecast: Unsettled weather probably followed by rain or snow late tonight and Saturday.

Connecticut: Increasing cloudiness tonight, probably followed by rain or snow in early morning and on Saturday; fresh to strong northeast winds.

The southern disturbance has moved very slowly during the last 24 hours and is now central over the northern portion of Alabama. It has caused quite heavy rain fall during the last 24 hours in the southern districts. The greatest amount reported was 3.25 inches at Atlanta, Ga. The front edge of the rain area extends as far north as Ohio. A long ridge of high pressure is producing pleasant weather with decreasing temperatures along the northern border. The southern storm will probably move slowly northward and pass out to sea on Saturday. Warning for high winds are displayed along the coast from Cape Henry to Cape Cod.

Almanac.  
Sun rises tomorrow... 7:05 a. m.  
Sun sets today... 4:24 p. m.  
High water... 11:48 a. m.  
Moon rises... 5:44 p. m.  
Low water... 5:57 p. m.

The 68th annual convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity opened at New Orleans.

The plant of the Chesapeake Shell Co., at Canton, Md., was destroyed by fire at a loss of \$100,000.

Nine men were burned, three seriously, by an electric flash while working on the Fulton street elevated railroad, Brooklyn.