

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

PUBLIC NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the valuation of lands, lots, dwelling houses and slaves, subject to the United States Direct Tax, having been completed by the Assistant Assessors, within the Second District of the State of Connecticut, composed of the County of Fairfield, the same are now open for inspection, and may be examined, by all persons concerned, at the Court House, in Fairfield, on the 23rd and 24th of instant June, and during 23 days thereafter, at my Office, in Fairfield, at each of which places, appeals, relative to any erroneous or excessive valuations, will be received, and determined according to law and right, and in the manner prescribed by the Act of Congress of the 9th of January, 1815.

JESSUP WAKEMAN

Principal Assessor of the Second District in the State of Connecticut, Fairfield, June 5th, 1815.

AMERICAN OFFICERS TO VISIT EUROPE

It is stated that 40 or 50 officers of the American Army contemplate a voyage to Europe, and residence in that country for a season, with the approval of government, for their improvement in military science. Among the number is GENERAL SCOTT, who has obtained a furlough for the purpose of visiting France. In that great military country, the General will have a fine opportunity of perfecting himself in the science of war and extending his sphere of knowledge by the effect of practical demonstration; while his personal appearance and accomplishments, and the fame of his achievements, will insure him a distinguished reception among the polite and gallant people. Colonel WILLIAM M'KEE and Major SYLVANUS WEAVER, two distinguished officers of the corps of Engineers, embarked on board the Congress frigate, which carries out our Minister to Holland, and Europe.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

WHAT BURGLARS ARE ABOUT

Four houses in this city were entered by burglars on Saturday—they were those of R. W. Gates, Water street; Philo Beach, Leavenworth street; and Dr. Brown and Samuel Shepard, Main street. The two former were entered in the afternoon and the latter in the afternoon. A gold watch and chain were secured at Mr. Beach's taken from his bedroom. The burglar posed the thiefentered the front door, which of course was unlocked, and after quietly pocketing his plunder, the daring villain marched off. At friend Gates's house the bureau drawers were ransacked, \$13 in money and jewelry to the value of \$30 stolen. No one was present at the time, and the loss was not discovered until the attention of some one of the family was attracted by the deranged condition of articles in the room and drawers. A gold watch and chain were taken from the house of Mr. Shepard, but at Dr. Brown's, some one made his escape without committing any depredations. No trace of the burglar has yet been discovered. Our citizens will do well to look to the fastenings of their doors—"an ounce of prevention," &c.

HORSETHIEVES ABOUT

One day last week, a horse, buggy and harness were sold by a stranger in Wall street, for \$100. The person who made the good bargain, however, was relieved of his purchase by the real owner, the next day, from whom the turn-out had been stolen in the vicinity of Brewster's Station, New York.

About the same time another horse was hired from Aldrich's stables, and has not been seen since. On Saturday, so goes the story, a suspicious looking character went to the Fairfield House Stables and wished to hire a horse and buggy. One of the proprietors, Mr. Thorp, not liking his appearance, refused to let him have it, and as the stranger moved away stated that he (Thorp) believed him to be a horse-thief. Some one suggested that if he thought so why not let him have the horse and watch him and nab him when in the act of filchery? The suggestion, it is reported, struck Mr. T's fancy, and the man was called back, the horse furnished, and the watchers set on the suspicious character's track. All went along smoothly until the hired team got mixed up in a stream of vehicles, at which point the track was lost, and the stable men at yet looking for the missing property.

MORAL—Stablemen please look to your teams when wanted by unknown customers, and those disposed to make a good horse bargain, beware of cheap establishments for sale by cheap individuals, for some daring scoundrels are about, with an eye to a little illegitimate business, and have neither the fear of thieves or watchmen before their eyes.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

A GREAT C. E. RALLY.

The Bridgeport Christian Endeavor Union held their 14th meeting last evening at the Fairfield Congregational church. The edifice was packed with people and was all aglow with flowers and colored banners in honor of the occasion. The Traction company ran 12 special street cars from Fairfield back to accommodate the Endeavorers from this city. There were also present large delegations from Stratford, Southport, and Milford. In all fully 1,200 people attended, 900 of whom were delegates.

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 and opened with a praise service led by pastor F. S. Child. This was followed by an interesting devotional service conducted by J. W. Cook, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

Churches having very large delegations present were the South Church, the Presbyterian and the Park street, but the largest was from the South Congregational Church.

A stirring address upon "The Christian Citizen" by Rev. G. W. Nicholson followed the roll call. An invitation was received by the Union to hold their next meeting in the South Church. A formal vote of thanks was extended to the Fairfield Congre-

gational Church for their hospitality and to the Traction Company for transporting members at reduced rates. J. F. Williams, of Bristol, who has been State Agent for international conventions for the past several years, spoke for "Boston in '95." In convention will be held in the Hub from July 10 to 15.

By the will of the late Sarah Flanagan her sister Mary J. Keefe, inherits all her property and is named as executrix.

HICKEY—FORD.

The marriage of John L. Hickey of Hickey Bros., expressmen, to Miss Ellen J. Ford will be solemnized with a nuptial mass at the Sacred Heart church to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 o'clock. The ceremony will be performed by Father O'Brien. The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Isabel Foley, and Thomas Hickey, the groom's brother will act as best man. The wedding will be at George Foley, Daniel McCarthy, David, Osborn and John Hickey. A reception will follow at the home of the bride's parents on Howard avenue.

LIBRARIAN HILLS HOME.

William J. Hills, superintendent of the Bridgeport library, arrived home from his European trip Saturday and has since been kept busy preparing his annual report which will be submitted to the board of Aldermen this evening. According to his statement, the trip must have been a very pleasant one, as he says he feels fully 10 years younger and has accumulated a lot of knowledge that will come in helpfully in arranging and securing art exhibits for the Public library.

Mrs. Agner Hills, librarian of the public library, and daughter Evelyn will sail for Antwerp next Saturday afternoon on the Steamer Moorland. They will be absent about two months. Miss Hills closed her school career last evening at the graduation exercises of the Golden Hill Seminary.

CORNER STONE LAYING.

The corner stone of the parochial school for St. Mary's Catholic church of Newtown will be laid next Sunday by Vicar-General Mulcahey. Rev. Father Rogers of Stamford, will preach the sermon. A train leaves here for Newtown Sunday morning at 7:45.

11 INNING GAME

Eleven innings were necessary to decide the game between the St. Augustine's and Acorns at Athletic park yesterday afternoon (Tuesday). At the end of the ninth inning the score was 15 to 15. Neither side scored in the tenth, but in the eleventh the St. Augustine's shut out their opponents and secured two runs.

The first home-run of the season on these grounds was scored in the Acorns, in the ninth inning on a hit over the center fielder's head. Each side made ten hits but the Saints had 12 errors while the Acorns played a perfect game. Boland and Kane featured for the Saints and Rogers and Maher were the shining lights on the Acorn nine. The final score was St. Augustine's 17, Acorns 15.

BRIDGEPORT BOY TO TAKE EXAMS. FOR ANNAPOLIS

Final physical examinations will be taken Monday next at Annapolis by Howard J. L. Challenger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard S. Challenger, who recently won his appointment to the naval academy through competitive examination.

A. O. H. CAMPAIGN FOR MEMBERS TO BE PUSHED.

The membership campaign for the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be furthered at Eagles' hall tomorrow night when David E. Fitzgerald of New Haven, will be among the principal speakers. A concert will be rendered. No admission is to be charged but cards of invitation must be presented at the door. These can be obtained from D. J. O'Connor in the post-office arcade.

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President Hoped To Convince Envoy Germany Is Wrong



COUNT VON BERNSTORFF

Washington, June 3.—There was a general impression among cabinet members that the visit of Ambassador von Bernstorff to the White House might relieve the stress existing between the United States and Germany. Close observers declared that Count von Bernstorff indicated that his country does not wish a severance of friendly relations. President Wilson was said to be hopeful that Count von Bernstorff's good offices might be used to avert a more serious crisis.

LASSEN VOLCANO UNDER OBSERVANCE.

Forest Service Cooperates With Geological Survey in Recording Dangerous Peak's Activity.

Mt. Lassen, California, whose violent eruption of May 19 places it in the first rank of volcanoes now dangerously active, has become the subject of an informal cooperative study by the geological survey and the forest service. At the request of the survey, a telegram has been sent from Washington instructing the officers of the Lassen national forest, in which the peak stands, to continue observations of the volcano's activity and keep a record to be used as a basis for a scientific investigation by J. S. Diller, a government geologist, who is expected at Lassen early in July.

The observations are being made by forest rangers at the scene and from a fire lookout tower on Broken Mountain, a few miles north of the crater, where the forest service last year kept watch on the numerous eruptions which occurred from May to September.

It is not known whether a cloud-burst started the last eruption by precipitating rain down upon the molten lava in the crater, or whether melting of the snow on the peak, with consequent flowing of water into the crater, caused the accumulation of steam which blew a river of mud out of the mountain. Mr. Diller, who made a study of the volcano last year, said that he inclined toward the melted snow theory, adding that the bright glow reported as appearing on the clouds of smoke and steam over the crater is a reflection of the red-hot matter uncovered by the eruption, indicating that the volcano is in a more or less dangerous mood.

ELECT AT SEASIDE CLUB.

Election at the Sea Side club last night resulted in the selection of the following officers for the following year: President, Dwight H. Hall; vice-president, Hobart E. French; secretary, Harvey C. Irvine; treasurer, Robert A. Lewis. The governing board for three years are William C. Hawley, Harry M. Curtis and Samuel P. Senior. For two years, Dr. D. C. DeWolfe. The auditors are Raymond E. French and Harry B. Hunt.

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(Special to The Farmer.)
Stratford, June 5.—The Stratford railroad station was broken into some time last night but nothing was found missing this morning when examination of the place was made by W. F. Curtis, the ticket agent. A window in the waiting room had been forced and the drawers were ransacked. The Okeonuk tribe of Red Men will hold a memorial service to-morrow afternoon starting at 1 o'clock. A

euology will be given by Rev. E. N. Packard, pastor of the Congregational church, and hymns will be sung, after which the entire tribe will march to the Union cemetery and the graves of the departed members of the tribe will be decorated.

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