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THE FIFTY HOUR WEEK

IT IS NOT SURPRISING that the manufacturers of Bridgeport have decided upon a fifty hour week. In most lines this fifty hour week will naturally become a 48 hour week...

Since the Remington Arms and Ammunition Company adopted the eight hour day, it was inevitable that nearly everybody else must do so. There is no competition in which failure is so disastrous...

A concern working on a ten hour day, cannot keep the pick of its workers, besides concerns on an eight hour day, and paying the same wages.

It was inevitable that labor, skilled and unskilled, male and female, should flow from ten hour factories to eight hour factories...

The result of this close competition between two sets of conditions in the same city, is easy to observe. The changes occur with rapidity, and do not escape the scrutiny of even the careless.

The same result follows between one city and another, between one locality and another, only its operation is slower.

The movement of the best labor from Bridgeport to Detroit is much slower than the movement of labor from one Bridgeport factory to another...

The conditions in Bridgeport will ultimately control those in Hartford, New Haven and other Connecticut cities...

In the long run, not very long, Bridgeport manufacturers will know that the course they have adopted with some reluctance, and under some pressure of organized labor and public opinion...

THE OFFENSIVE VALUE OF AIR FLEETS

AS A GENERAL principle of action, those who are engaged in doing a thing know more about it than those who are not. Occasionally comes some especially talented person...

Usually, therefore, critics of the war will be mistaken, when they differ with those who manage the war...

Especially do newspaper critics seem to lack imagination with respect to the part played by aeroplanes and dirigibles...

That these weapons have offensive value is shown by their offensive use, by everybody who has them. One might as well say, "Sugar is not good to eat..."

But those who use the air craft may be mistaken, and may be wasting energy. The question cannot be settled by a mere consideration of killed and wounded...

War has its industrial, financial, moral and political aspects, as well as its purely military aspect.

The air ships tend to offensive results in these areas. They bring the war to non-combatants, and produce the moral and political consequences that must follow from such a thing...

They keep many men in home guard service who might otherwise be on the firing line.

The property damage cannot be estimated in terms of cash value, because the attacks are frequently directed against manufacturing manufacturing valuable war material.

Assume 30 air ships, each dropping 400 pounds of high explosives, on the factories of the Union Metallic Cartridge Co...

Finally, the use develops this arm of the service, which is in its infancy. It is not inconceivable that the air fleet may be brought to a point where it can destroy a sea fleet on the surface...

The Farmer is inclined to the view that the offensive value of the air craft is very great when compared with the cost of the weapon.

BRANDS OF FLAMBOYANCY

MAYOR WILSON has a constitutional right to object to flamboyant speeches from soap boxes, if he does not use unconstitutional means to make his notions effective. And the voters have a right to object to flamboyant executives in City Hall...

FORMER MINISTER, HELD AS MURDERER, A SUICIDE

South Bend, Ind., Aug. 14.—Silas M. Eberole, a former Dunkard minister held for the murder 15-year old Hazel Macklin in August, 1914, committed suicide by hanging himself in the country jail this morning.

ITALY TO AUTHORIZE NEW NAVAL CREDIT

Rome, via Paris, Aug. 14.—The Official Gazette publishes a decree authorizing a special naval credit of 83,266,000 lire (\$16,236,675).

EXONERATE STEWART HAMILTON IN ANNAPOLIS INVESTIGATION

Nothing in Charges Against Bridgeport Youth Substantiated, Court of Inquiry Finds—Two Midshipmen Ordered Dismissed by President Wilson.

By an announcement yesterday of the court of inquiry that has been investigating irregularities about examinations at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Stewart A. Hamilton, son of R. H. Hamilton, president of the Whiting Manufacturing Co. of this city, was exonerated of the charges made against him.

Hamilton was one of the seven midshipmen first arrested at the Academy on the charges of cheating, and in the information about examinations. His exoneration created great pleasure here because he had already been recommended for dismissal. Nothing in charges against him and a dozen others could be substantiated.

Mr. Hamilton is a graduate of the Bridgeport High school, class of 1912. He was prominent in athletic life there. Two midshipmen were ordered dismissed from the Academy, 12 others disciplined, and radical changes in the method of examinations recommended as the result of the inquiry.

On the recommendation of Secretary Daniels, President Wilson has signed the orders of dismissal, and the Secretary, following recommendations of the Chief of Bureau of Navigation, the Judge Advocate of the navy, and the Secretary's Advisory Council has approved the penalties imposed in other cases.

The fraud related mainly to examinations in French and Spanish. It was reported that copies of the examination papers had come anonymously through the mails to certain midshipmen who gave others the answers to benefit by the advance information.

The court consisted of Captain Robert L. Russell, who had been Judge Advocate General of the Navy for four years; Captain A. T. Long, and Commander L. R. de Steiger, with Lieutenant Commander W. C. Watts as Judge Advocate.

Only two of the seven midshipmen originally accused of "gouging" were sentenced to dismissal. The original seven had been recommended for dismissal by the Superintendent of the academy on the ground of having seen a mimeograph of examination sheets which were intended to be given in the annual examination.

Dismissed: Midshipmen Ralph M. Nelson, Jr., and Charles M. Reagle. Turned back into the succeeding class: Midshipmen Leonard F. West, James E. Wadsworth, E. H. Whistaker and William H. Hopkins, Jr.

To be placed at the foot of his class: Midshipman E. B. Hough. Commission as ensign, to hold three months and restricted to limits of ship or station for that period: Midshipman R. Burien, for attempting to communicate with a witness segregated by order of the court.

To receive fifty demerits: Midshipmen Herbert W. Jacobson and Albert L. Hutson, for being parties to the transmission of a threatening letter from Midshipman Nelson to another midshipman to prevent him from giving certain testimony.

To be reprimanded for having seen "turbine sheets," or engineering recitation questions, although having had no part in original acquisition of those sheets: Midshipmen O. Kell, H. John, C. V. Vignier, and E. B. Hough on several occasions, in company with Midshipman R. M. Nelson, Jr., surreptitiously took "turbine sheets," which he used.

In the case of Midshipman Nelson, the court found that he had an advance copy of the examination papers; that he dictated the contents of two fourth-class examination sheets to about ten fourth-class men; that he visited the Academy buildings at unauthorized times for the alleged purpose of obtaining his marks; that on one or more of these occasions he took so-called "turbine sheets," which contained questions to be asked in recitations in the Department of Marine Engineering and Naval Construction; that he profited by these turbine sheets and obtained a higher position in his class than he was entitled to; and that while the Court's attention was in session he sent an intimidating message to a lower class midshipman, a probable witness, and partially succeeded in an attempt to communicate with another midshipman in a class who had been segregated by order of the court.

In the case of Midshipman Reagle the court found that he entered the Academy buildings surreptitiously and obtained advance information on recitations and examinations and that he changed his testimony before the court so materially and in a manner so directly conflicting with his previous answers "to cause mischief." The court intimates that he had been guilty of false swearing.

The above-named midshipmen, but recommends that further investigation of this subject be made by the Navy Department of the superintendent of the Naval Academy with a view to such disciplinary action as may seem advisable.

Much of the testimony indicated that the midshipmen who had seen copies of the examination papers in advance believed they were "dope"—that is, old examination papers that could be used properly to obtain suggestions in preparing answers to questions. This indicating the character of the examinations to be held. It was the practice of some instructors to indicate what particular features of studies would appear in the examination questions.

The court found that methods of preparing examinations differed in the various departments of the Academy. The head of the Department of Modern Languages, whose examination was mainly affected by the trial, found that a drawer in which he had placed the questions for examination had been tampered with and the top sheets of the questions were missing. It was found that the modern language examination questions for the first and second classes had not been prepared. The court expressed the belief that the system of collecting "dope," and the tradition that some particular sections of classes should be omitted from the examination, "have been to a certain extent responsible for questionable methods by the midshipmen, especially in obtaining answers and in the practice of surreptitiously entering academic buildings in an unauthorized manner and at unauthorized times for obtaining their marks."

The court recommends that the practice of giving out "dope," or advance information, should be abolished unless heads of departments issue it by memoranda, so that all will receive the same advance information in the same form. It is recommended that there should be a uniform system of preparing, printing, and safeguarding examination papers, and that instructors who have prepared examination papers should not discuss the subject matter of them with midshipmen.

The court believes that examinations should not be made so long or so difficult as to make the "dope" system necessary for a great proportion of a class to pass satisfactorily. The court thinks also that midshipmen taking part in such examinations should not be favored by unusual advance information. One recommendation of the court is that midshipmen who are officers of the regiment be bound in honor to report to the court any irregularities in connection with recitations or examinations, and all other irregularities, even when this knowledge comes to them when on duty.

These recommendations of the court are now being considered by the department, but final action thereon will be deferred until after deliberation by the secretary.

Auto Stops Runaway By Crashing Into It

The horse owned and driven by Henry C. Hotchkiss of Stratford avenue, Stratford, took fright Saturday night and started down Ferry Boulevard at a merry pace. At White street the automobile sounded the curve, striking the flying carriage and throwing Hotchkiss into the road. He died promptly from hemorrhages on his face. He received medical treatment by a town physician and was removed to his home.

John W. Hessian's Auto Strikes Boy

While crossing the intersection of Main street and Fairfield avenue in his automobile about 7:30 last evening, John W. Hessian, the crack rifle shot of the Remington-Union Club, and a prominent member of the Park Rifle club, struck and knocked down 12-year-old Kieve Leskopy, of 14 Tart street, a monkey who dived in front of the passing machine. Hessian took the injured lad to the emergency hospital where abrasions on his abdomen were dressed.

Hold Surprise Party For The Misses Baker

Sophia May Theresa and Ruth Florence, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. August Baker, of 129 Stratford avenue, returned from Thomaston yesterday afternoon, where they have spent a week's vacation with Mr. and Mrs. George Higgins and daughter, Miss Josephine Higgins. On their return yesterday they were surprised by the neighboring school children, among which were Marion Pixley, May Delohery, Ruby Delohery, Bernadette Delohery, Ethel Rastrick, Florence Lavery, Irene Lavery, Cecelia Lavery, Margaret Hughes, Catherine Hughes, Helen Hughes, Grace Badamo, Leroy Schuener, Claude Schuener, Thomas Lavery, Edward Lavery, Vincent Lavery, Edwin Calender, Charles Delohery, Thomas Delohery, Eric Hermanson, Joseph Gay, Samuel Gay, William Gay, Edward Schine.

TOILEY TRAFFIC IS UNUSUALLY HEAVY

Trolley traffic was unusually heavy in this vicinity, according to Superintendent Charles H. Chapman of the Connecticut Co. The trolley cars received the bulk of the extra business because of the attraction to the beaches.

POINTS OF INTEREST

At Mollan's While the hit or miss sizes last, the bargain sale of women's high grade, fashionable shoes will continue. If the right shoe is found the patron becomes the possessor of a pair of fine quality, stylish shoes, for a price that is irrespective of the real value. This is done to clear up the different lines of fashionable summer shoes, to make way for fall goods. Summer footwear will, be in use, now, for some weeks to come, and it will pay to invest in a pair of bargain shoes, at the well known shoe house of W. K. Mollan, 1026 Main street.—Adv.

PYRAMID TEMPLE SHRINE MEMBERS TO HOLD OUTING

Arab Patrol of Salam Temple, Newark Will Be Entertained Here.

Potentate August M. Engelhard of Pyramid Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine has appointed a committee to arrange an outing. Lordship Manor has been selected as the place and the date, Saturday, Aug. 21. Arrangements have been made to entertain a large number of nobles from all parts of the state with a sheep bake served at 1:30 and a clam bake at 4:30. The Wheeler & Wilson band will give a concert. As special guests of the Temple and Arab Patrol there will be present the divan officers and 50 members of the Arab Patrol of Salam Temple of Newark. N. J. Pyramid Arab Patrol was elaborately entertained recently when the Patrol went to Newark to give a drill at a ceremonial session. The visitors will be met on their arrival here on the 2:29 train with autos and will be taken to Lordship. After the clam bake both patrols will go to Savin Rock in automobiles and spend the evening there, returning here in time for the visitors to take the last train home.

TWO THOUSAND FROM U. S. IN GREAT WAR.

London, Aug. 14.—There are no fewer than two thousand Americans in the ranks of the Canadian military contingent, said Major General Sam Hughes, Canadian Minister of Militia, at a meeting of Americans held here last night. "I have already written letters of gratitude and sympathy," said General Hughes "to mothers of more than 100 American boys who have fallen while fighting in Flanders alongside of Canadian comrades. More than two thousand enlisted and we could have many more if we wished. Any number of West Pointers offered their services as officers, and some are now with us."

Business Outlook Good. Say Mercantile Agencies

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 14.—Good times in the business world was the topic informally discussed today by delegates from all over the country at the convention of the National Association of Mercantile Agencies. Most of them declared the business outlook is brighter than it has been for three years.

LABORER DIGS UP BOMB

Paris, Aug. 14.—A despatch from Lisbon to the Fournier's agency says that a laborer working in a field at Cube Ruy, Lisbon suburb, dug a bomb which exploded and seriously wounded him. The police made a search and found a large number of bombs buried in all parts of the field.

Many Will Attend Entertainment At St. Augustine's

More than 3,000 persons are expected to be present this evening when an entertainment will be held in the auditorium at St. Augustine's school. Whist and dancing will be features. The new school building will be inspected by the visitors.

Commander Barnum Off For Pacific Coast

Commander William M. Barnum, of Elias Howe Post, No. 3, G. A. R., leaves tomorrow for a months' trip to California. Commander Barnum will join a party of friends in New York and will visit the fair and other points of interest on the coast.

BAND HAS BENEFIT

The Olympic band gave its services yesterday at the picnic of the Castle Franchise Mutual Sick Benefit society at Stoddard's park for the aid of the women and children of Mascon, Province of Benevento, Italy. It is reported here that the men of this town have all answered the call to arms in the struggle now raging between the nations in Europe.

A new revolutionary outbreak in Haiti is feared, as many of the leaders declare that they will not submit to the government of President Dartigues, elected last Thursday.

GUARANTEED RED TUBES

The manufacturer stands back of each one of these tubes. These tubes are each packed in a waterproof bag to protect them from wear in carrying them.

- 28 x 3 Red Tube... \$2.03
30 x 3 Red Tube... \$2.12
30 x 3 1/2 Red Tube... \$2.43
32 x 3 1/2 Red Tube... \$2.52
34 x 3 1/2 Red Tube... \$2.66
32 x 4 Red Tube... \$3.42
33 x 4 Red Tube... \$3.51
34 x 4 Red Tube... \$3.60
36 x 4 Red Tube... \$3.78
36 x 4 1/2 Red Tube... \$4.68
37 x 5 Red Tube... \$5.67

UNITED STATES PLAIN, CHAIN AND NOBBY TIRES IN STOCK.

THE ALLING RUBBER CO. 1126 MAIN STREET

The D. M. Read Co. Established 1857

Commencing Tuesday, September seventh, The D. M. Read Company will close every day at six o'clock: This arrangement has been made by the management in conformity with the growth and progress of the business and in keeping with the spirit of the times. It is believed that a shorter working day on Saturday will alike benefit the patrons of the store and the sales force, inasmuch as it will be possible to offer a better store service. At the above mentioned date it is expected that the extensive improvements and alterations will be completed and the store with all its new and elegant fittings will be ready for patronage. It is the earnest desire of everyone connected with the house, in whatever capacity he serves, that the old and honored prestige of the Read House may be maintained in accordance with Read traditions.

Summer Dresses to be sold out during the coming week, regardless of cost.

All the pretty light summer frocks, the tissues, voiles and organdies of fine quality, daintily trimmed, as well as the more substantial linens and ginghams, in fact all that come under the head of washable fabrics, are to be closed out at liberal reductions. This notice comes in September usually, but it is thought best to lower prices and give customers the advantage of six weeks use of the dresses before the end of summer.



- At \$1.50 Lawns and Ginghams that were \$2.50 and \$3.00
At \$2.00 Voiles and tissues that were \$3.50 and \$4.00
At \$5.00 Lingerie Gowns of organdie and fine voile, figured rice cloth and dotted swiss, daintily trimmed with embroidery and lace. Were \$7.50 to \$12.50.

On sale Tuesday morning. Second floor.

Dinner Sets to close out.

- English Porcelain Set with blue border, was formerly \$30.00 for \$18.00 several pieces missing
English China Set which contains both coffee and tea cups, water pitcher and extra plates, large soup tureen and an extra number of open vegetable dishes. This is a copy of a famous old decoration in pink and blue, but the set is slightly damaged. Former price \$25.00 for \$18.00 "as is"
Set of 112 pieces was \$18.50 for \$12.00
was \$22.50 for \$14.00
was \$18.00 for \$ 8.00
In the basement.

The D. M. Read Company.

RADFORD B. SMITH

FAIRFIELD AVE. VARIETY STORE BROAD ST. CO-OPERATIVE—CAR FARE FOR CUSTOMERS PROFIT SHARING WITH EMPLOYEES

NEW GOODS ON OUR EIGHT CENT COUNTER.

Squares of Rubber Cloth, Children's Rubber Bibs and Diapers, Sanitary Aprons and Belts, etc.

OUR FIVE CENT BARGAIN

Big Ten Cent Size Talcum Powder, Tuesday, Five Cents

MISS CECELIA JUBB, TALENTED PIANIST, TO CONTINUE STUDY

Miss Cecelia L. Jubb, talented young violinist and pianist has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. David S. Jones who is seriously ill. She intends to make a short visit to New York where she will play for some of the prominent musicians of that city after which she will return to Ansonia to spend the last week of her vacation with her relatives. She will then return to Boston where she will make her debut into Boston society and resume her musical studies. She will not only continue her former studies but will also study vocal under the direction of Mrs. Robert Casadeu who was a pupil of a great German artist.

Miss Jubb, had the war not prevented, would have studied in Germany.

IT DOES NOT

Dear Sir: Please state if the Constitution prevents a Catholic from holding the office of president. INQUIRER.

CELERY PLANTS 15c Per dozen JOHN HECK & SON Farmer Wat. Ads. One Cent a Week