

## BRAVE FIREMAN FIGHTS TWO TO THWART MURDER

### George Eck of No. 6 Engine House Fells Pair Intent on Crime.

## SAVES VICTIM OF WOULD-BE SLAYERS

### Has Enviably Record in Ranks For Excellence and Valor of Service.

An attempt to murder this morning on Barnum avenue, which might have been similar to that of last Saturday, was frustrated today by Fireman George Eck, attached to No. 5 engine house, and living at 129 Barnum avenue, in a spectacular manner.

As a result of his quick and heroic action, Joseph Minnotti, aged 28, Louis Anagnillo, aged 30 and Mike Lombardi, aged 31, are still alive, although Minnotti—who is under arrest without bail, needed attention at the emergency hospital before he could be hauled before the recording police lieutenant at the second precinct station.

According to the stories of spectators and the men involved in the fracas, all of whom live at 98 Madison avenue, Minnotti, Anagnillo and Lombardi, known on the East Side as "Big Mike," had been to the Remington Arms plant in search of work. They returned by way of Barnum avenue and had reached St. Joseph's hall, between Helen and Halsett streets, when an old feud between Minnotti and Anagnillo over the attention paid by Minnotti to the latter's sister, was reopened. The two men came to blows at 11:15 o'clock, when Minnotti pulled a fully loaded revolver from his pocket and leveled it at his opponent.

At this juncture "Big Mike" is said to have grabbed the gun from the hands of Minnotti and to have entered the fray by using it upon the head of Minnotti, who then turned upon him.

Eck, riding to his home on Barnum avenue, saw the revolver in the hands of Lombardi and jumping from the moving car he hit him a blow upon the point of his jaw, which dropped him to the sidewalk. After wresting the gun from Lombardi's hands he found himself attacked by Minnotti, with whom he battled for some time, finally managing to trip him.

Patrick Boland, doing patrol duty on East Main street near Barnum avenue, was appealed to by an automobile owner to hasten to St. Joseph's hall, where a murder had been committed. Jumping into the conveyance and ordering the driver to make all haste he reached the scene of combat just as Eck had subdued both men. Boland found Eck astride both of his victims with the gun in his hand gently tapping both men on the head every time they made an effort to revive the battle.

Eck, who weighs only 125 pounds, is well known on the East Side, for his valor and bears an enviable reputation in the fire department. It is believed that but for his timely appearance and active participation, one of the men would have been shot, for the police have learned that the feud between the participants has been a bitter one and nearly resulted in serious consequences on Madison avenue last Sunday.

Minnotti is charged with carrying concealed weapons and with assault.

## New Voters Must File Applications by Monday Afternoon

All applications of those who desire to be made voters must be filed with the registrars of voters in the office in the Masonic Temple on or before 5 p. m. next Monday, Oct. 11.

All voters who have been on previous lists and who are still living in Bridgeport will be continued on the lists and do not need to register. Many mechanics who have recently come to live in this city are entitled to be made voters but they must have lived six months in this city and, for one year in this state.

The selectmen will be in session in the Masonic Temple, Saturday, Oct. 23 and Monday, Oct. 25 from 9 o'clock in the morning until 7 o'clock in the evening. Only those who file applications before next Monday at 5 p. m. will be entitled to be made.

## FARMER SPORTING EXTRA WILL TELL OF WORLD'S SERIES

The world's series, the biggest sporting event of the year, starts Friday afternoon in Philadelphia. In order that its readers may be kept fully informed of the progress of each game The Farmer will issue an extra every day a game is played.

By means of wires from the parks in both Philadelphia and Boston The Farmer will be able to give each play a few seconds after it is made—the diamond. A short time after the game is over the extra Farmer will be on the streets. Be sure to get one.

## PRESIDENT WILL CAST BALLOT FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE

### Believes Question Should Be Settled by the Several States.

Washington, Oct. 6.—President Wilson will vote for the woman suffrage state constitutional amendment in New Jersey, his home state, at the special election Oct. 19. He said today in a statement for publication that he would vote, not as the leader of the party but as a private citizen.

Mr. Wilson said he believed the question should not be made party issue and should be decided by the states, not by the national government. The following statement was given out at the White House:

"I intend to vote for woman suffrage in New Jersey because I believe that the time has come to extend that privilege and responsibility to the women of the state; but I shall vote, not as the leader of my party in the nation but only my private conviction as a citizen of New Jersey, called upon by the legislature of the state to express his conviction at the polls.

"My position with regard to the way in which this great question should be handled is well known. I believe that it should be settled by the states and not by the national government and that in no circumstances should it be made a party question. My view has grown stronger at every turn of the agitation."

Secretaries Garrison, McAdoo, Redfield and Wilson, who also will vote on the question of woman suffrage, have declared in favor of equal suffrage.

## BODY OF CAPTAIN'S WIFE FOUND AFTER WRECK OF SCHOONER

New Haven, Oct. 6.—The body of a woman identified as that of Mrs. Kate A. Pease of Middletown, wife of Captain William A. Pease of the schooner Brownie, which foundered in Long Island Sound off Woodmont early yesterday, came ashore at Sandy Point, West Haven, today. Identification was made by Dr. George Putnam, a nephew of the dead woman. No trace of Captain Pease or any of the members of the crew has been found.

The fact that a dress suit filled with the ship's papers and personal papers of the captain and his wife, was picked up off the West Haven shore yesterday, may indicate it is thought, that Captain Pease and his wife and the others on board may have taken to a small boat after some accident to the schooner and been swamped by the heavy sea then running.

## WILLIAMS DENOUNCES NATIONAL BANKERS AS USURERS, GIVES FACTS

Comptroller of the Currency Defends His Efforts to Protect Clients of Banks From Extortionate Charges of Interest—Business of Some Banks Has Gotten Out of Range of Percentage Into Larceny From the Person—Lauds Legitimate Enterprise of Bankers And Says Majority of Them Conduct Business on High and Honorable Plane.

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 6.—John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, defended today before the Kentucky Bankers' Association his efforts to force national banks to reduce their interest charges on borrowers during the days of stress in the financial and business world which followed the outbreak of the European war.

Of the 7,615 national banks in the country, Mr. Williams declared, 1,020 have sent in detailed reports showing that they have received an average of ten per cent. or more on loans. He cited, without giving names, instances in which the rate ran up to forty, sixty, one thousand per cent. In one case that of a woman who borrowed \$2.50 for six days—she said the loan bank charged one dollar, or 2,400 per cent.

"These banks," said Mr. Williams, "are authorized by the government. To an extent at least, they have behind them the sanction, the prestige and the protection of the great American nation—and lending \$3.50 for six days to a washerwoman or a laborer's or a farmer's wife, at 2,400 per cent."

"As somebody once said of drug-gists' profits on powdered chalk, it gets out of the range of percentage into larceny from the person. Three hundred per cent. will make anarchists ally, faster than all the I. W. W. apostles who can haul. When national banks chartered by the gov-

## SALT'S STRIKE LEADER MAKES KICK TO MAYOR

### Cunliffe Protests Police Discriminated in Favor of Mill Owners.

## ROCHE INVESTIGATES LABOR IMPORTATION

### A. F. of L. Official Gathers Evidence of Shipment of French Weavers.

Alleging that policemen on duty at the plant of the Salt's Textile Co. Monday morning had overstepped the bounds of their official duties and helped herd hesitating strikers into the factory, Henry Cunliffe, president of the Salt's strikers' organization, asked Mayor C. B. Wilson today to make an investigation.

President Cunliffe called on Mayor Wilson and protested vigorously against the action of the police. He declared that not only did the policemen help send the workers into the factory, but they prevented the accomplishment of picket duty, broke up any attempts at organized picketing. On the other hand, it is claimed, the police allowed overseers from the factory to gather groups of men about them and talk to them.

According to the report of Mr. Cunliffe, Mayor Wilson agreed that if the facts are as stated, the police were wrong and Mr. Cunliffe said today, the mayor's attitude indicated that he didn't favor such tactics. An investigation may ensue.

While protesting, the manner in which the strikers were treated Monday the organization is preparing a suit charges against the Salt's officials. It is alleged that they violated the alien labor laws by importing French workmen here, paid their transportation and are now receiving the money back in installments.

"We have gathered evidence," said James E. Roche this morning, that the Salt's mills imported weavers to this country by paying their fares in violation of the labor laws. If they deny it, it can be proved by their books, which will show that either the money is being taken out of their pay on weekly amounts of 25¢ or 43¢, or the workmen are paying it back in installments.

"This is serious and once it merited \$1,000 fine. We know the charges true, because the French workers have testified to it through an interpreter."

According to Mr. Cunliffe, some of the strikers who had been active in the strike and who have returned to work, are now being discharged from the factory. A superintendent, he asserts, is sending out the persons who are undesirable from the officials' standpoint.

## TORRINGTON STRIKERS OFFER NEW SCHEDULE

Torrington, Oct. 6.—The striking employees of the Hendey Machine Co. have revised their demands. They voted at a meeting this morning to present a petition for a 50 hour week comprising five days at nine hours each and five hour day Saturday, an increase of 35 per cent. on the hourly wage rate and time and a half for overtime. Their first petition was for an eight hour day and 40 per cent. increase in wages. The strike began Sept. 4.

## NOTE TO ENGLAND ON COMMERCE TO BE DRAFTED SOON

Washington, Oct. 6.—Secretary Lansing indicated today that the settlement of the Arabic case had cleared the way for the dispatch of the note to Great Britain covering the general subject of trade conditions and interference with American goods in neutral trade.

The note has been completed and is ready to be forwarded to Ambassador Haines, it is understood. The note does not specifically cover the problems of the Chicago packers who are pressing the department to make representations on behalf of products valued at many millions held up and in part confiscated by the British prize courts.

## PRISON FOR PICKPOCKETS

Norwich, Conn., Oct. 6.—For attempting pocket picking on the Yale-Harvard boat race day at New London, last June, Max Fugenberg, Joseph Green and Abraham Speclier, were sentenced to the superior court here today to from one year to 18 months in prison. The men claimed to belong in New York and said they stopped off at New London on their way to Boston.

## CORONER HOLDS DRIVER OF DEATH CAR TO BLAME

### Moshier's Speed is Estimated, in His Finding, at 50 Miles An Hour.

## MAN WHO TOOK CAR, RELEASED ON BOND

### Moshier Will Be Arraigned in City Court When He Leaves Hospital.

George Leslie Moshier, a chauffeur, of 240 Fairfield avenue, is criminally responsible for the death of 19 year old William Costello of 259 Davenport street, under the finding of Coroner John J. Phelan, who today reported on his inquest in the fatality on Ox Hill, North Main street, Sept. 28.

According to testimony largely upon the speed at which Moshier was driving, over a highway with the dangers of which he was presumably thoroughly familiar.

Moshier must have driven over this section of the Newtown turnpike at least 50 times. Further, the coroner deduces from the testimony of witnesses that the death car was being driven over 50 miles an hour.

The coroner finds that allowing for the stops which the party made on their 50 mile journey starting at Norwalk and passing through Bethel, Danbury and Newtown to the scene of the accident, Moshier although frequently cautioned by Lucier, must have driven at the rate of speed he charges.

The testimony of James W. Reardon and Raymond Ely who were members of the party, it appears that Moshier had three bottles of beer at the Elm Country club at Westport that morning before they started on the ride which was to end fatally for Costello.

According to the finding of the coroner, the party left the Westport club at 1:45 and then drove to Norwalk. There Lucier reluctantly surrendered the driving wheel to Moshier. Thereafter, during the remainder of the ride, due to the drinks he had taken and the discomfort resulting from the cold, Lucier, Reardon and Ely lay in the tonneau of the car, covered with wraps and coats and partially insensible to what was taking place.

The coroner estimates from the testimony of the witnesses who have appeared before him that the party covered the distance from the Elm Country club to the scene of the fatality in a trifle more than two hours. Of that time they stopped on the road nearly an hour.

It appears that Moshier, Lucier, Reardon, Ely and Costello, the dead man, had three drinks each at the Elm Country club. All had three bottles of beer except Lucier and Reardon, who had whiskey first and then two bottles of beer.

The coroner does not say that Moshier's indulgence in alcoholic stimulants was in any manner responsible for the accident but mentions in passing that the driver of the car had three bottles of beer before they left Westport. He does lay stress on the fact that Moshier was supposed to be a competent driver and familiar with the road over which he was taking the car. The excessive speed at which Moshier was sending the car along, in the judgment of the coroner, was responsible for the accident.

Moshier is still at St. Vincent's hospital. He is under bonds of \$3,000 on charges of assault and battery. In the city court today Judge Bartlett ordered a continuance of the charges against Moshier and Lucier until such time as Moshier is able to appear.

Auguste Lucier of Baltic, Conn., father of the boy who was chauffeur for Dr. Osborn, today furnished \$500 bail and he was released from jail where he has been held ever since the killing of Costello. Lucier is charged with taking a car without leave.

## TRAVELS OF A REALTY DEALER'S NEW "BENNY"

John J. Fisher, a real estate dealer with office in the Connecticut National bank, left his automobile in front of the building on Wall street at 11:30 this morning. Five minutes later Joseph Malinoski, aged 30, who gives his address as 31 Roosevelt street, saw Fisher's coat in the machine. At 11:45 the coat was over Malinoski's arm as he approached Policeman John Conery, patrolling the Water street section. At noon Conery had his prisoner at police headquarters undergoing a "third degree" to learn where he got the coat. At 12:15 Fisher discovered his loss and hastily drove to police headquarters to report the loss. At 12:45 he drove away with his property and a charge of theft had been placed against Malinoski.

## BULGARIA REJECTS ALL RUSSIAN DEMANDS; NEW ULTIMATUM TO SERBIA

## NATION SEEKING BEST DEFENSES, PRESIDENT SAYS

### Tells New Advisory Board Experts His Views on Preparedness.

Washington, Oct. 6.—President Wilson outlined his attitude toward the national defense question today to the new advisory board of the navy. He believed, he said, the whole nation was "convinced that we ought to be prepared, not for war, but for defense and very adequately prepared."

"There is very little that I can say to you," President Wilson said, "except to give you a very cordial welcome and to express my great pleasure in this association of laymen with the government, but I do want to say this:

"I think the whole nation is convinced that we ought to be prepared, not for war, but for defense and very adequately prepared; and that the preparation for defense is not merely a technical matter; it is not a matter that the army and navy alone can take care of but a matter in which we must have the co-operation of the best brains and knowledge of the country, outside the official service of the government and well outside. For my part, I feel that it is

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## CAMERA CLICKS AS AMATO LISTENS TO HIS OWN SINGING

### Famous Baritone Poses For Photograph to Be Used in Advertising.

Signor Pasquale Amato, the world famous baritone who appeared before the Wednesday Afternoon Musical club this afternoon, had his picture taken at Steinert's music store about 2 o'clock.

Signor Amato posed beside a large Victrola listening to his own voice singing one of his most famous selections in street clothes. John P. Haley, the local photographer took the picture which will be used for advertising purposes throughout the country.

## HAINES WILL BE ARRAIGNED BEFORE GRAND JURY FRIDAY

### Town Clerk Burton of Trumbull is Named Conservator of Prisoner.

A grand jury to consider the case of Haines, the Trumbull farmer who killed his wife, Minnie Haines, has been ordered for Friday morning at 10 o'clock by Judge Shumway of the Criminal superior court. County Sheriff Simeon Pease has a list of jurors already prepared but as there was no certainty that all those on the list would be able to serve, he decided not to announce the names today.

## SITUATION IN BALKANS GROWS MORE COMPLEX

London, Oct. 6.—Word has been received from Athens that King Constantine has accepted the resignation of the Venizelos cabinet which was unable to agree with the king on the country's next step in the fast approaching Balkan crisis. The retirement of the premier and his associates came unheralded, after the former clash of opinions between the king and the premier resulting in the latter's temporary retirement from office, left little doubt that the present instance involves the now famous issue raised by M. Venizelos' insistence that Greece strike quickly in behalf of Serbia and the entente powers.

It now seems certain that Bulgaria will align herself with Germany, Austria and Turkey. The matter doubtless will be brought to a head by the landing of allied troops in Saloniki. This procedure is regarded here as in effect placing Greece definitely with the entente.

Although the time allotted for the Bulgarian reply to Russia's ultimatum expired yesterday afternoon, King Ferdinand, so far as has been made known, has not seen fit to make any formal reply. It is assumed the hostilities in this new field cannot be averted.

If Bulgaria joins the Teutonic allies she will enter the war under conditions less favorable than a few weeks ago. The Russians, with reinforcements and slowly increasing amount of artillery, seem to be striking harder blows and official German communications no longer register

## Crisis is Reached in Balkan States Situation—Greek President Accepts Resignations of Cabinet Members, Following Landing of Allied Troops—Serbs Say Macedonian Demand is Bulgar Subterfuge.

Petrograd, Oct. 6.—Bulgaria has rejected the Russian demands and has sent an ultimatum to Serbia concerning Macedonia, according to information which has reached the Serbian Archimandrite Michael, says a Moscow telegram to the Bourse Gazette.

Bulgaria demands that Serbia reply to the ultimatum in 24 hours.

The foreign office was still without an official reply at noon today to the ultimatum to Bulgaria.

## KING CONSTANTINE ACCEPTS RESIGNATIONS OF CABINET; ALLIED TROOPS ARE LANDED

London, Oct. 6.—King Constantine of Greece has accepted the resignation of the Venizelos cabinet, according to an official dispatch which reached London today.

"The French minister delivered the following note to Premier Venizelos: 'By order of my government I have the honor to announce to Your Excellency the arrival at Saloniki of the first detachment of French troops and to declare at the same time that France and England, allied to Serbia, send her troops to help the latter as well as to maintain their communications with her; and that the two countries count on Greece who already has never them many proofs of her friendship, not to oppose measures taken in the interests of Serbia, of whom she also is the ally.'

"Premier Venizelos replied: 'By your letter of today you have been so good as to inform me of the arrival at Saloniki of the first detachment of French troops and of the decision of France and England to send their troops to help Serbia, their ally, adding that the two powers count on Greece not to oppose measures taken in the interests of Serbia, of whom she also is the ally.'

"It is the duty of the royal government to protest against the passage of foreign troops across Greek territory. The circumstances that these troops are destined to aid Serbia, Greece's ally in no way modifies the position of the King's government; for even from a Balkan point of view, Greece's neutrality could not be affected, before an actual casus foederis was committed, by the danger now threatening Serbia, which caused the dispatch of international troops to her help."

The French and British officers who already have landed in Saloniki have been received most cordially by the local naval, military and civil authorities and have been able to begin work immediately on the day of their arrival. It is that it is necessary for the entente powers to give assistance to Serbia.

## MACEDONIAN QUESTION BULGARIAN SUBTERFUGE SAYS SERBIAN MINISTER

Petrograd, Oct. 6.—The correspondent at Nish of the Novoe Vremya writes that the Serbian minister of foreign affairs, Ljoubja Janovitch, Serbian minister of the interior:

"To mask her real aims in mobilizing Bulgaria has again advanced the Macedonian question which is essentially a Slavic family affair of secondary importance at the time of a world war. During the last year we have twice officially offered Sofia to make any reasonable agreement with Macedonia, in addition to which the entente allies repeatedly have attempted to reach a peaceful solution of this question in order to avert the danger threatening Slavdom."

"All these efforts were unsuccessful, because there is no critical Macedonian question. The question now is German influence, the complete subordination of Bulgaria to German interests and the German hegemony in the Balkans."

"Germany is not interested in Slavic affairs. She is merely using the Macedonian question to promote her hegemony in the Balkans."

## BERLIN EXPECTS BULGARIANS WILL REJECT ULTIMATUM

Berlin, Oct. 6.—Telegrams from Sofia to this city require an average of 16 hours in transmission and hence no news has arrived here concerning the events following the expiration of the time limit set in Russia's ultimatum. The press expects that the Russian demands will be refused.

Keen interest is displayed in the situation at Saloniki and the attitude of Greece, regarding which no predictions are ventured.

## LONDON SAYS BULGARIANS WOULD PROCRASTINATE

London, Oct. 6.—No reply to Russia's ultimatum to Bulgaria had reached the foreign office up to 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, according to a dispatch to the Post from Petrograd.

It has been learned, the Post's correspondent says, that Bulgaria expected to be able to procrastinate several days while mobilization was under way. The imperative character of the Russian note, therefore, proved extensively disconcerting to the Sofia politicians who are reported to have gone so far as to frame a careful reply to the inquiries expected from German officers in the Bulgarian capital. Their plan, it is understood, was to grant short leaves of absence to the Germans and thus be able to deny their presence.

"If necessary to appease Russia," the Post despatch says, "Bulgaria was prepared even to send the Germans back to Turkey until mobilization and other military preparations were completed."

"The Russian minister and his staff, according to official statements issued here was expected to leave Sofia Tuesday night to be followed by diplomats of all nations."

## FRENCH CRUISER SUNK

London, Oct. 6.—Private advices received here today from Athens say that a French auxiliary cruiser was torpedoed and sunk Sept. 9, while anchored off the Turkish island of Rhodes by a submarine of the central powers.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Cloudy tonight, rain near the coast, Thursday partly cloudy. Moderate north winds.