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Reginery Is Fined For Manipulating Factory Time Card

Daniel E. Reginery, aged 31, of 80 Bassick avenue, was fined \$25 this morning in the city court on the charge of defrauding the American Graphophone Co. It was alleged that he had made changes in his time card, giving him working credits to which he was not entitled.

HAVE NO SON.

(Special to The Farmer.) Southport, April 8.—Through a misunderstanding an item was published in The Farmer yesterday to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Von Holte, Jr., of Southport, were the parents of a baby boy. This was an error.

OLD CORNS

cause a great deal of suffering these cold and changeable days.

The same pain and misery as last winter, the same suffering so easily spared if you had used Cyrus Corn Cure. Why don't you try it now? Thousands of your friends have and recommend it. Every box guaranteed and price is only 10c. It is worth your while.

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NOTICE.

SPECIAL MEETING OF ELECTORS WARNING is hereby given to the electors of the City of Bridgeport, that a special meeting of the electors of said city will be held on Saturday, April 15, 1916, for the purpose of voting on the following questions, which shall be separately answered "Yes" or "No" to wit:

Shall an issue of Bonds be authorized to be known as "School Bonds" to an amount not exceeding \$300,000.00 under a resolution of the Common Council adopted February 7, 1916?

Shall an issue of bonds be authorized to be known as "Sewer Bonds" to an amount not exceeding \$500,000.00 under a resolution of the Common Council adopted February 7, 1916?

Shall an issue of bonds be authorized to be known as "Pavement Bonds" to an amount not exceeding \$500,000.00 under a resolution of the Common Council adopted February 7, 1916?

Shall an issue of bonds be authorized to be known as "Public Clinic Bonds" to an amount not exceeding \$250,000.00 under a resolution of the Common Council adopted February 7, 1916?

Shall an issue of bonds be authorized to be known as "Street Extension Bonds" to an amount not exceeding \$250,000.00 under a resolution of the Common Council adopted February 7, 1916?

Voting machines will be open from 6 o'clock a. m. to 8 o'clock p. m., for the registration of the votes of the electors of said city, entitled to vote at said meeting, at the following places, to wit:

- FIRST DISTRICT 24 Court Street. SECOND DISTRICT 62 Kiefer Street. THIRD DISTRICT 620 Boston Ave. (Rakocy Hall) FOURTH DISTRICT 1251 State Street. FIFTH DISTRICT 111 Norman Street. SIXTH DISTRICT 1173 North Avenue. SEVENTH DISTRICT 1478 Main Street. EIGHTH DISTRICT 2032 Main Street. NINTH DISTRICT Corner of East Main and Shelton Streets. TENTH DISTRICT 43 Beach Street. ELEVENTH DISTRICT 416 East Main Street. TWELFTH DISTRICT 154 Seaview Ave. (First Precinct) 259 Glen Ave. (Second Precinct) Given under my hand this 8th day of April, A. D. 1916. CLIFFORD B. WILSON, Mayor.

STATELY CHURCH IN WATERBURY IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Waterbury, Conn., April 8.—The fire in the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes early today did damage placed at \$25,000. It is not the actual monetary loss which saddens the members of the parish. The church has more than local fame for its beauty and for its decorations which represent the shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in France and to which devout worshippers who come here often make a visit.

The church edifice is one of the best examples of Italian architecture in New England. Its arched roof was in excellent proportions. The mural paintings on the walls were done by Prof. Ruggiero, a noted Italian church painter. Those on the side walls were of Biblical subjects. It is feared that water pouring through a hole in the roof has extensively marred the beauty of these paintings.

The fire started about 1:30 this morning in the church basement and worked its way to the belfry. Then it crept into a blind attic formed between the ceiling and the arches of the roof. The firemen worked on the belfry and thought they had the fire out. Then it showed in the roof over the high altar, burning a hole about 30 feet square. The charred wood fell upon the altar but did not touch it, although water did.

The altar cost \$10,000 and much of its decorative parts were of brass overlaid with gold. While the fire was being fought, Rev. Father Scoglio, of the church, got into the church through a side door and secured three golden chalices from the sanctuary together with other vessels and articles.

OUR NEWTOWN NEWS LETTER

(Special to The Farmer) Newtown, April 8.—The regular meeting of Potatuck grange will be held on the evening of April 11. A full attendance is desired.

Fire Warden C. F. Conger has appointed A. E. Bevans of Dodgingtown as deputy. Either will grant permits for fires to burn rubbish during the spring. Great care is being exercised by the chief fire warden in granting permits to minimize fire losses in the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos T. Camp have returned from their winter sojourn in Florida. Herbert Botsford resigned his position at the Sanford school, Redding, and will take up farming in Dodgingtown.

Mrs. M. J. Donohue of New York, who has been spending the last week with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Egan of Sandy Hook, returned to her home today.

R. J. Brophy has purchased the blacksmithing business of Howard near the railroad station. Howard Basset will follow the business of auto repairs at the shop of A. W. Basset, Sandy Hook.

At St. Rose's church, Sunday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, there will be vespers, a sermon on "Rationalism," concluding with benediction. All the members of the Holy Name society are requested to be present.

Rev. William B. Lusk of Ridgefield will close the week's mission at Trinity Church, Sunday evening. The sermon themes for Saturday evening is "Christian Growth, to What?" Sunday morning, "Religious Complacency; Its Dangers;" Sunday evening, "Purposes of the Religious Life."

Inspector Cameron representing C. D. Hine, secretary of the state board of education, visited the high school Friday.

Owing to ill health, Mrs. Emily A. Bennett was unable to represent the Sandy Hook Methodist church this week at Stamford, where the New York East conference of the society is being held. This is the first time she failed to attend conference since she professed the faith.

The borough caucus will be held at the Brick building in Newtown street April 12 at 7:30 p. m.

CHESTER C. RUMRILL DEAD.

Springfield, Mass., April 8.—Chester Chapin Rumrill died yesterday. He was born Feb. 29, 1876, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rumrill and the grandson of Chester W. Chapin, who was president of the Boston & Albany Railroad. He graduated from Harvard in the class of 1897.

BROKER'S CLERK IS HELD. New Haven, April 8.—The case of James B. Bishop, a broker's clerk arrested in connection with the disappearance of a \$1,000 bond from the vault of a local bank, was continued until April 17, in city court today. Bishop is required to provide \$2,000 security.

As far as can be learned, the statement resulted from a series of con-

REPUBLICAN OLD GUARD GETS ROOT TO POSE AS CANDIDATE IN SCHEME TO STOP HUGHES

New York, April 8.—In an effort to head off the Hughes boom for the Republican nomination for President, the Old Guard of the G. O. P. in the senate, in an effort to force the issue, has persuaded Elihu Root to pose at least as a candidate for the nomination, and may endeavor today to get a resolution through the state committee endorsing his candidacy.

Behind this plan matured within the last 48 hours, some of the Hughes supporters in this state see the hand of Colonel Roosevelt and recall the luncheon at which both he and Mr. Root were present, but where only "preparedness" was discussed. The sudden revival of the Root boom is regarded simply as a means of crystallizing at this time such sentiment against Justice Hughes as may exist.

Abies Living American. A statement signed by 73 men, some of whom are prominent, was issued last night. Nineteen of the signers are delegates to the national convention elected last Tuesday. The statement eulogizes Mr. Root as "the ablest living American" and the signers put themselves on record as favoring his nomination.

With a copy of the statement left at a newspaper office by a messenger, was a pencilled memorandum of the letterhead of a Park avenue apartment house. The memorandum read: "Senator Wadsworth is at the Manhattan. Mr. Stimson and Mr. Sheffield are at the Bar association. Call up Robert Bacon."

Roosevelt His Second Choice. Almost immediately a statement from Robert Bacon was given out. It read: "Robert Bacon last night made the following statement: 'Having been asked by many friends to state publicly which Presidential candidate I favor for nomination by the Republican party, I desire to say that my first choice is Elihu Root, my second choice Theodore Roosevelt.'

"I have the greatest admiration and personal esteem for them both, born of many years of close intimacy. I believe that the election of either one of them by the Republican party upon a declaration of American principles and ideals such as has been recently made by them will bring home to the national consciousness a true appreciation of the country's international obligations and responsibilities which we signify failed of late."

Mr. Bacon is a very close friend of Col. Roosevelt. He also was at the luncheon at which only he and J. P. Morgan & Co. so "friendly" at one time to Col. Roosevelt.

The next four years will be critical in the life and influence of the people of the United States. New and vitally important problems confront us. We must have a national policy of economic and industrial adjustment, of the social welfare and of the best use of our natural resources are pressing for policy. The international policy of the nation is now to be defined in terms of present day needs and relations. At this time the nation requires its best trained, most experienced and most thoroughly tested leader in the highest executive office."

"After sixteen years of devoted public service as Secretary of War, Secretary of State and Senator, the United States, Elihu Root stands pre-eminent among contemporary Americans as a constructive, far-sighted and forward-looking statesman. He has declined to become a candidate for even the highest political office, yet if nominated for the Presidency by the coming National Convention at Chicago, his selection would be a national calamity. He duty must compel his acceptance. He duty must compel his acceptance. He duty must compel his acceptance."

Delegates Who Signed Statement. The nineteen delegates whose names appeared on the typewritten list attached to this statement are: Nicholas Murray Butler, Bronson B. Brown, Cornelius N. Bliss, Otto T. Barnard, George Cromwell, J. C. Curtis, Chauncey M. Depew, Louis W. Emerson, Job E. Hedges, William A. Freeland, Earl Henry L. Stimson, George R. Sheldon, James R. Sheffield, Henry M. Sage, E. G. Staley, Homer Snyder, James W. Wadsworth, Samuel Wallin and William Watson.

Opposite each of these names was the word "delegate" on the list. The other names attached to the statement were: James A. Burden, Jr., Francis S. Bangs, Charles H. Betts, Lyons; Braxton, Utica; J. D. Bashford, Lyons; Samuel H. Beach, Rome; Edward C. Blum, Brooklyn; Charles E. Bush, Essex County; Joseph H. Coats, Putnam; T. Clearwater, Kingston; R. Fulton Cutton, Henry P. Davison, Cyrus Dury, Fulton County; Israel T. Deyo, Binghamton; James C. Egbert, Samuel W. Fairchild, William D. Guthrie, Right Rev. David H. Greer, S. W. Griffith, Palmyra; Alexander J. Hemphill, John Henry Hammond, John J. Knevez, Bronx; Thos. A. Kirby, Albion; L. F. Loree, Gates; W. McCarragh, Chester; E. McLaughlin, Port Henry; John G. Milburn, H. C. Mandeville, Elmira; Arthur H. Mason, Louis M. Martin, Clinton; John H. Moffat, Plattsburg; Eugene H. O'Connell, John P. Pennington, Genoa; Charles A. Peabody, Henry S. Pritchett, Edmund Platt, Poughkeepsie; Charles B. Rogers, Utica; Rush Rhess, Rochester; the Rev. Karl Kellogg, Congressmen R. E. Stanford, John Frederick Strauss, Isaac N. Seligman, Seyrjn B. Sharp, Kingston; Thomas Thacher, Ray Tompkins, Elmira; William H. Truesdale, Boakner; Winthrop, Nassau County; Bronson Winthrop, Albert H. Wiggin, William Williams, Frank W. Whitehead, Niagara Falls; George S. Witherbee, Essex County; E. Etting White.

ferences, at one of which, held at the Union League club Thursday night, Mr. Root was present and, so it is agreed to make the race. Mr. Root was in in town Saturday afternoon, having gone to Washington. The conferences continued, however. Senator Wadsworth and Mr. Sheffield being the most active members of the Old Guard.

It was freely reported yesterday that the Old Guard would attempt to put through the state committee today a resolution endorsing Mr. Root's candidacy. The more progressive leaders stated that such a resolution would be opposed and defeated on the ground that it is unwise, untimely and beyond the functions of the state committee. It may be, therefore, that no resolution of this kind will be passed.

A count of noses will be made before the meeting which is to be held at noon at state headquarters. Lafayette E. Gleason and others has many gathering proxies, and if they have sufficient strength in the meeting the resolution will be offered.

Will Try to Defeat Chairman. Coupled with the effort to put through the resolution will be an attempt to defeat State Chairman Frederick C. Tanner for re-election. The Opposition, Mr. Tanner has grown to substantial proportions within two days, the Old Guard believing he is for Hughes unalterably. Support in the fight against Tanner is expected from the Kings county contingent, but it is stated that the majority of Mr. Tanner's friends that this would not be forthcoming to the extent expected and that Mr. Tanner would be re-elected. The choice of the Opposition is to elect Mr. Root, Mr. Tanner, would be between Mr. Gleason and M. Jesse Brayton of Utica.

According to one of the Hughes leaders, the most the Old Guard can hope for in the New York delegation to the national convention is 20 votes. The rest of the delegates are Hughes men and will remain so, according to this authority. It is acknowledged, however, that if the opponents of the Hughes position in the New York delegation are able to secure a sufficient number of votes to elect a delegate, the Hughes followers will be at a disadvantage until the Justice declares his position.

GOOD HOUSING EXPOSITION TO BEGIN TONIGHT

Band Concert and Vocal Numbers Will Be Among Entertaining Features

In deference to the wishes of manufacturers and other employers of labor whose forces are working at high pressure through the week, the management of the Good Housing Exposition has decided to keep the Casino open to the public tomorrow afternoon and evening.

It is the wish of these employers that the men and their families be given the best possible opportunity to acquaint themselves with the advantages of home-owning and the educational and instructive features of the exposition. They feel that Sunday afternoon and evening would afford a great number of them an opportunity which would not be theirs during the week, and that the benefits derivable from the exposition should not be permitted to slip by.

The doors of the exposition will be opened to the public at 7 o'clock this evening, with formal opening exercises at 8 o'clock. Incident to the opening the full Wheeler & Wilson band of 21 pieces will give a concert, and vocal numbers will be given by Miss Catherine Redfield of Hartford, and Miss Katherine Lombard, Loren Delbridge and Joseph Wheeler of this city, each of whom is possessed of talent which has received wide recognition.

Tomorrow afternoon and evening the band will render concerts of music compatible with the spirit of the day. The vocal numbers will be by Miss Grace E. Gilmore of Hartford, Miss Lombard, Mr. Delbridge and Mr. Wheeler. The announcement of these names is a full guarantee of an afternoon and evening of pleasant entertainment for all visitors.

The final touches were given the big show this afternoon, when the work of placing the exhibits was completed. From one end to the other of the big Casino, and in the galleries, there were exhibits of a nature certain to arouse admiration, interest and the spirit of emulation in every visitor, whether a house owner, prospective owner of a home or rent-paying tenant, as well as every housewife. The construction, equipment, decorative and artistic details are all provided for.

Beginning with the complete house built by the Frank Miller Lumber company, which is placed at the right as the visitors enter, and continuing the exhibits in the direction of the Casino, thence to the galleries, every detail of construction material, electrical appliances, scientific house equipment, idealized home models, drawings, plans and sketches; the display of the City Plan Commission, Engineer E. W. Schrewe, Marcella Mead and other architects; the "department of the interior," which is designed to inspire in the artistic selection and placing of furniture, draperies and rugs and the selection of decorations, the entire exhibition is replete with the knowledge necessary to every person who occupies a home—for the family in a rented home is entitled to just as much comfort in life as the family so fortunate as to occupy its own home.

The exposition will continue until next Saturday evening, the hours open to the public being from 1 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. Each afternoon and evening there will be entertainment for the young and the "unattached," as well as for those engaged with the cares of home-owning or management.

Remington Workers Fined for Fighting. Russell J. Williams of 23 Franklin street and Benjamin Rockford of 746 William street, were in the city court this morning charged with mutual assault. A further charge of carrying a concealed weapon was made against Rockford.

Williams and Rockford are employed in the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co. Some desirable work that was transferred from Rockford to Williams caused jealousy and Rockford "laid off" Williams yesterday outside the plant. He followed the work of the fight that followed. Sergeant Casper Mink and Private Joseph Rutledge arrested them. A steel bar was found in Rockford's pocket, but he said he frequently carried a tool or two away from the shop, absentmindedly. Each was fined \$5 and costs.

Clark Must Appear To Answer Charge of Reckless Driving. W. R. Clark, a mechanical engineer of 1375 Park avenue, failed to appear this morning in the city court to answer a charge of reckless driving. His car ran down Peter Sokolas, aged 26, of 486 Grand street, at Washington street last evening, yesterday.

The court did not declare Clark's bond forfeited, as the complainant will allege that Clark was driving on the left side of the roadway. The case was continued until Tuesday under bonds of \$100.

D. A. R. Sells Belgian Flags to Aid Relief. New York, April 8.—One hundred thousand in the hands of the Daughters of the American Revolution put on sale throughout the United States today ten million little Belgian flags in an effort to raise a fund of \$1,000,000 for the benefit of destitute women and children in Belgium and northern France. The day was selected because it is the forty-first birthday anniversary of King Albert of Belgium.

Queen Elizabeth, of Prussia, has endorsed the movement in a message to Mrs. William Cummings Story, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the governor of thirty-five states and Mayors of about 2,000 cities gave their approval by designating to-day as Belgian Flag Day.

OPENS PORCELAIN SCHOOL. Peking, April 8.—Chow Tzu-chi, the minister of commerce and agriculture, has arranged for the establishment of a porcelain school in Peking to train experts for the manufacture of China-ware. An effort will be made to produce thirty-five states and Mayors of about 2,000 cities gave their approval by designating to-day as Belgian Flag Day.

VON TIRPITZ AIDE OUT. London, April 8.—An Amsterdam despatch to the Exchange Telegraph says that Vice-Admiral Dick, director of the shipyard department of the German navy, has been retired on pension. He was regarded as one of the close advisers of Admiral Von Tirpitz, the despatch adds.

POINTS OF INTEREST. It is easy to select a stylish suitable hat at E. H. Dillon & Co.'s, 1105 Main street with more than two thousand trimmed hats to choose from or to furnish ideas if you prefer a hat made to order. You will find what you want at this store—priced well below prevailing schedules.

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Our Men's Furnishing department is a busy place due to the especially fine values that may always be found. Men are seldom "Bargain Hunters" but every man knows what is good value when it comes to buying. Every article purchased here may be bought with a surety of quality, service and value.

Men's Pajamas \$1.00. Negligee Shirts 58c. Their little piece has nothing to do with their quality. These were contracted for months ago and makes possible this small selling price now when prices have gone up considerably. Of good quality percale in black-and-white pin stripes and novelty stripes. Special 58c value.

Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers. With long or short sleeves and ankle length drawers. Spring weight in regular and stout sizes. Special value 39c. Balbriggan Union Suits Special 45c. Of light weight, made full size short sleeves and ankle length drawers. Sizes 34 to 46. Special 45c.

Women's Hosiery and Underwear Values. Spring Weight Vests. Fine cotton ribbed or lisle vests with fancy top. Good quality. Regular sizes 25c. Extra sizes 29c. Cotton ribbed vests with plain or fancy top. All sizes 15c. Durable Hosiery. Double spun, silk lisle hose with extra heavy spliced heel and toe. In smoke and light gray, gold, helio and red 25c. Lisle hose of strong quality. In black and white. Also fine cotton hose with strong ribbed top. Black only 12 1/2c.

Georgette Crepe for New Spring Blouses. Of heavy quality, delightful for weight. In regular and extra wide. All the wanted colorings. 40 in. wide \$1.50 yd. Silk Nets for Underblouses. Beautiful lustrous quality for underblouses or sleeves and trimmings. All new shades. 40 in. wide. Value \$1.00 yd. 85c.

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DEVELOPMENTS OF WAR MAKE WILHELMINA'S POSITION DIFFICULT



QUEEN WILHELMINA, PRINCE HENRY AND PRINCESS JULIANA. Carefully placed among the warring nations Holland is having difficulty in preserving peace with the two groups. She fears that both have designs on her territory, that the English regard it as a means of access to Germany and the Germans as a means of making German occupation of Antwerp more effective. Queen Wilhelmina, head of the little kingdom is of course thoroughly Dutch in her views, but doubt has been expressed in regard to those of her consort, Prince Henry, who is a German by birth and a member of the house of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. The Princess Juliana is his only child.

STOCK MARKET

New York, April 8.—Opening: Metal stocks were almost the sole features of strength at today's listless opening of the stock exchange. Anaconda, Kennecott, Chino, Utah, Inspiration and American Zinc rising from small to substantial fractions. Marines also rose slightly above yesterday's heavy close, but the war group, as reported by Crucible Steel, Westinghouse and International Nickel, was moderately lower. Industrial Alcohol lost 1 1/2 points, all of which was soon recovered. Rails were featureless, with some pressure against Canadian Pacific and New Haven. Closing.—The foreign situation continued to exert an unfavorable influence over today's stock market, even though advices from Washington and other important points were of a more reassuring character. Trading was moderately active. United States Steel occupied its former place as leader, falling 3/4 to 83 1/2 but the more speculative specialties were lower by 1 to 2 points with a three-point decline in

Industrial Alcohol. Coppers were an element of support at the outset but yielded later. General recoveries were made in the final dealings, on the rise in zinc shares. The closing was irregular. Bonds were steady. (Henry Clews) Stock exchange activity was upon a diminished scale and confined chiefly to a few specialties. In spite of decidedly improved railroad conditions, there has been no marked recovery in these issues, largely because of the continued influx of foreign holdings liquidated on account of the war. A great many gilt-edged bonds have been returned, but these have not even more readily absorbed than the shares of representative railroads. This probably explains the comparative absence of new railroad issues, recovery in these issues, largely because of the continued influx of foreign holdings liquidated on account of the war. A great many gilt-edged bonds have been returned, but these have not even more readily absorbed than the shares of representative railroads. 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