

MULTI-TENS FIRMS PROTEST TAX ON THEIR PROPERTY

Projectile Co., and American & British Plant Appeal Valuations.

The Bridgeport Projectile Co. and the American & British Co. filed papers in the superior court this morning appealing from the tax valuations placed upon their property.

The American & British Co. listed its land and buildings at \$164,000, and personal property \$286,000, and personal property \$88,000.

Official Statement of World's War AUSTRIAN

Berlin, April 15.—The official Austrian statement of Friday is as follows:

Russian front: Russian artillery actively shelled our positions on the lower Strpa, along the Dniester and northeast of Czernowitz.

To the east of Jaslovce the enemy entered an advanced position but was forced to retreat by a counter-attack. One Russian officer, three soldiers and one hundred men were captured.

As an Austro-Hungarian surprise attack occupied an advanced position on the road between Bugars and Csartkov. On the front, held by Archduke Ferdinand, the enemy's artillery was active.

Italian front: The artillery duel continued in so far as the weather permitted. The Austro-Hungarians captured an Italian position at Muzivih and repulsed several counter-attacks. The Italians suffered heavily.

War artillery vigorously shelled Italian troops in the Flich and Honter sections. Attempts by Italian troops in the Saganas Sector to occupy our positions on heights on both sides of Moravice failed.

French operations are described in the following statement from the war office this afternoon:

To the north of Roye, a reconnaissance on the part of the enemy who were endeavoring to occupy our trenches in the region of Sarville, was dispersed by our fire.

West of the river Meuse there has been a fairly spirited bombardment of our positions between the wood of Malincourt and Hill No. 304.

In the Voeges there have been encounters between patrols. A reconnaissance on the part of the enemy was checked by our fire at a point south of Sainte-Marie-Aux-Mines.

A report from Berlin says that political rioting in Ireland has extended and that street fighting occurred at several places.

Wages of employees of the Standard Oil Co., at Hammond, Ind., have been advanced 10 per cent. A third shift of men was added.

Joseph A. Sedgwick, secretary and treasurer of the Fore River Shipbuilding corporation, died at his home at Utica, Mass.

DIED. CHANDLER.—In this city, April 13, 1916, George H. Chandler, aged 66 years, 3 months, 6 days.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral services at the late residence, 262 Newfield avenue, on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

THE REMAINS will be shipped by Funeral Director August G. Baker Monday on the 9:33 train to Stratfield, Vt., where funeral will take place.

WANTED—Boys bicycles, 87 Fairfield Ave. U 15 s*

WANTED—Party wants to exchange rents from East Side to West Side. Address 1303 Stratford Ave. U 15 s*p

FOR SALE—New residence, Kings College place, Stratford center, 9 rooms, bath, every improvement; inspection afternoons or phone owner 731-3. U 15 s*p

REMS TO RENT with drivers, Naugatuck Valley Ice Co. Telephone 507 or 582 between 8 a. m. and 6 p. m., then phone 4544 after 6 p. m. U 15 s*tf

MASONS HERE TO OBSERVE SOLEMN FEAST THURSDAY

All Members of Chapter Are Obligated to Attend Impressive Ceremonies

Knights of Pequot Chapter of Rose Croix, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Freemasonry, Valley of Bridgeport, Connecticut, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U. S. A., will observe the Solemn Ceremonial Feast of the Paschal Lamb and participate in the beautiful ceremony of Closing the Chapter on Maundy Thursday in Masonic Temple.

Nothing but physical inability, serious illness or the most imperative call of duty elsewhere will excuse absence from the Mystic Banquet and "even if a Knight be alone in a place, he must, in spirit at least, feast on this day with his Brethren."

Notices of the meeting sent out by Secretary Ebenezer S. Phillips, state that the doors will open at 6:30 p. m. The organ recital commences at 7 o'clock. The doors will be closed at 7:55 and will be tiled until after the ceremony. No one will be permitted to enter or leave the room during the ceremony. Evening dress with white tie will be worn.

Following the organ recital, prayer will be offered by Rev. William G. Lathrop of Shelton. The response to the prayer will be sung by the Lotus male quartet of Boston, "Saviour When Night." The address, "This Holy Day," will be delivered by Most Wise Master D. Fairchild Wheeler. The ceremony is a lodge of sorrow and during it appropriate selections will be sung by the quartet. The Mystic Roll will be called by Secretary Phillips and George H. T. Wallis, Junior Warden.

During the Mystic Banquet there will be addresses by Hon. Eudial A. Hull, State's Attorney for New London county, and Harry J. Guthrie, 33rd degree, Wilmington, Del., active member supreme council. The ceremony of Extinguishing the Lights will be conducted by the following 33rd degree, members of the Masonic Fraternity: First light, Guard Charles P. Haller; second light, Master of Ceremonies J. Rudolph Laubscher; third light, Tostialer Herman K. Beach; fourth light, Orator John H. Wade; fifth light, Junior Warden George H. T. Wallis; sixth light, Senior Warden Edgar B. Ellis; seventh light, Most Wise Master D. Fairchild Wheeler.

Members who have died since the last ceremonial are: Frank A. Will met, Philo M. Bear, Henry D. Beach, 33rd degree; Ferdinand Druke, Austin B. Blakeman, George E. Mellus, 33rd degree; Charles Latham, George E. Somers, Alpheus D. Dutton, 33rd degree; Nelson E. P. Frehour, Philip N. Bliss and Henry N. Beardsley.

TRUCK PLUNGES OVER PRECIPICE NEAR LONG HILL

Motor Lorrie Loaded With Milk Jumps Off Road and Over Big Wall.

Rounding the bend in the Long Hill turnpike opposite the abandoned "Pine House," at 7:30 this morning, a three-ton automobile milk truck, owned by William M. Stowe, 818 Madison avenue, and driven by Ralph Robinson, same address, swerved from the highway and mounting a five-foot stone wall, plunged over a 20 foot precipice and fell in a swamp below.

The driver was catapulted from his seat and hurled 20 feet. His escape from instant death was remarkable. Besides a few abrasions to the face he escaped uninjured.

The truck was loaded with 100 cans of milk being transported from New York to the city. The cans were sent hurtling through the air and the contents, flowing from the receptacles, made the machine appear as though a milk "storm" had just occurred from the top.

The driver, who is said to be lame, was broken on rounding the curve in his attempt to stop. After mounting the stone wall, the heavy motor truck hung momentarily suspended over the precipice. Suddenly it careened and the truck with its load of milk cans plunged downward into the swamp.

Robinson stuck to his position at the wheel. The machine began descending. He was then thrown from his seat.

The scene of the accident was about half a mile north of the center of Long Hill. Constable W. D. French in the employ of the state police, was on the scene shortly after the accident. He will supervise the hauling out of the machine. The machine was slightly damaged as it landed bottom up at the foot of the rocky ledge.

Former City Editor Seeks Passports to Visit the Balkans

Fred Smith, who recently resigned as city editor of the Morning Telegram, applied today to Naturalization Clerk Flanagan for a passport to visit Greece, Bulgaria and other Balkan countries. He will accompany a party from New York for Salonika, Greece, where he will follow the Balkan campaign as war correspondent for the Providence Herald. He expects to follow the movements of the allied armies. The trip schedule from New York to Salonika is 12 days.

BUSINESS MEN CHOOSE DIRECTORS

A special meeting of the Bridgeport Business Men's association held in the Stratfield, the official headquarters of the organization, these five members were elected to complete the board of directors: John K. MacMunnell, of the Standard Oil company; R. J. Todd, editor of The Standard; Frank M. Todd, of Reid & Todd; Dwight D. Graves, contractor; and Frank Jacoby, clothing merchant.

Directors of the Wayland Oil & Gas Co. declared a dividend of 3 per cent. on the preferred stock.

PRINCE AND PAUPER, HIND AND NOBLE, MEET IN SHAKESPEARE TERCENTENARY



SHAKESPEARE AND CHARACTERS IN SHAKESPEAREAN FLORAL MASQUE, NEW YORK

Throughout the world, save where war has interdicted normal activities, the memory of William Shakespeare is especially honored this year on April 23 and subsequent dates. Three hundred years ago, on April 23, 1616, William Shakespeare died at his home in Stratford-upon-Avon, at the close of his fifty-second year.

Strand Theatre Gets Fine Picturization of "Alice in Wonderland"

The Strand theatre on Main street was the scene of a novel entertainment given by the management this morning to nearly 100 Bridgeport school teachers, ministers and newspaper men.

Upon special invitation an advance showing of the beautiful six-reel feature picturization of "Alice in Wonderland" was made with full musical accompaniment. The picture, which is an Eclair Harris Film company feature, is one of the first of a series of specially educational offerings to be inaugurated under the Strand management.

The photography was most exceptional, the projection all that the modern devotee of the screen drama could insist upon and from a pictorial point of view the locations and acting are superb.

The children will be overjoyed at the showing of the many animals and personages which have been delineated closely to the text of the original literary masterpiece. Older persons, too, will be edified.

This picture, shown in advance today, will not be shown at the Strand until Saturday next when it will run almost continuously from 10 a. m. until 8 p. m.

The Strand will subsequently show with weekly regularity one educational feature, designed especially for children and those who wish to familiarize themselves with history, geography and the many branches of nature study.

HAZEL C. RIDER.

Hazel C. Jones, wife of Fremont Rider, died at her home, 21 Jeanette place yesterday. Mrs. Rider was 26 years of age and was born in Waterbury. Her husband survives her.

MARY ARMSTRONG. The funeral of Mrs. Mary Armstrong was held from the home of her sister, Mrs. Grace Balderstone, 617 Hancock avenue, at 12 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. E. A. Thompson conducted the services. Burial was in Mountain Grove cemetery.

FRANK FERRIS. The funeral of Frank Ferris, son of Frank and Josephine Ferris of 83 High street, was held at 2:30 yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents. Rev. William Eley, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church, conducted the services. Burial was in Park cemetery.

EMMA A. JARVIS. The funeral of Emma A. Jarvis was held this afternoon from the home of her niece, Mrs. William A. Reutha, 167 West Liberty street. Rev. John McLaren Richardson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, conducted the services. Burial was in Mountain Grove cemetery.

The Bank of England shipped 50,000 pounds in sovereigns to Argentina and 40,000 pounds to the United States.

The London Stock Exchange will be closed on Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Monday.

William H. Thomas, pioneer iron manufacturer and inventor and mechanical engineer, died at Catsaqua Pa., aged 87.

BAUGADO MAKES THIRD RESCUE IN HARBOR WATERS

Tugboat Fireman Saves Drowning Man at Risk of His Own Life.

Screams followed by a piercing shriek, which penetrated the quiet solitude of early morning near the steamboat dock at the foot of Wall street, aroused Stephen Baugado, fireman on board the tug Robert McAllister, at 4:10 this morning.

Running to the rear of the tugboat Baugado saw a man floundering about in the waters of the harbor. Another shriek was heard and the head of the drowning man was seen to go under the water.

Baugado yelled for help and without further hesitation plunged head foremost into the chilly waters of the Pequonnock river and swam for the spot where the body had disappeared. An electric light on the dock at the foot of Wall street illuminated the vicinity and the McAllister fireman headed for the spot where the body disappeared.

The head of the drowning man appeared above the surface of the water and Baugado grabbed the man by the shoulders before he could sink again. In the meantime other employees of the McAllister procured a row boat and were paddling to the aid of Baugado and the drowning man while the former "tended" water. Both were placed in the row boat and taken to the dock at Wall street.

They were taken ashore and a call was sent for the emergency hospital ambulance. Baugado was revived and went back to his tug. He was able to go to work today.

It was learned later that the rescued man was Michael Flanagan, aged 29, of 61 Center street. He was hurried to St. Vincent's hospital where a large quantity of water was removed from his stomach. It was at first feared that he would succumb. At a late hour today his condition was very much improved and it is now believed that he will recover.

It is believed Flanagan wandered off the dock at the foot of Wall street. There is no guard rail at this point. Flanagan was well dressed and wore a diamond ring and carried a gold watch. In his pockets was found a large sum of money.

Longshoremen and boatmen about the harbor front are extending great credit to Baugado for his rescue. This is the third drowning person rescued by him and the men on the waterfront will apply for a Carnegie medal.

PROBATE COURT

All his real estate is bequeathed to his wife, Rosie Reba, by Frank Reba, in his will admitted to probate today. She is named as executrix without bonds. To his children Frank, Jr., Mary, Rosie and Annie, he leaves \$100 each. All residue and remainder goes to the widow. His realty holdings are believed to be worth \$4,000 and he had \$500 cash in savings banks. The appraisers of the estate are Henry C. Stevenson and Joseph A. Michael.

Eliza Calan had real estate in Kosuth street worth \$4,000 and furniture worth \$100, according to the inventory filed by the appraisers of her estate in the probate court today. Ed-

gar P. and Harry Websters are appraisers. Alderman Malcolm MacFayden is the administrator.

Inventory of the estate of Ida F. Cronk returned to the probate court today shows a two-thirds interest in real estate in Newark valued at \$800. The appraisers are Nelson W. Benedict and John E. Baptist. Charles A. Cronk is administrator.

Dishonored Soldier, Plotted Robbery, Is Detective's Charge

Bearing a dishonorable discharge from the United States Army, Isaac Shulock of 95 E. Broadway, New York, and an employee of the Union Metallic Cartridge Co., is alleged to have attempted highway robbery in front of the factory yesterday afternoon.

He was in city court this morning charged with drunkenness and breach of the peace. Shulock worked in the drying room of the cartridge plant. Yesterday afternoon he applied for his pay at the factory. He was refused and ejected from the office after creating a disturbance.

He is alleged to have approached a private detective at the factory and to have made a proposition to rob an employe of the factory. He proposed that the detective shake hands with one of the office clerks. At this stage Shulock was to strike the clerk and both men were to rob him. The proceeds of the robbery were to be equally divided.

The detective reported the matter to President John C. Stanley of the police board and also purchasing agent at the cartridge factory. Stanley called the second precinct station and Sgt. Charles Wheeler arrested Shulock.

Putnam Savings Bank Opens To Pay Ten Per Cent to Depositors.

Putnam, Conn., April 15.—The Putnam Savings bank, which was closed on Dec. 29, 1915, by the bank commissioners as an insolvent institution, reopened to pay out on deposits today under a court order. To those who desired a part of their deposits the bank was permitted to pay 10 per cent. today. On July 15 it may pay out another 10 per cent. and a like amount every two months thereafter until old accounts are liquidated. Recently the bank was permitted by the court to receive deposits and the inflow of money was considerable. It had been expected that many depositors would be on hand today but only 50 appeared out of the 7,000 depositors who have accounts.

The insolvency of the bank was attributed at the time to depreciation of bonds and the bank's inability to convert bonds into cash quickly owing to the conditions of the money market. The bank had deposits of more than two millions. Improved market conditions and continued confidence in the institution has enabled it to resume business.

BERNSTORFF AWAITS ORDERS

Washington, April 15.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, today had no instructions from his government.

Articles of incorporation were filed at Dover, Del., by the Standard Car Construction Co., capital \$1,000,000.

HOWLAND'S Entrances in Main Street, Fairfield Avenue, and Cannon Street

Bridgeport, Conn. The Weather:—Fair tonight and Saturday, April 15, 1916. Sunday; warmer Sunday.

Advertisement for Howland's Storage for Furs, featuring an illustration of a fur coat and text describing safe storage from moth and dust.

Smith rugs; notable price.

Handsome solid Axminster rugs from the Smith mills—at even less than last-season's prices!

Then, such rugs sold for \$29! Today this special and limited lot at \$25!

Kirman Axminster rugs are a variety of which Alexander Smith & Sons may well be proud. They are woven with a wonderfully-close and firm surface. Their colors are rich and glowing combination of blues and tans and such hues which fit into the surroundings of the home.

Months ago, before the war sent up the prices of everything that goes into a rug, these rugs were rated as worth \$29.

Now, well, there is no need to point out how prices are advancing!

What an opportunity! These rugs, 9 by 12 feet in size, flawless and without a seam, in tapestry and Oriental and flowered patterns, in rich and harmonious color combinations, Carpet Hall, third floor.

Filet and marquisette curtains at \$1.50!

Welcome news to women who are busily planning Spring cleanup and the using of cool inexpensive curtains through the warm season.

Two lots of curtains, one filet net and one marquisette, at special price.

Filet net, white and beige, with lace edge Marquisette, Dutch valance, lace edge—\$1.50.

Either sort well worth \$2. Third floor.

HOWLAND DRY GOODS CO.

Joint Owners of Pianos in Dispute.

The possession of two electric player pianos is the basis of a suit brought by John D. Smarto, proprietor of the Faust Cabaret, against F. E. Beach of Trumbull. In papers filed to-day in the court of common pleas it is alleged that Smarto and Beach are joint owners of the instruments.

Smarto wants the court to order a partition of the property. But if this is not possible he asks that the court order a sale of the pianos and the proceeds divided between the plaintiff and defendant. The suit is returnable to the May term.

Retort Courteous. "What?" exclaimed the spinster who was beginning to carry weight for age. "Do you mean to tell me your baby is ten months old and can't walk yet? Why, I could go it alone at the age of six months!"

"Yes," rejoined the young mother, indignantly, "and I notice you have been going it alone ever since."—Indianapolis Star.

Mind Reading. "Do you think there is any such thing as mind reading?" asked the eminent diplomat. "Oh, yes!" replied Miss Cayenne. "If I pay very close attention to what you say and analyze it carefully I often fancy I get a glimmer of what you are thinking about."—Washington Star.

A Good Judge. "I take great pride in my ability to judge human nature," said Ike Van Quentin. "A few months ago I let a friend have \$30, and I was confident at the time he would not pay it back. And he didn't."—Kansas City Star.

It is ever true that he who does nothing for others does nothing for himself.—Goethe.

WEATHER FORECAST New Haven, April 15.—Forecast: Fair tonight and Sunday, somewhat warmer Sunday. Connecticut: Fair tonight and Sunday, rising temperature Sunday, diminishing northwest winds. The lake storm passed over this vicinity yesterday and is now central off the Maine coast. It caused general rains and high winds in the eastern portions of the lake region and along the Atlantic coast north of Virginia. A trough of low pressure running from the lakes westward to Colorado, with a secondary disturbance over Texas, is causing unpleasant weather with local showers and rising temperatures between the Rocky Mountains and the Mississippi river. Pleasant weather prevails this morning from the Mississippi river eastward to the coast.