

Three Agencies Continue Probe of Suspicious School Fire

Officials Entertain Theory Boys Started Destructive Blaze

Fire Marshal, Chief Inspector of Detectives, State Trooper Question Score of Youngsters; Meanwhile School Pupils Enjoy Unexpected Recess

Police and fire officials today continued their investigations into yesterday's incendiary fire at St. Mary's school and it was reported that they were in agreement on the theory that the fire was started by boys. Several residents of the school neighborhood have been questioned. Chief Inspector Joseph P. Stevens of the local detective bureau, who is working with Fire Marshal Dennis J. Lahey and State Trooper E. J. Dooling on the probe said today that entrance was gained to the building by breaking a window and reaching inside to unfasten the latch. He said that apparently the fire escape door leading to the sixth grade room, which was found open, was used as a means of exit.

Youths Solicit Funds To Pay Fire Damages

Police reported the arrest yesterday of two boys on charges of soliciting funds "to help the Sisters of Charity in repairing the damages caused by the fire at St. Mary's school." No authorization was given for any such collections, police said, and the boys were turned over to Rev. Francis M. O'Shea, permanent rector of the Immaculate Conception Church.

BLANSFIELD ASKS \$2,000 DAMAGES

Borman Studio Charged With Not Paying Balance of \$1,025 Note

Michael V. Blansfield of this city seeks damages of \$2,000 in one of two civil actions filed in common pleas court today. Guineo Santoro of this city, doing business as the Borman Studio, defendant in the action is accused of failing to pay a balance of \$1,025 with interest due on a note dated October 20, 1927. The note allegedly was assigned to the plaintiff by Santoro, May 28, 1928.

Also filed is a \$1,000 suit instituted by Patsy Zaccaria of Waterbury, against Paul Couture of Meriden, and Thurbur Couture of Danbury. Zaccaria contends that his automobile incurred damage estimated at \$500 in a collision with a vehicle owned by Thurbur Couture on Mt. Pleasant Hill, Newtown, last January 2.

The latter's car, it is alleged, was being towed by the car of the other defendant, and was proceeding in a direction opposite to that of the plaintiff. As Zaccaria approached the chain used in towing snapped, causing the vehicle in tow to swerve into the path of the plaintiff.

Full Weather Report

Boston, Feb. 20—(UP)—Weather forecast: MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT AND RHODE ISLAND—Continued cold tonight.

Boston, Feb. 20—(UP)—Continued cold weather and blustery winds prevailed throughout New England today with snow flurries in northern sections. The temperature dropped to 10 degrees in Boston during the night but had climbed to 13 at 8:30 a. m. and the Weather Bureau predicted it will rise to the low 20's during the day. The wintry spell, the bureau said, will last at least until tonight.

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There's cold February and March to reckon with, and when next winter rolls along, you'll appreciate your foresight in planning ahead.

Junior three piece aviation suits of blue pilot cloth, ages 5 to 8—\$9.75—from \$14.75.

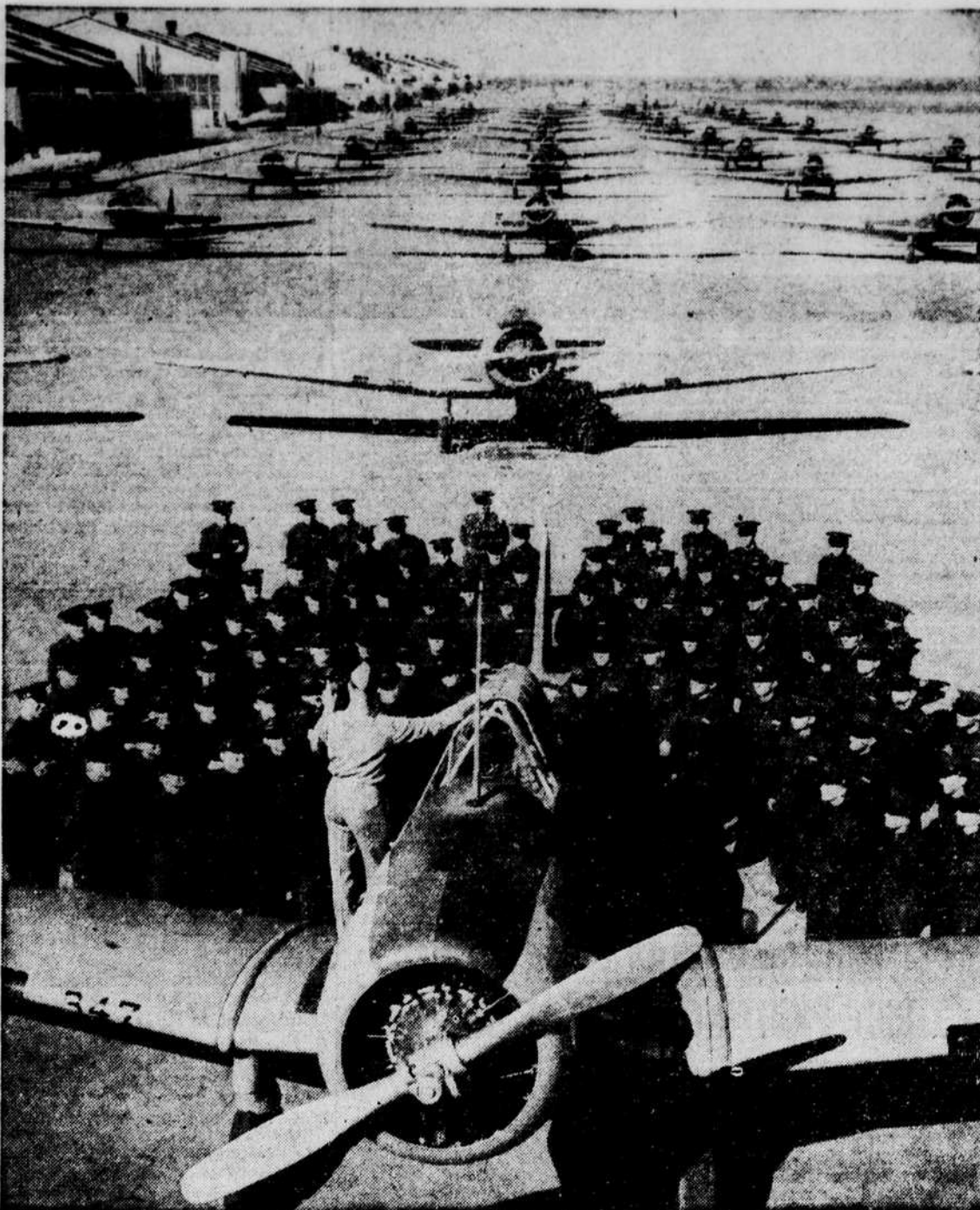
Blue cheviot wool snow trousers, \$1.95—from \$5.00.

"Sampeck" wool lined double breasted coats, ages 5 to 10—\$11.75—from \$18.75.

Junior knit suits—three pieces—jacket, shirt and shorts—4 to 7 sizes—\$2.95—regularly \$3.95.

Young men's zip in lining coats \$14.75—from \$24.75.

Waterbury Youths In Wartime Class



Gathered on Randolph Field's famous flying line for a few final words by their squadron commander, Lieutenant John S. Samuel, are these Aviation Cadets, a section of Class 42-D, which this week completes its ten week basic training period, and in so doing, moves one step closer to coveted "wings" and commissions as Second Lieutenants in the United States Army Air Corps. These cadets will soon be working with multi-motored or more powerful single-engine planes in their advanced training, their final ten week step before being assigned to units of the United States Army Air Force.

Two Waterbury youths, Rocco A. Famiglietti of 449 South Wilson street and John H. Gilbert Jr. of 236 Grand street are numbered among the Connecticut members of the class pictured above. Other youths from the Nutmeg State, Edward S. Almbrun Bridgeport; Edward T. Hart of South Norwalk and Eugene E. Ryan of Darien.

Town Plot Requests Bus For H. S. Pupils

Change in Afternoon Schedule Suggested; Community Club Hears Discussion of Improvements

BROOKLYN NEWS

Members of the Town Plot Community Club joined a sectional meeting on air raid defense following their regular monthly meeting at the B. W. Tinker school Wednesday night. Corporation Counsel J. Gregory Lynch was principal speaker.



FLOYD RASMUSSEN

Addresses Club

At the club business meeting the members heard a talk by one of the members, Floyd Rasmussen, on conditions and necessary improvements in the community. A discussion was held on bus schedules in the section, and plans were made to request the C. R. & L. for a bus to leave the center for Bradley avenue at 1:30 instead of 1:15 so that high school students of the section could be served.

It was announced that 40 new members have been admitted into the organization. John Carter is chairman of the membership drive. Joseph Gallo presided at the meeting.

Student Choir Rehearsal
A rehearsal will be held by the St. Joseph's Student Choir tonight at 7:30 at the choir room in the old St. Joseph's school. Professor Alexander J. Aleksis, choirmaster, will be in charge.

Orioles Victorious
The Orioles defeated the Rams by a score of 51 to 28 in a basketball game sponsored by the Inter-Club Council of the Brooklyn Y. M. C. A. last night. The leading players for the Orioles were Captain Davis, who made 14 points, O'Toole, and Gentile. Anzardi, Pine and Kirby led the Rams.

I. C. C. Meeting Tonight
A special meeting of the Inter-Club Council of the Brooklyn Y. M. C. A. will be held tonight at 7:30 at the clubhouse. Plans will be completed for a party to be given in honor of Melvin Kelley, Y secretary and Thomas Lacilla. Eleanor DeLillo will preside at the meeting.

REV. J. MELVIN PRIOR IS NEW MINISTER

Rev. J. Melvin Prior of Bridgeport, who has spoken several times in the past at local Protestant churches, has been extended a call to succeed Rev. Dr. John Newton Lackey for pastor of the Central Baptist church, Hartford. Rev. Dr. Lackey is a former senate chaplain. Rev. Mr. Prior is now pastor of the Bridgeport First Baptist church.

BRIDGEPORT YOUTH TO JOIN MARINES

The local marine recruiting station, headed by Sergeant Maxwell P. Dickerson, enlisted tentatively Alfonso Terracino of 428 Savoy street, Bridgeport, and sent him to the United States Marine Corps Eastern Recruiting Division in Springfield, Mass., where he will receive his final examination before he is accepted for Marine Corps service. The new recruit is the son of Mrs. Anna Terracino of 155 Montgomery street, Goshen, N. Y.

INCOME TAXES

DUE MARCH 15th

We will supply the funds to meet them . . . and, incidentally, these taxes will not alone beat the Japs . . . so buy U. S. Defense Stamps and Bonds.

Remember Pearl Harbor!



MORRIS PLAN BANK

WIFE INHERITS ENTIRE ESTATE

Will of Julius Alexander, South Main St. Merchant, Filed Today

Observing that "to my daughters, Shirley and Minnie I am making no bequest because I know that their mother will do all in her power to provide for them" the will of Julius Alexander, former Waterbury merchant, bequeaths the entire estate to his wife, Mrs. Bessie Alexander. The document was admitted to probate today by Judge Patrick Healey.

Mr. Alexander, who died here February 12, 1942, also provides in individual bequests to the following: Waterbury Jewish Home for the Aged, \$50; Waterbury Hebrew Free Loan association, \$50; Sunday school of the Beth El synagogue, \$25, and the Waterbury Hebrew institute, \$25. Mrs. Alexander is named executrix. The will was drawn up November 24, 1935.

Mr. Alexander, who came to this city from Russia in 1905, for 25 years operated the Alexander Curtin Shop at 91 South Main street. He was a member of the Beth El synagogue, the Waterbury Zionist district, the Jewish Federated Appeal, the Arbutus Ring, the Brass City lodge and the Waterbury Hebrew institute. He was a charter member of the Waterbury Free Loan association.

DEFENSE STORIES MUST BE APPROVED

Officials Here Take Action to Check False "Adts", Misleading Articles

Future advertisements and news articles containing air raid warning and civilian defense instructions must not be regarded as official unless approved by Chief Air Raid Warden James J. Curtin, according to an announcement today by Mayor Vincent A. Scully, chairman of the Waterbury Defense Council.

Mayor Scully's statement follows: "It has been noticed that some people are sending out air raid warning and civilian defense instructions without official approval. In order that correct instructions and information will be used in advertisements and other writings by private individuals and organizations it will be necessary to have such information approved by the Waterbury Defense Council."

James J. Curtin, Chief Air Raid Warden for Waterbury has been chosen to approve all defense information or instructions that may be given in any form to the general public. If the information is correct it may be approved. If it is not correct, corrections will be suggested. Without the approval of the Chief Air Raid Warden the information will not be official.

GOOD LUCK OMEN

Nancy Coleman is immensely pleased with her role in "The Gay Sisters" at Warner Bros. Reason: there's a scene in which she is shown lying in bed. In every play and picture in which Nancy has appeared she's been seen in a bed—and she's never been in a flop.

YOU CAN STILL BUY A GOOD REGENCY HOUSE Overcoat ON SALE \$42.50 to \$52.50
Joseph's
152 Bank St.

HAS HIS REVENGE
Walter Brooke, young Warner Bros. player, turned to acting when his high school sweetheart quit him for another boy who was starring in school dramas. Brooke determined to become a better actor than his rival; he thinks he has.

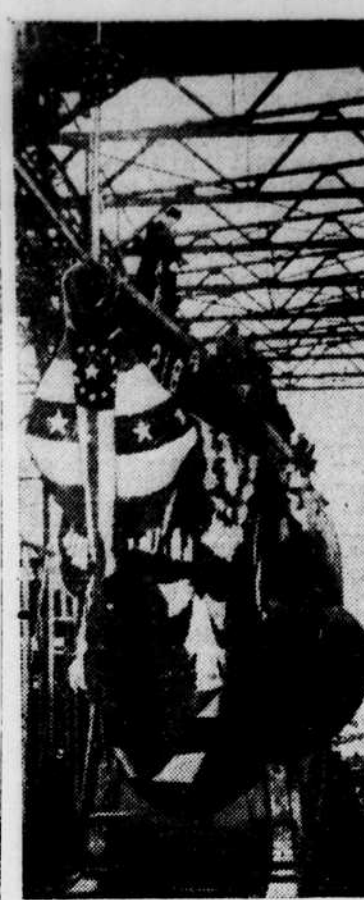
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New "Tin Fish" For Uncle Sam



Wearing her launching dress of red, white and blue bunting, the new U. S. submarine Albatross, above, slides down the ways of the Electric Boat Co., Groton, Conn., to become part of America's fast-growing two-ocean navy.

FIVE VOLUNTEER FOR ARMY POSTS

Several young men are taking advantage of selecting a field of service in the army by enlisting before they are drafted.

Sergeant William Deuth, recruiting officer in charge, and his aide, Corp. Harry J. Armstrong, stated the local office received five enlistments yesterday. The five volunteers who left for the Hartford induction center are:

Michael Edward Martone, Midland road, Pierpont Heights; Frank Samuel Capobianco of 105 Rose street; Edward Francis O'Keefe, of 36 Tracy avenue, all of this city; Claude Arthur Traver of 113 Hill street, Naugatuck; and Anthony John Schuchel of 20 Railroad avenue, Beacon Falls.

Algeria has even taxed the making of esparto sandals.

CONCORDIAS IN YEARLY CONCERT

Miss Beers to Be Guest Soloist on Tomorrow Evening's Program

Professor Max Duetzmann will direct and Miss Margaret Beers will be the soloist at the concert to be sponsored tomorrow evening by the Concordia Singing society, at Concordia hall on Bank street.

The Program
Stars and Stripes . . . Sousa
Emperor Waltz . . . Strauss
Orchestra
Morgenrot . . . Pracht
Wie koennt' ich Dein vehessen . . . Quark
Men's Chorus
Agnus Dei . . . Bizet
Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses . . . Openshaw
Louis DiVito, accompanist
Largo . . . Handel
Mixed Chorus
Sternennacht . . . Schulken
Gretula . . . Schwabin
Men's Chorus
The Cloths of Heaven . . . Dunhill
Dedication . . . Strauss
Miss Beers . . . Neph
Roses of Picardy . . . Neph
Orchestra
The Lost Chord . . . Sullivan
Mixed Chorus
Star Spangled Banner . . . Scott-Keys

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Assistant Manager

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