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REDDING

(Special to The Times.)

Redding, Nov. 6.—Defiance is bidden by George P. Williams of Lonsdown to an edict from Agent Samuel A. Gardner of the State Humane society that six of the eight Williams children be provided by their father with homes affording better care and comfort than they are now receiving, the alternative being such provision on the part of the State. Complaint and information to Mr. Gardner from some source unknown to Mr. Williams caused the agent to recently visit the Williams house for investigation. The conditions he found as regards tidiness and cleanliness impelled him to the issuance of the order mentioned. Ten days being fixed as the time limit for compliance. Mr. Williams at that time promised to obey the mandate, but soon changed his attitude although, following the agent's departure, a general cleaning of the house was effected. Mr. Gardner left the matter in the hands of E. H. Warner, the society's local agent, with instructions to report to him at the end of the ten day period. This came last Thursday and Mr. Warner then found that all the children were still at home. On being asked his intentions in respect to the order regarding them, Williams replied in very forcible language that he didn't intend to allow Gardner or anyone else to break up his family. He had consulted Judge Davis of Danbury as to his rights in the matter and was assured by the attorney that he had the right to force the proposed disruption would be foisted in the attempt and made a laughing stock besides. This reply was promptly communicated to Mr. Gardner by the local agent.

Two years ago Mr. Williams lost his wife by death and since then the eldest daughter, now fifteen years old, has been the family housekeeper. The next oldest is a boy of thirteen and the third a girl, who carries milk to Bethel and attends the High school there. The youngest, a girl of two, has been cared for from infancy by her sister housekeeper, and is naturally developed and healthy. Soon after the death of Mrs. Williams, well to do relatives of the family made offers to take into their homes several of the younger children, but all these propositions the father rejected. The neighbors, who were sympathetic and helpful in the earlier difficulties of the unfortunate situation, felt, and still feel that the household was in a state of confusion and not showing the measure of their strength, have worked well and faithfully at the household and farm tasks and accepted, cheerfully and uncomplainingly such discomforts and deprivations as their lot imposed. It has been a hard struggle with great disadvantages, but the most trying stages of it passed before the authorities saw fit to interfere. On Tuesday Mr. Williams received a letter from Agent Gardner, saying that he would return here in a few days to take further action in the case, which probably means a petition to the Probate Court asking for the commitment of the six children to the County Home or perhaps arrangements for their transfer to satisfactory homes with private families.

The class presented to Bishop Brewster for confirmation at Christ Episcopal church last Sunday morning numbered fifteen and is said to be the largest in the history of that venerable parish. Those composing it were Roderick Litten, Edna A. Baldwin, Robert Ross Raymond, Flint, Stephen Sanford, Jessie Davies, Lucia Day, Alta Bassett, Holland Beal, Jasper Burdette, Leon Prince, James Dayton, Margaret Beck, M. Grace Farrar and Theodore Farrar. A congregation which entirely filled the church attended the services and an augmented choir gave a fine rendition of the music. Bishop Brewster devoted his sermon largely to a consideration of the social forces which are now working in the world, and finding expression in one of various forms. He said that the era of individualism which began about 400 years ago with the Reformation had practically gone by and given succession to a steadily growing socialistic tendency. The movement, he said, was of two types, the materialistic, political Socialism of Marx and the spiritual Socialism born of Christianity. The latter had as its distinctive quality the spirit of unselfishness and in the dominance of its application against the forces of greed and destructiveness lay the hope of the world's future.

The town school committee at its monthly meeting last Saturday, accepted the resignation of E. J. Fellows as a member and chairman and elected A. G. Barnett to fill the vacancy. Mr. Fellows retired because he is not to continue his residence here during the winter. The committee voted to place the Center school in the class of model schools, which means that it will be conducted so as to conform to special standards established by the State Board of Education, and in consideration for so doing receive an increased allowance from the state towards its support.

Donations of books for the public library to be opened at the former Lonsdown store about the first of next month have been made by the Hogs, Stetson, Driggs and Littlefield families and some others. The Danbury library is to honor acquisitions on behalf of the new library for books and it is expected that like arrangements will be made with the Bethel and Mark Twain libraries. Plans for giving help to the project were discussed at the meeting of the

Parish Aid society yesterday afternoon.

The local Red Cross drive for the renewal of membership and the enrollment of new members is in progress this week and will close on Tuesday next. The committee in charge have appointed canvassers for the several districts as follows: Center, Miss Mildred Warner; Lonsdown, Mrs. A. G. Barnett; West Redding, E. P. Sanford; Little York, James Layton; Ridge, Mrs. Randolph Bradley; Pleasant Valley, Mrs. W. C. Sanford; Sunset Hill, Rev. Raymond Cunningham.

After services at the Episcopal church last Sunday Bishop Brewster conferred with the vestry in regard to securing a successor to the present rector who will leave next spring, and also ways and means for providing a larger salary for the new incumbent. In the afternoon the Bishop conducted services at the Sunset Hill school where a mission with services every other week has been established.

A neighborhood whist club with about 30 members has been organized by Ridge residents. Its first meeting with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mabry as the hosts was held on Monday evening at the Sanford school.

Nearly everyone attending the Episcopal church last Sunday was united by Mrs. D. S. Sanford and requested to sign a petition emanating from the Non-Partisan Woman's League and urging the U. S. Senate to ratify the Peace Treaty without destructive alterations. There was not a solitary refusal to sign.

The town auditors held a special session on Monday to examine the accounts of ex-Collector Muenich previous to their being turned over to Herman Smith, his successor. Everything was found to be strictly correct.

Booklets of the new game laws have been received by Town Clerk Sanford who will furnish copies to those applying in person or mail copies to those sending written applications.

The Georgetown Red Cross reorganized last week with Catherine Miller as president and treasurer. The canvassing committee on their rounds this week have met with a response as general and liberal as was given the same cause in wartime.

John Colley has sold his place on Peaceable street, Georgetown, to Julius Carlton, for \$3,000. The buyer is an employee of the Gilbert & Bennett Co.

The first of this season's series of community entertainments in Georgetown will be given on the evening of Nov. 21 at the school assembly hall when the play, "Dust of the Earth," is to be presented by local talent. Rev. Gerald Cunningham of Wapping Falls, Mass., is visiting his brother at the Ridge rectory. Miss Jessica Sanford entertained a whist party at her home on the Ridge on Wednesday afternoon of last week.

The year old daughter of Harry Perry of Georgetown, died within the past few days from pneumonia. Mrs. E. A. Pinkney is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jones, in Portcharter.

Mrs. Sarah Buchanan has moved from the Center to the Henry Rogers place on the West Side. At the first regular meeting of the new board of selectmen on Monday, the clerkship was assigned to Selectman Sanford.

Heals Cough, Cures the Throat, HAYES' O-PENTATE SALVE for Chest Colds, Head Colds and Croup with every bottle.

MAKE EVERY CAR OPERATOR PASS EXAMINATIONS

In a considerable number of states, the individual operator is not required to take out any license. Registration of the car is all that is necessary. In many states the operator has to apply for a license, but the privilege is granted to almost anyone. In some states public sentiment demands not merely that each operator be licensed, but that they all pass an examination and show real competence. Theoretically, the last named method is correct. People ought not to be let loose on the highway to manuever a powerful and dangerous vehicle like an automobile, unless they understand how to handle it, or unless while learning they are accompanied by a competent driver.

The trouble with the licensing system is that the majority of accidents are caused not by inexperienced beginners, but by competent drivers who have a disposition to take chances. These operators could easily pass any kind of an examination. But no examining board could guarantee that they would use caution.

The licensing system is very useful to this extent, that it preserves a record of the individual operator. The fact that an operator's license may be revoked or suspended if he does not use care, is a great check on him. Many people believe that these suspensions should occur much more frequently than they do. A state that does not require the individual operator to be licensed, can, of course, reach somewhat the same result by suspending the license of the car.

So many people are driving cars who are either unable or unwilling to operate them according to law, that public sentiment is likely to demand stricter laws and enforcement of them. The need for this will increase as automobiles become still more common.

NOT CLAIMING TOO MUCH.

"Are you captain of your soul?" "Sort of second lieutenant," ventured Mr. Henpeck dubiously. —Manchester Evening Gazette.

LADY ASTOR IN TALK TO WOMEN VOTERS IN BRITAIN

Plymouth, Nov. 6.—Lady Astor yesterday made her first official speeches in the campaign which is to determine whether an American woman shall be the first of her sex to sit in the House of Commons. She told The Associated Press correspondent that she thought it quite appropriate that a daughter of Virginia, the first English settlement in the United States, should become the representative of that section of England in Parliament.

At noon Lady Astor drove in her carriage to the Almshouse, where, during a twenty-minute stay, she greeted, talked with and dined goodnaturedly with nearly fifty residents—and old women.

She asked one of them, how she was feeling, and the woman answered "muddled," whereupon Lady Astor recalled that in Virginia they frequently said: "Just loafin'," and achin' "round."

She invited each to attend a women's meeting to be held in the afternoon and asked each to vote for her. Many of the women promised to do both.

Lady Astor next visited a tenement house, where, standing in the dirt roadway, she talked for several minutes with women and children leaning over the balconies in front of each of the four stories of the building, from which much washing hung. She invited questions, and the invitation was complied with in considerable volume. Then she defended Premier Lloyd George and silenced the champions of her Labor opponent, W. T. Gey, pointing out that he was really not the Labor candidate, but an independent Laborite, and had boasted that he had evaded military service.

One question related to her attitude on prohibition, and she answered this by saying:

"No one can make me say that drink ever did any one any good. You can't make me smother my real opinions. But I tell you frankly that I do not intend to take away what you want. I believe in giving you the opportunity to vote however you please in such matters."

Followed by Scores of Children. Wherever the candidate went, her carriage was trailed by scores of children calling "Lady Nancy."

With reference to her attitude on various debated questions, Lady Astor informed The Associated Press today that she favored the Federal devotion as "the only practical solution of the Irish question."

"What I do hope to bring into the House of Commons," she said, "are sound views pertaining to the interests of women and children."

Questioned as to whether she thought prohibition would be forced into the forefront in the campaign, she said:

"I do not think my opponents will try to force the issue, but I am determined not to allow it to take precedence, as it is not vital in this fight."

Asked whether she thought women would meet with a more cordial reception in public life here than in the United States, she replied: "There is nothing like the stubbornness of the American men in such matters, is there?"

Lady Astor declared that it would not be necessary for the Commons to alter the rules regarding their eligibility to be elected, as she was quite willing to go hatless and adapt herself to all the rules, so that her advent would be attended with a minimum of fuss.

Ovation at Women's Meeting. At the afternoon women's meeting, Lady Astor received an ovation from women of all classes, many of them carrying babies and market baskets. Her speech was frequently interrupted by questions. To one who asked whether she favored old age pensions, Lady Astor replied, smilingly: "You are too young and pretty to worry about old age pensions."

Similar apt replies seemed to bring satisfaction to the questioners. The formal nomination of candidates for the Parliamentary elections has been fixed for Friday, Nov. 7; the polling for Nov. 15, and the declaration Nov. 25.

As Influenza Is an exaggerated form of Grip. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS should be taken in larger doses than is prescribed for ordinary Grip. A good plan is not to wait until you are sick, but PREVENT IT by taking LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets in time.

A SALOONLESS NATION. "Bar, bar! Landlord—Have you any rum?" "Yes, sir; plenty! Only keep it mum!" Some for the rascals, more for the drunks.

NONE for the doctors, sober men, or monks.—New York Evening Sun.

After drinking half of one per cent. beer, many people are convinced that the water supply in this country is very ample.

At prices to be charged this year, the Thauville Hotel will be well seasonally back yard hen of the eye and experience.

For Colds LINONINE TAKES THAT AWFUL KICK OUT OF A HARD COLD AND REMEDIES IT HARMLESS. IT IS THE GREAT FAMILY REMEDY FOR ALL FORMS OF COLDS AND A REMARKABLE PREVENTATIVE FOR THE MORE DANGEROUS THROAT AND LUNG COMPLAINTS OF ADULTS AND CHILDREN.

Have a bottle of Linonine handy at all times—there's no telling what instant it will be needed, especially for coughs that threaten bronchitis. Nothing quite equals Linonine for bronchitis.

Kerr's FLAX-SEED Emulsion LINONINE THE FOOD MEDICINE SWEET AS ORANGE

All Drugists—60c and \$1.20. —Adv.

Bridgeport, Conn., Thursday, Nov. 6, 1919.

HOWLAND'S

Entrances in Main Street, Fairfield Avenue, and Cannon Street

Forecast: Fair; Friday increasing cloudiness and warmer.

Days of extra interest in women's clothes!

Half a dozen attractive offerings are struggling with each other in the store to get attention of women who appreciate good clothes and good savings. It is a joyous time!

SUITS of splendid style and fine fabrics, fur trimmed or braided or plain, beautiful colors, have been \$35 to \$45—

SUITS for small women and for young folks, many impressive models and fine fabrics and seasonal colors, have been \$35 to \$47.50—

DRESSES of rich and handsome navy tricotine, straightline or blouse or coat effects, tailored wonderfully, worth \$35 to \$45—

COATS of light fine but warm woollens, belted and pleated and marked by excellent style, delightful colors, worth at least \$10 more than their price—

Clam chowder with the real flavor

A Friday special in the Howland luncheon; this chowder that's the real thing. A treat, if you've never tried it. An anticipated enjoyment to those who have. 15c. Baked haddock or broiled mackerel Friday too. Toothsome and properly done—25c.

Quick Service for folks who prefer to help themselves—with all the moonday dishes ready from 11 o'clock. Here you can see the tempting things—and get their appetizing odor.

Gloves that will wear satisfactorily.

Splendid staunch flexible American gloves in delightful colors.

Cut from cape skin, heavier and warmer and tougher than kid.

Yet cut so they fit with nearly the same grace and smoothness and beauty of effect!

Excellent gloves for semi-formal or business wear all through the cool season.

Tan gray beaver and pearl—\$2.50; special African brown—\$3.

Duplex leatherette gloves, fabric which looks quite like suede or chamois, in buck and chamois hue—good warm gloves for women who motor—\$1.75.

CHILDREN'S golf gloves, evenly knitted, nice and warm, gray tan blue or black—65c.

MITTENS for Baby! Comforting little mittens of purest white, closely knit and cosily warm—35c and 50c.

Center aisle, rear.

Veilings of distinctive beauty.

What charm is combined with the protective ability of these new veilings.

From plain simple meshes, they range to fancy; many have effective borders either woven or of chenille.

Here are little velvet spots and smart clusters, here are motifs: flowers and butterflies.

And here, too, are patterns in scrolls and other designs which are carried all over their fine netted surface. Color lends its attraction, a fine range of Autumn colors—25c to \$2 yard

Novel French veiling of remarkable quality, black brown and alluring taupe—\$1 and \$1.50.

Mourning veiling with ribbon border, either fancy or plain mesh—75c to \$1.50 yard.

Charming brides' veilings, ideal in texture and effect, 72 inches wide—\$1.50 and \$2 yard.

Motor Veils—\$1 each. Little special lot in odd colors, worth \$1.50 to \$2.50—\$1.

Center aisle, front.

New Oliver Twists for small boys.

Mighty cute and mighty serviceable suits for small boys!

Look quaint and old-timey—yet are thoroughly up to time in style.

Khaki trousers are of wool.

Blouse is either white or colored.

Sizes 2 to 6—

\$3.50

Front basement.

Boys' trousers, durable,=\$1.35

Some trousers in a gray mixture which is clear and attractive.

Good weight, well cut, and with lots of ability to wear. No, they are not wool—but they are great value at price.

Sizes 7 to 17—\$1.35.

SWEATERS of sorts boys pick quick!

Green and blue and brown and maroon and oxford, slip on or coat, knitted from pure woolen yarn.

Sizes 28 to 36—and dandies—\$7.50.

Front basement.

Women's notable blue serge middies.

They are different—and appealing.

In the first place, they do NOT lace in front. Instead, are of regulation navy type.

And they are of good light firm-woven serge in deep satisfying navy hue.

Broad regulation sailor collar is braided in white.

On sleeve is impressive and attractive insignia.

And price for all sizes from 34 to 42 is but \$5

Second floor.

Shoes with colorful beauty.

For either harmony or contrast with one's costume new smart shoes with pleasing note of color.

Mahogany calfskin of splendid texture—\$10.

Brown kidskin of fine quality, fawn cloth top—\$10.

Dark gray kidskin, soft and fine—\$12.

Mahogany calfskin with top of cinnamon-hued suede—\$12.

Main floor, rear.

THE HOWLAND DRY GOODS CO.

NO CALL MADE FOR SOLDIERS' FUND BY AMERICAN LEGION

Thus far, members of the state board of control said yesterday, the American Legion has made no requests for payment to discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, as provided for by the 1919 session of the Legislature. All appropriation of \$2,500,000 was made to be invested, the income to be used from the payment of relief to those soldiers, sailors and marines who were in need. The law went into effect May 21, 1919, but the board of control decided two months ago to have the official organization of the soldiers, sailors and marines, the American Legion, handle the payments. The act creating the fund

"The interest accumulations of the fund so held in trust \$2,500,000, or so much thereof as shall be found to be necessary to carry out the purposes hereinafter stated, shall be paid to the treasurer of an organization of soldiers, sailors and marines who entered any branch of said service of the United States during the period of said war, and who were accredited to the quota of this state and who were citizens or resident aliens of this state on April 6, 1917, and since said date have been engaged in any of said

branches of service, and were honorably discharged therefrom, which organization, when organized and perfected to the approval of said board of control, shall disburse the same, provided not more than one such organization shall be approved by said board, and provided such organization shall be completed with one year from the date of the passage of this act."

The American Legion has been recognized by the board of control. It was said yesterday, to receive the interest accumulations by the fund for relief.

The above law is foreign to the law regarding "Allowances to Soldiers' Dependents," for which the sum of \$3,515.80 has been paid by the state since the last statement was issued by the comptroller's office. Since this last statement, \$13,134.75 has been

paid for temporary soldiers' aid, and \$2,016.62 for soldiers' dependents.

Some people kick because the church services aren't made of a more popular character while others want the choirs to put in jazz instruments.

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