

State House News

PRIMARY COSTS GIVE SURPRISES

One Report Startles Officials as House Candidate Lists \$14 for Tickets, 70 Gallons of Gasoline

Boston, July 27—(AP)—Amid hundreds of expense statements filed at the Massachusetts State House by candidates in the recent primary election, one startled officials today. It listed, among other items, \$14 for tickets for 70 gallons of gasoline.

The report was filed by an unsuccessful Worcester county candidate for the lower house of the Legislature.

Another candidate for the State House of Representatives, William J. Greenier of Bedford, summed up an unsuccessful campaign in the Republican primary this way:—

"Resolved nothing, spent nothing, did nothing (except sign nomination papers), got nothing except political defeat."

John S. Coffman of Boston, unsuccessful Democratic state Senate candidate, reported receipts of two six-cent cigars from his friend, "Spider" Murphy, and the gift of one six-cent cigar to an unidentified friend the next day.

Harry B. Albro of Harwich reported: "Nothing received, nothing paid out, nothing promised, nothing done to waste paper and gasoline, no support or endorsements invited, nothing done about circulating nomination papers." Albro did not get the 2d Barnstable Republican representative nomination.

The Democratic and Republican nominees for state auditor reported extremely economical campaigns, to date.

Frank A. Goodwin, 70-year-old registrar of motor vehicles, who won the Republican nomination for state auditor upon reaching retirement age on the registrar's job, reported that he received and spent nothing.

His Democratic opponent, State Auditor Thomas J. Buckley, who was unopposed for re-nomination, reported receipt of stamps and cash aggregating \$15 and expenditures of \$8 for campaign literature and mailing.

CIGARET TAX RECEIPTS SHOW \$22,325 INCREASE

Boston, July 27—Despite complaints of a cigarette shortage, Massachusetts received \$22,325.40 more from the cigarette tax in the first six months of this year than in the same period in 1943, state department officials revealed today.

In the first six months of this year, the state received \$3,961,866.36, as compared to \$3,929,528.46 in the same period a year ago.

First Mass. Liquor Price Convict Taken to Jail

Boston, July 27—(AP)—The first person convicted in Massachusetts under the liquor price control act, Charles M. Fauci, of Boston and Medford wholesale liquor dealer, today was taken to the Danbury (Ct.) reformatory to serve a four-month sentence.

He was convicted in June of selling liquor in excess of ceiling prices. He also paid a \$3000 fine and his firm was fined \$5000.

Fauci also has been indicted on a charge of illegal liquor sales.

Boston, July 27—Inspectors of the state public utility department today said they and his division are investigating the Mansfield railroad accident, officials revealed today.

King's Appointment Erases One Administration Change Problem

Boston, July 27—Appointment yesterday of Rudolph F. King as registrar of motor vehicles, to succeed Frank A. Goodwin, when he retires on August 15, has eliminated at least one of the problems involved in the change of administration. Chief Accountant William F. Cambell of the Registry declared today.

Cambell already has contacted the new registrar and obtained specimen signatures from him, which will be used in making rubber signature stamps. These stamps are essential for the operation of the registry of motor vehicles since both license and registration certificates provide: "Not valid until dated, numbered, and stamped with official stamp or signature of registrar."

By placing the order immediately, Cambell expects to have 527 of these signature stamps ready for use by registry clerks on August 16, when King takes over his new duties. Considerable time is required for the manufacture of these stamps to eliminate any possibility of forgery.

At the same time the chief accountant must account for and destroy after August 15 every Goodwin stamp which is now outstanding to prevent their use on fake licenses or registrations dated prior to the retirement of the present registrar.

BROADCASTING SITE ON MT. TOM BOUGHT BY STATION WHY?

Local Radio Company Makes Application to Operate Frequency Modulation and Television

Holyoke, July 27—Mt Tom, the highest landmark in the Connecticut valley, rising some 1200 feet above sea level, is to become a natural beacon for the broadcasting of radio, FM and television and announcement of its acquisition by radio station WHY? was made public today by Mrs. Minnie R. Dwight, publisher of the local newspaper, and Mrs. Harriet V. DeRose, publisher of the Daily Hampshire Gazette of Northampton.

They, along with Louis D. Feltner, president and general manager of the Holyoke Street Railway company, are the principal stockholders and owners of the property. It is conceded that the securing of this vantage point will make for the local radio station one of the most desirable broadcasting sites in this section of the country.

The Street Railway company disposes of 277 acres, these formerly owned by the Mt Tom Railroad company, and the area includes the section south of the northerly side of the cable car roadway to a point 3150 feet up the mountain and from the point to the Holyoke side on a line running northwest to the state reservation. This practically embraces the entire summit and the southerly slope pointing to the Whiting-street reservoir and watershed.

It was announced that the company plans to build a road up over, that formerly conveying the cable car lines and will be granted right of way from the entrance of the Whiting-street reservoir roadway.

The late William S. Loomis was the owner of the Mt Tom and his holdings were acquired by the Mt Tom Railway company in 1880 and later developed as a summer resort, and became known to the entire country as a show place in New England.

The first summerhouse erected was destroyed by fire in 1893 and was replaced by a house of commanding proportions whose golden domes gleamed down upon the valley. This, too, was destroyed by fire in May, 1929, and a steel structure was built. Business, however, on the mountain hit such a low that the venture was abandoned by the company and the building was razed along with the cable car tracks and equipment.

Mountain park will remain as is

Offhand It Would Seem To Be A Fine Investment

Washington, July 27—(AP)—The Maritime commission today awarded a contract to the Why? Wheatland of the commission's regional construction office in Philadelphia for big suggestion (which the local directors are to be moved away from wash basins). The award was one of several for suggestions making "tangible savings in either time or material."

and continue to be operated by the street railway company. The purchase of land reaches to the border line of that property but the broadcasting company will have the right of way over the road from that park to the summit, with restrictions of course. The local directors announced today that it had filed with the Federal Communications commission an application to operate a radio station on the Mt Tom. The site of the newly acquired site will be largely contingent upon the answer.

BEDE IRVIN IS BURIED IN MILITARY CEMETERY

Press Photographer With Invasion Forces Killed Tuesday

Baltimore, July 27—(AP)—Lee McCordell, Baltimore Sun papers' war correspondent, with today he had attended the burial of Bede Irvin, Associated Press photographer who was killed two days ago while photographing an American development. McCordell, who saw Irvin killed, said the photographer was buried yesterday in the American military cemetery at A La Camba with the soldiers killed in the same action near the village of Ponthober.

"Bede was attached to this headquarters," the correspondent cabled.

"Like the other correspondents here, I have a great admiration for him, a tribute to him, one of the finest men any of us ever knew. But words are inarticulate.

"We all loved him too deeply and admiringly to put into words a gratifying smile, we will never forget. Bede was even dearer to those who knew him better and loved him longer.

"And so many other good men and true die here, equally loved and far from those who love them, that our grief in his case is a mere and tiny thing indeed in a world awash with others' tears. We can only record it humbly, from the bottom of our hearts."

Vice-Admiral Weds Gunther's Widow

Bellevue, O., July 27—(INS)—Friends were advised today of the marriage of Vice-Admiral John W. Greenstade, 61, the navy's West coast logistic commandant, and Alma Gunther, 59, of Bellevue. The ceremony took place last night.

It was the admiral's third marriage. Mrs. Gunther is the widow of a Bellevue jeweler.

Camp Wilder Carnival Is Scheduled Today

Parents, friends and former campers will witness the annual circus and water carnival at Camp Wilder this afternoon at 2 p. m. The complete with sideshow, will offer dances, sports exhibitions, floats and other specialties.

AGAWAM

Agawam, July 27—The Agawam Garden club will hold its annual supper for members on Tuesday, August 22, at the Capt Charles Leonard house. A flower and garden show will follow the supper at 8 p. m. This will be open to the public. A plant sale will be an added attraction.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Houlihan of Springfield are parents of a son, born yesterday. The baby is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Houlihan of Conroy street, North Agawam.

Frank Consolati, Conroy street, employed by the telephone company, has been transferred to Worcester. His wife and two children expect to move to Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Roy of River street, North Agawam, are spending their vacation at Narragansett beach. Their son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scherpa of Springfield yesterday at Wesson Maternity hospital. Mr. Scherpa is proprietor of a barber shop on River street, North Agawam. Mr. and Mrs. John Scherpa, 10 King avenue, North Agawam, are grandparents.

Sunday morning services will be held at 10:45 A. M. at the Congregational church. Dr. Fred Bratton, pastor, has for his theme, "What is in thy hand." The church will be closed through the next week in September. Members will unite with Agawam Baptist church during that period.

Alfred Bradford will conduct the Sunday morning worship at Feeding Hills Congregational church at 11 a. m. The church will close during the month of August.

Lay Vice-Comptroller will conduct the morning prayer and worship Sunday morning at St David's Episcopal church at 9:30.

CITY NEWS NOTES

Local telephone company officials yesterday stated that there were no idle instruments in vacant offices, as the company had been following a policy of immediately removing such telephones, since the shortage of materials, to serve prospective subscribers on a waiting list.

Chris Loued to Board of Health. A number of Springfield business firms have donated services of their clerical staffs to the fuel oil panel of the war price and ration board. However, additional volunteers are needed to process the thousands of applications.

Opening for Student Dietitians. The United States Civil Service commission has announced openings for student dietitians for work in veterans' hospitals throughout the country, and for accountants and auditors for work with government agencies in Washington.

GSO Entertains Soldiers. The GSO summer program to entertain soldiers in the city is slated for every night of the week. Dorothy Cruickshank heads the YMCA-sponsored group.

Refuses to Pick Dog Race Winner

Boston, July 27—(UP)—Superior judge Charles C. Conbot ruled today that his court has no power to decide the winner of a dog race. Claiming that his favorite, Sylvia, finished first in a race at Woburn park, the judge said the race was won by Jaunty Jester, Frank Basinow of Roxbury had petitioned the court to collect \$115 on his \$210 bet. Basinow charged that track officials "negligently and carelessly" watched the running of the race.

DUNCAN, FAULKNER GOING TO BANKING INSTITUTE SESSION

Western Mass. Men to Represent Springfield Chapter at Albany—New Local Officers Announced

John Faulkner of the Springfield National bank and Earl Duncan of the Park National bank, Holyoke, will represent Springfield chapter, American Institute of Banking, at the eastern regional meeting of the association to be held at Albany Saturday and Sunday. It was announced last night.

Mr. Duncan, president of the local body, has just returned from the national AIB conference at St. Louis and Mr. Faulkner, past chapter president, has recently been appointed national associate comptroller for the Massachusetts area.

Also announced was the annual election of officers of the local chapter. Officers elected for the 1944-45 season were: President, Earl Duncan of Park National bank, Holyoke; first vice-president, Mrs. Charlotte Blomfield of Federal Land bank; second vice-president, Everett Winne of Springfield Institution for Savings; treasurer, Miss Eleanor Cullio of Third National bank; secretary, Miss Aruba Ruth Ward of the Institution for Savings; assistant treasurer, Richard Scott of Park National; assistant secretary, Miss Claire Schimmler of Park National.

Installed as directors were: John Faulkner of Springfield National, Wayne Alderman of Hadley Falls Trust company, James McConchie of Monson National bank, James Lodge, wood of Springfield National, Miss Virginia Paulson of Federal Land bank, Warren Parenteau of Springfield National and Norman Vester of the Third National bank.

Chosen to head committees were: Women's committee, Miss Odette White of the Federal Land bank; education, Miss Schimmler; membership and publicity, Mr. Winne; finance, Miss Cullio, Mr. Vester and Mr. Faulkner.

PEARL STREET HOME BRINGS LOW PRICE

Property Valued at \$22,700 Sold for \$6500 to Settle Estate

A typical example of how residential property on Pearl street has gone down in value was indicated by deeds filed in the registry of deeds yesterday, transferring the former home of the late William H. Nevins, at 150 Pearl street, to Hazel I. Mansfield for an indicated price of \$6500, and the immediate sale of the property to the latter to John J. Kasak of West Springfield for \$6500.

The house, one of the most attractive residences built across from the United States Army grounds, was erected more than 25 years ago by Mr. Nevins, who until his death a few years ago was president and general manager of the Springfield Printing & Binding company. It is assessed for \$16,700, but until within recent years was assessed for \$22,700.

Yesterday's sale of the property required two distinct transactions. In the first, the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust company, as executor of the estate of the late Jerome B. Nevins, sold the estate's undivided one-half interest to Hazel I. Mansfield. In the second, Mrs. Barbara N. Ford of Wilesons, Fishers Pond, Eastleigh Hants, England, daughter of William H. Nevins and sister of Jerome Nevins, transferred her undivided one-half interest to the same purchaser. In each case the purchase price named in the deed was \$3000, or a total of \$6000 for the entire property. Stamps on the deed transferring this property to John J. Kasak indicated a purchase price of \$6500. Kasak gave a mortgage of \$6000 to

'Chutist Killed, Wife Arrested

New York, July 27—(INS)—Grim tragedy invaded the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Joseph today when a terse war department telegram informed them that their 26-year-old paratrooper son, Horace, had fallen on the fields of Normandy 10 days after D-day.

But they clung to one small source of consolation—that their hero son would never know that their wife, Anna, 25 had been indicted for burglary. Mother of a five-year-old son, Mrs. Joseph was named in an indictment yesterday, together with Mrs. Arlene Hanley, 22, also a service wife and expectant mother, on a charge of looting three neighborhood apartments.

Horace previously had been reported missing in action. Eager for frontline action, he relinquished his rating as a staff sergeant in an amphibious unit to join the paratroopers.

HOLY NAME FIELD DAY WILL BE HELD SUNDAY

A full schedule, starting at noon, has been planned for the Holy Name picnic and field day at Forest park Sunday. Opening with family picnics, the program includes field events for children and adults, drum corps parade by five corps, and a drum corps competition and baton twirling contest. Prizes will be awarded to the winning drum corps.

The Korean peasants still persist in their ancient superstitions.

John J. Leater, and a junior mortgage of the same amount to Albert Martolanni.



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