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ELKS ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Harmonious Session of Local Lodge—John F. McDonough New Exalted Ruler.

At the annual meeting of Bridgeport lodge of Elks, held at the Elks home in State street, officers for the coming year were chosen. In each instance the newly elected official was chosen by the casting of the vote of the lodge by George J. Charles, J. Mercer, Charles J. Miller, Edward T. Gilligan, esteemed loyal knight, Edward T. Gilligan, esteemed lecturer knight, Peter F. Bellwe, secretary, Victor J. Beckman, treasurer, Charles H. Hinman, trustee for three years, Charles J. Mercer, Tyler, Charles H. Miller, retiring Exalted Ruler Philip J. McLoughlin was unanimously elected representative to the next grand lodge meeting of the order which will be held at Denver, Colo., next July. Joseph I. Flint, past exalted ruler, was elected alternate.

The new exalted ruler has been a subordinate officer of the lodge for seven years and is admirably fitted by training for the post to which he has been elevated. He is one of the best known and most popular members of the order and has always taken a keen interest in its welfare. He is a salesman in the employ of the Foster-Besse Co., and has many friends in Elkhart throughout the state.

Daniel J. Clifford, the second in command, is president and treasurer of the American Specialty Co., a thriving business concern of this city, and is a young man of exceptional executive ability with a host of friends.

Edward T. Gilligan and Peter F. Bellwe are both in the manufacturing and are abundantly equipped for the work of their important posts. The new secretary, Victor J. Beckman, has been a hard and conscientious worker for the order and is well fitted for the duties, he having acted as assistant to the secretary, C. J. Mercer, during the past year. Mr. Mercer, who becomes trustee for three years, had no suspicions and few peers as an official and his voluntary retirement as secretary has occasioned no little regret.

The installation of the new officers will take place on Thursday, April 2, when the new lodge year begins. On Thursday, March 26, Hon. Martin J. Cunningham, District Deputy grand exalted ruler of the Connecticut jurisdiction, will pay his official visit to Bridgeport lodge. On this occasion there will be a number of recently elected candidates initiated and an evening of merriment will follow.

Exalted Ruler McLoughlin appointed a committee to arrange for a charity ball to be given at the close of the Lenten season.

The despatch of the police department in making out a report concerning procedure and the completeness of the report is highly commended by the Bureau of Municipal Research, New York in a communication to Superintendent Eugene Birmingham.

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MELLEN'S LAWYERS TRY TO FORCE JUDSON TO PRODUCE HIS EVIDENCE

State's Attorney Makes Spirited Defense Of The Regularity Of His Procedure Against C.S. Mellen

He Maintains That Mellen and Directors Wanted New Haven to Be a One-Man Railroad—Court Is Adjourned Until Tuesday When Lawyers Complete Their Arguments.

Claiming that the state has not connected former President Charles S. Mellen directly with the crime of manslaughter of which he is charged with the death of Jane Doe by burning in the Westport wreck last October, four attorneys for Mr. Mellen presented arguments on demurrers before Judge Tuttle in the superior court yesterday. The general demurrer was to effect that the information and matters of the charge are insufficient in law. The special demurrer contained thirteen counts, and set up among other things that the state failed to connect Mr. Mellen with the killing in that the charge does not specifically state the manner and means by which the killing was done.

Attorney Homer S. Cummings of Stamford, L. J. Nickerson of Cornwall, William B. Boardman of Bridgeport and S. D. Bowers appeared for Mr. Mellen. State's Attorney Stiles Judson, who alone appeared for the state, insisted that the accusation was sufficient and he vigorously opposed the contention that the state should be compelled to disclose by what means they meant to prove Mr. Mellen guilty.

"The state never reveals what evidential facts it may have until they are revealed in a court room," declared the state's attorney. Attorney Nickerson in this argument said in part: "There is not a single thing in this indictment to connect Mr. Mellen with the crime of which he is accused. In indictments of this character, in cases of killing or wounding, the word 'struck' must be used to show the connection between the hand of the accused and the act which caused death."

"In this case it is charged that one Jane Doe came to her death by burning at Westport on October 3, 1913, in a fire that was already burning, but it does not specify how Mr. Mellen had anything to do with the fire."

"Cross particularly in all times required in indictments of this kind, but it is lacking here. It certainly is repugnant to the theory that he committed the deed as a personal act. This information is manifestly unfair, and out of all connection between Mr. Mellen and that case."

"I have never seen a complaint unless this one, and in that case the manner and means by which the crime was committed. There is a great gap here, your honor, which the state fails to fill and which should be filled by Mr. Mellen is to stand trial on this charge."

In reply, State's Attorney Judson said: "Four hours, the counsel for the accused was given the evidential facts when this complaint was first brought. They first tried to have this matter set aside by demurrer and other non-accused pleading. Having failed in this they change their minds and now come here with an objection to the manner in which the complaint was made. The state never reveals to the accused the evidential facts until they are presented in a court room at the trial. Any other method would be against the public interest."

"The state has every reason to believe that there was a conspiracy between Mr. Mellen and the directors that this should be a one man road."

"May it please your honor I want time to communicate with a competent commissioner to find out what regulations the commissioners required of this company. On the occasion Jane Doe was only held by her left foot. A state contractor tried to get her out, but there was no axe. No one of the fire extinguishers was usable. The coroner went to that Westport scene after the wreck. He found the bodies there for 200 feet. He took out punk from those ties and I have it in my office. He picked out a railroad spike with his hands from a tie. The coroner and interested Commerce Commission decided that the Federal wreck which occurred about a year before was due to a faulty cross-over and they united in recommending that he stop her trains before approaching a cross-over. He paid no attention to this recommendation. Manslaughter may be the killing of another while negligently doing an act lawful in itself, as for instance, falling to properly tend a switch on a railroad. In manslaughter where there is no malicious intent every one connected with it would be a principal."

State's Attorney Judson then quoted a number of cases in which officials of corporations have been held for crimes committed by corporations.

"The engineer in this Westport wreck had 30 demerit marks in two years for running by signals. He said New Haven road was impeding on old engineers. He said that young engineers were not able to run trains and that the road had compelled him to work 18 hours indefinitely. He said he was without sleep and he refused to rest at the end of his route. He was killed."

"Before Brother Bowers knew he was going to make a brief for the defense he made a brief for the state which I think is conclusive of the guilt of this accused. He got into the case by making briefs on both sides."

Attorney William B. Boardman in summing up said: "I challenge the state to prove the facts concerning overworked condition of this engineer which he has stated here. The facts are the ones which were given all necessary time as required by the federal law. It is astonishing if the state does not know since this case has been pending for more than a year, that there is no order in the railroad commissioners' office requiring this company to equip its cars with fire extinguishers. When it comes down to a decision as to whether with this case there is an entire lack of allegation. 'No act of the accused that caused the killing is cited. We claim that these should be definitely stated, step

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CITY COURT CASES

John Donnelly, saying that he has no home, was given 10 days on an intoxication charge. Frank Smith of East Main street was fined \$2 on an intoxication charge.

Frederick Boushion of 217 Harrah avenue was arraigned on a conspiracy charge in connection with the disappearance of meat from the Woodlawn house on Water street and a continuance until tomorrow was ordered.

Thirteen-year-old Julius Merkin of 632 East Main street was fined \$3 for injury to city property in throwing snowballs at street lights. Abraham Poink, 15 years old and living at 327 Ogden street, was fined \$10 on a breach of the peace charge in connection with throwing stones at house windows. Probation Officer C. W. Simpson was instructed to collect the fine by installments.

Louis Sido of 359 Pine street, arrested yesterday as being a demented person, is held pending decision as to his condition.

A lively hair pulling contest near the Graphophone plant in the West End last night was described when Rose Langweil of 205 Main street was fined \$15 for breach of the peace and assault upon Lizzie and Mary Kovac of 434 Hancock avenue. Papas Toth, of Hancock avenue, was fined \$2 and Edna Szabel of the same address was found not guilty. Rose Langweil admitted that she "smashed" Mary and said that she would "smash" any person who called her such names as Mary was alleged to have done. Rose said that she had formerly filed for her sister-in-law and owed \$12 for board bill.

FIRE IN GILBERT STREET
Rats, rag and matches caused a threatening blaze between floors at 46 Gilbert street shortly after 11 o'clock this morning. Damage is estimated as not exceeding \$10.