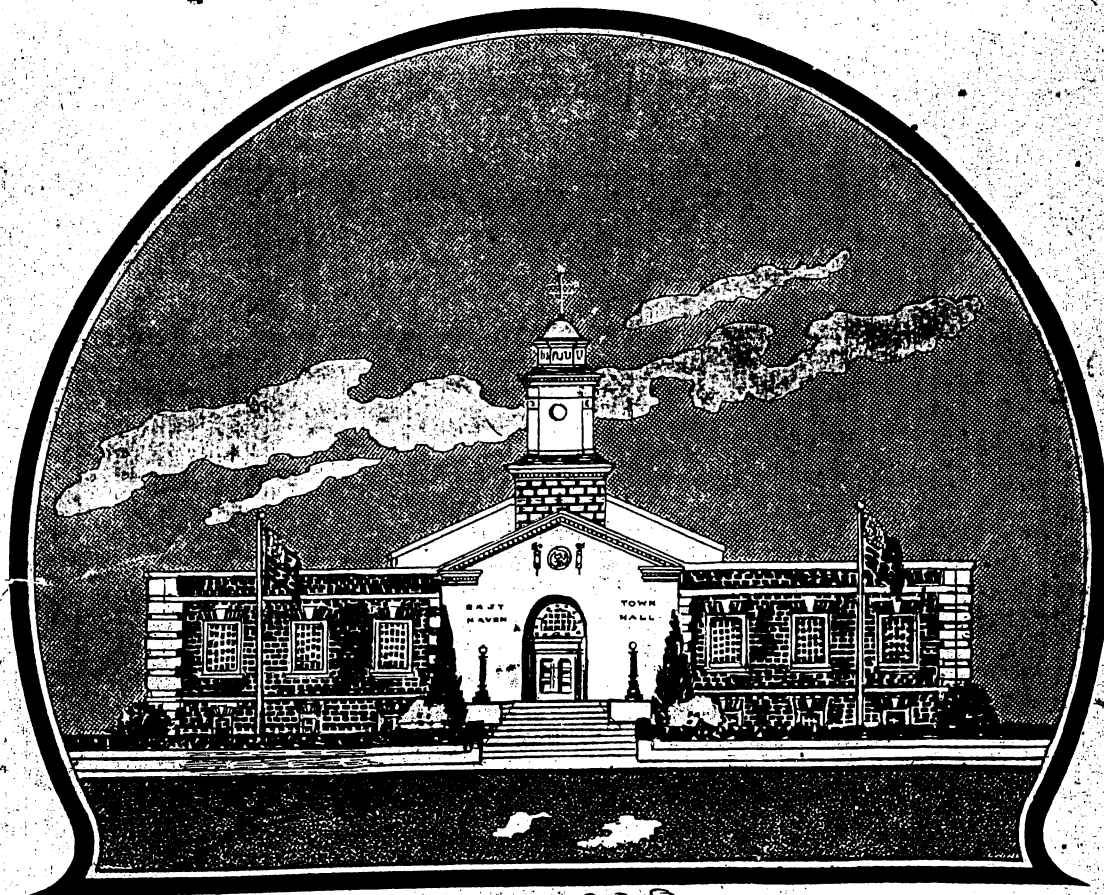


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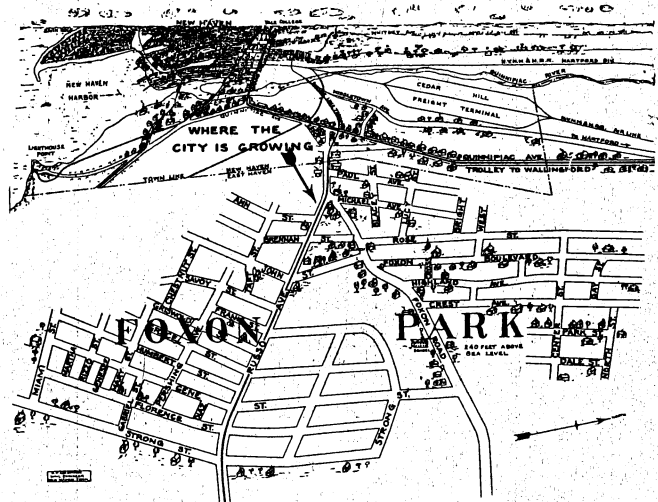
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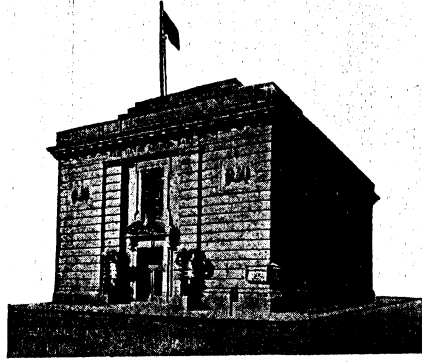
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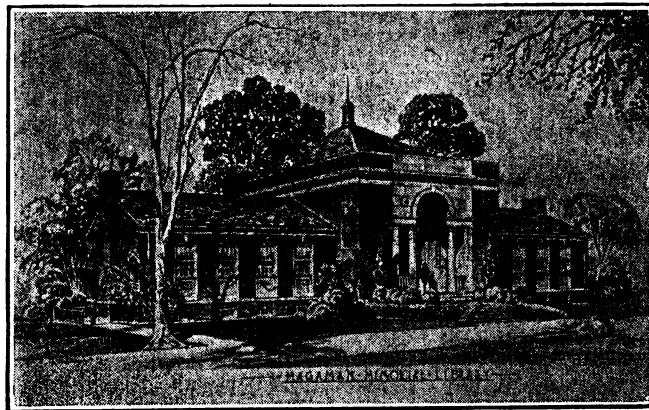


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East Haven's history is an interesting one—one that many other New England towns could feel justly proud of. East Haven's first settler was Thomas Gregson, who built his crude home in the center of a 133-acre tract on the banks of Solitary Cove on August 5, 1644. It was in 1785, one hundred and forty-one years after that East Haven came into being as a separate town. Prior to that time, East Haven was a part of the New Haven Colony as were Milford, Madison and Middletown. Gregson, it is interesting to note, was an important member of the Colony and held many important positions, including that of deputy-governor. He was considered the Colony's third wealthiest man and was appointed agent to the British Parliament to obtain a charter securing to the Colony the right to



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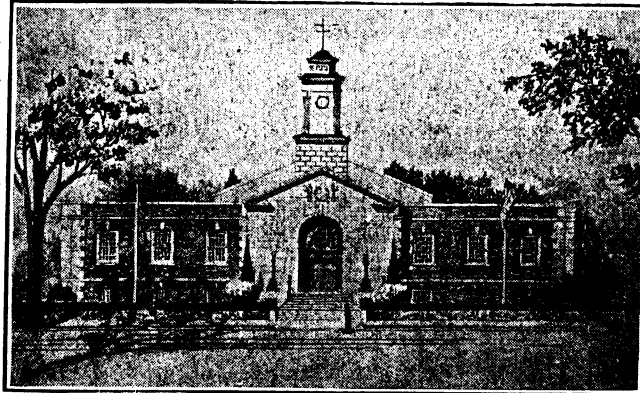
make its own laws and appoint its own magistrates and governors. He is also identified with the legend of the Phantom Ship, which is an integral part of the history of New Haven. Jasper Crane, one of the founders of the Iron Works, which was once the name given East Haven because of the primitive foundry that was established there; William Tuttle was one of East Haven's first real estate dealers, operating around 1640; Benjamin Linge recorded as the first settler at Stony River and friend of Colonel John Dixwell, one of the three regicides who condemned to death Charles I, then King of England, William Andrews, who built the first meeting house; John Cooper, one of the founders of the plantation; Matthias Hitchcock, also a signer of the plantation covenant; Matthew Rowe, once owner of most of the land on the East side of the Quinnipiac River; Thomas Barnes, George Pardee, operator of a ferry across the river; Stephen Thomas, one of the builders of the Old Stone Church; Samuel Hemingway, who has the distinction of being the first man to send a son to Yale College; Deacon John Chidsey, tanner and shoe maker; Isaac Bradley, Rev. John Woodward, Samuel Forbes, ship builder and mill wright; Deodate Davenport, great grandson of Rev. John Davenport; John Bishop, dealer and shipper of horses and mules. All of these are names on which present day East Haven is built.

East Haven today is a distinct community—a community of sound and prosperous business establishments, and citizens—the major part of whom are home owners. Attractive residences line the well-kept thoroughfares in the center of the town while the rolling hills of the Foxon section and the Saltonstall range furnish scenic beauty not often found elsewhere. New streets are being laid out and hundreds of new homes are being erected. East Haven may feel justly proud of its new Town Hall, the Hagaman Memorial Library and the new Capitol Theatre. These three new buildings mark a forward step greater than any other since the inception of the town. Its citizens and business interests feel that East Haven is just on the threshold of an industrial and business expansion unparalleled in its past history.

East Haven is on the main line of the New York, New Haven & Hartford's Shore Line (New York-Boston) route, and a spur track siding two miles long skirts Peat Meadow on the west of the town. The Connecticut Company maintains street car service to East Haven center and Momauguin, extending beyond to Short Beach and Branford on the east. The New Haven and Shore Line serves the Foxon section, extending on to Westbrook.

Lake Saltonstall on the easterly boundary of the town is the main water supply for the New Haven district. It was formerly a picnic resort of wide popularity and scenic beauty years ago and at one time was the scene of Yale-Harvard crew races.

The opening of the new Tomlinson Bridge and a paved road to New Haven will mean a large growth to the town. The area of the town is 8,069 acres and the population about 9,000 with an estimated population if its present growth keeps up for the next five years of 15,000. The first census taken in 1790, five years after its in-



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corporation showed a population of 1,024. Census figures for the next 130 years offer an interesting study in contrasts. They follow: 1800, 1004; 1810, 1,209; 1820, 1,237; 1830, 1,229; 1840, 1,382; 1850, 1,670; 1860, 2,292; 1870, 2,714; 1880, 3,047; 1890, 955; 1900, 1,167; 1910, 1,795; 1920, 3,520. It is generally conceded that the great drop in the population noted after the taking of the 1890 census was due to the annexing of the western part of the town by New Haven in 1881. The town's grand list is \$13,703,192.00 and the tax rate for 1928 is 15 mills.

The historic central green is a place of unusual interest and was the scene of Lafayette's Encampment in the Revolutionary War. The Old Stone Church, the oldest stone church in America, was sacked by the British soldiers during the Revolution. Many dwellings and other places of historical interest, dating from the early colonial period are to be seen along Main Street, including the house where Lafayette was entertained in 1824, the old witch house, the old mill, now used as an antique shop, the Old Stone Church, which was built in 1774.

The East Haven Civic Service Association

The live organization of the town and some of the good work that it is doing to make East Haven a better place for all.

The East Haven Civic Service Association was organized in 1914. One of the things they decided on especially was to help old soldiers' and boys' organizations. The first president was Miss Lottie Street. The first social event was a supper for the boys of The East Haven Light Infantry to celebrate their 7th anniversary.

In September, 1914, a house to house mail service was taken up with Congressman Reilly. From the time the Civic Association was organized, prizes were given to the school children for efficiency essays. First discussion of a site and a Community Building was brought up September, 1914.

March 16, 1916, it was voted to send notice to newspapers that the Civic Association was still working for a Community Building. April, 1916, a clean up week was started with full co-operation. In 1918 free and better mail service of Miss Lanfare, principal of schools. September 16, 1920, Subject District Nurse discussed.

October 21, 1920, Mrs. Florence Andrews, president, interviewed Thompson heirs to see if site for Community Building could be purchased on corner Main Street and Thompson Avenue. November 18, 1920, President Mrs. Andrews reports that Thompson property could be bought for \$2,075. Lot 74 ft. x 146 ft. on Main Street. A new street was to be cut opposite Winchester Place and continuing to Edward Street. Also a lot between the Miller Place and Tyler Place, 89 ft. x 146 ft. for \$2,400.

Both these figures being \$500 less than to any other buyer. It being understood these figures were only to the Civic Association. Special meeting called December 2nd for considering some action as to the advisability to buying this property. Voted each member canvass her own neighborhood to see how many would join if a Visiting Nurse Association was organized.

Meeting called in Town Hall May 26 to favor a District Nursing Association. The Civic Association donated \$500 to finance this movement in 1921. A communication from Mrs. Houston was read April 17, 1924, favoring a gift of \$2,000 to the Harry Bartlett Post No. 89, American Legion, toward a permanent memorial. On May 15, 1924, it was voted to give \$2,000 to Henry Bartlett Post No. 89, American Legion of East Haven, this money to be given them if they wish it as soon as ground was broken for the building to be erected as a permanent memorial.

November 18, 1926, subject of garbage collection was brought up. September 15, 1927, voted to have large tulip bed to help beautify the Green. January 20, 1927, petition drawn up through the courtesy of Mr. Frank Hartman for Mrs. R. Gerrish for the purpose of calling a special Town Meeting for a new Town Hall. Out of courtesy to Mr. Weaver as president of the Chamber of Commerce he was asked to head the petition.

Garbage collection was secured for town through the efforts of the Civic Association in October, 1927.

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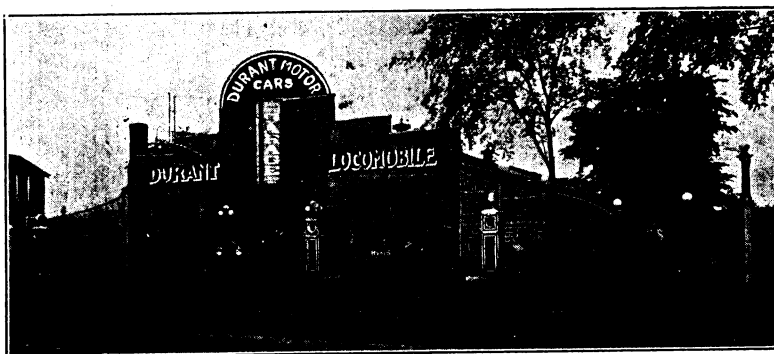
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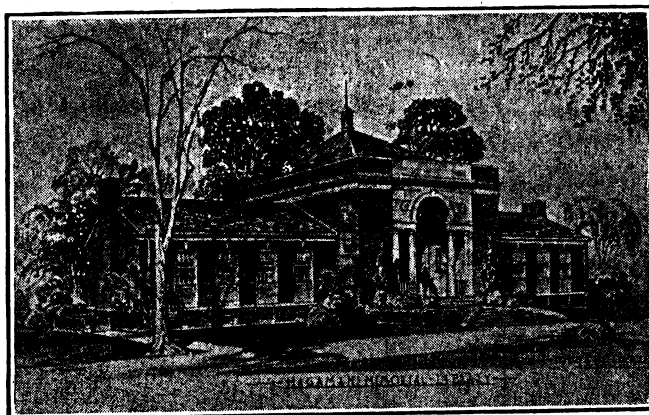
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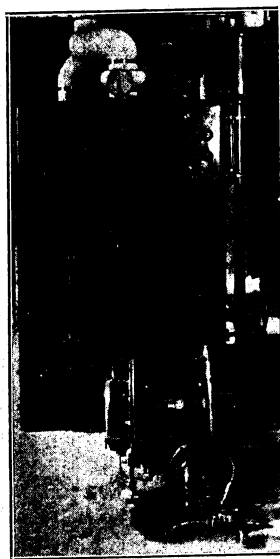
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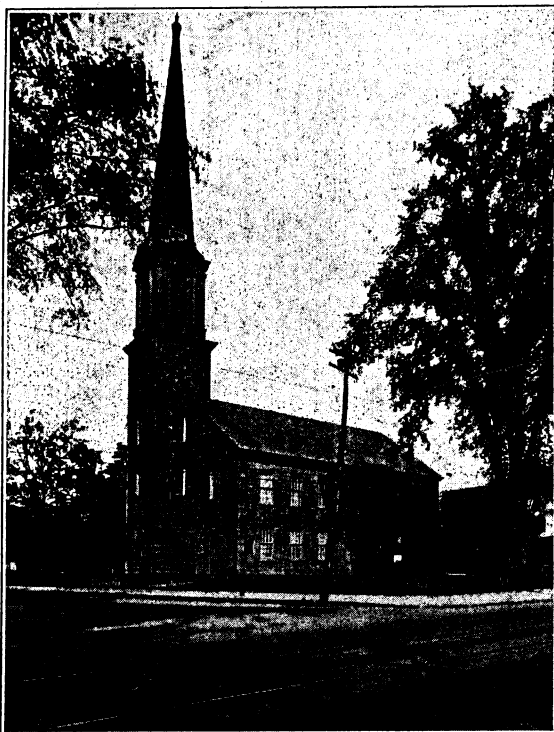
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HISTORICAL SKETCH (OLD STONE CHURCH)

The First Congregational Church of East Haven was officially organized on October 8, 1711. An attempt to become independent of the mother church in New Haven (Center Church) was made in 1680, when the General Assembly of the Colony granted to the people on the east side of the Quinnipiac River the necessary authority to organize an Ecclesiastical Society. The Reverend James Alling labored in the parish from 1681 until 1683, and was succeeded by the Reverend John Harriman, who continued in the work from 1683 until 1685. Finding it too difficult to maintain their own ecclesiastical autonomy, the villagers reverted to their original fellowship in the New Haven Church. When, on October 8, 1711, the Church was organized, the Reverend Jacob Hemingway, who had been the first student in Yale College, or the Collegiate School of Connecticut, as it was then known, was its pastor, his ordination taking place on the same day. Mr. Hemingway, however, began to preach in East Haven, in November, 1704, seven years before the formal organization of the Church.

The first meeting house was built in 1706. It was a small, wooden structure, "20 feet long, 16 feet wide, and 17 feet between joints."

Within a few years a larger edifice had to be erected. In 1719 the second meeting house was built. It was "30 feet by 40 feet, 20 feet high," and was located on the hill, or "Nole," on the northwest corner of the Green.

Mr. Hemingway continued in the East Haven pastorate until his death on October 7, 1754.

The Reverend Nicholas Street was ordained pastor on October 8, 1755, and for the next half century he served the people in the parish, laboring faithfully until 1806. Mr. Street and his parishioners took an active part in defending East Haven against the British invaders in July, 1779.

The Reverend Saul Clark succeeded Mr. Street in the pastorate. He was ordained on January 13, 1808, after having supplied the pulpit for over half a year. He was dismissed at his own request on May 19, 1817. He died in Meriden, Connecticut, on December 12, 1849, and was buried in the Old Cemetery in East Haven. His ministry was characterized by strenuous evangelistic activity.

The Reverend Stephen Dodd, who had been ordained in the Presbyterian Church in Carmel, New Jersey, on September 28, 1803, was installed pastor of the Old Stone Church on December 11, 1817. He was the first minister in this parish to advocate temperance. In 1824 he published the *East Haven Register*,—a brief history of the town and its families. After a calm and peaceful pastorate of twenty-nine years, he was released from his duties on April 20, 1847. He continued to reside in East Haven until his death on February 5, 1856.

Mr. Dodd was succeeded by the Reverend Daniel William Havens, who was ordained and installed on June 16, 1847. In 1850 the Old Stone Church was remodeled, both internally and externally, and in 1874 the Chapel to the east of the church edifice was built. Mr. Havens resigned on July 2, 1877, and accepted a call from the Presbyterian Church in Holton, Kansas, where he remained for ten years. Thereafter he lived in retirement in Meriden, Connecticut. His death occurred on August 31, 1889.

The Reverend Joseph Alexander Tomlinson served the Church as supply pastor from November 1, 1877, to December 31, 1879. He had been ordained in the Lutheran Church in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, on September 10, 1872. After leaving East Haven he preached in the Congregational Church in Westbrook, Connecticut, from 1880 until 1883. He died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1910.

The Reverend Daniel James Clark became pastor of the Old Stone Church in 1880, his ordination taking place on July 7. For forty years he labored in the parish, retiring at his own request on July 7, 1920.

The Reverend Harry Kelso Eversull, entered upon his duties in the pastorate on October 1, 1920, and was ordained on April 7, 1922. In the spring of 1923 the work of erecting the parish house began; the corner stone was laid on September 2; and the building was formally opened to the public on the evening of April 2, 1924.

On April 11, 1924, members of the Old Stone Church voted to incorporate, to adopt new rules and to elect trustees and on April 30, the ecclesiastical society voted to surrender all of its property and estate and trust funds to the church corporation and to dissolve the society. The church was reorganized and many new members were received into fellowship of the church.

The Reverend Harry Kelso Eversull resigned on November 6, 1924. His successor Reverend Ralph E. Harris was called to the parsonage on March 27, 1925. He served the church as pastor until January 1st, 1928. In March, 1928, at a regular church meeting, the Reverend Emerson L. Curry was called to succeed the Reverend Harris. He began his services on April 8th, 1928. The present membership of the Old Stone Church is 435.



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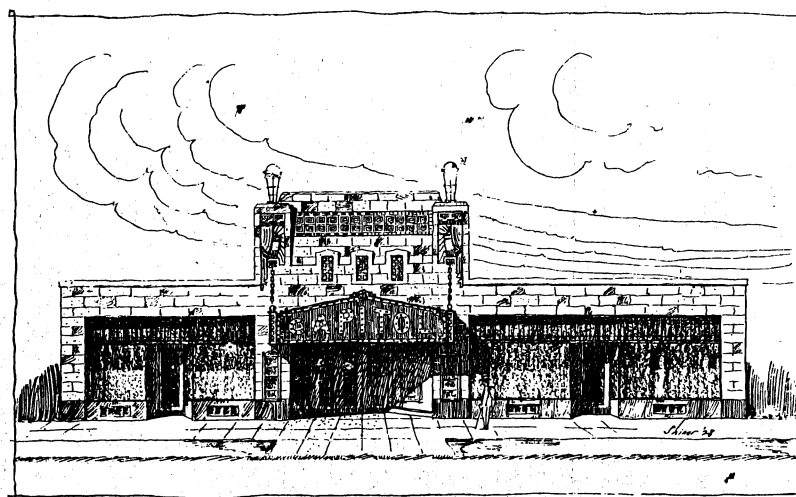
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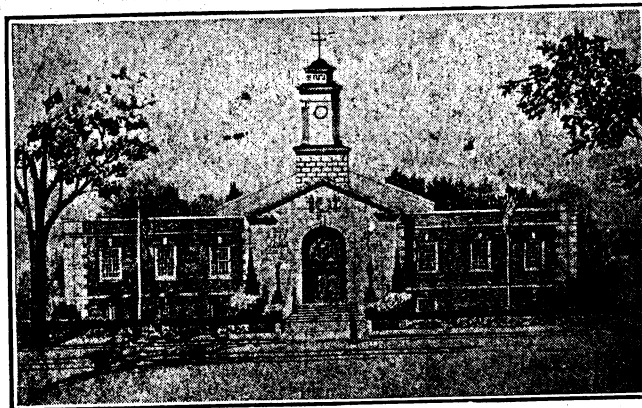
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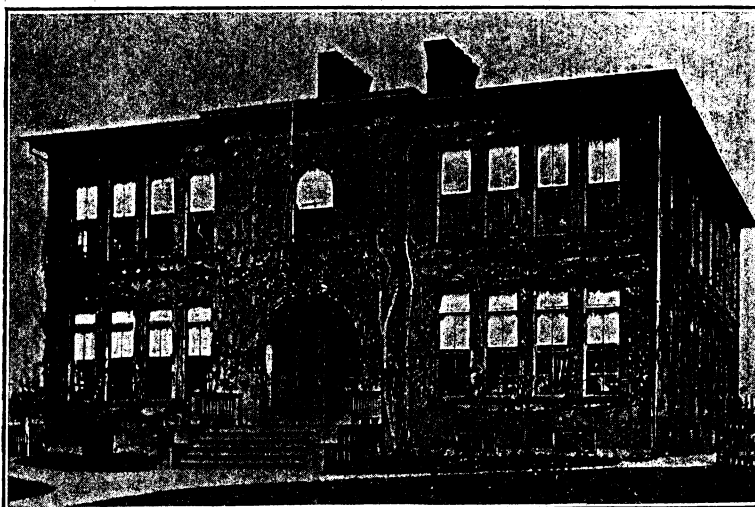
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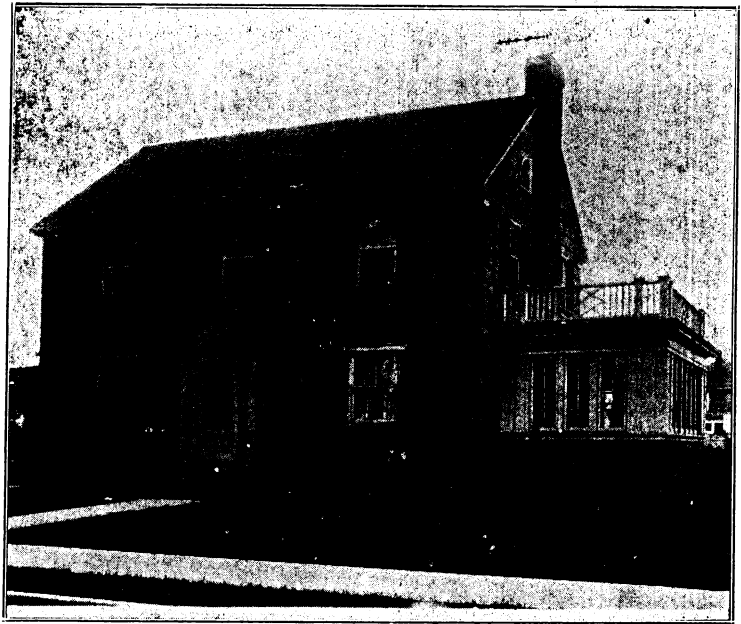
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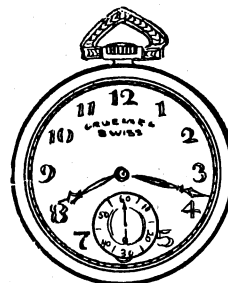
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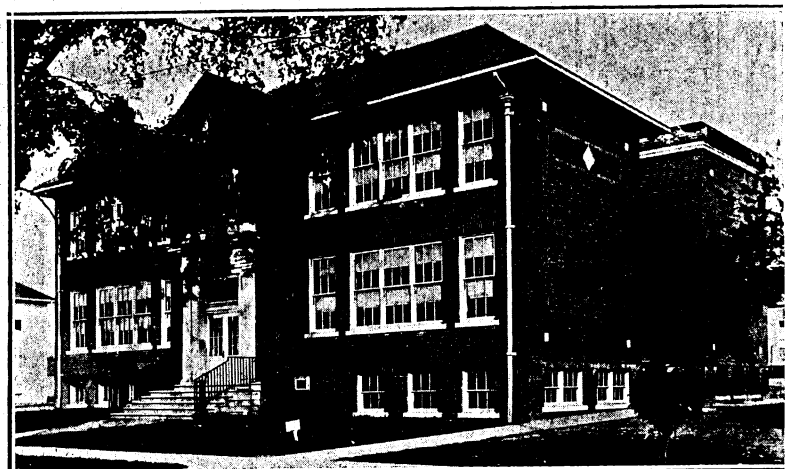
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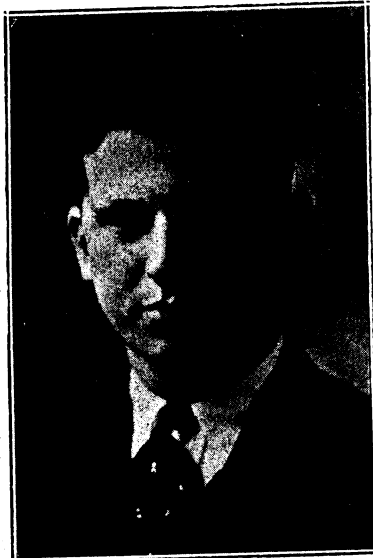
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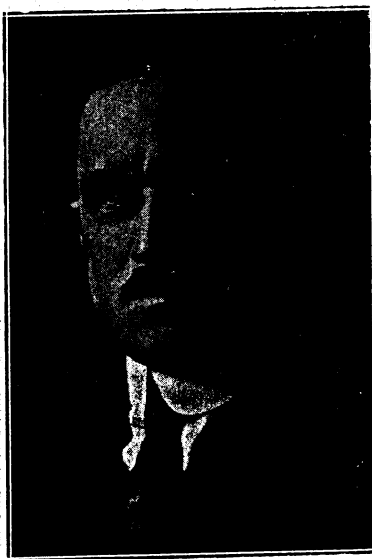
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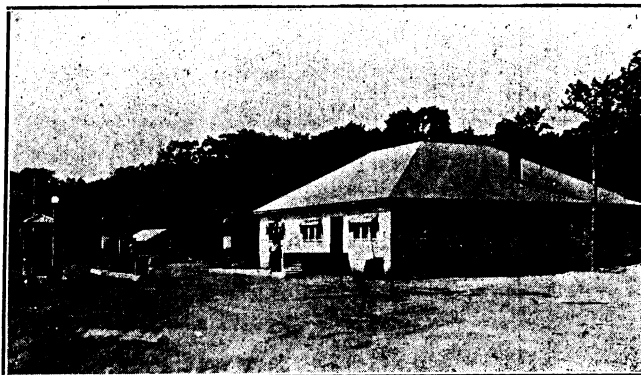
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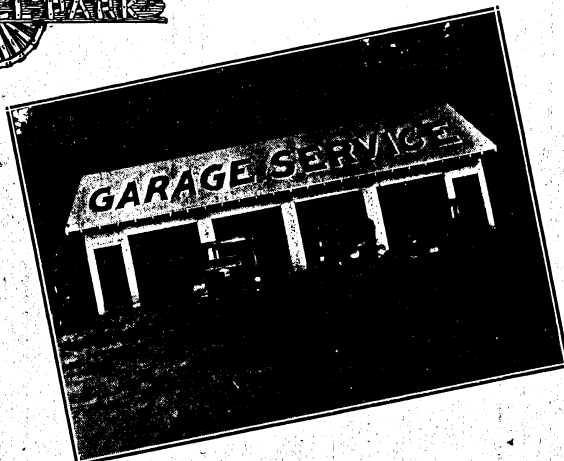
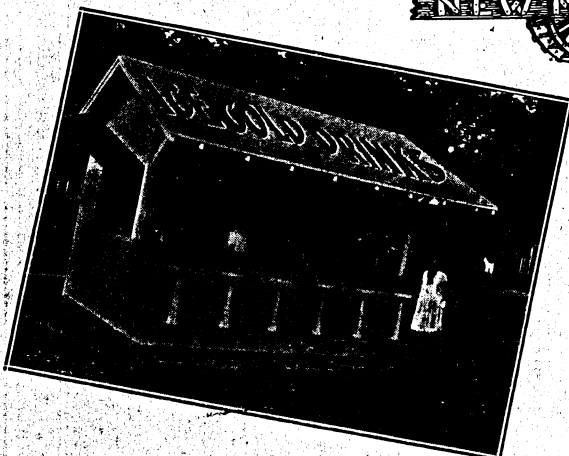
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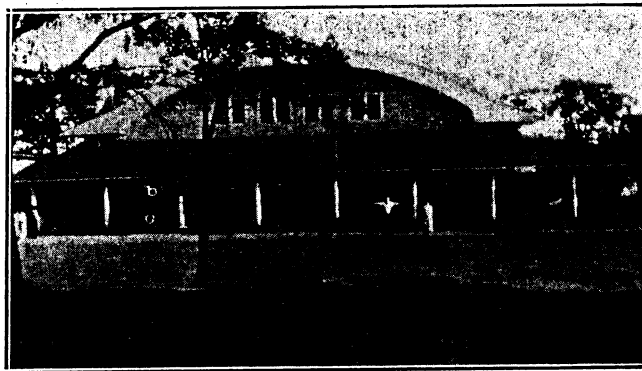
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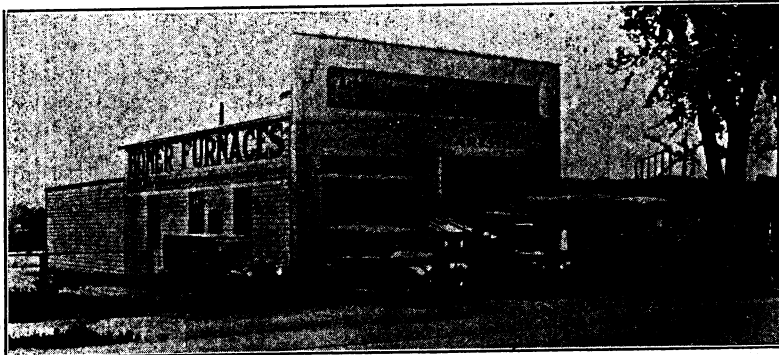
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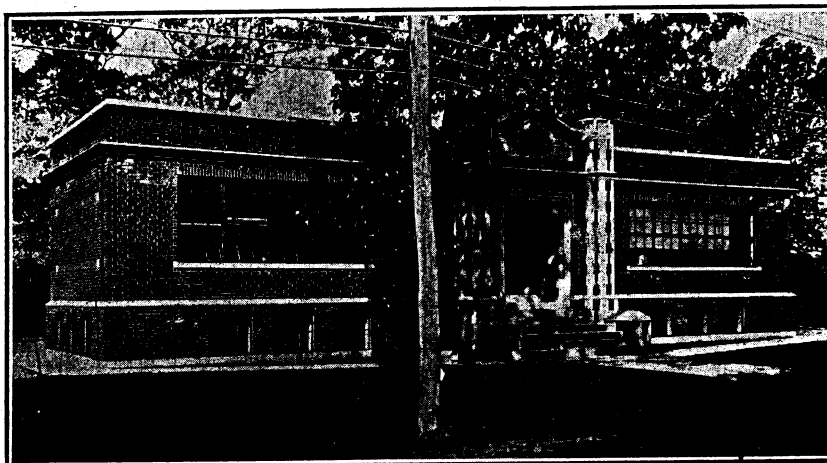
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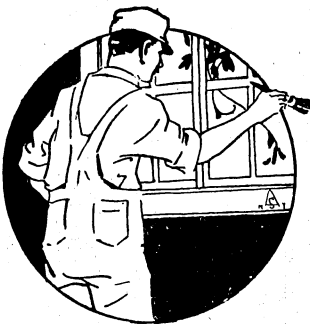
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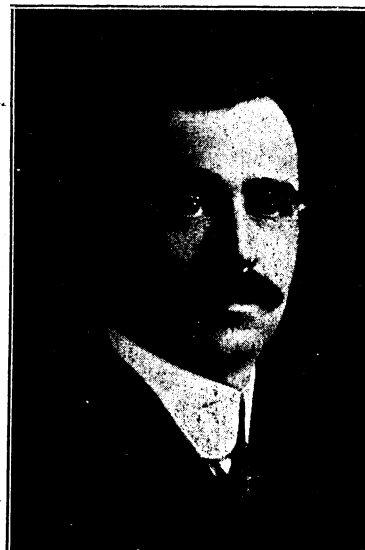
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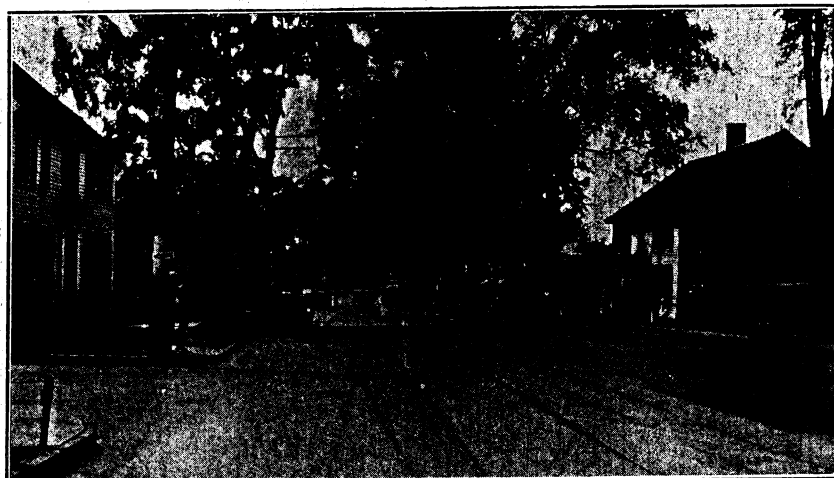
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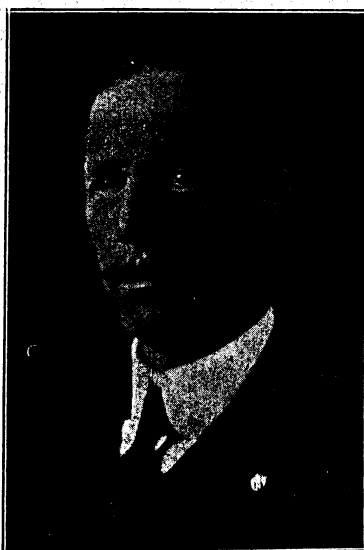
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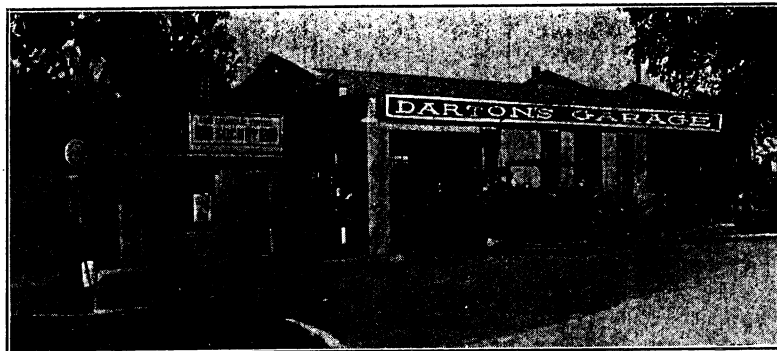
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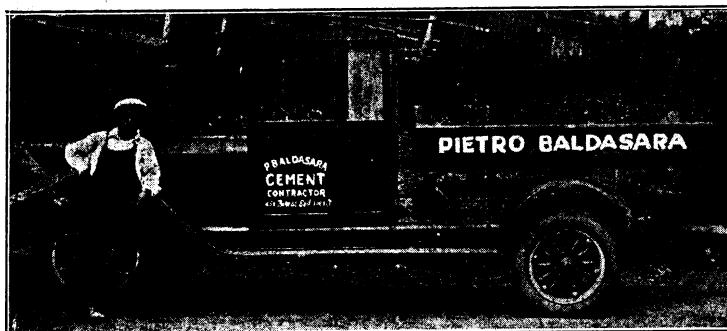
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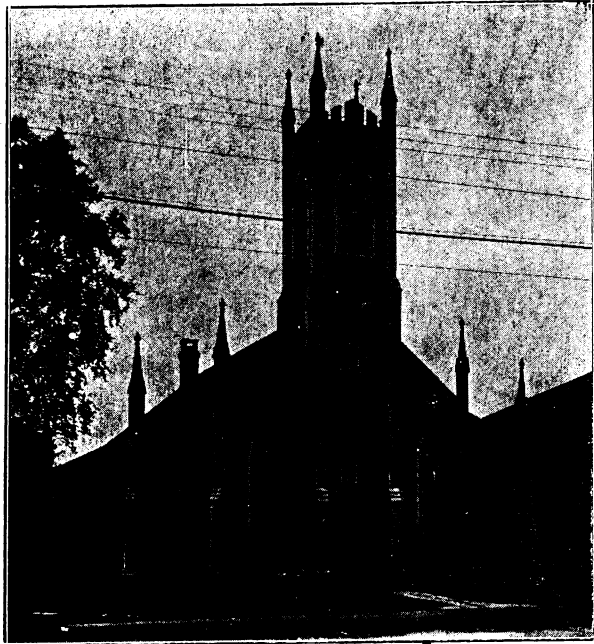


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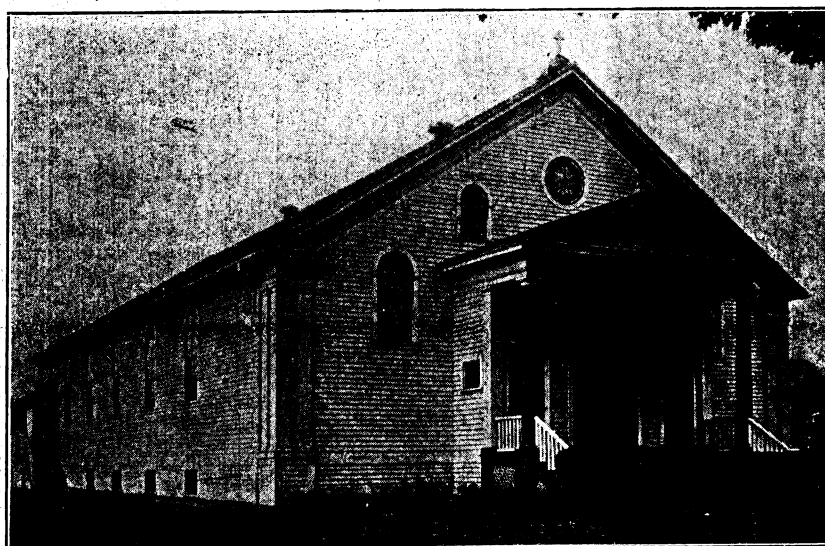
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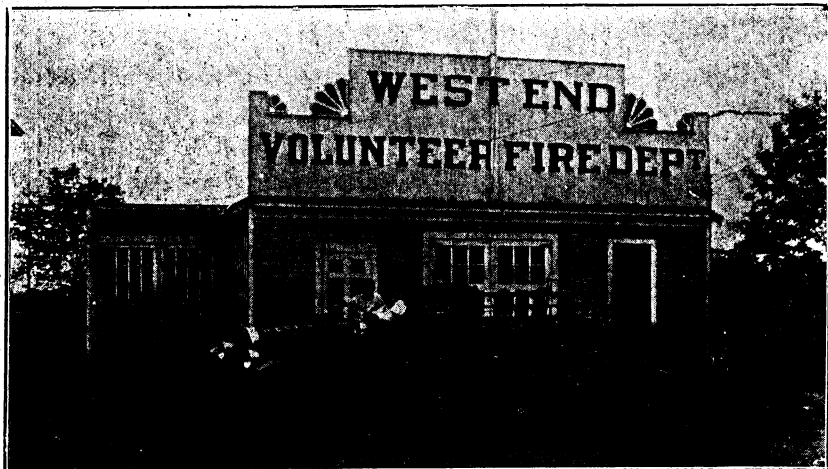
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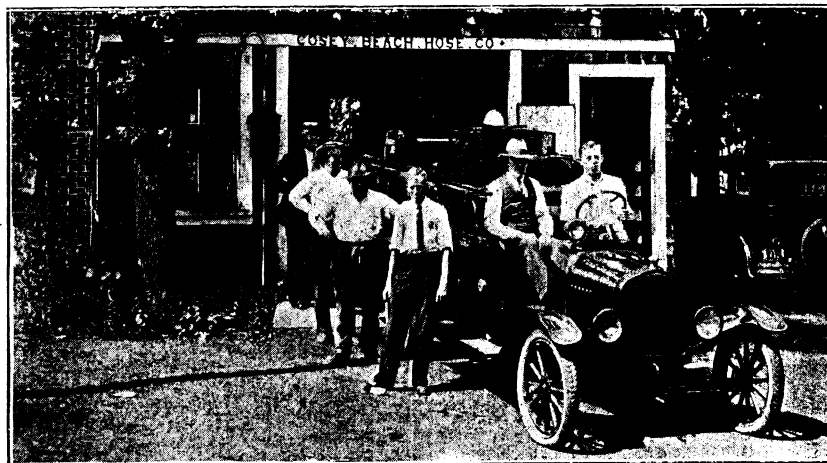
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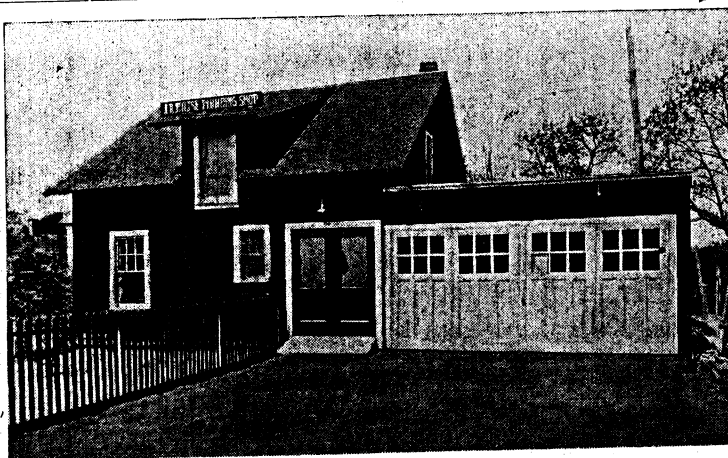
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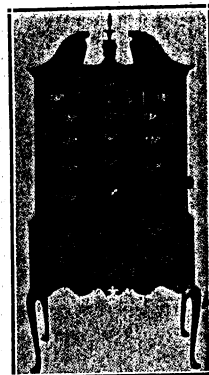
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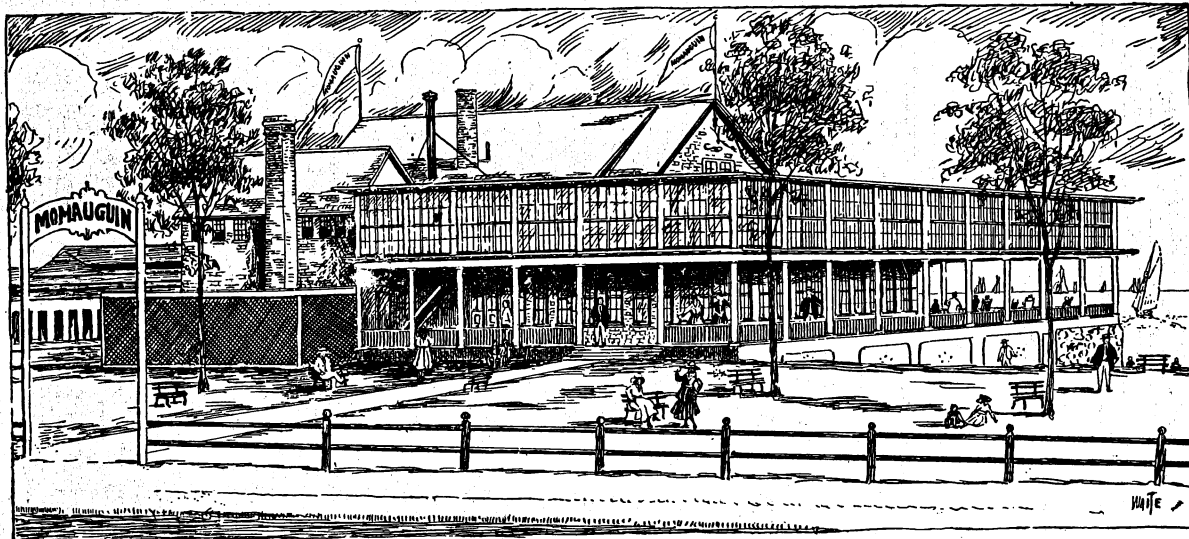
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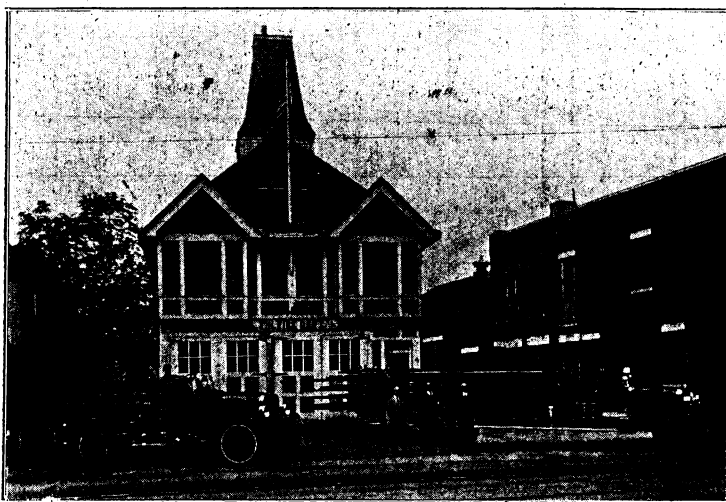
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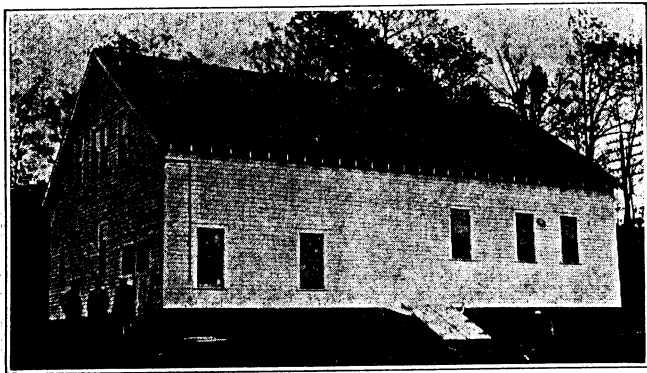
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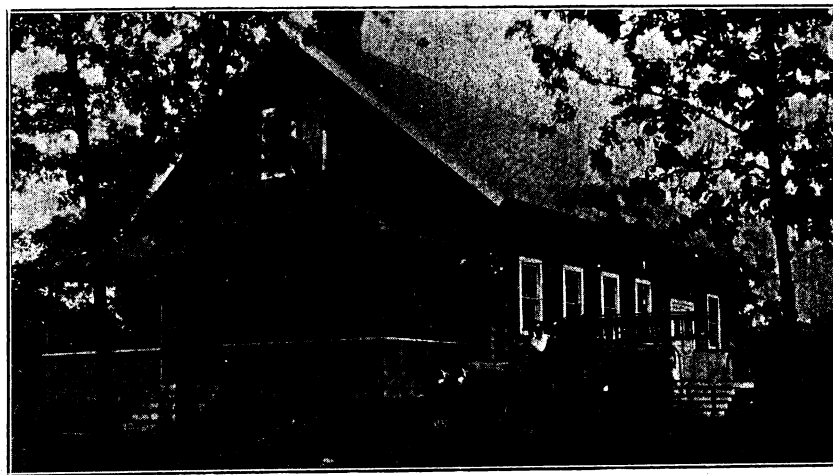
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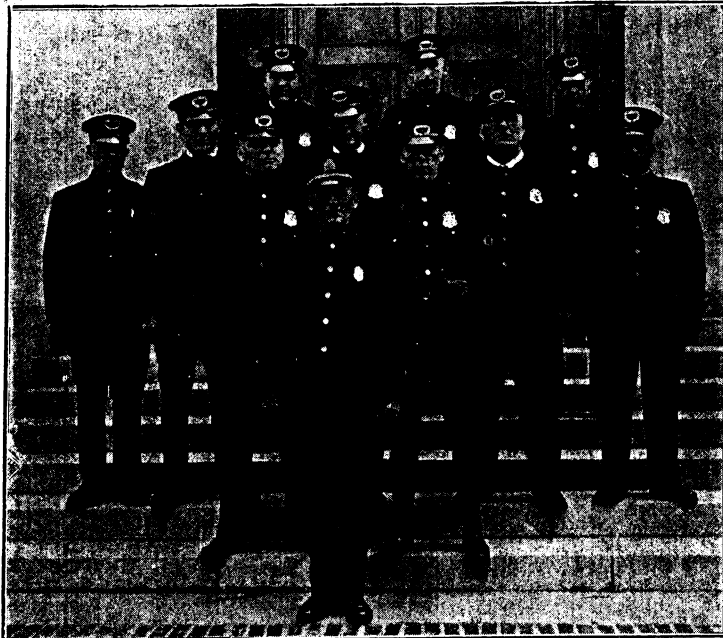
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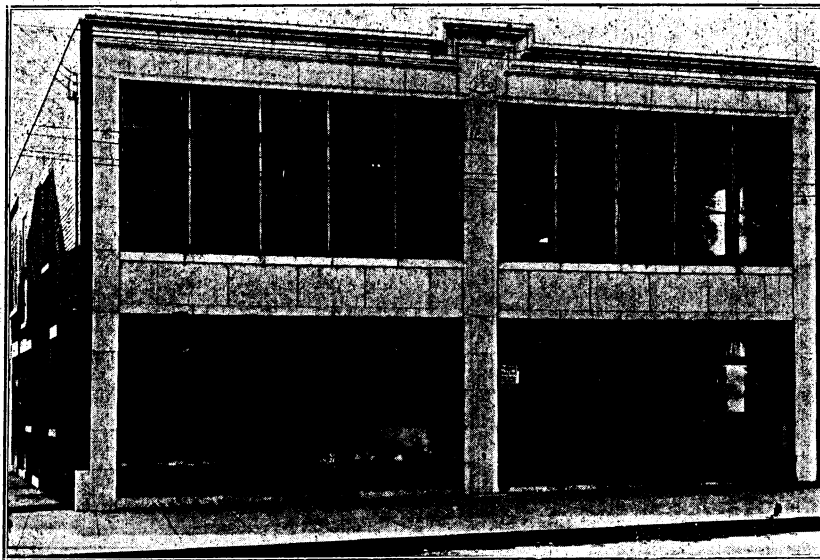
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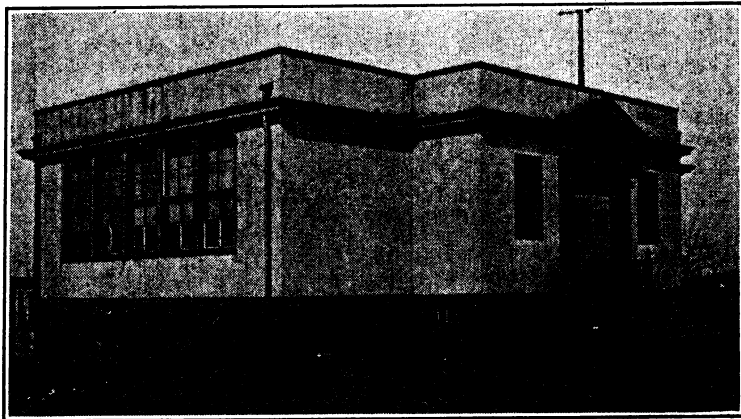
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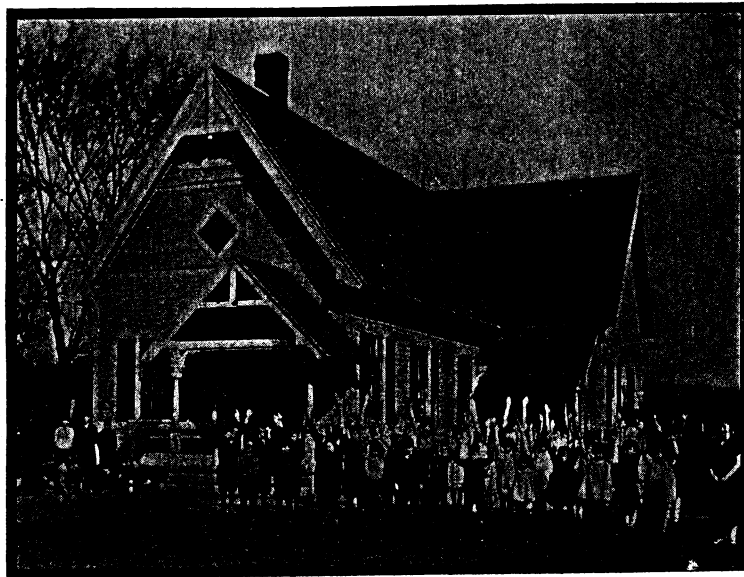
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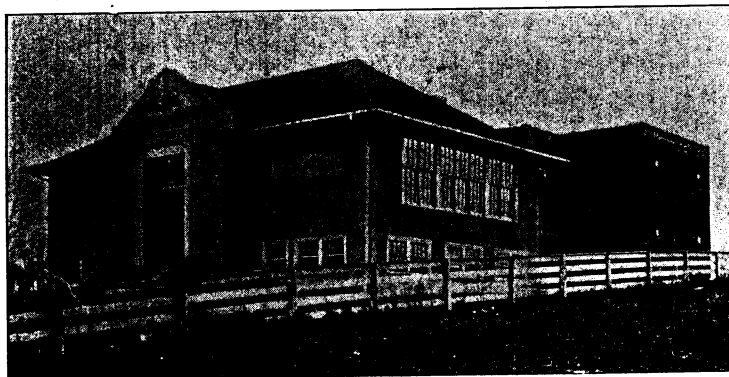
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