

# CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

GEORGE J. PROAKIS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

### DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE STAFF REPORT

Site: 115 Beacon Street HPC 2019.006

Applicant Name: 115 Beacon, LLC Date of Application: January 22, 2019

Recommendation: Not Significant February 19, 2019

#### I. Historical Association

Historical Context: 115 Beacon Street was constructed prior to 1868 per deed of Michael Dwyre to Stephen Lynch.

The Stack family bought the house in 1881 and continued to own it until 1941. John Stack was a laborer, His children held a variety of jobs. His son John J. Stack participated in temperance societies through his church and the GAR as noted in newspaper articles of 1925 and 1926. However, ten years later he and a friend were arrested for attempting to set the house on fire "with the intent to defraud the insurer, and with drunkenness".

The Minuno family acquired the house in 1962. They undertook three renovations in 1988-1989 which resulted in the current configuration of the house. Their daughter Mary Ann Heuston was alderman for Ward 2 from 2002-2017



Architectural Description: 115 Beacon Street was originally 1 ½ story high basement gable front Italianate style house similar in form to its neighbor at 117 Beacon Street. The roof line has been altered to a shed/shallow pitched roof on one side. All the windows have been altered in size, shape, material and possibly location. The front door is a modern replacement. The brick high



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basement has been painted. High basements were common mid-19<sup>th</sup> century solutions to high water tables. The Italianate bracketed door hood is the only other remaining architectural feature of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. A small shed addition on the right rear provides additional indoor space and a base for a large rear deck.

Summary: 115 Beacon Street was originally a typical workers cottage of probably constructed between 1860 and 1868. Its form, shape and style have been altered to the extent that it only retains its scale.

### **Findings on Historical Association**

For a Determination of Significance, the subject building must be found either (a) importantly associated with people, events or history or (b) historically or architecturally significant (Ordinance 2003-05, Section 2.17.B). Findings for (b) are at the end of the next section.

(a) In accordance with the historic information obtained from *Findings on Historical Association*, which utilizes historic maps/atlases, City reports and directories, and building permit research, and through an examination of resources that document the history of the City, such as *Somerville Past and Present*, Staff **do NOT** find 115 Beacon Street to be <u>importantly associated</u> with one or more historic persons or events, or with the broad architectural, cultural, political, economic or social history of the City or the Commonwealth.

### II. Historical and Architectural Significance

The findings for historical and/or architectural significance of a historic property address the period, style, method of building construction and association with a reputed architect or builder of the subject property, either by itself of in the context of a group of buildings of structures (Ordinance 2003-05, Section 2.17.B).

The period of significance for 115 Beacon Street begins as a workers cottage of circa 1865. Its significance as the home of Alderman Heuston is of recent vintage. Prior inhabitants were not importantly associated with any of the other criteria.

#### **Integrity**

The National Park Service identifies historic integrity as the ability of a property to convey significance. A property should possess sufficient integrity to convey, represent or contain the values and qualities for which it is judged significant; therefore, the following is an identification and evaluation of these qualities and alterations as they affect the ability of the subject property to convey significance.

- a. <u>Location</u>: The building has not been moved. It is set on Beacon Street, which is a major local artery and is one of the oldest streets in the City. A wide range of building types mostly ranging from Italianate to 3-decker and a few late 20<sup>th</sup> century apartment buildings line the street.
- b. <u>Design:</u> The building is a simple gable roofed design with one eave considerably higher than the other
- c. <u>Materials:</u> The building has a brick foundation, vinyl siding and windows, and an asphalt roof.
- d. <u>Alterations:</u> The roof on the right side has been raised. The windows have been replaced with 1960s bow front and other vinyl windows. The brick foundation has been painted.

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The roof is asphalt shingle. The chimney has been removed. The front door has been replaced.

Evaluation of Integrity: While the building has not been moved, it has been altered unsympathetically, especially the roof and fenestration. It does, however, retain its scale in its relationship to the rest of the neighborhood. It no longer speaks to its 19<sup>th</sup> century architectural heritage as a circa 1865 workers cottage.

### Findings for Historical and Architectural Significance

For a Determination of Significance, the subject building must be found either (a) importantly associated with people, events or history or (b) historically or architecturally significant (Ordinance 2003-05, Section 2.17.B). Findings for (a) can be found at the end of the previous section.

(b) In accordance with the *Finding on Historical and Architectural Significance*, which addresses period, style, method of building construction, and association with a reputed architect or builder, either by itself or in the context of a group of buildings or structures, as well as integrity, which assess the ability of the property to convey significance, Staff do not find 115 Beacon Street architecturally significant.

The subject building is <u>not found architecturally</u> significant due to numerous alterations to the structure resulting in a lack of architectural integrity. While it is similar in scale to one adjacent building, the varied streetscape would not be noticeably altered by its removal.

#### III. Recommendation

Recommendations are based upon an analysis by Historic Preservation Staff of the permit application and the required findings for the Demolition Review Ordinance, which requires archival and historical research, and an assessment of historical and architectural significance, conducted prior to the public meeting for a Determination of Significance. This report may be revised or updated with a new recommendation and/or findings based upon additional information provided to Staff or through further research.

For a Determination of Significance, the structure must be either (A) listed on the National Register or (B) at least 50 years old.

(A) The structure is NOT listed on or within an area listed on the National Register of Historic Places, nor is the structure the subject of a pending application for listing on the National Register.

### OR

(B) The structure, circa 1865, is at least 50 years old.

#### **AND**

For a Determination of Significance under (B), the subject building must be found either (a) importantly associated with people, events or history or (b) historically or architecturally significant.

(a) In accordance with the *Findings on Historical Association*, which utilizes historic maps/atlases, City reports and directories, and building permit research, and through an examination of resources that document the history of the City, **Staff recommend that the Historic Preservation Commission find 115 Beacon Street** importantly associated with one or more historic persons or events, or with the broad

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### architectural, cultural, political, economic or social history of the City or the Commonwealth.

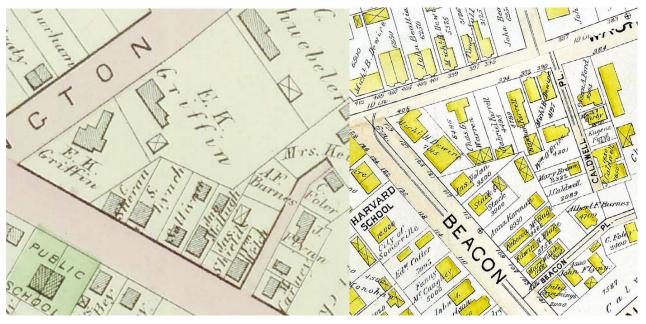
The subject building is NOT found <u>importantly associated</u> with the broad cultural, political, economic and social history of the City. While Alderman Heuston has been a strong advocate for her Ward, there has been insufficient time passed to assess whether her legacy is of lasting significance for the City.

### OR

(b) In accordance with the *Findings on Historical and Architectural Significance*, which addresses period, style, method of building construction, and association with a reputed architect or builder, either by itself or in the context of a group of buildings or structures, as well as integrity, the ability to convey significance, **Staff recommend that the Historic Preservation Commission do NOT find 115 Beacon Street historically and architecturally significant.** 

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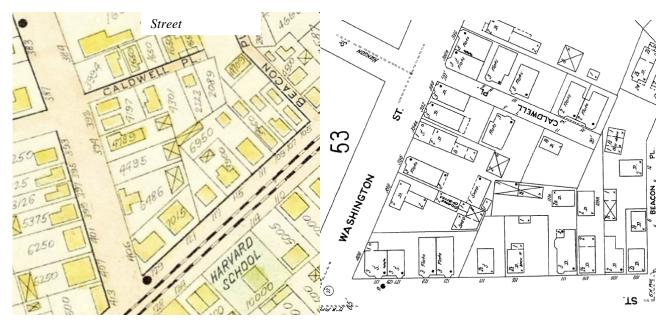
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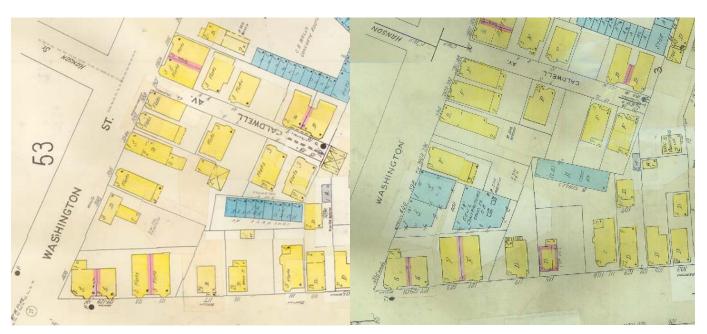
1874 Hopkins Plate 24-25

1895 Bromley

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1900 Stadly 1900 Sanborn Plate 54



1925 Sanborn Plate 54

1958 Sanborn Plate 16

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+	115 Beacon Street	О	Michael Dwyre				1860 Deed 836/448	Levi E. Flint Michael Dwyre - Deed notes
	115 Beacon Street	О	Stephen Lynch				1868 Deed 1043/268	thereon.
138/160	Beacon nr. Washington		Rebecca Lynch (daughter)	Mo		Massachusetts	1870 US Census	
138/160	Beacon nr. Washington		Stephen Lynch (head)	35	Journeyman baker	New Brunswick	1870 US Census	
138/160	Beacon nr. Washington		Ellen Lynch (wife)	32		Ireland	1870 US Census	_
138/160 138/160	Beacon nr. Washington Beacon nr. Washington		Mary Lynch (daughter) Robert Lynch (son)	13		Massachusetts Massachusetts	1870 US Census 1870 US Census	
138/160	Beacon nr. Washington		Stephen Lynch (son)	2		Massachusetts	1870 US Census	
	115 Beacon Street	О	Cambridge Savings Bank	_			1872 Deed 1197/130	Stephen Lynch
		О	S.Lynch				1874 Hopkins Atlas	
138/160	Beacon nr. Washington		Daniel Lynch (son)	1		Massachusetts	1880 US Census	
85/105	Beacon		Ellen Lynch (wife)	45	D 1	Ireland	1880 US Census	_
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85/105	Beacon		Rebecca J. Lynch (daughter)	9		Massachusetts	1880 US Census	+
85/105	Beacon		Dora Lynch (daughter)	8		Massachusetts	1880 US Census	
85/105	Beacon		Isabella Lynch (daughter)	1		Massachusetts	1880 US Census	
	115 Beacon Street	О	John Stack & Annie C. Stack		***		1881 Deed 1564/335	Cambridge Savings Bank
+	115 Beacon Street 115 Beacon Street		John McKee  Patrick Pafforty		Variety Store		1883 City Directory 1883 City Directory	
+	115 Beacon Street 115 Beacon Street	-	Patrick Rafferty Hannah Curtin		Junk Dealer Widow of Daniel		1884 City Directory	+
<del>                                     </del>	- 15 Deacon Street	О	J. Stack				1884 Hopkins Atlas	+
	115 Beacon Street		Hannah Curtin	L	Widow of David Curtin		1885 City Directory	<u> </u>
					Moulder, American Tube			
	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Works		1885 City Directory	
	115 Beacon Street		Patrick Rafferty		Junk Dealer		1885 City Directory	_
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	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Molder, American Tube Wor	ks	1892 City Directory	
		О	Stack & Stack				1895 Bromley Atlas	
	115 Beacon Street		Fred T. Willoughby		Painter		1895 City Directory	
	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Moulder, American Tube Wo	orks	1896 City Directory	_
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-	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Laborer		1897 City Directory	+
+	115 Beacon Street		Cady A. Sprague		Laborer		1899 City Directory	+
	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Laborer		1899 City Directory	
		0	Stack & Stack				1900 Stadly Atlas Plate 16	
52/82	115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack (wife)		Housekeeping	Ireland	1850 1900 US Census	
52/82 52/82	115 Beacon Street 115 Beacon Street	О	John Stack (head) Mary A. Stack (daughter)	20	Laborer Saleslady, Dry Goods	Ireland Massachusetts	1872 1900 US Census 1900 US Census	
52/82	115 Beacon Street		James Stack (son)		Painter Coods	Massachusetts	1900 US Census	+
52/82	115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack (son)		Messenger Boy	Massachusetts	1900 US Census	
	115 Beacon Street		James F. Stack		Box Maker		1901 City Directory	
	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Laborer		1901 City Directory	
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	115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Laborer		1910 City Directory	
246/441	113 Beacon Street		John Stack (head)	52	Odd jobs	Ireland	1872 1910 US Census	
246/441	113 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack (wife)	52	C-11-4 1	Ireland	1850 1910 US Census	-
246/441 246/441	113 Beacon Street 113 Beacon Street	-	Mary A. Stack (daughter)  James Stack (son)	29	Saleslady, novelty Teamster, truck	Massachusetts Massachusetts	1910 US Census 1910 US Census	
246/441	113 Beacon Street	-	John J. Stack (son)		Packer, wool	Massachusetts  Massachusetts	1910 US Census	+
247/442	115 Beacon Street	R	Martin Mahoney (head)		Laborer	Ireland English	1880 1910 US Census	+
247/442	115 Beacon Street	1	Mary Mahoney (wife)	34		Ireland English	1880 1910 US Census	1
247/442	115 Beacon Street		Michael Mahoney (son)	17		Massachusetts	1910 US Census	
247/442	115 Beacon Street		Lillian Mahoney	12		Massachusetts	1910 US Census	
247/442	115 Beacon Street	-	Francis Mahoney (son)	11		Massachusetts	1910 US Census	-
247/442 247/442	115 Beacon Street 115 Beacon Street	+	Joseph Mahoney (son) William Mahoney (son)	6		Massachusetts Massachusetts	1910 US Census 1910 US Census	+
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		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Laborer			1914 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Laborer			1914 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1915 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1916 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Laborer			1916 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Elmer		Laborer			1917 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John			1918 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Laborer			1918 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1919 CityDirectory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Laborer			1919 CityDirectory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1920 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John Stack		Laborer			1920 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Mary A. Stack		Buyer			1920 City Directory	
	68/152	115 Beacon Street		Mary Stack (daughter)	68		Massachusetts		1920 US Census	
	68/152	115 Beacon Street		James Stack (son)	38	Buyer, drygoods	Massachusetts		1920 US Census	
	68/152	115 Beacon Street		John Stack (son)	34	Packer, wool business	Massachusetts		1920 US Census	
	68/152	115 Beacon Street		Anna Stack (granddaughter)	10		Massachusetts		1920 US Census	
	68/152	115 Beacon Street	О	Annie C. Stack (head)			Ireland	1852;	1920 US Census	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Chauffeur			1924 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Mary A. Stack		Buyer			1924 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1925 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Chauffeur			1925 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Mary A. Stack		Buyer			1925 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1927 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Chauffeur			1927 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Mary A. Stack		Buyer			1927 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		Annie C. Stack		Widow of John Stack			1929 City Directory	
		115 Beacon Street		John J. Stack		Laborer			1929 City Directory	
	116/208	115 Beacon Street	O	Annie C. Stack (head)	76		Ireland	1860	1930 US Census	
	116/208	115 Beacon Street		John Stack (son)	46	Chauffeur, auto sales co.	Massachusetts		1930 US Census	
	262	115 Beacon Street		John Stack (head)	55		Massachusetts		1940 US Census	
										Anna D. Stack Rice, Helen V. Stack &
		115 Beacon Street	O	Mary A. Stack					1941 Deed 6510/131	Catherine A. Stack
										Mary A. Stack, Admx, Estate of John
		115 Beacon Street	О	John J. Conway					1941 Deed 6543/62	Stack
		115 Beacon Street	О	Anna D. Stack Rice, Helen V.	Stack	& Catherine A. Stack			1941 Probate 23559	Estate of John Stack
		115 Beacon Street	O	Wylie T. & Mildred C. Atkinso	on				1948 Deed 7325/316	John J. Conway
		115 Beacon Street	О	Ambrogio & Mary Minuno					1962 Deed 10023/287	Wylie T. & Mildred C. Atkinson
										Construct shed, add. Remodel kit.,
		115 Beacon Street		A Minnco			<u> </u>		1988-2-452 Building Permit	bath, windows
		115 Beacon Street		M Minuono					1989-2-593 Building Permit	Strip entire roof and reshingle
				Minuno					1989-2-646 Building Permit	Install vinyl siding
		115 Beacon Street	О	Minuno Family Trust II					1995 Deed 25446/016	Ambrogio & Mary Minuno
	68/152	115 Beacon Street	О	Mary Ann Heuston					2001 Deed 34624/175	from Minuno Family Trust II

### ARCHDIOCESAN C. T. A. SOCIETIES TO HOLD ANNUAL REUNION FRIDAY



MRS AGNES EAGAN

The members of the Catholie Total Abstinence Societies of the archdiocese of Boston are anticipating the annual reunion and evening party of the union to be held Priday evening, in Highland Hail. Knights of Columbus Building. Central et and Highland av, Somerville. The past and present members and officers of the union will be given a reception.

The principal feature of the party will be whist, beginning at \$230 p.m. Mrs Maurice Dinneen, vice president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, is chairman of the general committee, which comprises the officers of the Archdiocesan Union, Henry W. Feenan, vice president; Mrs James E. Skinnell, second vice president; Maurice Dinneen, recording secretary; Lawrence Corcoran, corresponding secretary; Joseph P. Graham, financial secretary; Joseph P. Graham, financial secretary; Joseph P. Graham, financial secretary; William H. Cuddy, president of \$1 Joseph's Total Abstinence Society, Waste End. Boston; Mrs Louise M. Ryan, ex-president of \$1 Mary's Ladies' Society, Malden; Mrs Agnes E2gan, Fr Mathew Ladles' Society, Manden; John J. Sharkey, Secretary of Hibernian T. A. Association. Boston; Dohn A. Gargan, Dennis F. Cullianan, St Joseph's F. A. Society, West End. Boston.

Mrs Maurice Dinneen is in charge of the whist, and is to be assisted by Misses Irene Leary, Mabel Hurley, Helen M. Sweeney, Dolly McDonald, Theresa Dalc as markers.

William H. Cuddy, ex-vice president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, is chairman of the reception committee consisting of William F. A. Graham, Robert Buckley, Martin Leef of the \$1 Joseph's T. A. Society of Mrs and M. R. Society of Milton and Dorchester: J. Frank Keane and John A. Duggan, of \$1 Alphonsus T. A. Society, Cambridge; Anthony D. Tieso, president; Thomas Galvin, Thomas Fallon, Joseph P. Ripley, of \$1 Gregory's T. A. and M. R. Society of Milton and Dorchester: J. Frank Keane and John A. Duggan, of \$1 Alphonsus T. A. Society of Rockland; Joseph P. Ripley, of \$1 Gregory's T. A. B. Society of Malden; Jame



Of Somerville, National Vice President of Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America

Mrs Margaret E. Skinnell, president:
Miss Helen Crangle, Mrs Sarah
Donian, Mrs Catherine McCarthy of
St Mary's Ladies' T. A. and A.
Society, Brookline; Miss Abigail F.
Reardon, president; Mrs Agnes Eagan,
vice president; Margaret Keenan, Jennie
C. Fagan, Mary Lally, of Fr Mathew
C. T. A. Society, Lynn; John Harrington, president; Leonard Doherty and
Michael J. Scollin, St John's C. T. A
Society, North Chelmsford; Miss Anna
M. Feenan, Miss Margaret O'Brien and
Mrs Lucy Korb, of St Gregory's Ladies
of Milton.
The women members, Mrs Agnes Skinnell, p Mrs Margaret E. Miss Helen Ci

of Millon.

The women members, Mrs Agnes
Eugan leader, have donated a Christmas basket which will be presented to
the most popular person at the reunion.

### L'ADIES OF G. A. R. **CONVENTION ENDS**

### Banquet Last Night the Closing Feature

The Massachusetts Department, Ladies of the G. A. R., closed its 9th annual convention last evening with a banquet at the American House.

Among the closing reports were those of the patrictic instructor, Mrs Annie L. Santos, who reported flags presented to the Soldiers' Field Barracks in Cambridge, Gov John A. Andrew Home for Veterans and Wives at Newtonville, 1600 small flags to the Americanization School of Worcester, elx silk flags to the Henry L. Plerce School in Dorchester, three to the Girls' Club of the Phillips Congregational Church of South Boston and one to the chapel kindergarten of the Phillips Church. The department press correspondent Mrs Neille R. Thomas, reported 1461 items printed in the newspapers of the State, 490 of which were sent to Boston papers, the Globe predominating. The chairman of the John A. Andrew Home for Veterans and Wives at Newtonville, Mrs Ida Chapin, reported receiving \$209 for the institution. Three cheers were given for Mrs Elvira Veasey. At the close of the convention the past president 'association, recently organized by Mrs Veasey had the banquet at the American House, with 100 present. Mrs Mary Eleanor Tarbox of Fryeburg, Me, past national president, and the retiring department president, Mrs Elvira F. Phillips, were the principal guests.

Mrs Marion R. Bradhury, past department president, Mrs Elvira F. Phillips, were the principal guests.

Mrs Marion R. Bradhury, past department president, was chairman of the committee of arrangements. Mrs Veasey presided and introduced Mrs Tarbox, who, in her remarks, gave great credit to the president in organizing the association and praised the efforts of all in stimulating and keeping alive patriotic fervor.

The charter roll has reached more than 100 and a meeting will be held tomorrow evening in Post 15, G. 'A. R. Hall, 1151 Washington st, 50 th End. Among the closing reports were those of the patriotic instructor, Mrs Annie

CAMBRIDGE

The Portuguese Civic Club will hold a dance at Elke' Hall tenight. Louis S. Domingo of Somerville is on the committee in charge.

While Miss Bernice Avery, clerk in a store at 93 Mt Auburn st, was at work Tuesday morning, some person quietly opened the store door and stole a blue leather purse from her table containing \$30, a bankbook and keys to the store, she reported to the police yesterday.

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Francis R. Nugent of Kinnaird st, 39 years old, was arrested last night, charged with drunkenness and several automobile violations. Station 2 police claim he was in charge of a functional claim he was in charge of a functional police of the was in charge of a functional police of the was in charge of a functional police of the was to pork, valued at \$25, was reported alssing by the owner. Irving Robert of 1 Village at reported to the police yesterday that his house was entered Monday and a man's cont and a woman's blue plush coat with gray fur collar were stolen.

Three boys, about 10 to 12 years old, were seen by Julius Dokton of 21 Country road, Everett, to pull a false alarm from box 23 at 7:16 last evening. When officers E. J. Kelley and John King arrived on the seene Dokton advised them about the boys, who ran away. The two officers searched the vicinity with Dokton, but the boys were not found. Nearly a dozen false alarms have been sent in from this section the past two weeks.

The weekly whist parties and dances of the East Cambridge Woman's Clubrooms, 6th and Thorndike sts, East Cambridge. The parties begin at 8:30 o'clock. Mary Bromberger of 41 Vassal lane is on the committee in charge.

While crossing Cambridge st, opposite 1337 yesterday afternoon, Albert Richardson, 55, of 155 Beacon st, Somerville, was knocked down by a truck owned by the Standard Oil Company of New York, 31 St James av, Back Bay, and operated by George T. McGowan took the injured man to the Cambridge Clip Hospital, where he was held for observation on order of Dr Downey.

Alarm from box 212 at 8:34 last night was for a fire in the dwelling house in the rear of 118 Hastings st, occupied by Irving Addison and owned by Samuel Cambridge, has reported that two wheels were stolen from his bicycle, which was parked in the rear of his bome. A kit of tools was also taken.

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Arthur Largenton, a former local police offlicer, reported at Station 2 last
night that his watch had been
stolen, Lieut Joseph J. Donahue detailed offlicer Manuel G. Mello to Investigate. While in the yard of the
house of a suspect, offlicer Mello stepped
on a barrel hoop, and a nail plerced
his foot. Ho went to the Cambridge
Rollef Hospital for medical treatment.
The Saturday evening dancing purities
conducted by the Father Mathow Temperance Society of East Cambridge,
and which were given up during Lont,
have been resumed and a confett battile is to feature this week. The dauces
are held at Temporance Hall. The following committee is in charge: J. Raymoral Kote. Jot Cambridge, Joseph Bouza,
Haroli Leaily and Timothy Donovan.
Haroli Leaily and Timothy Miss Agnes
O'Connell, Miss Mas Flynn, Miss Helen
Bradley, Miss Anna Constantine, Miss
Frances Cunningham, Miss Gertrude
Larkin, Miss Grace O'Connell, Miss Teresa Kelley, Miss Sadia Collins, Miss
Frances Cunningham, Miss Gertrude
Larkin, Miss Grace O'Connell, Miss Toresa Kelley, Miss Sandia Collins, Miss
Anna O'Ilaro, Miss Margaret O'Brien
and Miss Nora McCarthy.
Funeral services for Mirs Anna McGinley, 62, who died at her home at 2 Norrolk st, Tuesday, wore held this morning at St Mary's Church, where a high
mass of requiene was eclobrated. Burlar was in St Paul's Cemetery, She
was born in Ireland and came to this
city about 37 years ago, She was
a momber of many church organizations
connected with St Mary's parish. Her
husband, Patrick McGinley, and three
sons, James C., Joseph P, and Theodoro M., survivo her.
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patients to journey to the Cambridge
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high mass and in the afternoon there will be an entertainment. A token of esteem of much value will be presented the sisters. DORCHESTER DISTRICT

### St Ann's branch, L. C. B. A., will hold a whist and social in St Ann's

hold a whist and social in St Ann's Hall, Spaulding sq, on Thursday evening, April 15. The committee in charge includes Mrs Francis Dolan, honorary chairman, and Mrs Frederick Murray, active chairman, assisted by Catherine Toomey, May McCarthy, Catherine O'Brien and Mary Walker. More than 20 prizes will be awarded, Members of the Yuvone School of Classic Dancing were entertainers at the Girls' City Club last evening. Among those featuring were Marion Higgins, Geraldine Fife, Eleanor Walper and Isabel Synder, who gave an exhibition of modern and classic dancing.

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Franklin Lodge, I. O. O. F., will meet tomorrow evening in Litingow Hall.
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Codman sq. Ciliford Babson, Ng., will preside.
Norfolk Court, M. C. O. F., will resume its social activities with a whist and social in Franklin Hall, Codman sq., next Tuesday evening. Grace H. Mullane, Cit, has the arrangements in charge, and there will be an attractive array of souvenirs.
Under the auspices of the new South Dorchester Club there will be a benefit entertainment in the Rialto Theatre on the evening of April 17, the proceeds to be devoted to the wife and children of the late officer Comeau.

The Irish night and entertainment originally scheduled in St Ann's Hall of Friday evening, April 23, under auspices Neponset Court, M. C. O. F., has been postponed to Friday evening, May 6.

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Friends of James Hurley, well-known letter carrier, attached to the Fields Corner Station, are glad to learn that he has recovered from his long lilness. He is convalescing at Randolph.
Dorchester Branch of the Community Health Association, Mirs A. B. Carmichnel, president, has extended the time for the house-to-house canvass for funds through April.
There will be an April frolic in the Sarah Greenwood School Monday evening by the Woman's Club of the School Center. Members will appear in costume, and there will be old-fashioned dances. Mrs James Fries will be in charge.

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Division 18, Auxiliary of the A. C. H., is planning a bazar in Odd Fellows' Hall, River st. Lower Mills, April 23 and 24. Miss Annia McLaughlin is chairman of the committee. WAKEFIELD A military funeral took place this forenoon, when Joseph Louis Dulong, a

A military funeral took place this forenoon, when Joseph Louis Dulong, a naval veteran, was buried from the homo of his father, Raymond Duling, 174 Vernon st. A delegation from Corp Harry 19. Noison Post of the American Legion, in charse of Commander Charles E. Campbell, attended. A high mass of requiem was celebrated in St Joseph's Church with many relatives and friends attending. Interment was in St Patrick's Cemetery, Stoneham.

The Ladles' Union of the Greenwood Union Church held its annual Easterstle and supper last evening in the vestry. Gardner E. Campbell gave an interesting illustrated talk on 'Florida.' The Mary Farnham Bliss Society of the First Congregational Church will colobrate its silver anniversary next Sunday afternoon at 5 c'clock. A musical program will he a feature.

The funeral of Guy S. Cochrane, who died at the age of 21 years, took place this afternoon in the home of the family, in the Greenwood district. The services were conducted by Rov Ralph H. Long, paster of the Greenwood Union Church. Burlal was in Lakeside Cometery and there were many beautiful flowers,

The annual installation of officers of Wakofield Lodge of Eliks will take place noxt Wednesday evening in pliks' Hall, Lakeside. Col Edward J. Gihon, a past district deputy, will be the installation officer. He will be assisted by Past exalted rulers. Neal C. Loud will be ansattled rulers. Neal C. Loud will be installed on.

At the meeting of the Lincoln School Parent-Teachers' Association in the school hall last evening, there was an address by Mrs 'A. B. Webber of the Massachusetts Parent-Teachers' Association.

Voting will be held in all three precincus next Monday from 4 in the afterward.

night's meeting relate his experences in Cuba at the dedication of the Battle-ship Maine monument recently. SOUTH BOSTON DISTRICT

A musical program will be given to-A musical program will be given to-morrow evening in the parlors of St Matthew's Episcopal Church, West Broadway, near is st, under the aus-pices of the Women's Auxiliary of the church. Miss Esther Wilkshire will be in charge of the concert and the dra-matics to follow. Miss Fiske will be the soloist. The proceeds will go to the church fund, church fund,

Work on the new St John's Lithuanian Methodist Episcopal Church is progressing rapidly. The building is expected to within completed months.

be completed within the next few months.

The Michael J. Perking Post, A. L., Auxiliary will hold its annual costume party Monday ovening, April 12, in the Post Ballroom, East Broadway, between G and H sts. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. In the Perkins Post Hall tonight, Joe ("Muggsy") McGrath, the well-known local entertainer, will conduct his annual "old-timers" program, including a vaudoville performance and old-time dances. A committee of entertainers of the district is assisting Mr McGrath. South Boston will be represented in the Greater Roston Twilight League this season by a new club. A group of prominent men of the district have organized and elected officers for the organization. William Kelley, known as the father of twilight baseball, has been chosen president of the club. Eddie Anderson of Pore Marquette Council, K. of C., will be the team manager and treasurer of the club. The club will open the season in May. It is expected that when the season is under way the team will play two home games each week. Executives include James Lynch, James P. Hoar and Thomas Teovens.

Mayor Nichols will be the guest and speaker this evening at the meeting of the South Boston Citizons' Association in the Perkins Post Hall on East Broadway.

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A. will be held at the clubhouse of St Vincent's Young Ladles' Library Association this evening. Rt Rey Mgr George J. Patterson, Rev Edward Haines, Rev T. C. Sullivan, spiritual director of the association, and other clergymen are expected to attend. The entertainment, will include a comedy skit, "Musical Nousense," by the Misses Frances and Agnes Fanning. George Donovan is one of those in charge. **MEDFORD** 

The report of Building Commissioner Frank Blodgett for March shows that the estimated total cost of buildings for the estimated total cost of buildings for which permits were issued by him during the past month is \$688,050, as compared with a total of \$556,780 for March, 1925. The number of permits issued was 128, as against 113 during March, 1925. Of these, \$5 permits were issued for single family houses, whose total estimated cost is \$220,000. Twenty-seven permits were issued for two-family houses. were issued for two-family houses whose total estimated cost is \$227,600. One per-

were issued for two-family houses whose total estimated cost is \$27,500. One permit was issued for a 40-apartment houses mow being creeted at Brooks Park and Main st, at ar estimated cost of \$150,000. Another periat for the erection of a \$20,000 paint shop and factory off Mystic av, estimated to cost \$20,000 was also issued during the latter part of the month.

The Mystic Parent-Teachers' Association of the Lorin Low Dame, Hilliside, Cradock and Hancock School districts mot last slight at the Dame-School hall. Mrs Grace Drysdale spoke on 'Some New and Interesting Phases of Musical Appreciation."

13x-Alderman Harry P. Van De Bogert has qualified as a viember of the Medford Sinking Fund Commission. He was elected to succeed Associate Justice William Cushing Wait of the Supreme Court, who retired from the commission Court, who retired from the commission of Court, who retired from the commission. Justice II. Barnes have both been reolected as members of the Supreme Court, Baserved on the commission for about 20 years.

The members of the Medford Firemen's Relief Association commission for about 20 years.

The members of the Medford Firemen's Relief Association commission for Station assembly room to complete arrangements for the affair, which will take place at the Lawrence Light Guard Armory on Wednesday night. The concert and dance is the first to be held in all of the Relief committee of the Medford Present and dance is the first to be held in 24 years.

A food sale will be held at 2:30 temorrow afternoon at Grand Athe Medford

address by Mrs 1A. B. Webber of the Massachusetts Parent-Teachers' Association.

Voting will be held in all three precients next Monday from 4 in the aftermoon until 0 at night to decide whether the town will buy gas from the Malden & Molrose Gas Company or continue to manufacture gas, at the municipal plant. The special committees on the concert and ball of the association will meet tonight at the Contral Firential plant. The special committee in the first plant of manufacturing gas, at the municipal plant. The special committee in the port signed by four members favors the town manufacturing gas.

An important event for local Masons will be the dedication of the new organ of Golden Rule Lodge of Masons will be the dedication of the new organ of Golden Rule Lodge of Masons will be the dedication of the new organ soles. Dr T. Fulton Parks, WM, will preside.

Miss Marion L. Lang of Main at is not again after having been ill with grippe at her home the past two weeks, At the meeting of Golden Rule class at the First Baptist Church last evening wock for the Highway Department there was a cooking demonstration by Mrs A. Gertrude Jordan.

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## ARREST TWO AFTER FIRE IN SOMERVILLE

Two men were arrested on charges of setting a fire, and drunkenness. last night after firemen extinguished a blaze in a mattress on the kitchen floor of a two-and-a-half story wooden dwelling at 115 Beacon st. Damage to the walls and floor was estimated at less than \$100.

Fire officials, inspecting the house after the fire was out, said they found evidence that fires had been started in three other rooms and had either burned out or had extinguished after making little headway. They told police that three kerosene oil lamps were found broken on the floors.

John J. Stack, 52, owner of the building and it sole occupant (the second floor is unoccupied), and a friend, Thomas J. Reynolds, 32 of friend, and Cambridge, were taken into custody.

They will appear in Somerville Court this morning on charges of setting a fire with intent to defraud the insurer, and with drunkenness, police said.

### NEVER BEEN IN SCANDAL, **PEGGY JOYCE DECLARES**

CRÄNLEIGH, Eng, Nov 16 A P)—Peggy Hopkins Joyce, Eng, cited as corespondent in a divorce action brought by the wife of her gentleman-jockey fiance, said tonight she "never

has been in any scandal and doesn't intend to start now."

Four times married and divorced, Peggy fingered her latest engagement ring and said the was glad "some other woman" was not involved in the divorce proceedings.

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"Don't you think we did things in quite a unique way?" she demanded. "We've been quite honest and frank, even announcing our engagement before the news came out in the papers."

Peggy added that she plans to take her husband-to-be, Vivian Jackson, 30-year-old professor of astrophysics at London University, to the United States at Christmas time "if his business affairs are in shape by then."

### **GOODWIN DEMANDS** LAW ENFORCEMENT

13 Killed by Autos State Over Week-End

enforcement of the motor Strict vehicle laws was demanded yester-day by Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin in a statement in which he referred to the record of auto fatalities over the week-end

of auto fatalities over the week-end as ghastly. Between Friday and yesterday morning 13 were killed by automobiles in Massachusetts.

"The record," said Mr Goodwin, "is in keeping with the fact that November is the worst month of the year. Pleading and advising will do no good; what is needed is strict enforcement of the laws. This department is doing all it can to prevent this slaughter, but the real remedy lies with the motorists themselves.

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"Last week we took away 120 licenses from persons driving after drinking liquor and 301 from persons operating in a dangerous manner. We also took plates away from 77 owners of cars because of improper equipment, brakes, lights, etc. "There is one point that I would like to make and which I hope the newspapers will impress upon the people of the state. It is this: Pedestrians walking at night on the street where there are no sidwalks should walk on the left-hand side of the road facing traffic and wear something white on their person so that they may easily be visible to drivers."

### TWO MEN HELD ON ARSON CHARGE IN SOMERVILLE

CHARGE IN SOMERVILLE
Probable cause was found by
Judge Malcolm E. Sturtevant in
Somerville District Court yesterday
in the cases of two men charged
with arson as a result of a fire in
a dwelling house on Beacon st.,
Somerville, Friday night.
The defendants, John J. Stack,
52, of Beacon st, Somerville, and
Thomas J. Reynolde, Lamont av,
Cambridge, were held in \$5000 cach
for the December term of the Grand
Jury. They were also charged with
drunkenness and were fined \$5 cach.
Both Stack and Reynolds denied
being on the Beacon-st premises
when the fire started.
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and oil was roilled around the house.

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### Cambridge Snatcher Gets \$15

A youth of about 15 boldly accosted Mrs Emily Gonsalses, 26 Hampshire-st, Cambridge, near her home last night and snatched her pocketbook containing \$15.