WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- Promptly on the stroke of noon today the last rankthe 'id navy in the Civil War went on the r tired list.

Rear Admiral Reginald F. Nicholson in the officer, and with him went the best wishes of those younger officers who, had grown up under him. When he quit the sta, where he rose to the command of the United States Asiatic fleet, he came to Washington to take his place on the General Board of the Navy.

In 1864, before he was 13 years old. young Nicholson enlisted in the navy as eaptain's messenger on the warship State of Georgia, at that time commanded by his father, and took part in the blockade of Wilmington, N. C.

Immediately after the Civil War ended he left the service, attended a local grammar school and in 1869 received an appointment to the Naval Academy.

ols on has been 22 years and two months at sea and 22 years and five months on duty ashore. He was ordnance officer of the Oregon on the famous run around Cape Horn and up the Atlantic to join the fleet off Santiago under Sampson in the Spanish War. In the voyage of the Atlantic fleet around the world he com-manded the battleship Nebraska, and after that voyage was ordered to Wash-ington as chief of the Bureau of Navi-

YOUTHS CAPTURED IN FIGHT ARE HELD FOR BURGLARY

One of the Prisoners Says Companion Planned Crime.

Two youths, John Hollings, of 1515 North Alder street, and Syrney Mills, who says he lives at 700 Tioga street, are in cells

he lives at 730 Tioga street, are in cells today. They were captured at pistol point at the tinware factory of E. J. McAleer & Co., 1422 North 8th street, early today, and held on a burglary charge.

Samuel Boston, the factory watchman, saw them in the rear yard. Opposite the factory is the police station of the 12th District, where Boston's brother, George Boston, is a lieutenant. The watchman notlined his brother, who, with a detail of his men, crossed to the factory and intercepted the youths. After a fight, the youths were captured.

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Mills told Magistrate McCall he was persuaded to "do the factory job" by Hollings, who, the police say, has a record for burglary. The McAleor factory has been broken into half a dozen times in the last six months, and on one occasion. \$600 in payroll envelopes was stolen. The thief was not captured.

MITE OF A WOMAN WANTS TO WHIP ALLEGED BURGLARS

Pleads With Magistrate for "Just Five Minutes."

mite of a woman four feet four inches tall begged for a chance to whip two al-leged burglars this morning at the Bel-grade and Clearfield streets station. Magletrate Glenn, however, explained it would be contrary to judicial procedure to give her permission to ge ahead. The woman is Mrs. Joseph Wagner, 2044

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East Ontario street. Her home was robbed
December 5 of \$300 worth of valuables.
Some of the loot has been identified in
a wagonload of stolen property valued at
#1509 discovered by the police.
Charles Berwick, 2814 North Second
atrect, and Harry Ritherson. William and
Trenton streets, arrested last week on

burgiary charges, were arraigned this morning before Magistrate Glenn. Mrs. Wagner was one of the witnesses against

"Give me just five minutes, Judge," she The little woman stepped forward, raising her hand menacingly. The burglars started back, but a special policeman stepped in front of them and they were saved. Magistrate Glenn held both without half for court.

ORN REACHES FALMOUTH

out ball for court.

Second Mercy Ship Completes Voyage Across Atlantic.

Philadelphia's second mercy ship, car-sying food to the starving Belgians, the rying food to the starving Belgians, the Norwegian steamship Orn, arrived at Falimouth, Eng., today. The velsel will be given a pilot at the British port to navigate her through the mine fields of the Dover Straits and the North Sea.

Bha is expected to reach Rotterdam, her Bnal destination, late in the week. The Orn left here on November E, in command of Captain Rownes, a veteran skipper. Shortly after she had left port a service storm swept the Atlantic Ocean, but the stanch craft, although tossed around as though she was a cerk, fought her way through mountainous seas and sturdily defied the mighty winds in her youage of marcy.

BUSINESS MEN AID POOR Bixtieth and Market Streets Associa-

pion Undertakes Belief Work.

Foor families in the neighborhood of 18th and Market streets will be cared for during the holiday period by the flixiteth and Market Streets Business Men's Association, it was announced today.

Fundas-for the work were derived from the association's carnival and from the contributions of neighbors. A relief committee, including J. Warren Sentman, A.

E. Newhall, J. Ross Burhouse, Harvey Yold and J. E. Travis, is investigating the cases that here been called to its attention. They will be assisted by Miss A. E. Grimes, a visitar for the Pennsylvania Society to Protect Children from Crueity. tion Undertakes Belief Work.

FUND FOR UNEMPLOYED LEGAL

The appropriation of \$0.000 made by Councils for relief of Philidelphia's unamployed, was declared legal by Chysolicitor Ryan in an opinion to Mayor Blankenburg. The transfer bill containing the appropriation is before the Mayor for his alguature.

The City Bolicitor and, 'I do not think the critinance so tainted with illegality that you are required to disapprove of this item, if in your judgment the substantial relief provided for is necessary under existing conditions and the appropriation not unwise in its tendencies and possible effects."

Shooting in Bonthouse Assidental, John Goldsmith, arrested after the abouting of Charles Lafferty, 1812 Meadow street, in a featherses in the Delaware River, at Wheatheast has, was released by County Enight today. You inquest showed that the shooting was an acci-



JOHN GRIBBEL Elected president of the Union League after election in which largest vote of years was cast,

IOHN GRIBBEL ELECTED UNION LEAGUE PRESIDENT

Successful Candidate Received 1091

Wotes-Other Officers Chosen. John Gribbel was elected to the presidency of the Union League last night over State Senator William C. Sproyl. Mr. Gribbel's total vote was 1021, and the combined total vote for the presi-dency was 2077. Among the early voters were Governor-elect Brumbaugh and Mayor Blanken-

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Of the six candidates for vice presidents, the following were elected: Miers
Busch, 1925; George B. Evans, 1455;
Charlemagne Tower, 1532; Harrison
Townsend, 995. The vote of the candidates defeated for vice presidents was:
William Henry Brooks, 875; William K.
Haupt, 825; William R. Lyman, 832.

John W. Hamer, a member of the
Board of Directors, was re-elected with
a vote of 1657, the largest individual total pelled. The other 14 directors follow:
T. Ellis Barnes, re-elected, 1432; Charles
E. Cattell, 1938; William T. Elliot, reelected, 1480; George S. Graham, reelected, 1471; Charles M. Gudknecht, reelected, 1475; John D. Johnson, 1155;
Horace C. Jones, 991; Charles R. Miller,
re-elected, 1471; James E. Mitchell, reelected, 1520; Charles A. Porter, Jr., 1234;
Dr. Louis Plumer Posey, re-elected, 1140;
Alexander W. Wister, Jr., 1037. The defeated candidates received the following
votes: James A. Aull Jr., 359; Joseph
W. Cooper, 874; Herman Haupt, 858;
Frederick S. Hovey, 845; Emil Rosenberger, 856; George A. Walker, 911; Dr.
S. Lewis Ziegler, 487.

EAGER FOR EMPLOYMENT

Evening Ledger Want Ad Brings Thousands of Applicants for 200 Jobs.

A want advertisement in the EVENING LEDGER yesterday asking for 200 young en brought several thousands. 'ad" read: "Distributors-Two hundred

"ad" read: "Distributors—Two hundred young men wanted to distribute printed matter, Tuesday morning, 5 o'clock. Call, 606 Chestnut street, second floor."

Belleving the early bird would catch the worm, several hundred answering the "ad" assembled in front of the Ledger Building before 7 o'clock last night, ready to stand in line all night. They were sent away and told to return at 5 o'clock this morning, but being persistent they remorning, but being persistent they re-mained nearby until another line started to form about midnight. The second line of applicants took such proportions that it stretched from the second floor in the Ledger Building to Chestnut street, down Chestnut to 6th street and south on the

latter.
At 5 o'clock this morning there were several thousands in line. The men clamored for employment. All said they read the EVENING LEDGER Want Ads.

FIREMEN AS MINSTRELS

Volunteers Appear in Norwood Timely Skits.

Knocks and joits at the railroads for increasing fares, songs, parodies, skits and jokes helped to make the first an-nual minatrel show of the Norwood Fire

M. J. Dewiling made a decided hit as the interlocutor, and Brooke Pennypacker was among the "finest." Henry Ickes' parody on "Tipperary" took the house by storm. Others who took part were S. L. Hayes, Roy Richardson, Alan Wood, J. Howard Sweetwood, Lealle Taylor, J. Walter Austin, J. P. Shannon, Gordon Chambers, J. Calhoun, S. C. Wright and Miss Crissie Jenkins.

The performance will be given again tonight.

CONFERENCE OVER BILL

Mayor Objects to Giving \$50,000 to Unemployed as Alms.

Mayer Blankenburg was in conference today with Director Harte, of the Department of Public Health, and Secretary Little, of the Society for Organising Charity, over the 50,000 appropriation bill for the relief of the unemployed. When the conference ended at noon, the bill was still unstaned, but it is expected the Mayor will take action before night.

What phases of the bill were discussed

What phases of the bill were discussed the officials refused to disclose. It is known Mayor Blankenburg consistently hes urged against giving the money to the unemployed as alms. He would pre-far to see it used in a way that would give work to these men instead.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S JUBILEE

Archbihop Celebrates Mass at Industrial Institution.

Many clergymen and prominent layman of the archdiocase of Philadelphia were in attendance today at the golden jubiles celebration of the convent and industrial school of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, 38th and Pine streets.

Archdishop Premiergast celebrated mass at Toclock this morning, and at that time the sisters and inmutes received communion. At 2 o'clock Bishop McCart celebrated Pontifical Mass, assisted by six priests.

IN AGRICULTURE

State College Teachers Begin Three-day Session for Discussion of Methods of Cultivation.

Several hundred persons, farmers and city dwellers, attended the opening period for the school for farmers and expertmental station conducted by practical Agricultureal Extension of the Pennsylvania State College in Griffith Hall, 1429 Chestnut street, today.

The successful culture of flowers and fruit, the forcing of vegetables, the breed-agriculturists from the Department of ing of cattle and the mating and selection of poultry, the marketing of fruit and produce and the factors contributing to the high price of ment will be taught and discussed at the school today, tomorrow and Thursday.

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The school of agriculture and experimental station is one of the five principal divisions of the State College.

The main department of the school is located at State College, it has several hundred resident students enrolled, and a corps of sclennific and practical men is enrolled in experimental work. The school and the extension work that will be done here during the next three days be done here during the next three days is the the channel through which the results of the research are carried to

the people.
Wide interest has been shown by the farmers in the surrounding counties in the work, and it is believed they will make this one of the most successful

make this one of the most successful sessions that the school has yet held. The session opened this morning with a discussion on the markting of fruit by M. G. Kains, professor of horticulture at State College. M. S. McDowell, director of agricultural extension, instructed his class this afternoon on "Soll Fertility." Following Director McDowell, tility." Following Director McDowell, C. W. Larson, professor of dairy hus-bandry, spoke on "The Production of Clean Milk."

The evening speakers will be C. E. Myers, who will talk about "Experiments With Vegetables," and W. H. Tomhave with "Some of the Factors Contributing to the High Price of Meats" as the subject of his address.

The feature of tomorrow's sessions will

be demonstrations with pure-bred cattle and swine at the Nichols' Bazaar, 15th and Wood streets. The demonstrations will be in the charge of W. H. Tomhave, professor of animal

At the same time as the cattle demon-strations tomorrow J. P. Stewart, professor of experimental pomology, will address his class on "The Results of Orchard Experiments in Pennsylvania" and R. L. Watts, dean and director of the School of Agriculture and experimental station, will talk on "Vegetable Forcing." In the afternoon F. D. Gardiner, professor of agronomy will lecture on fessor of agronomy, will lecture on

"Lime."
The Wednesday night meeting will be held in the Mayor's reception room. At this meeting Pearl MacDonald will speak on "Possibilities in Home Economics" and R. L. Watts will talk on "The Penn-sylvania Experiment Station—Its Work

and Lessons."

M. S. McDowell, director of agricultural extension, will explain what the Smith-Lever bill means to the agriculturist and W. H. Tomhave will give a meat-cutting demonstration with beef and swine car-casses at the closing session of the school Thursday night.

'BILLY' SUNDAY WORK GROWS

More Room Required by the Campaign Committee. Additional room has been taken for the

work of the Sunday Campaign Committee in the Stock Exchange Building be-cause of the increase of activity in the preparation for the evangelist's arrival and the work to be done afterwards.

The work on the Tabernacle is again progressing rapidly, since the weather has improved, and Joe Speice, the builder,

30. Arrangements were made yesterday for the placing of 16 telephones in and and jokes helped to make the first annual minatrel show of the Norwood Fire Company, given in the Norwood Auditorium last night, a success.

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more services in the homes tonight than have been held heretofore. Excellent re-ports on the progress of the District Prayer Meeting Committees have been

PROTECTION FOR SHOPPERS

Twenty-four Big Bluecoats Assigned to Central District.

Twenty-four youthful policemen, each more than six feet tall, have been called into the central district by Lieutenant of Reserves William B. Mills to assist in guarding Christmas shoppers.

They went on duty today.

It is the problem of these young men to make good. There are it vacancies in the reserve force, and these will be filled from the ranks of the district men who do reserve duty during the holidays.

Ambitious young policemen more than Ambitious young policemen more than 6 feet tall covet the assignment to the reserve corps. Eight leutenants were chosen from it during the last four years.

RESORTS POCONO MOUNTAINS, PA. Recuperation, The Winter Inn Recuperation, BUCK HILL PALLS CHARLESTON, S. C. CALHOUN MANSION opens for exclusive patronage; original Co-lental furnishings; Southern cooking, yacht-ing, golf, leanis. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bertolett

JACESONVILLE, FLA. HOTEL BURBRIDGE

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA. THE BARCELONA Birusted & minutes to Golf Links Links A. N. BLAIR



Immortelles, Holly Wreaths, Laurel Wreathing, etc. We have a large assortment of Paims, Ferns and Rubber Plants, also Cyclamen in bloom, the latter 35c to \$1.00 each. Pop Corn (white rice) the kind that pops, 10c lb., 3 lbs. 25c

Michell's Seed House 518 Market Street, Philadelphia

Store Opens 8:30 A. M.

WANAMAKER'S

Store Closes 6 P. M.

The genial, gracious good will

of the thousands of happy people coming and goingof the thousands of happy attendants not overworked in the eight to eight and a half hours of dutyof the bugles of the lads with their cheerful morning

call and the evening recallof the great Organ's chimes morning and at even-

of the marvelous smoothness and rapidity of these shopping days-

of the wonderful quantities of new things gathered in every day to keep up the assortments.

Every hour of the day strikes Christmas notes and the brightness of a genuine Christmas spirit fills every nook and corner of these vast halls of commerce and conveniences.

Will everybody be at home in the Store and extend welcomes to their friends?

[Signed] John Maganates

December 15, 1914

Christmas Music on the Grand Organ at 8.30 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.

Nearseal and Caracul Fur Coats for Women

A nearseal (sheared coney) coat may cost \$50, or it may cost \$100 in the Fur Salon, but you may be quite sure that it will be made of thick-furred pelts, well-matched and lustrous.

The plain nearseal coats are \$50 to \$65; those with collars of chinchilla squirrel, fitch, kolinsky or natural skunk are to \$100. Lengths are 40 to 52 inches.

Caracul coats, the skins soft and pliable, with the fur flat and well marked, are \$60 to \$150 for plain styles. Those with collars of fitch, ermine or raccoon are \$100 to \$165.

(Third Floor, Chestunt)

Handkerchiefs! Handkerchiefs! Christmas Handkerchiefs!

What kind have we? Every kind that is wanted and is pure linen. Children's school handkerchiefs. Plain, practical sorts that women and men want for everyday use. Embroidered handkerchiefs from those with simple initials at 10c to a marvel of French hand-work for \$65. Fine dress handkerchiefs for men-some \$5 apiece. Men's and women's colored handkerchiefs from France and Ireland. Men's silk handkerchiefs from London. Women's hand-spun handkerchiefs that are veritable cobwebs.

Altogether it's the most wonderful collection probably in this country. (Main Floor, Central)

Over 80 Shades in Women's \$2 Silk Stockings

is the place to come.

Or if you want the best \$2 silk stocking made.

Among the novelty types of silk stockings there is a great demand for those with dogs, mice, chickens and "sich" embroidered on instep or ankle. \$5 a pair.

And we are glad to say that our importation of Paris silk stockings is complete-up to \$50 a pair. (Main Floor, Market)

Art Needlework Gifts Samples

Some very pretty hand-embroidered centrepieces, pillow covers and scarfs, white and ecru and also hand embroidered towels. They are all especially nice for Christmas presents.

The prices are \$1.25 to \$8, which is a third less than they would cost at other times.

(Went Alale)

A Gift You Can Make at the Last Moment

Is a pretty lace camisole. The shadow laces are here from 121/2c to 35c a yard, and they only need the fronts hemmed and the ribbon run through the beading at top and bottom and attached over the shoulders.

(Main Floor, Central)

If You Give Lingerie Waists

Ask to see a quartet of styles just in; snowy voiles and batistes with long sleeves and low necks, and a general air of fashion.

Prices are \$1.85, \$2, \$2.25 and \$3. (Third Floor, Central)

Parisienne Dancing Corsets

Good gifts for young girls or any woman who dances much. They're partly rubber tricot and partly suede cloth, and

are "stripped" with satin. Price, \$8. For that matter almost any kind of corset we have here would make a welcome gift.

(Third Floor, Chestaut)

you were going to get-

Wh-e-e-w! What a Day! The new heavy underwear and new heavy clothing

Get Them NOW

Men's best suits and overcoats in the world ready on the First Floor, Market.

Women's warm coats and suits, First Floor, Central. Furs, Third Floor.

And Blankets-Fifth Floor, Market

Up Until Thursday Night We Will Accept Orders to Make Men's Suits for Christmas

Some fine domestic fabrics recently received to be made up at special prices-\$30 and \$35 for young men.

Fine British suitings-the city's largest and most exclusive collection-will be made into suits at \$40 and upward. P. S .- Please observe that no Christmas orders can be

taken after Thursday evening. (London Shop, Subway Gallery, Chestant) &

400 Men's Suits in a Special Sale at \$18

The end season clearaway of the manufacturer with the highest rating in America for good style and good tailoringthe man who makes the very finest suits we sell.

Every suit shows an actual saving of at least \$7, and more than half of them show \$10.

All sizes at the outstart.

(First Floor, Market)

Still More Specially Priced Overcoats, \$10 and \$12

These are Balmacaan style in Winter weights and dark Winter colorings; genuine all wool; low at the price. Many another store would have to charge you this price for half

Only about a hundred in this lot, so be early. (Subway Floor, Market)

Men's Leather Gift Slippers Bootees come up as high as a shoe, or higher. Some have cuff at top, others haven't. They are in red and green mo-

rocco with fancy cuff, brown buckskin, black kidskin and tan

Russia calfskin. \$3.50, \$5 and \$6. Romeos, with rubber gore in the side, are a well-known

style. These are in black and brown kidskin. \$2 to \$4. Fausts are cut high back and front, like Romeos, but have no gore. In black and brown kidskin, \$3.

Opera cut slippers are the low type. They are in black, brown and gray kidskin, alligator and black seal. \$1.75 to

(Main Floor, Market)

The Christmas Show of **Furniture**

will satisfy your sincere desire to give something genuinely good, something of real worth all through, something in which there is no sham, but abundance of those qualities of service and ornamentation which do credit to the taste as well as the judgment of the giver.

There were never so many people choosing Wanamaker furniture for gifts, and never more reasons why they should. You will be well advised to go through the display on the Fifth Floor, and let it speak to you for this store and its

You will find sewing tables in sixty different types, from \$6.75 to \$92.

Muffin Stands of twelve different types at \$5.50 to \$48. Music Cabinets, of 100 different

types, at \$8.50 to \$45. Book-Cases, of 200 different types, at \$7.50 to \$215. Deak Chairs of 75 different types, at \$3.50 to \$17. Tea Wagons of 14 different types, at \$11.50 to \$55. Tilt-top Tables of 20 different

types, at \$5.75 to \$67. Chairs and Rockers of 900 dif-ferent types, at \$4 to \$145. Desks of 310 different types, at \$8.50 to \$415.
Library Tables of 325 different types, at \$11 to \$156.
Dressing Tables of 220 different types, at \$10.50 to \$156.
Wardrobe Chiffoniers in 35 different types, at \$10.50 to \$156. ferent types, at \$30 to \$215. (Fifth and Sixth Floors)

There's Always a Warm Welcome for Blankets and Ouilts

The tendency to give common sense gifts of this kind has never been so noticeable.

Blankets anywhere from \$1 up. Quilts, \$2.50 up.

(Fifth Floor, Market)

Live Christmas Trees With the Roots on

Not to be dumped in the ash pile after Christmas, but planted on the lawn to grow. A fresh supply from the grower every morn-

Of Norway spruce, approximately 8%, 4 and 4% feet high;

(Garden Section, Subway Place, Central)

JOHN WANAMAKER

50c, 75c, \$1.