

NEW CASTLE SOON WILL BE LEADING AS STEEL CENTRE

Bethlehem Company's Projectile Plant to Increase Boom of Thriving City on the Delaware.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 23.—Work on the new projectile plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company, at New Castle, will be commenced soon after January 1. With the beginning of work of this plant New Castle expects to begin its development into a city of importance.

Charles M. Schwab, in a speech to members of the Board of Trade, now the Chamber of Commerce, of Wilmington, declared that the use of foreign engineers brought here by water could be made on the Delaware River cheaper than in Pittsburgh.

New Castle is preparing to do things. Last year there was some wire paving laid, and it is proposed to do considerable street and sewer work in the coming season.

"ONLY 11 DAYS' VACATION, PLAINT OF U. P. STUDENTS

900 Remain in City Because of "Abbreviated" Xmas Holiday.

"Going home for Christmas?" "Nope, can't make it."

Such are the jeremiads being bandied around on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania today, for of all the Eastern colleges the University of Pennsylvania's Christmas vacation is the second shortest. A poor, pitiful 11 days!

"Eleven days," say they: "It's an awful sell. Who ever heard of less than 14 days for a Christmas holiday?"

This afternoon at 5 o'clock the "abbreviated" vacation starts and there will be a general exodus in the direction of Broad Street station. Whole choirs of merry students who live in Roxborough and Buffalo have chartered a private car which will carry them to home, mother and Christmas.

Due to the short holiday, however, it is estimated that never before will so many students spend Christmas at the college. At least 500 "left-overs" will stay behind to console each other—those from the far Western States and foreigners. In all there will be representatives from 40 nations.

Provost and Mrs. Edward Fahs Smith have issued invitations to all of them to Christmas dinner.

Tomorrow night an entertainment provided by the generosity of the various fraternities will be given in the Coilese Settlement, 30th and Lombard streets. Baskets and gifts will be given to the needy residents of the neighborhood.

MAYOR'S WIFE ON WAR

Mrs. Blankenburg Says Woman Voters Would Have Prevented It.

If the women of Europe had had a voice in government the war would have been prevented, in the opinion of Mrs. Rudolph Blankenburg, wife of Mayor Blankenburg. In a letter read at a Christmas festival of the Messiah Lutheran Church, 16th and Jefferson streets, last night, she said:

"All hail the 25th and its Christmas cheer!" "All hail for brighter things in the new year!"

"Let us all pray for peace! Did you ever wonder how it might have been in Europe if the mothers had had a voice in the government? I have. As a reminder, let me say that next November the men of Pennsylvania are to decide whether our mothers are to have a voice in the affairs of State. Shall it be no vote? Progress and justice say yes!"

entertainment was held at the church for the purpose of assembling gifts for distribution among the poor of the neighborhood.

NORTHEAST TRANSIT PARADE

Big Demonstration for High Speed Planned for January 7.

Business organizations and citizens of the northeast section are arranging for a high-speed transit demonstration in which fully 30,000 men will take part on January 7. There will be a parade, followed by a mass meeting in Textile Hall, Kensington avenue and Cumberland street.

Director Taylor, of the Department of City Transit, has been invited to deliver an address, and prominent men of the northeast will speak.

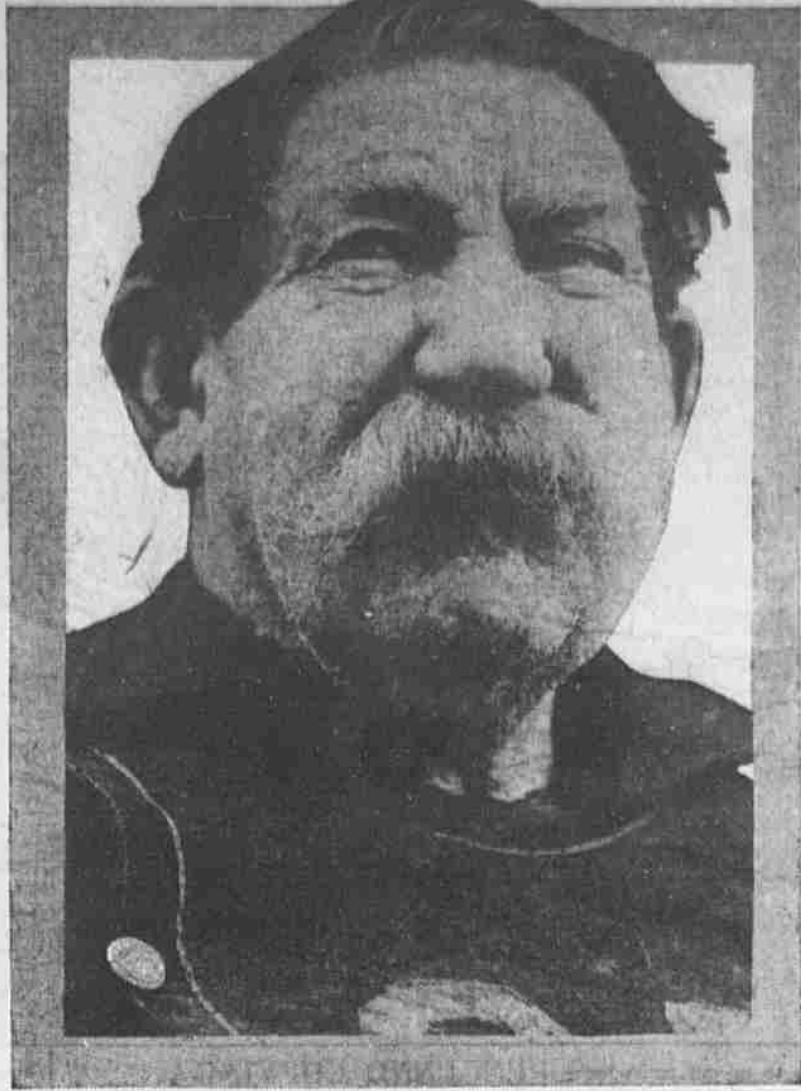
Many organizations will take part in the demonstration, including the Kensington Business Men's Association, the Brotherhood of Railroad Locomotive Engineers, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Carpenters' Union, the Kensington Board of Trade, and the Richmond Business Men's Association.

Final arrangements will be made at the final meeting for a parade on the night of the central demonstration at the Academy of Music on January 11. It is probable that Northeast residents will march to the Academy in a body.

DR. HARTZ SPEAKS IN SCHOOL

Children Get Christmas Stockings. Luncheon for Mothers.

RED-SHIRTED HERO OF 601 RESCUES FROM OCEAN



Captain Charles Clark fears he has been forgotten by those who owe him their lives. He lives in a cellar room whose dampness has brought on rheumatism and other ailments. He has no good words for the housing conditions in this city.

SALVATION ARMY WILL DISTRIBUTE TOYS AND DINNERS

Entertainment, With Movies, Music and Gifts for Poor Children—1000 Big Baskets for Families.

The Salvation Army is arranging to play Santa Claus to the poor children of Philadelphia. In addition it is making elaborate preparations to provide Christmas dinners for families.

An entertainment will be given for these children in Musical Fund Hall, Locust street near 5th, Christmas evening, at 8:30 o'clock. Dolls, books, toy engines, cars, dogs and horses; all things that delight the heart of childhood will be among the presents distributed at the entertainment.

Moving pictures will be shown—the kind that all children like showing cowboys and Indians and queer looking policemen. The program has not been completed, but there will be plenty of music. A big Christmas tree will be illuminated in a most attractive manner.

At 9 o'clock Christmas morning 1000 baskets will be given out from the Musical Fund Hall, each one containing a dinner for six. The dinner will consist of a big chicken, two kinds of vegetables, one can of corn or tomatoes, coffee and tea, bread, a box of oatmeal, celery and other things not yet decided on. In addition to this, children who are in need of shoes, and whose cases have been investigated beforehand, will be given a pair of shoes and gifts will be given to the needy residents of the neighborhood.

The only fund the Army has to draw on for the Christmas treat is that raised from the street stands. It has 23 stands on the corners in the business district this year, and, while the rainy weather has been instrumental in causing the loss of some of the stands, they began to improve today, and the Army people hope to have enough funds by Christmas to defray their expenses. They began their work on faith, knowing the money will come in some way.

"BILLY" SUNDAY'S FIRST REAL TEST AFTER WEEK OF REVIVAL

Evangelist's Secretary Says Conditions Here Require New Methods.

The real test of the "Billy" Sunday campaign in Philadelphia will not come until the Tabernacle meetings have been in progress for a week or more, according to the private secretary and pianist of the evangelist, Bentley D. Ackley, who arrived in this city yesterday.

"It would be hard to say just how long it will be before Mr. Sunday issues an invitation to his audience to acknowledge conversion," said Mr. Ackley.

But the test will come on the day when the invitation is issued for the first time, and I am confident that the response of the people of this city will overshadow anything of the kind ever recorded."

Plans for the great Tabernacle meeting are rapidly nearing completion. The building itself will receive the final touches next Tuesday, and arrangements for a force of 100 men to guard the building day and night have been made. A "lost and found" department has been added to the equipment of the Tabernacle, experience in Scranton and Des Moines showing that many hundreds of articles are lost daily at the meetings, particularly when the people surge to "Glory Row."

Arrangements for transportation of Mr. Sunday and his party while in this city are being made by an Automobile Committee, headed by G. Perry Fox, who has made an appeal for the use of 100 cars during the campaign.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES PHILADELPHIA

Private Lessons Civil Service, Short-hand, Bookkeeping, English, etc.

Miss Mason, 222 Lafayette Bldg., 5th & Chest, 5th floor, where ability will count, some.

LATE SHOPPERS—LAST MINUTE GIFTS

Books, Cards, Calendars

DAYLIGHT BOOK STORE

1701 Chestnut Street

"CAP" CLARK, FAMED LIFE-SAVER, VICTIM OF HOUSING EVILS

"Red Shirts Hero," Who Rescued 601 From Drowning and Fought Fires, Has Rheumatic Ills.

Philadelphia's "red-shirted hero," often pictured as the man who rescued 601 lives from a watery grave, is in want. The "red-shirted hero" whose right name is Charles Clark, is also a victim of the tenement house evil. Clark is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism. For years he has lived in damp basements.

Clark lives in a cellar room at 218 South 6th street. His only companions are his two mascots and his wife. The mascots consist of a cat and a nut brown-haired fox terrier.

Seated in his cellar room, Clark said today that he was suffering for the sake of certain property owners. The "red-shirted hero" wants to work, but he can't. Many jobs have been offered him. "My bones are all decayed from the damp houses where I have lived," said Clark as he stroked his fingers over "Bob," the fox terrier.

Residents in the 5th Ward call Clark the "Captain." Years ago he was a member of the Fairmount Volunteer Fire Company. He was attached to truck No. 21. He still has the red-flame shirt he wore when he fought fires in the neighborhood where Warden Robert McKenty is conducting a factory for turning good men out of criminals.

Clark was mending his red shirt when the EVENING LEADER reporter called on him. His wife was cleaning up the cellar room. The cat and dog were chewing a bone.

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"I often wonder what has become of the 601 persons whom I saved from drowning at Atlantic City," continued Clark.

"I have never heard from a single person whose life I saved. I guess they have forgotten the 'red-shirted hero.' I am now 38 years old and fat broke. Not a penny in the bank and not even a shareholder in some building and loan association. It's pretty bad breaks for an old man."

"Don't tell the charity people that I am down and out. I am doing all I can to keep out of the bread line or applying to Blockley. My pension, which is \$55, comes around every three months. We have a hard time in getting along on that amount. There is the rent, medicine, clothes for the wife and other things which must be bought."

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"The trouble with our houses is that we have no running water, bathtubs and other things. And then the damp walls. That's how your uncle got his rheumatism. Now my bones ache so bad that I have a h-l of a time in moving around. I guess I am suffering for the sins of certain property owners who should have put in some improvements."

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Store Opens 8:30 A. M. WANAMAKER'S Store Closes 8 P. M.

TOMORROW AT WANAMAKER'S

We are glad these days and so are the people who are showing their satisfaction as they make proof of the quality and capacity of the Store, that they are pleased to say to us,

"Well, this is Our Store"

hundreds of times in these days. Under such circumstances, is it any wonder that our business is a pleasure to both workers and buyers?

To have what people want

when they want it, and to have it at the right price, is exactly what we have aimed at and worked upon for years.

Will you believe it

that this week we have received hundreds of boxes of new goods and some more foreign shipments have just come in at the nick of time? Though one hundred thousand packages have gone out in single days this week by our delivery wagons and in our customers' hands, it is not possible for any one to discover the lowering of any of our stocks.

It is to be a great Christmas

and our resources of supply will not fail.

[Signed] John Wanamaker

December 23, 1914

Nothing Better Than Fine Furs

And in the Wanamaker Fur Salon you can buy them safely at the last minute, because no fur is ever admitted here until it has been rigidly inspected for quality, color and style. We have splendid stocks of black fox, black lynx, pointed fox and raccoon, besides the richer novelties and the little children's furs. All good kinds of fur coats for women are also here.

Even At the Last Minute—Fresh Handkerchiefs—

some kinds you've not seen before—for that's the way this Handkerchief Store manages! At \$1.50 dozen are hundreds of one-corner hand-embroidered handkerchiefs for women—at least twenty different designs! Allover plaids and tapes are also \$1.50 dozen. Women's sheer Irish linen handkerchiefs, plain hem-stitched or with tapes, \$1.50 dozen. All in dainty boxes—and crisp and snowy.

Fragrant French Perfumes Exquisite Gifts

are such a pleasure to receive that if you are in doubt about the gift for any girl or woman on your list, these are good suggestions. Late shipments have recently arrived from Claire, Cuy, Hombrinet, Violet, Piver, Kerckoff and other scent makers, and all the popular and most desirable perfumes are included; \$1.35 to \$50 bottle. And the bottles are most artistic. Queen Mary perfumes are none the less fragrant because they are made in America—50c to \$3.50 bottle.

If You Haven't Decided—The Umbrella Shop Suggests—

Umbrellas, of course—fancy or plain, with sturdy or splendid handles—\$1 to \$50. Canes for men, and some for women; rare woods and some not so rare—\$1 to \$50. Parasols of much daintiness—some new Spring styles, too!—\$2 to \$20. Riding crops for men or women—\$1.50 to \$10.

Odd Pieces of Fine Cut Glass

one and two of a kind, all of a fine kind and all very much reduced in price, many pieces being now marked at half the actual value.

Buy Toys early or late; the Wanamaker Toy Store is the largest in the world, and no matter how large the crowd there's always plenty of room.

Buy your Angelus Piano today or tomorrow and have music in your home Christmas Day. There is nothing else in the world so wonderful as the Angelus.

Store Notes

- "Positively not to be opened before Christmas, if possible," was the tactful inscription on a parcel posted yesterday. —A gift that can be opened before Christmas in a pinch—an umbrella. Main Floor, Chestnut. —American silk hosiery manufacturers have been tried by the war and not found wanting; the \$3 silk stockings for women with contrasting clocks and stripes rival the daintiest from Paris at double. Main Floor, Market. —A walking stick is sometimes a weapon, sometimes an heirloom and always a companion. With a walking stick you can always knock wood for luck. Main Floor, Chestnut. —The Utility scale, good up to 15 pounds, registers the net weight of goods in a container; 25c. Subway Floor, Central.

For Everybody's Pleasure—Good Candy

- For the Family: 5 pounds chocolates, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$3 and \$4. 1-pound boxes, 25c, 40c, 60c and 80c. 5 pounds mixtures, \$1.25. Chocolates and bonbons in any quantity you like, 25c, 40c, 60c and 80c pound. For Her: Fancy boxes filled with delicious chocolates and bonbons, \$1 to \$10. Caramels, \$2.50 for a 5-pound box. For the Children: Large tin boxes of clear candies, \$1. Jars of fine candies, decorated, 75c and \$1 each. For the Table: Favors for the table or the stockings start at 5c. Jack Horner pieces with 12 favors, \$4 to \$10. Trimmed Christmas trees, \$3.50 to \$6.50.

Put the Youngsters in Fresh Rompers

and let them have a jolly, happy time. Rompers and creepers for six months to two-year-old children, 50c to \$3.50. Colored or plain white; some with hand work. Rompers for 2 to 6-year-olds, 75c to \$2.75; chambray, seersucker and linen. They're all new and fresh.

The Camera Shop Has—

Graflex cameras and high-grade special Kodaks, besides the finest foreign makes, many of them fitted with the celebrated Carl Zeiss lenses. Everything else here that a photographer uses.

Quilts and Blankets

make the best kinds of last minute gifts, but be sure they are the best kinds of quilts and blankets by choosing where none but the best kinds are sold and all are at the lowest prices. \$2.75 to \$300 for quilts. \$1 a pair to \$45 each for blankets.

Upholstery Gifts Ready for Quick Choosing

Fine velour pillow covers—\$1 for those that are plain on both sides; \$1.50 for the kind embroidered on one side and plain on the other. Fine fabrics in all colors. Floss-filled pillows in the correct size to fill those covers are 60c each.

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