ly Distributed Dekilling herself early today may cost Labor Shortage Frank Polivinak, of 610 South Sixth treet, his life. Y DELIVERY MADE

Increase of more than 25 per amount of Christmas parcel in the hispervious year in the hispervious yea Philadelphia Postoffice and atest shortage of labor that Polivinak on the bed with three bullet fronted the department, the wounds in his body. infronted the department, the of Santa Claus packages

Mrs. Polivinak said the revolver was accidentally discharged when her husband prevented her from turning the weapon on herself. She was held in \$1500 ball ore prompt and more accurate before, according to Assistant John C. Lester an \$2,000 sacks of parcel mail by Magistrate Imber to await the result of her husband's injuries. He is

than \$2,002 sacks of parcel mailm handled through the Philadelstoffice since the Christmas rush. Christmas presents to and from idlers in the training camps have tuted a big part of this mail, is in excess of anything that the office has ever been called upon idle before. The packages in these have ranged from small trinkets to rgoot size parcel that the law will LESTER WORKERS KICK ON TROLLEY SERVICE

Husky Reporter Tries Sugof these handicaps, the Post-employes have handled the busigested Trip and Finds th accuracy and dispatch and no has been delayed in the delivery Thristmas package. Every Christ-resent will be delivered on time. Charges True

BATTLE TO BOARD CARS will be one mail delivery to-and that will be at 7 o'clock

Editor Evening Public Ledge morning, but all substations in y will be open until 11 o'clock for myenlence of patrons in issuing Knowing your paper to be fair and square regarding conditions in Phila-delphia. I take this means of asking orders, registering letters and if it is possible with the aid of your It is possible with the and of your paper to obtain better conditions on street cars leading to Westinghouse Electric Company plant at Lester. They may talk of going "over the top" in France and tackling Germans, but it Sunday before Christmas found iphia postoffice working just me as any other day. In order we the great congestion due to the on of Christmas, letters and parhasn't an inch on trying to get to and from work at above-mentioned place. I could write in detail of abuses one ere delivered just as if it had I could write in detail of abuses chi-has to put up with, yes thousands, on Route 37. If by chance may of your reporters (it will have to be some husky chap) wants a good write-up on the way the public is handled by the P. R. T., let him get in the sub-way at Thirteenth and Market streets any morning from 6.20 to 7 and take and the with us and then tackle it in TO ATLANTIC FLEET a ride with us and then tackle it in pecial Train and Battleship the evening from Lester at 4:30 to 5. Hope you will give this letter at-tention, from an unfortunate workman ommandeered by Philadelwho is trying to do his bit, and I know a write-up from you will be ap-preciated by hundreds who are in the same position as I am. The men on men of the Atlantic Fleet will the job circulated a petition among the workmen and forwarded same to Washington, and hope that will help Christmas presents in their socks. row because of a series of light--like arrangements in Philadelphia

FOMEN RUSH GIFTS

phians to Carry Presents

commandeered a train and a manor for their delivery. The moving

who played the role of good angel

onn of the Navy Auxiliary. It is

late that the jackies would have

and distribute comfort outfits.

a local chairman of the Council

ry of the Navy Daniels, at Wash-

is requested officials

express company and ex-

UNAWAY PAIR CAUGHT

and Arrested

WHILE ON VISIT

at Home of Daughter

communication with

to her foresight and quick action

the Navy was Mrs. E. T. Stotesbury.

the man who fulfills the favor I ask, Very truly yours, A DAILY VICTIM.

A reporter made the trip to Lester.

lesigned for the fleet reached In view of the congested arrived at Lester at 4.40 P. M. and a cop. Leaving the control of the congested arrived at Lester at 4.40 P. M. and a cop. Priday at 1 o'clock a consign-of 50,000 Christmas presents es-lly designed for the fleet reached

As a result a rush order came telephone to the Supply Officer Navy Yard, Pay Director Ryan. the fastest train leaving Broad Station that day. 57 s. Stotes-hen got in touch with the office local express company and exrtion of the employes of The gifts were loaded in two these several plants, all engaged in ful-cars and one express car, and, filling Government war contracts, de-r to attach these to a passenger pend upon Route 27 to get to and from it was necessary to equip the three work. The rapid transit company has with special brakes. A passenger not sufficient cars nor men to cope with this unusual condition. The high wages had and Norfolk line was scheduled paid by just such plants as are mentioned is in a great measure responsible to the statement of the statement in through Mrs. Stotesbury's ef-omcials of the railroad agreed to "trippers" are put on the line during officials of the railroad agreed to "trippers" are put on the line during the train until the necessary the rush hours, these cars running from as could be made. At 1 o'clock Forty-ninth street and Woodland ave-Forty-ninth street and Woodland avenue to the Baldwin plant and return, but according to information obtained. could be made. At 1 o'clock reday morning the train pulled out the fleet processed at 7 o'clock yesterday at Charles. Va. By the special order dmiral Mayo, commander in chief atlantic fleet, a man-'o-war was shed and an officer delegated to take of the delivery of the presents. The following was a fleet on the high seas thousands are now on the high seas thousands where wrighters sweaters cleared. by the reporter, there are not more than twenty extra men available for this service, and the company is losing on the average ten regular men a day

It is difficult to replace these men. The reporter, trying to get to Philadelphia from Lester, had to eventually uffers, wristlets, seeas thousands ther essentials for a merry Christ-at sea—and all because a little of people in Philadelphia refused the words "too late." fight his way aboard a car, but this was not accomplished until several futile at-tempts had been made, covering more than an hour of strenuous discomfort. At the main office of the transit company, Mr. Fairchild, acting in the abof President Mitten, refused to Miski and John Cherui Found make any statement further than to say that everything was being done that could be done. He also refused to

from the barn at Forty-ninth street.

BISHOP RAPS PACIFISTS

be quoted in any way regarding the sit-

Lena Miski, twenty-three years Hartford, Conn., and John Cherui, rone years old, also of Hartford, streated today at 2709 East riand street, where they were livian at attle. Mrs. Miski and her nd, Michael, had a boarding house store. Cherui was a boarder, fishis have three children. Mrs. and the boarder Cherui were distant shave three children. Mrs. and the boarder Cherui were distant shave three children. Mrs. and the boarder Cherui were distant shave three children. Mrs. and the boarder for the days ago. In the shade of the shade Public Needs More Cheerful Attitude Toward War, He Declares

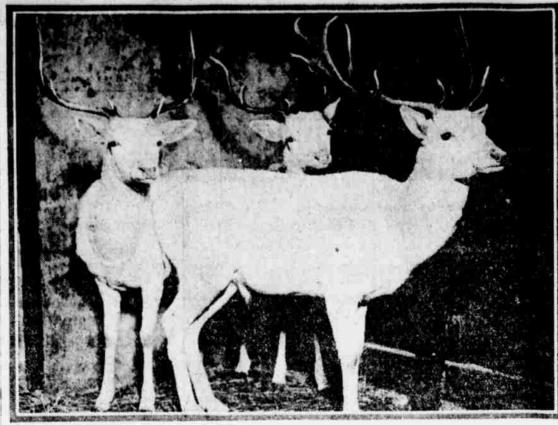
The need of a more cheerful attitude toward the war on the part of the American public was the theme of a twenty-minute sermon by Bishop Berry, of the Methodist Church, in the Garrick

is and out where his wife and im boarder were and cume to is. Then he led Detective the East Cumberland street Miski thought it would be nice rul, but Doyle talked him out he man and woman were held if each to await arrival of the departments stating that no fear was felt for the courage of the men at the front the courage of the men at the front that she would rather commit in go back to her husband. "but there are some indications that we may have misapprehensions of the courage of those at home." He counseled natience with reference to the situation in Russia, and expressed confidence that the affairs of that nation will work out satisfactorily. The pacifist and the theological propagandist were severely hine Warder Fatally theological propagandist were severely criticized by Bishop Berry.

> ARREST MURDER SUSPECT Man Held in Tarrytown in Connection with Fifth Ward Case

An Italian named Russo has been arrested in Tarrytown, N. Y., on suspicion of being one of the gunmen implicated in the election day riots that resulted in the murder of Policeman George A. Eppley, according to advices received by District Attorney Rotan. Extradition proceedings will be instituted at once to bring him here for trial.

HAVE THESE STRAYED FROM SANTA CLAUS'S HERD?



Small boys in the neighborhood of Thirteenth and South streets are very much excited about three Small boys in the height of the friends and are the Christmas present of State Senator Salus to State Senator Edwin H. Vare and are from Camden, Me., according to their custodian's explanation, but all the children know that they are merely being given a rest by Santa Claus before tomorrow night's hard work.

COIN STREWS STREET IN CHASE FOR THIEF

Bag Full of Glittering Loot Is Only Chinese Money

Hundreds and hundreds of glittering coins greeted the gaze of Bob Johnson as he peered into the bureau drawer of Hen Sing, a Chinese hundryman, 521 fermantown avenue. The wealth was so abundant that Johnson was obiged to get a fire shovel in order to mobilize of granuland that hundred bricklayers are want-fer the United States flying force, with opportunities for promotion to noncombate to get a fire shovel in order to mobilize organized at a training camp in the it in a floar hundred bricklayers are want-finded bricklayers are want-finded by the signal corps to construct the finded-phia and Kendington who are problem United States flying force, with opportunities for promotion to noncombate the transit lease in its present form absenced at a training camp in the construction of two-story houses in West Philadelphia and Kendington who are the large that the same than the same transit lease in the proportunities for promotion to noncombate the transit lease in its present form absenced at a training camp in the College graduates and experienced the find the same of two-story houses in West Philadelphia and Kendington who are Philadelphia and Kendington who are Philadelphia and Kendington who are provided the Two contents of the Two-story house in West Philadelphia and Kendington who are Philadelphia and Kendington the Philadelphia and Kendington who are Philadelphia and Kendington the Gaspard in the "Ullines of Normandy," business executives, including the chuckled gleefully as he come fingled within the draft age limit, may enter

while Johnson, who is rather a deliberate hegro, jammed the overflowing coin in this pockets. As the negre turned to pack some clothing in a suit case he had been against the pane. He had not been against the pane. He had not been against the pane. He had not been against the pane. ticed that below the face there was smething shiny. It was the badge of is followed by six weeks' work under something shiny.

General Companies of the congested of the fleet reached a view of the congested arrived at Lester at 4.49 P. M.

Leaving the car at Lester, he then attempted to get home by the same three the subcase against the window. He field through a rear door as the glass crash came. But the cop, at the conclusion of the window. He field through a rear door as the glass crash came. But the cop, at the conclusion of the window. He field through a rear door as the glass crash came. But the cop, Teachers and pupils in the South Philadelphia High School, nurses of Mount Sinal Hospital and others have colmitered to add the allen registrants. that the jackies would have ithout Christmas presents.

The type of car used by the Philase and Lehigh avenues station, was determined to the Supply Delater Rembert of the Supply Delater Rembert, of the Supply Delater

covered that the bag contained about covered that the bag contained about 550 glittering coins—of Chinese money. Johnson's diagust was complete. When Magistrate Wrigley held him without bail for a further hearing, he said, "I such does deserb it."

KILLED ON MARKET ST. "L" "A Bear," Says Magistrate Harris,

Negro Porter at Sixtieth Street Station Falls on Track

Walker Hondley, thirty-one years old, a negro porter of \$31 North Moss street, at the elevated station, Sixtieth and Mar-ket streets, was instantly killed this morning when he fell under a westbound Several hundred Christmas shoppers

bound for shopping centers witnessed the accident and the gruesome sight un-nerved many of the women; some fainted and many gave up their trip It is thought Hondley either fainted or was overcome by an attack of vertigo.

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'TWO-STORY' TAXABLES NEED BRICKLAYERS FOR SIGNAL CORPS WANT LEASE MODIFIED

Build Army Airdromes

And while Bob chuckied, Sing was singling down in the Tenderloin where he leads Chinese revival cavices. Suddenly a face was pressed against the window while Johnson whole Johnson whole Johnson whole Johnson who is really a face was pressed against the window while Johnson whole Johnson who is really a supersisted to start January 10. Lieutenant Alfred H. Willers and the supersisted that the window while Johnson who is really a supersisted to start January 10. Lieutenant Alfred H. Willers and the supersisted that the supersisted sixth class of the training school for

volunteered to aid the alien registrants of the First Second and Third Wards, which have the largest foreign element in the city, in filling out the questionnaires.

ficiency of the service is apparent. This is exactly what happens at Lester each afternoon when the employes of the Westinghouse Electric Company, which is manufacturing grared turbines for the Government, start home from work.

Below Lester, on the same Route 37, which is the Chester Short Line, are situated both the Eddystone and Baldwin plants, which employ thousands of men. Above Lester on the same line is the great Hog Island shipbullding plant.

A large proportion of the employes of spondent. The full rank, name, regiment and company, in that order, should be followed by "American Expeditionary Forces," if abroad, with no other appendage such as "via New York" or alreade to the use of what we have alreade to the use of what we have

Johnson and the bag were lugged to Lieutenant Colonel DeWitt C. Jones, the station house. There it was discovered that the bag contained about C. E. in command. The instructors at Camp Lee will include Majors A. K. B. Lyman, D. O. Elliot and Harrison Brand, Jr., and Captain George J. Richards, of the engineering corps,

SOME TURKEY, THIS

Who Received 36-Pound Gift

At the home of Magistrate W. J. Harris in West Philadelphia there was delivered today a turkey that is be-lieved to hold all records for weight John D. Bair, of Lancaster, Pa. "The name is camouflage," said the the dining room and breakfast will be in health. He was able to sit up agistrate. "He's a bear," Magistrate. "He's a bear,"

Mr. Johnson Discovers That Uncle Sam Calls for Men to Letter to Chairman Gaffney Protests Against Bearing Double Transit Burden

Acting in behalf of those opposed to the lease, George W. Kelly, of \$50 South Fifty-fourth street, suggested the fol-lowing ancealment in a communication to Chairman Calines, of Councille "No money collected from taxes on

real estate or any other current revenues that may be received by the city rexcept revenues received from used as payment on any densit that may accrue from the operation of

interests and studing fund on bonds issued to build and equip these lines. if the proposed amendment is not ade to the lease, Mr. Kelly said, all Ordinance sergeant pays from \$51 to \$61 property owners would pay the following additional taxes and rents, which the the cents proposed in Philadelphia High School, nurses of crease by the Board of Education.

"To make it so that anybody can un Improper addresses on mail to the sol-diers is causing so much congestion that the men have been requested to send their correct address to every corre-tions of the control of the cont when he rides on the street care

WAYFARERS' LODGE CHANGE Closed This Week, to Reopen January 1 as a Paid Lodging House

accommodations for thousands of industrial workers who have flocked to Philadelphia, and the fact that the tramp deipina, and the late that the transpand vagrunt population of the city has been greatly reduced, the Society for Organized Charity will close its Wayfarers' Lodge No. 1, at 1726 Lombard street, on Wednesday, and reopen it on

January 1 as a paid lodging house. The name of the establishment will be changed from the Wayfarers' Lodge to lieved to hold all records for weight the Liberty lnn. There will be 150 cots, and size. It weighs thirty-six pounds which will be rented to workingmen at and was presented to Judge Harris by twenty-five cents a night. During Christwhich will be rented to workingmen at twenty-five cents a night. During Christ-mas week improvements will be made in

PENNSYLVANIA NEARS ITS RED CROSS QUOTA

Lacks Only 92,000 of 1,192,000 Members to Be Enrolled in Drive

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24,-Leaders in the Red Cross campaign for 10,000,000 members before Christmas Day have decided to permit local field workers to continue their drive throughout the week in several of the divisions because of unfavorable weather during the first days of the campaign.

days of the campaign.

Torrential rains in the Northwest washed out bridges and made roads impassable, but in spite of this Oregon has exceeded its quota of 28,000 and Washington and Idaho promise to pass theirs. The Gulf division already has reported 283,014 enrolled members on a quota of 204,000. Pennsylvania is within 92,000 of its quota of 1,192,000, the Pacific division is within 34,000 of its 467,000 quota and the Central division has voluntarily raised its quota to 1,500,000, a figure which the local 1,500,000, a ffgure which the local directors expect to pass.

"LIVE WIRES" HOPE FOR FINAL VICTORY

Wider Democracy in Chamber of Commerce Administration Under Consideration

MEMBERS' MEETING OFF

Final victory for the Live Wires over he proposed changes in the bylaws for more democratic administration, and end out a new call for a special meeting

of the members' meeting called for Thursday is annulled, and the election of directors and choice of the officers by the directors will follow the usual custom in January. President Ernest T. Tring is favored by both factions of the chamber and his re-election is looked upon as certain. Inasmuch as the cham-her officially announced that all personal factorily settled, it may be taken for granted that General Secretary N. B. Kelly will be continued in his present capacity, after weathering the continued in the present capacity, after weathering the continued in the present capacity. capacity, after weathering the most se vere effort to oust him that he has yet experienced.

committee, after conference with the proponents of the amendments to place the election of officers of the special directors. election of officers directly in the cands of the members, and the withdrawal of those amendments to promote harmony, was embodied in the follow-ing statement:

"That this committee recommends that the president at once appoint a committee of seven, four of whom shall be from the membership at large and threes from the board of directors, whose duty it shall be to consider such proposed amendments to the by-laws as may be submitted to it, and to report to the board of directors with such recommendations as to changes in the by-laws ar in its judgment will promote the greatest efficiency of the cham-ber; and the board of directors shall thereupon call a special meeting of the members to consider the recommendations of the committee.

The special directors' committee consisted of James C. Jones, A. C. McGowin, W. H. Metcalf, H. K. Mulford, W. L. Eckhardt, Charles J. Cohen, A. S. Mur-phy, Calvin M. Smyth, E. J. Beriet and

BARRETT'S MERRY CHRISTMAS

\$100 Bond Rewards Champion Collector of Liberty Loaf Labels

Christmas will be especially merry for William Jennings Bryan Barrett, a construction foreman of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who learned today that he had won the \$100 Liberty Bond offered by the Freihofer Baking Company. Har-rett lives at 5165 Heston street.

Nearly 2000 participated in the con-test. The prize was offered for the lucky Owing to the increased demand for labels from Freihofer's Liberty loaf

records in the race each won a \$50 hond. They are George Garrison, Lucia N. Brown, John Heiffer, James Reynolds, George Yochum, Chris I. Jones, Miss Mary Meakin and Percy Wilmot James. Philadelphia; Mrs. Agnes Wills, Riverside, N. J.; P. J. Ryan, Chester, Pa

Archbishop Has Recovered

SERGEANT A. P. DAVITT He has just been made sergeant major and has returned from Camp Meade to celebrate his promotion at his home, 2228 Miffiin street, during the holidays.

Sergeant Major Before Homecoming

When the orders were first issued re

Sergeant Davitt was among the first contingent of selected men to leave for Camp Meade from the Fifty-first Dis-trist last September. His rise from private was rapid, and last Thursday he as a reward of his diligent services.

of War Experiments

A device to defeat Germany's U-boats cessful in his experiments with an abso national service.

atories in the country in the Govern-ment research work. They will com-mence on January 1. Professor Hayes expects to be engaged in this service for a year at least, and it is unlikely that he

Ascension Catholic Club's Smoker lating interest in, the activities of the club proved to be one of the most en-joyable affairs ever undertaken by the organization. In spite of the fact that its membership has been depleted by the absence of members who are ser-



up by the chimney with care.

of sales.

Mr. Joseph Janney, Jr., chairman of

the Industrial Department, reports the appointment of fourteen additional selling agencies on Saturday, represented by

come of the leading business concerns it bliadelphia. Through these agencies fore than 40,000 people will be reached, blich should result in a gratifying total

lak's Sons, 1129 Chestnut street; Ludwig Piano Company, 1103 Chestnul street; Leon S. Daisimer, 1204 Market street; Automobile Sales Corporation, 142 North Broad street; DeLong Hook and Eye

The total sales reported as the close

of business Saturday had amounted to \$411,044.15 in war savings certificates. Second class agencies had reported \$81.

356.24. Thrist stamp sales, \$116,660; second class agencies, \$63.217.75.

Xmas Special

Pumps

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Prices This

Save

Company, Broad and Wallace

Edwin J. Schoett e, 533 North Eleventh GETS SERGEANT'S RANK AS CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Corporal Anthony P. Davitt Made

Final victory for the Live Wires over the Old Guard of the Chamber of Commerce is foreseen by the former in the recommendations of the special committee of the board of directors that the president appoint a committee of four members and three directors to consider

received his chevrons as sergeant major He is spending the Christmas holidays

at the home of his father at 2228 Mifflin street with his brother, Private Joseph M. Davitt, who is also a member of the

ENTERS U. S. SERVICE

hay soon be perfected. Prof. H. C. Hayes, head of the physics department of Swarthmore College, has been so suclutely new invention during the last year that he has been summoned to enter the

He will be joined by five other physi-cists from the best universities and labor-

The smoker given by the Ascension Catholic Club for the purpose of stimutheir country in the war the Ascension Club has managed to keep up its active work, and great interest was shown at

leather, dull kid, gun metal. gold and allver cloth, white and colored satin, Louis XV Heels. As Christmas gifts or for your holiday wear these pumps are the finest buy in Philadelphia. Groundfloor shops are asking \$2 to \$4 more than on concentrated value price this week.

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style pumps

SPATS to go with \$2 Make early selection—for this biggest economy Xmas special at our unbeatably low upstairs price will draw a crowd. Tomorrow, but not later than Wednesday. Come in.

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If there was any feeling that the old-fashioned observance of Christmas would interfere with loyalty or patriotic impulses or have the least deterrent influence on war work, that feeling has been entirely dispelled, and all who have helped to make this a happy Christmas are to be warmly con-

Strawbridge & Clothier Wish All Good Americans A Merry Christmas!

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