

WOODEN SIGNS URGE THRIFT STAMP SALES

Efforts Redoubled to Stimulate Purchase With Hope of Making New Record

BUYING FOR PRESENTS

Political, Commercial and Social Clubs Secure Great Quantities for Personal Gifts

Fifty big wooden signs urging the public to invest in thrift and war savings stamps were set up throughout the city today under orders of the city savings committee...

War savings stamps sold and paid for, \$418,927.56; consigned to agents of the second class, \$82,698.42; thrift stamps sold and paid for, \$128,242; consigned to agents of the second class, \$60,117.75.

Pipe Organ Plays at Wedding At the wedding of Dr. Harry Benson Bowen, 5201 North Broad street, last night, the musical pipe organ, for which Doctor Bowen had a house specially built, played the wedding march. The bride was Miss Amelia Schindler, of Bakinore.

Licensed at Elkton to Wed ELKTON, Md., Dec. 28.—Pennsylvania couples taking out licenses at Elkton to marry were James O'Hara and Jennie Huff, John F. Weiss and Mary Clark, Mahlon Maulbury and Anna Smith, Edgar Sutherland and Anna Reis, Alonzo W. Wilkins and Irene Thomeat and Charles J. Fissel and Edna Hall, all of Philadelphia; Roy W. Hoover and Elizabeth Byers, Lancaster; Elmer A. Snyder and Margaret L. Haltzman, Allentown; and James J. Robinson and Wynona B. Hopkins, Harrisburg.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES WALTER E. SIMMONS, Stuart, and Anna W. Powers, Hatfield, Pa. Joseph Mation, Schuylkill, Pa., and Jean H. Dawson, 5223 Girard st., and Jeannette M. Minter, 415 N. 29th st., and Morris H. Parry, 1045 N. 5th st., and Fannie Golden, 819 S. 3d st. Thomas V. Lennox, 415 E. Chelton ave., and Mary Martin, 1001 Locust st. William Gagnier, 1620 Stiles st., and Annie Davis, 8216 Locust st. Frederick A. Tottle, 630 N. 15th st., and Caroline B. Kelle, 645 N. 15th st. Cash E. Jackson, 2511 Locust ave., and Albertina Bierman, Reading, Pa. Joseph McKee, 821 Locust ave., and Mae Miller, 8198 Mingo ave. George P. Layne, 388 Gordon, and Albine C. Fay, 3188 Memphis st. Phillip J. Heuser, 308 Grange st., and Susan E. Cook, 2012 Hart st. Douglas Woodruff, Auburn, N. Y., and Mildred H. Lane, 6282 Market st. Nathan W. Burr, League Island, and Jenny E. Lund, 6282 Market st. Dickvan Dabollan, 515 S. 60th st., and Fanny Kelenin, 484 Locust st. James Forte, 610 Clymer st., and Philomena Burk, 610 Clymer st. Franklin E. Grinnage, 1838 Sharwood st., and Blanche Smith, 1838 Sharwood st. William E. Hall, Honesdale, Pa., and Henrietta Freed, Honesdale, Pa. Luther Brown, 2123 Locust st., and Elizabeth S. Stuart, 923 Clinton st. Ethel L. Lewis, 1914 Watkins st., and Alexander Jacobus, 514 W. Susquehanna Alexander, and Fannie Rosenbach, 1541 N. 32d st. Owen E. Fullaway, Phoenixville, Pa., and Edna MacNeal, Phoenixville, Pa. Philip Mark, 2009 S. 4th st., and Ida Brevler, 724 Modena st. Richard Hill, 8 S. 13th st., and Leah Lane, 715 S. 13th st. Clarence H. Heyman, 2721 W. Berks st., and Pauline E. Heyman, 2721 W. Berks st. Frank L. Heston, 208 Locust st., and Elizabeth McMeekin, 3283 Coral st.

CITE GIRARD ESTATE IN U. S. COAL PROBE

Committee Demands Statement Regarding Reported Increase in Royalty Charges

HOOVER OUT OF TOWN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Herbert Hoover turned the tables today on the Senate subcommittee investigating the sugar shortage. Three times Hoover was prepared to testify but the committee was "not ready" for him. Today the committee was ready to hear the food administrator, but Hoover is in New York at "an extremely important conference."

A letter from Judge Curtis H. Lindsey, of the food administration, stated that Hoover would be willing to testify early next week.

BAN ON NEW YEAR NOISE

Usual Regulations Against 'Ticklers' and Other Nuisances Issued The annual ban on firing revolvers and blowing horns was announced today in regulation for celebration of the new year issued by Superintendent of Police Robinson. The use of "ticklers" is also forbidden.

Musician Recovers His Health Ludwig Frain, a well-known professional musician connected with the Philadelphia Orchestra and expert cello player, who suffered a nervous breakdown from overwork more than a year ago, has fully recovered and is now playing in the orchestra at the Lyric Theatre. After hearing the testimony of medical experts, Judge Ferguson, in Court of Common Pleas No. 3, today discharged the temporary guardian of the musician's estate.

Woman Held on Jewel Theft Charge Mary Jean Franzin, a domestic employed in the home of Mrs. John Bromley, 723 Westview avenue, Germantown, was held under \$500 bail today by Magistrate Penneck in the Germantown police station. She is charged with having stolen jewelry valued between \$1600 and \$1800. All the jewelry has been recovered except a diamond brooch, which the domestic admits she sold for \$140 to a Chestnut street jeweler.

Hurt in Collision With Trolley Thrown from his wagon in a collision with a trolley car at Fifth and Master streets, George Bryant, forty-five years old, of 230 South Warnock street, is in St. Mary's Hospital suffering from a broken arm and possible internal injuries.

PINKERTON logo and address: 3034 West York St. Philadelphia

MUMMERS PREPARE FOR GREAT 'BLOWOUT'

In Quantity and Quality Parade Promises to Eclipse All Former Displays Those purveyors of gloom who thought it would be wrong to smile on next New Year's Day and frowned on the idea of having a Mummers' parade are doomed to disappointment.

H. Bart McHugh, Council's special agent, who will direct the parade, said today that from the standpoint of quality the size of the turnout would exceed that of former years.

Incidentally there is likely to be some surprises in the way of prizes, and judging from the plans made by the Camden clubs which will participate in the show, it would be well for the local organizations to stir themselves to their greatest efforts.

PISTOL AND AIR RIFLE INJURE TWO CHILDREN

'Unloaded' Revolver Wounds Girl—Another Shot in Eye While Holding Target Two serious accidents to children are reported as a result of playing with weapons.

A Clean Garment Wears Longest Your clothing absorbs dirt as a sponge soaks up water. Ordinary methods of cleaning cannot reach this dirt, which soon destroys the texture of the fabric.

Save Some of Your Christmas Money With Thrift Stamps Put part of that money where it will work for the Nation and for you. Save it while it helps to win our war for Liberty.

W.S.S. WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

The National War Savings Committee 1431 Walnut St., Philadelphia

RAILWAY STATION IS DAMAGED BY FLAMES

Porter at Conshohocken Starts Fire in Stove—Building Nearly Destroyed NORRISTOWN, Dec. 28.—Fire nearly destroyed the station of the Reading Railway at Conshohocken this morning. Several thousand dollars' damage was done.

Two Conshohocken fire companies, the one from West Conshohocken and the Plymouth company worked from seven o'clock for three hours before the flames were extinguished.

While the burning was confined in the upper story, the lower story, in which are the waiting rooms and ticket and telegraph offices, was flooded with water and made useless for some time at least.

J. E. CALDWELL & Co. Chestnut—Juniper—South Penn Square Distinctive Chinese Lamps

Orangers THRIFF WEDNESDAY SUITS—\$33.00—OVERCOATS Beginning Wednesday, January 2, 1918, and every Wednesday thereafter, from 9 A. M. to 8 P. M., we will place on sale in our special new \$33.00 Thrift Case discontinued lines and ends of suitings and overcoatings...

RESERVE TO-DAY FOR NEW YEAR'S GALA EVENING DANCING ALL THE EVENING—TWO DANCE FLOORS WONDERFUL WEL-TYMED RHYTHMICAL BAND. Ruglers RESTAURANT

Primo Dye Works Cleaners and Dyers Wholesale & Retail 510-15-14 N. 12th Street 215 N. 12th Street \$4.00 PER COVER

Watchman Found Dead in Bed The Camden police are seeking the relatives of Henry Lockett, forty-five years old, a watchman of the New York Shipbuilding Company, who was found dead in bed today in his room in a boarding house at 587 Nichols street, Camden. Death was due to natural causes, according to Coroner Pratt.

CANVAS BAGS—A safe protection for your product when in storage or transit. Prevent deterioration and facilitate handling. Everything in Canvas. F. Vanderherchen's Sons 7 N. Water St., Phila. "At the Sign of the Sail"

Graduation Advanced to Jan. 1 Following a conference between Dr. John P. Garber, superintendent of schools, and George Wheeler, associate superintendent in charge of higher schools, it was announced that in future members of the senior class of the high schools may be graduated on January 1 instead of at the end of the term in February.

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Perry's Big Semi-Annual REDUCTION SALE of FALL and WINTER SUITS FALL and WINTER OVERCOATS The Most Remarkable Thing about it is the Fact that it is taking place at all! What we might do—perhaps some would say—ought to do—is just sit tight and cash in on conditions; for we surely have the Clothes and have them in quantities, and in splendid variety of assortments! There never was a Sale like this, because there never were times like these! The Reduction Prices, compared with what future prices will be, represent the biggest bargains we have offered you at Perry's in a long time! Those are the Facts—the rest is up to you!

J. B. Sheppard & Sons 1008 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia Thursday to Saturday Inclusive CLEARING-UP SALE A thorough rummage through all our stocks to clean up odds and ends. Curtains Neckwear Lace Tapestries White Goods Blouses Cretonnes Embroideries Linens Ladies' Undermuslins PRICES ALLURING