

JOYOUS WELCOME AWAIT'S NEW YEAR

Philadelphia's Celebration of Old Year's Passing Will Eclipse All Others

A NEW ERA DAWNING

Hand of Good-Fellowship Extended With Feeling of Decided Optimism

"Sing" to Greet New Year at City Liberty Statue

Sing out the old! Sing in the new! Philadelphia will "sing in" the "Welcome Home Year" at midnight tonight at the Statue of Liberty...

Little Mr. 1919 is due for a riotous welcome. His greeting promises to eclipse those of all his predecessors since 1776.

Before midnight Philadelphia will start a jubilation, which will echo all day tomorrow.

The voice of victory will sound throughout the revelry which greets the New Year. And the old year, too, will be given a hearty goodbye.

To the approaching year the welcome will be especially joyous, as many believe it marks a new era of happiness for mankind generally.

In thousands of homes, in the clubs, hotels and restaurants and down at the Philadelphia Navy Yard the hand of good-fellowship will be extended with a feeling of decided optimism.

There will be parties and balls in all sections of the city, and in most cases the boys who have returned from France will be the special guests of honor.

As usual, the mums' organizations will continue their annual dances until daybreak, when they will mark the entrance of the year with a big parade.

The world of industry, with hundreds of factory whistles, will join in shrieking a welcome on the stroke of 12.

At the same moment there will be New Year Liberty Sings in many sections of the city, and church bells will lend their voices to the big, harmonious jubilee.

Every factory which has not ceased with music in Philadelphia on New Year's Eve.

"Eat, Drink and be Merry" Of course, the clinking of glasses will be part of the festive program.

Many of the hostesses have prepared elaborate entertainments and souvenirs for their 1918-1919 guests.

There will, of course, be many resolutions made as "new leaves" are turned over. Undoubtedly there will be many "last" drinks to 1918, which will place the drinkers in jubilant mood to greet the new year.

Speaking of resolutions, the war savings division of the United States Treasury has suggested several, urging us to be economical and not sacrifice their Liberty Bonds and war savings stamps.

"I will not sell my Government securities for a mess of pottage." "I will not let my 'war' idea make me ungrateful to those who have fought and bled for liberty."

In churches there will be midnight services and such meetings. A special service will mark the reopening of Inasmuch Mission, 1011 Locust street, at which Bishop Rhineclander will preside.

The mission was closed several weeks ago and used for barracks for United States Medical Corps students at Jefferson College. As the corps was recently demobilized it was decided that the mission should resume its work.

The echoes of New Year celebration will hardly have been waned away before the mums' start early tomorrow in their regular parade.

NO MAIL DELIVERY TOMORROW

Holiday Regulations Will Prevail at Postoffice Here

Only special delivery and perishable parcel post mail will be delivered tomorrow, New Year's Day, according to regulations issued by Postmaster Thornton today.

There will be no delivery of mail by foot carriers, and collections will be made to the best interests of the service. The dispatch of mail will be as usual.

All substitutions will be open until 11 a. m. for the sale of stamps, transaction of money order and registry business.

The registry inquiry and general delivery sections (central office) will be open for the transaction of business until 7 a. m. The stamp window will be open from 7 a. m. until midnight, after which time stamps can be purchased at window No. 16.

The money order section, central office, will be closed all day, as well as all postal savings depositories.

TWO HURT AT SKIP-STOP POINT

Women Injured When Cars Collide at Eighth and Catharine

Two women were badly shaken up today in a trolley smash-up at Eighth and Catharine streets, a skip-stop point.

The injured are Bessie Winkelman, 3034 street above Third, who is in the Pennsylvania Hospital suffering from shock and bruises, and Annie Silverman, Eighth and Parrish streets, treated for shock at the scene of the accident and sent home.

The collision was of a southbound Eighth street car and another turning south into Eighth street from Catharine. According to witnesses, the Eighth street car, approaching the skip-stop, was unable to slow down in time to avoid the collision.

Both cars were badly damaged and broken glass was hung in all directions.

Bomb Placards Found in the Federal Building

Several hundred of the terrorist "manifestoes" were distributed in the Postoffice Building during the night.

They were found this morning in the telephone booths on the first floor, between the leaves of 'phone books and in bunches of a dozen on the writing tables along the first floor corridor.

The circulars are printed in blue ink on newsprint paper, about six by nine inches in size. Superintendent Johnson turned them over to Chief Postal Inspector Cortelyou.

ANSWER FOR CRITICS OF WAR RISK BUREAU

Victimized Offener Than It Blunders, Says Dr. Carl Kelsey

The public hears a great deal about poor persons who have not been paid their war allotments by the Government, but little is said of the thousands receiving from the Government money they are not entitled to.

This thought was presented by Dr. Carl Kelsey, professor in the Wharton School of Finance, in charge of the war risk insurance bureau for Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. Doctor Kelsey spoke today before the Civic Club in an effort to explain the Government's provision for the dependents of soldiers and sailors.

"The marvel of it all is that, despite the complicated methods and the millions of requisitions and letters that flood the Government offices, 99 per cent of the allotments are being paid to the proper families without any trouble.

"All the trouble over allotments does not rest with the Government," smiled Doctor Kelsey, who was not without his wits. "Some men forget they had wives when they enlisted. Some wrote so lightly that names and addresses could not be found out. Some few made out their allotment cards and were not checked.

Many families have moved without notifying the department at Washington. "Right now I have the names of more than 400 material men in Philadelphia who should be receiving checks and I can't find them on the face of the earth.

"There are, of course, a number of mistakes in the Government offices. It is not as if any scheme, imagine two or three men of the same name, from the same town, in the same company, all of whom made out requisitions for allotments to their families. You know some confusion is bound to result."

"You hear a few stories of distress from families of men in service. But I could tell you ten times as many against these self-advertised ones. You hear that Mrs. Mary Jones on your street is destitute and hasn't received her payments for three months, and you cash in a check for her. You don't know that that check has been going out regularly, but some other Mrs. Mary Jones has been getting it lately and she cashed it and said nothing about it to authorities though she knew it was not hers."

"You don't hear about the poor workman, discharged from the army months ago, who is still receiving and using the money allotted to his family while he was in service. We could prosecute him because that money no longer belongs to him and he must return it to the Government as not prosecuted, because he was poor and ignorant."

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ENSIGN HOME WITH BRIDE

Edward B. Smith, Jr., Married English Girl While Overseas

Edward B. Smith, Jr., U. S. N., who has been attached as an aviator to the headquarters of the American naval forces in London since last February, arrived in the United States on December 17 on the steamship Caronia, and is now at the home of his mother, 306 South Nineteenth street. With him is his bride, one of the prettiest of English girls to be introduced recently to Philadelphia society.

Mrs. Smith was Miss Florence K. Lawrence, whom the ensign met soon after his arrival in England. An engagement was announced several weeks later, and their marriage took place shortly before the return of Ensign Smith to the United States.

Ensign and Mrs. Smith have been well received by friends, but as the family is still in mourning for the death of the officer's father, the late Edward B. Smith, well known as a banker and leading man of financial affairs, no formal entertainment to mark their coming will be given. They will spend the winter in Philadelphia.

POLICEMAN RETIRES AT 70

Frank Willmunder, 23 Years on Force, Will Travel

Frank Willmunder, seventy years old, of 4004 North Twelfth street, the last Civil War veteran to be installed on the Philadelphia police force, went on the pension list today.

Willmunder has been serving as turnkey at the police station at Germantown avenue and Looming street for the last seven years, and his resignation, tendered some time ago, became effective today. In 1895 Mayor Warwick appointed the Civil War veteran as a member of the city police force, and he has served with the same district ever since.

When only fourteen years old, Willmunder enlisted in the United States army and served from January of 1864 until February of 1866. He was by trade a cabinet maker and member of New-hall Post No. 7, G. A. R.

Having a brother in California and one in Mexico, the pensioner intends to spend the rest of his days in travel. He will be succeeded at the Thirty-sixth street station house by George Williams.

PRETTY NIFTY, EH?

How Do You Like Our New Auto Licensee Tags?

Oh say! Did you see? We're talking about those new motor tags. All pretty and shiny and black and red. They make a silver look like a regular car. They're some tags. They have a black background, and flaming red numerals. They look all lit up, ready for a joy ride. These are the tags for 1919, the new year, which will be with us tomorrow. Motorists who have received these tags are displaying them together with their old ones, but the antiquies go to the dump tomorrow.

Fire, Origin Unknown, Damages Store

Fire of unknown origin shortly before one o'clock this afternoon damaged the home and store of Marie Cipriani, 816 South Eighth street. Cigars, stationery and stock of new calendars stored in a second-story room, where the fire started, were destroyed.

PLACARDS FOUND AT HOMES WRECKED BY BOMB BLASTS

To the Exploiters, the Judges, Policemen, the Priests, the Soldiers!

When the twentieth century gave the people the right and freedom of thought and speech, it was believed that the Inquisition was past for ever.

A handful of exploiters and parasites rob millions poisoning and murdering. An army of politicians, policemen, praying on brothels are their protectors.

On the other side: a herd of starved people, forced to slave for a mouthful of bread.

If anyone attempts to protest against such exploitations, he is either lynched or imprisoned.

We have asked too many times for the right of free speech and free press, given by the Constitution.

We have asked for more bread and more justice and have been answered by your things in uniform.

We have now chosen other means; we have learned to use other weapons; instead of words.

Read in the history of the world, and remember that the dungeon and the scaffold did not stop the progress of science.

Science opened her way striking with a hatchet. Man blasted his road with dynamite!

Science triumphed over Torquemada's century. Anarchy will triumph over the present Torquemadas of our century!

We have demanded the freedom of all political prisoners, freedom of press and speech!

You are under the protection of the laws and its flunkies, the police! We are protected by the darkness of night and the faith in the highest destiny of ourselves and Humanity!

PIEZ TO DETERMINE HOG ISLAND FUTURE

Decides Tomorrow if Company Will Keep Yard—Two More Launchings

Simultaneously today at noon with the launching of the eleventh and twelfth ships constructed at the Hog Island shipyard, Charles Piez, director general of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, announced that he will determine the future management of the yard tomorrow and make known his decision Thursday before the Senate Commerce Committee in Washington.

Continuation of the present contract with the American International Shipbuilding Corporation, which built the yard and has been authorized to build 180 ships, was indicated by Mr. Piez, who said he was "very well pleased with the progress that has been made."

Mr. Piez will make his final survey of the situation at the island Wednesday. Hog Island is believed to have established a world's record in having put into the water five ships within the last four days, all of which are from 45 to 50 per cent complete, and all of the same type—7500-ton steel cargo carriers, which have been given the highest rating by Lloyd's and the American Registry Bureau. No other shipyard in existence ever attempted such production or had the facilities to carry it out in the same time.

One ship launched today was the Saco, which went into the Delaware bay on way No. 30, yard No. 6, at 12 o'clock, sponsored by Mrs. I. A. Higgins, wife of the yard superintendent. Twenty minutes later the Eudora, launched from way No. 41, yard No. 9, took her plunge. Mrs. E. T. Spaeltz, wife of the superintendent of yard No. 6, christened this vessel. New keels were laid immediately in both ways.

Prospects at the world's greatest shipyard today indicated that it will average at least one launching a day from now on until its contract is fulfilled. "We are just beginning to feel the effects of the splendid work that has been done in preparation for actual shipbuilding," said Peter O. Knight, vice president and general counsel of the shipbuilding corporation.

The steamship Sagapora, ninth hull built at Hog Island, was launched Sunday, and the tenth ship, the Saco, was launched yesterday. The Sag City, third vessel launched, which started on her trial run Sunday, returned to her dock at the island yesterday with a perfect record.

PRIZES FOR SHOOTERS

Southwest Business Men and Tasker Association to Give Awards

Cash prizes amounting to \$600 will be distributed by the Southwest Business Men's Association and the Tasker Street Patriotic Association to the New Year Shooters tomorrow. Besides these prizes each club will be presented with an individual purse.

Judges to select the winners will be stationed at each square along the route of parade. The parade on New Year's morning will start at 10 o'clock from Twentieth and Elmwood streets and march over the following route: Twentieth street to Federal, to Point Breeze avenue to Milton street, south on Milton to Twenty-fourth street, to Tasker street, east on Tasker street to Twentieth street.

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Outrages Well Planned, Says Superintendent Mills

Acting Superintendent Mills believes that the bomb attacks were planned at a meeting held several days or a week ago.

"It looks like a well-developed scheme," said Mills, "and not the act of one hair-trigger brain. Motorcars evidently were used to take the bomb planters to their objective points.

"I believe the whole thing was directed by some master mind of the Bolsheviki."

PENROSE PREDICTS STATE REFORM BILLS

Senator Says Revision Committee Probably Will Propose Election Law Change

Several election bills will be introduced at the next session of the Legislature, Senator Penrose announced today.

"I do not know the nature of the bills," he said, "but they will be drafted to correct the defects in the existing election laws. They will probably be introduced by the charter revision committee."

When asked concerning a definite program of the next Legislature, Senator Penrose said: "The most important topic of the next session will be the charter revision."

The Senator has been in conference with Governor-elect Sproul several times since his arrival from Washington and he will again before he returns at the end of this week.

Senator Penrose may not be able to attend the inauguration at Harrisburg next month. His movements will depend entirely on the revenue bill now pending at Washington. He has engaged apartments at Harrisburg for the event, however.

SUES TO BREAK STRIKE

Building Contractor Sues Order Works Injustice to Him

David A. McClellan, a building contractor, has brought suit in Court of Common Pleas against the Mason Builders' Association and Nos. 1 and 2 of the Pennsylvania Bricklayers and Stonemasons to compel the heads of these organizations to remove a "strike order" given to men doing work for the contractor.

McClellan is the contractor for the erection of a factory building at Fifty-seventh and Race streets, and for the work he is employing union workmen. A few days ago word came from the union headquarters that the men would have to quit because one of their members, a subcontractor, had not been paid for his work by the main contractor, and work could not continue until this bill had been settled.

McClellan denies these charges and adds that it is not lawful to do with the other operation. The complainant's building must not be completed by February 1, or he will be penalized, according to the contract, and if the workmen are not returned immediately the building will not be completed in the specified time.

REPORTED DEAD, MUCH ALIVE

Camden Soldier Twice Wrongly Listed Coming Home Soon

After having been listed once as "died of wounds," and another time as having "died of disease," William Bishop of Westville, N. J., is nevertheless able to report full recovery and announce that he will be on the way home by the first of the new year.

Bishop is nineteen years old and the son of Horace W. Bishop, formerly a resident of South Camden. William is listed in the old Third Regiment, N. J. C., and was transferred to the 114th Infantry on the outbreak of the war.

In a letter to his parents, December 2, he says that he was wounded twice and gassed once, but that after a sojourn in a rest camp near Paris, he was virtually cured.

New York Crook Sent Back

Peter Koback, a New York crook who violated his parole from Sing Sing Prison and entered the store of John Schaffer, 2722 Germantown avenue, with intent to steal, was returned to New York today at the direction of Judge Martin in Quarter Sessions Court. Koback entered a plea of guilty. Instead of sentencing him on this charge he was returned to New York to complete an indeterminate sentence, of which he has one year and ten months to serve.

A perfect dinner demands

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CROWDS ATTEND MASS FOR PRIEST

Funeral Service for the Rev. F. J. Clark Held at Cathedral

WAS PARISH RECTOR

Archbishop Dougherty and 200 Clergymen Participate in Last Rites

Funeral services for the Rev. Francis J. Clark, rector of the Cathedral, who died last Friday of pneumonia, were held this morning with the chanting of the nine lessons of the divine office for the dead. More than 200 priests participated.

Those who intoned the lessons were the Revs. Joseph M. O'Hara, Richard F. Kelly, Dr. Henry C. Schuyler, Walter P. Gough, Michael J. Hafferty and Monsignor Eugene Murphy. Gerald P. Coghlan and James P. Sinnott. The last Dougherty was recited by Archbishop Dougherty.

All night long crowds waited patiently outside in the cold in order to view the body as soon as the doors were opened. Before midnight, the closing time of the great Cathedral doors, thousands came to look upon the dead priest, whose body lay in state on a catafalque erected in the main aisle.

Archbishop Dougherty was the celebrant at the solemn requiem mass. Monsignor E. J. Fitzmaurice, chancellor of the archdiocese, and cousin of Father Clark, was the assistant priest. Monsignor M. J. Crane, rector of St. Francis De Sales, was deacon of honor, and the Rev. Michael F. Crane, subdeacon of honor.

Monsignor W. J. Walsh, of St. Bridget's, was the deacon of the mass, and the Rev. Fenlon Fitzpatrick, rector of St. Malachy's Church, where Father Clark was formerly stationed, served as subdeacon. The Rev. Thomas F. McNally of the Cathedral, was master of ceremonies and was assisted by the Rev. John M. Toohy, of the Visitation. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Joseph M. Corrigan, of St. Charles Seminary. The Rev. W. J. Garrigan and the Rev. Charles D. McGinley were the chanters.

The clerical pallbearers were the Revs. Joseph M. McShane, Francis J. Sheehan, John P. O'Neill, William J. Higgins, former rector of the Cathedral; Joseph P. Mouville, Edmund J. Walsh, S. J., and Edward F. Keelan. The priests' choir was under the direction of the Rev. William A. Karo.

Bishop Melvitt, of Harrisburg; Bishop Hoban, of Scranton, and many other prominent ecclesiastics were among those who came to the city for the services.

Father Clark was buried in the crypt underneath the Cathedral altar.

WAR THEME AT 3 MEETINGS

Civic and Rotary Clubs and Commerce Chamber Hear Talks

The martial spirit of the times was reflected at three meetings today when the speakers discussed war topics. Interesting stories of the fighting at Soissons, Chateau Thierry and St. Mihiel were related by Major Robert L. Denigh, U. S. M. C., at the Rotary Club luncheon in the Hotel Adelphi.

Major Denigh took part in all three battles, and carries two chevrons on each arm. Colonel Louis McGinn, U. S. M. C., was chairman.

Motion pictures taken under the auspices of the war college of the Historical Branch of the Military Intelligence Office were shown for the first time in Philadelphia today at a special luncheon of the members council, Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, at the Ritz-Carlton. The story of the vast efforts which contributed so largely to the victorious conclusion of the war was presented in a particularly graphic way.

UNSHACKLED SPARTAN PIGS SQUEAL FOR NEW FREEDOM

Neighbors of Belgrade and Clearfield Streets Police Station Kept Awake by Revolutionary Porkers Until They Are Returned to Bitter Captivity

The noise and excitement of exploding bombs is as nothing compared to the genuine squealing, howling, back-to-nature sounds of half a dozen pigs which invaded the Belgrade and Clearfield streets police station at 2 a. m. today.

The testimony of neighbors is to be trusted. Folks who knew of the explosions, and whose nerves were on edge with constant fear lest their homes might be the next to be hit, were awakened by a sound worse than fifty "bombs bursting in air," and jumped out of beds and into their windows thinking the whole district was shattered.

Folks who were not stationed at certain houses — dashed toward the scene of the commotion, hoping to find the "bombers" in the act. But as they approached the station, the noise took on a more natural, less mechanical sound and they began to suspect that there was livestock concerned.

At the station they found six large pigs, which had escaped from the vigilant care of Pat Sweeney, and were raising their voices in uproarious indignation against their captivity. They were in joy at recent escape from their bonds.

Several policemen who tried to corral the fugitives came to unanimous agreement as to the desirability of human criminals, when it comes to making a feast.

The night was made hideous and the arm of the law proved powerless, until some one suggested the lasso. The police force armed itself with ropes, whistles, everything from cable to twine.

At last the whole nefarious gang was rounded up and lassoed, was led in humiliating procession to the cellar and there imprisoned until daybreak. They voiced their indignation in tones which resounded through the neighborhood.

Their last outbreak was upon being run into crates and shipped back to their old home at Pat Sweeney's.

ROTAN PLANNING BILL TO INCREASE STAFF

District Attorney Wants 12 Detectives and Four More Assistants

District Attorney Rotan will have a bill presented to the next session of the Legislature providing for the appointment of twelve detectives for his department and increasing his staff of assistants by four.

The purpose of increasing the District Attorney's force is to assure thorough investigation of all cases brought before him and to permit the attendance of an assistant district attorney at important hearings before magistrates. The additional detectives will not make it necessary for the District Attorney to depend upon independent force of able investigators.

"Many large cities have such a force attached to the District Attorney's office, and as a result the prosecuting attorney is enabled to conduct independent investigations. It is absolutely necessary for the fair administration of justice that such a bureau be established.

ENDS LIFE IN HOSPITAL

Woman Patient Hangs Herself in Ward-robe of Room

Mrs. Florence Bogart, forty-one years old, 2601 North Twenty-fourth street, ended her life by hanging last night at the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, where she had been a patient for several months.

Life was extant when the body, suspended from a hook in a wardrobe in her room, was discovered by an attendant.

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