

## DUAL INSPECTION SHOWS CAR JAM

P. R. T. Official Gets Busy When Public Service Watcher Is at Twelfth and Chestnut

Crowds, automobile crashes, a parade and all sorts of excitement were the order of the day when a Public Service Commission's inspector went to Twelfth and Chestnut streets yesterday for a quiet look at the street car service.

Somewhat or other, also, the inevitable P. R. T. inspector appeared. These men invariably show up, by accident, of course, whenever the Public Service Inspector starts checking up the car service. As soon as the P. R. T. inspector gets on the job car service improves at once, and everything runs more smoothly.

This was the case last evening, during the inspection between 4:30 and

5:30 p. m., by Harvey J. Rose, the commission's inspector. He had not been on the corner long, with his notebook out, before some motorman or conductor had passed the word, and the P. R. T. inspector hopped up, efficient and smiling.

This P. R. T. inspector sized up the situation, saw the fifty or sixty people waiting for cars, and at once put a new heading into effect. It was on Twelfth street above Chestnut, in front of the Stephen Girard building. This facilitated matters greatly, although it did pack the south-bound Twelfth street cars before they reached the waiting people at Chestnut street.

Just as this system got working smoothly a rattle of drums and blare of trumpets heralded the approach of the Veterans Corps of the First Regiment, on its way to the Union League, cats and oratory.

Things were going nicely again when at 4:37 p. m. an automobile and a Germantown car bumped at Twelfth and Ludlow streets. Little damage was done to either vehicle, but it took the hard-working traffic policeman several minutes to straighten out the snarl.

He wiped his brow, returned to his post, and was back again at 5:03 p. m., when a Frankford car pushed in the back of another automobile at Twelfth and Chestnut streets. This jam extended as far back as Arch street, and

there was much signaling, waving of arms, backing and bumping of cars before room could be cleared for the extrication of the smashed car, with its three good wheels.

During the hour between 4:30 and 5:30 p. m. there were 190 cars passed the Twelfth and Chestnut streets intersection. Of these eighty went down Twelfth street and 110 down Chestnut street.

The Twelfth street line are the Frankford division No. 3, Amber and Lehigh cars No. 27, Germantown cars No. 53 and Navy Yard cars No. 20.

Nos. 3 and 27 turn at Sansom and go up Thirteenth street.

The heaviest traffic was between 5:15 and 5:30 o'clock. There were twenty-nine cars on Twelfth street in the period, or about two cars a minute. There were eleven No. 3 cars, all of which picked up loads before reaching Chestnut street; five No. 20 cars, one at 5:17, so crowded it didn't stop; six No. 27 cars, only two being crowded; these two came together at 5:17 and 5:19 p. m. There were seven No. 53 cars, all being packed and jammed.

Traffic was light between 4:30 and 4:45 of the eighteen cars going south on Twelfth street only two were crowded, these being No. 53. This was caused by a gap between cars of this line between 4:35 and 4:42 p. m.

During the same period twenty-nine cars passed down Chestnut street.

Between 4:40 and 5 p. m. traffic improved. There were six No. 3 cars, three No. 20; then no more 20's between 4:44 and 4:53 p. m.

Two No. 27 cars ran nine minutes apart, at 4:47 and 4:56 o'clock. Four No. 53 cars came along, two at 4:45 p. m. and two at 4:50 p. m., all crowded.

Between 5 and 5:15 p. m. there were eight No. 3 cars, two, at 5:08 and 5:12, being packed and jammed. The others had seats to spare. There were three No. 20 cars, one at 5:10 p. m., being jammed. There were two No. 27 cars and five No. 53 cars in the same period.

Between 5 and 5:15 p. m. there were eighteen cars southbound and thirty eastbound. Between 5:15 and 5:30 there were twenty-nine cars southbound and thirty-three eastbound.

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The concert of a college glee club was formerly an affair in which the social element predominated, oftentimes almost to the point of submerging the musical, but the concert of the Harvard Glee Club at the Bellevue-Stratford last evening completely reversed this condition. Both in the choice of the compositions and the splendid manner in which they were sung, it is apparent this glee club is formed for musical purposes first.

The program itself was a most unusual one, for the first four numbers were ancient ecclesiastical compositions in the strict contrapuntal writing of that time, the composers being Bach, Palestrina, Vittoria and Antonio Lotti, and they were rendered with a beauty

of tone and a feeling which a glee club seldom acquires. Indeed this part of the program might have been the work of a chorus devoted to research among the ancient composers.

This was followed by a humorous song "Matona, lovely Maiden," attributed to Orlandus Lassus, but which in harmony and general workmanship was most unlike the work of that strict old Netherlands composer and there is reason to believe that a skillful modern pen had something to do with the arrangement performed. However, as sung it was a delightfully humorous work, and was one of the most successful of the program.

Others were four love songs of Brahms, works of the greatest beauty with an unusually fine accompaniment played by M. M. Smith, "Drake's Drum," by Coleridge-Taylor, sung with much spirit and a highly imaginative and unique chorus; "Lady of the Lagoon," by Bantock, possessing much originality of harmony and depth of musical feeling.

The work of the club throughout was of the highest order, even when judged by professional standards, and the conductor, Dr. Archibald T. Davidson, showed himself to be a leader, and evidently a teacher as well of high attainments. He has an unusually fine

choir, especially in the second basses, but the manner in which they sang was even more impressive than the tone quality.

There were two soloists, J. F. Lautner, a most excellent tenor, who sang three songs finely, and H. E. Scott, Jr., a good violinist. The accompanying of M. M. Smith and R. S. Childs was of a high order.

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