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ONE-MAN TROLLEYS SAFE, SAYS MITTEN

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WEGLEIN PUSHES LOOP PLAN

The Frankford elevated line has not met the financial expectations of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company up to the present time and the company's burdens are further increased by demands of northeastern residents for continuance of the surface lines, according to Thomas E. Mitten, the president.

Despite agitation against the one-man car, Mr. Mitten said this type of vehicle had reduced accidents 20 per cent on lines where two-man trolleys were formerly operated, and also permitted the company to effect very necessary economies.

Mr. Mitten's views are expressed as follows in Service Talk, a company publication distributed among employees:

"Philadelphia Rapid Transit in November last took over the city-built Frankford Elevated, with an estimated cost of increased operation over increased receipts approximating \$1,000,000 for the first year. This estimate was based upon the city-company position that the people of the northeast, in the districts served, would use the Frankford elevated, allowing many of the surface cars which formerly carried these people to be taken off. This has not proved to be the case, as the people of the northeast are demanding all of the surface-car service formerly supplied, in addition to the added service of the Frankford Elevated.

Frankford "L" Disappointing
The earnings of the Frankford Elevated are disappointing in that the combined earnings of the Frankford "L" and the surface lines formerly carrying the traffic have increased but little more than sufficient to overcome the loss occasioned by the free transfers given between surface cars and the Frankford "L" and the lengthened ride from Bridge street to Sixty-ninth street now given for one fare.

Readjustment of surface-car schedules in the northeast, now in contemplation, to meet reasonably public and convenient demands, will add greatly to the operating costs, and require the exercise of every economy and efficiency, in order that these unexpected costs resulting from the operation of the Frankford "L" be overcome, so that the system result of operation for 1923 shall not prove too great a disappointment.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit is limited in its possibilities. The present seven-cent cash-fare-tickets-for-twenty-five-cent fare is believed to be the highest collectible without further loss of passengers. The wage rate paid to the men, including the co-operative wage dividend, is well earned. Therefore, neither fares nor wages are capable of anything more than minor readjustments. With fares and wages set, the ability to support the Olney, Wyoming and Erie avenue extensions, the proposed lines and, after that, the Broad street subway, must considerably depend upon added economies and greater efficiencies, such as are contemplated in the one-man car."

Weglein for Central Loop
Necessity for the completion of the subway central transit loop as a means of avoiding congestion at City Hall station of the proposed Broad street subway was expressed yesterday by Richard Weglein, president of Council Hill, who favors a plan to ask the Legislature to provide funds which will make completion of the work possible.

Work on this loop, which is to extend from Arch to Locust street, Eighth to Fifteenth, was started more than five years ago and subsequently abandoned.

Mr. Weglein is preparing a bill which would enable the city to resubmit transit loans to the people. It is intended to carry passengers on the street subway down to the heart of the shopping district and at the same time connect with the lower Broad street tube. It would relieve congestion at the great subway station under City Hall.

TWO CUT BY GLASS IN TROLLEY COLLISION

Woman and Man Victims of Crash at Susquehanna Ave. and 15th St.

Two persons were injured by flying glass and ten others, mostly women, suffered from shock when a westbound Susquehanna avenue trolley crashed into a northbound Fifteenth street car early last night at the route intersection.

MANTELL AS BRUTUS

Shakespearean Star Gives Excellent Performance in "Julius Caesar"
Broad—Robert B. Mardell and Genevieve Hamper shared honors yesterday in two Shakespearean performances. In the afternoon, Miss Hamper appeared as the virtuous Rosalind in "As You Like It" with Mr. Mantell, cast as Jacques, and by the evening, the latter gave his well-known characterization of Brutus in "Julius Caesar."

The production of "As You Like It" was one of high charm and infectious wit. It was not distinguished by any outstanding acting, on the other hand it was marred by an especially weak performance. Miss Hamper's reading of her lines was excellent, and Mr. Mantell was at his best in the famous "Seven Ages of Man" speech. John Alexander's Othello was a high spot of the afternoon, and Edward Lester was given his best opportunity of the entire repertoire as Touchstone.

"Julius Caesar," which last year was given an entirely new set of scenery, has become one of the most popular of Mantell's presentations. Guy Linsley's Caesar and Henry Buckler's Cassius were both adequate, but it remained for Mr. Alexander to win the laurels of the evening by his very spirited portrayal of the role of Anthony. The oration scene as staged by Mr. Mantell and enacted by Mr. Alexander is at its best.

OTHER LANDS AND CLASSES
There may be centers of the globe where the sun never shines, but there is no town where it is so brilliant as here. Nothing there interests more than the wonderful reproduction in scale type by rotogravure process of the twelve-page section of the "Public Ledger." Make it a habit to read.

MRS. STEVENSON'S MEMORY TO BE SIGNALLY HONORED

French War Relief Committee to Restore Chimes on Church
The French War Relief Committee, of which the late Mrs. Cornelius Stevenson was chairman, will restore the clock and bells of the village church at Villequier-Aumont, in France, as a testimonial of devotion to the memory of Mrs. Stevenson.

During the war and since, the effort of Mrs. Stevenson for France, the land of her birth, though she was an American in every fiber of her being, was untiring. Her famous and widely read column in the PUBLIC LEDGER, bearing her familiar pen name of "Peggy Shippen," was constantly ready to plead the cause of the Allies and the sufferings of the French people in particular.

The church at Villequier, with its tower, was the only edifice in the village which escaped destruction at the hands of the Germans. The invaders used the tower for observation purposes, which was the reason it was spared. When the Germans left they removed the clocks and the bells. The announcement of the gift was made to the villagers of Villequier-Aumont and of Ugy-le-Gal, adjoining, on Christmas Day.

DRIVER HURT IN CRASH

Taxicab Man Held After Collision With Milk Wagon

Charles Weiner, a driver for Abbott's Dairies, is in St. Luke's Hospital with an injured back and possible internal injuries, and Joseph Harrison, a yellow taxicab driver, is held in \$300 bail following a collision between the taxi and the milk wagon at Germantown and Ruffin street early today. Harrison lives at 5825 Boyer street and Weiner at 2020 South Fourth street. Harrison said he ran into the wagon while it was raining and that he couldn't see clearly on account of the darkness.



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TWO ARE BURNED IN BLAST OF STILL

Explosion in Camden Sends Victims to Hospital—Both Under Arrest
Explosion of a still in the home of Andrew Mozyanski, at 616 North Sixth street, Camden, at 2 o'clock this morning, burned Joseph Mozyanski and set the house afire. Andrew Mozyanski, asleep on the second floor, was awakened by the explosion and ran to the third floor, where the still was located. He found his brother unconscious on the floor and flames spreading through the room. He was burned about the hands and face while rescuing his brother. Both were sent to Cooper Hospital, under arrest.

Firemen answering the alarm are said to have found nine gallons of moonshine whiskey in the room, together with a quantity of oatmeal and other materials which they said was being used in the manufacture of the booze.

AUTO AFIRE IN STREET

Traffic Blocked on Arch St. Near Twelfth While Firemen Work
Traffic on Arch street, near Twelfth, was blocked during the rush hour this morning, when an automobile belonging to Arthur H. Bousar, a poultry dealer in the Reading Terminal Market, caught fire from defective wires.

The driver, Milton Frantz, rushed to the nearest fire-alarm box and in a few moments a dozen or more engines were on the scene. The car was considerably damaged.

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