Big Northeast Marathon Is Feature of Xmas Program

154 TO COMPETE IN NATIVITY RUN

Fifth Annual Street Marathon Over Northeast Streets Draws Record Field

NINE CLUBS REPRESENTED

The Nativity Catholic Club will hold its fifth annual Christmas Day marathon on Monday promptly at 10:30 o'clock from the clubhouse at Belgrade and Madison streets, just above Allegheny avenue.

One hundred and fifty-four entries have been received, which is the largest number of harriers that has ever competed in the event and also one of the largest fields that has started in a race in this city in years.

Johnny Gray, of Enterprise, and William Rittler, of Meadowbrook, are the harriers that are on scratch. They will concede the "zo" men five minutes and fifty seconds, which is one of the biggest handicaps imposed in a local run. The handicaps all along the line are most severe.

Nine local clubs have entered runners. They are Visitation, Joan of Arc, Shanahan, St. Monica, Nativity, Blue Ribbon, Kensington Boys' Club, Meadowbrook and Enterprise. One entry has been received from Washington.

The list of prizes is a long one and many valuable trophies will be presented to the contestants. Meadowbrook, which captured the four previous runs, is again the favorite and should win the team honors without much trouble.

The course will be the same as in previous years, as follows: Starting at clubhouse, Belgrade and Madison streets, south on Belgrade to Allegheny avenue, west to Aramingo avenue, south to Clearfield street, east to Richmond street to Somerset street, turn and north on Richmond street to Allegheny avenue to Aramingo avenue. This course to be covered three times. The finish will be at Belgrade and Madison streets.

The prizes are as follows: First prize, gold watch; second prize, stick pin; third prize, gold cuff links; fourth prize, cuff links; fifth, sixth and seventh, silver medals; eighth, ninth and tenth, bronze medals.

Two team prizes (silver cups) for the teams first and second with lowest scores. Two time prizes, first, silver cup; second, stick pin. There also is a special prize to the first member of the K. of C. to finish.

The committee in charge of the affair is Fred Mullen, chairman; J. J. Driscoll, James McGinley, William J. Smith, Francis Sweeney, Stephen Bennett and George Hetrick.

The entries follow:

Co—E. Leitz, Visitation; J. J. Smith, Visitation; F. Cunningham, Visitation; S. Hinkle, Joan of Arc; J. Michael, Visitation; E. Thomas, Joan of Arc; J. P. Murphy, Joan of Arc; H. Garvin, Shanahan; J. Wittenmiller, St. Monica.

40 seconds—C. Denohue, Visitation; J. Campbell, Visitation; R. Ferguson, Visitation; M. Turner, Kensington; E. C. Curran, [illegible].

50 seconds—Bernie Moffitt, Visitation; J. Mulligan, Visitation; A. Wilson, Nativity; H. Cross, Kensington; J. Caputi, Kensington.

30 seconds—J. Deans, St. Monica; G. Rooney, Joan of Arc; N. Zitz, Enterprise; W. P. Farnham, Visitation; G. M. Gogus, Visitation.

40 seconds—J. Meehan, Visitation; J. Murphy, Joan of Arc; H. Meehan, Nativity; H. Perring, Kensington.

[illegible] seconds—[illegible]; J. Moffitt, Visitation.

65 seconds—J. Gaffney, Enterprise; A. Diegan, Joan of Arc; J. McBride, Joan of Arc; A. Conrad, Joan of Arc; W. Chambers, Joan of Arc; John Fisher, Joan of Arc; C. [illegible], Nativity; W. Goodgavage, Nativity; Conway, Nativity; J. Rooney, Joan of Arc; J. Kearns, Nativity; E. Walter, Nativity; J. Arbs, Blue Ribbon; William Weaver, Visitation; J. McShane, Visitation; T. Wilson, Nativity; E. Steir, Visitation; R. [illegible], Kensington; R. Walker, Visitation; J. [illegible], Kensington.

[illegible] seconds—F. Dallisten, Joan of Arc; E. [illegible], Kensington; [illegible], Joan of Arc; E. Reese, St. Monica.

80 seconds—[illegible]; Smith, Kensington; J. S[illegible]; M. [illegible], Enterprise.

1:35—W. [illegible], Enterprise; [illegible], Joan of Arc; [illegible], Nativity.

1:40—J. H. [illegible]; [illegible]; Shanahan; J. J. Hughes, Blue Ribbon; J. Lyons, Enterprise; A. V. [illegible], Meadowbrook.

1:50—F. Gloesz, Nativity; P. J. Lacum, Blue Ribbon; W. Maples, Kensington; J. E. Keenan, Visitation; Frank Slanna, Enterprise; J. Neill, Shanahan; J. Herr, Kensington; H. Yeager, St. Monica.

2 minutes—W. Smith, Nativity; S. Gollo, Enterprise; H. Hayes, Meadowbrook; J. J. Mullin, Shanahan; H. Falkenstein, Blue Ribbon.

2:10—J. Edelake, Enterprise; [illegible] Underwood, Shanahan; F. Kinsley, Nativity.

2:20—Eatonway, Shanahan; J. McCloskey, Nativity; J. Rooney, Nativity; J. Nolan, Enterprise.

2:30—A. Enbick, Joan of Arc; J. Grace, Joan of Arc; W. H. Binns, Visitation; F. Shackleton, Nativity; G. Boden, Shanahan.

2:40—J. P. Morgan, Shanahan; H. Demerask, Shanahan; L. Schlesier, Nativity; F. Mooney, Visitation.

2:50—J. P. Ryan, Shanahan; W. J. Roebuck, Meadowbrook; J. F. McKernon, Visitation; E. White, Enterprise.

3:00—J. J. Winter, Shanahan; H. Fetterschmidt, Nativity; F. Rooney, Joan of Arc; L. Davis, Nativity; J. Sharkey, Joan of Arc; E. J. Bradley, Blue Ribbon; J. [illegible], Visitation; J. Cain, Nativity.

3:15—B. Ballestrin, Enterprise; L. Mastin, Nativity; V. Peterson, Nativity; J. Weiss, Meadowbrook.

3:20—J. Gaughan, Shanahan; J. J. Meyer, Nativity; D. Wilson, Shanahan; S. Yates, Joan of Arc.

3:30—J. Boardman, Meadowbrook; J. Kerwin, Shanahan; F. Gusewich, Nativity.

3:40—J. Grundy, Meadowbrook; F. Wright, Joan of Arc; W. Bitter, Meadowbrook.

3:50—W. Norris, Shanahan; H. Pensando, Enterprise; H. Bradley, Nativity; J. Montague, Washington; T. Van Bebs, Meadowbrook.

4:00—J. M. Harvey, Meadowbrook; D. Morris, Nativity; J. Stemple, Washington.

4:10—J. Gagliano, Enterprise; A. McDonough, Nativity; P. Bradley, Shanahan; H. A. Rapuold, Kensington; H. Kerhart, Meadowbrook; A. Esoy, Enterprise; E. Patterson, Meadowbrook.

4:40—G. Williams, Shanahan; R. O'Donnell, Nativity.

4:50—D. Clark, Joan of Arc; H. Seidle, Meadowbrook; J. McCune, Meadowbrook.

5:00—W. Taylor, Nativity; E. Williams, Meadowbrook.

5:10—William K. Meyers, Meadowbrook; James Morris, Nativity.

5:15—Frank Devinney, Shanahan; F[illegible] Carney, Shanahan.

5:25—Frank Worthington, Meadowbrook.

5:35—A. Studenroth, Meadowbrook; [illegible] Ramsey, Meadowbrook.

5:50—Johnny Gray, Enterprise; William Rittler, Meadowbrook.

RIDLEY PARK HAS BIG COURT LIST

Thirteen Games Scheduled, Including Nine in League

The Ridley Park High announced its basketball schedule yesterday afternoon. Starting with Brown Prep on January 3 at home, the Ridley Park quintet will have thirteen games at home and away in front of them.

Included in the list are the nine games scheduled in the Philadelphia Suburban League, of which Ridley Park High is a member.

The season will close for the Parkers on March 16, a game with the Media High School ringing down the curtain on the cage season.

The schedule follows:

January 3, Brown Prep, home; January 9, Lansdowne High, home; January 16, Darby High, away (night); January 24, Lower Merion High, away; January 30, Media High, home; February 2, Germantown Friends, away; February 6, Radnor High, away; February 16, Radnor High, home; February 21, Darby High, home; February 23, Chester High, away; February 27, Lansdowne High, away; March 7, Swarthmore High, home; February 14, Glen-Nor High, home; March 16, Media High, away.

GERMANTOWN BOYS' CLUB SOCCER TEAMS

These kiddies comprise the Junior Blue and Junior Gold squads who are tutored by Charles W. Bainbridge. Top row, left to right—George Thorpe, Charles Sylvester, Kenneth Read, James Perrill, Charles Brownholtz, John Shortall, Edward Bringhurst. Middle row—Francis Spencer, Francis Sonlin, James Cox, Dan Oates (coach), George Hotchkiss, Joseph Kelly, Thomas Ballard, James Garvey. Bottom row—Arthur McGuigan, William Benner, William Gruber, Wilbur Leithead (captain), Kenneth Cale, William Smith, Shirley Phillips, David Creighton

CYNWYD "BLUES" IN BOWLING TIE

Deadlocked With Merion "Maroons" for Club League's First Half Season's Team Title

SINGLE PIN COSTS GAME

Failure of the Cynwyd "Blues" to hold the same steady pace they have set all season, particularly during the last month when they won fourteen out of fifteen up to last night, coupled with a brilliant finish by the Merion "Maroons," brought about a tie in the race for team honors in the interclub bowling league's first-half season struggle which ended this week.

It certainly was a gripping struggle right to the wire with four teams having a mathematical chance on the eve of the week's matches. The Merion "Maroons" trimmed the Germantown "Blues" three times running, however, while the Main Line "Whites" ran away with the odd from the Germantown "Whites," and the Overbrook "Greens" could take only one game from the Union League "Blues."

This last named team, by the way, looks very dangerous as at present lined up, and if it keeps the same personnel together can be regarded as the "dark horse" of the second half of the season.

Dr. Hawk's team lost the odd to the Manufacturers' "Blues" after the third game had resulted in a tie, and a roll-off was necessary, while Ed Satterthwaite's band of stars, known colloquially as "those pesky Yellows," bumped the Cynwyd "Golds" three times in a row.

Nobody was good enough, however, to nose Overbrook out for the club title, as the Overbrook "Whites" blanked the Union League "Whites" on the league alleys, a somewhat unusual feat.

It should be a great grapple during the second half of the season, as the teams have now settled down to form and it should not be possible for any one of them to pile up a commanding lead early in the action.

Overbrook apparently had both titles clinched at the quarter post, but a most unaccountable slump gripped their teams and they could not quite make the grade.

The Overbrook "Greens," by the way, lost the second game to the Union League "Blues" by a single pin. It could hardly have been closer.

The scores of this week's matches follow:

[illegible]

Totals 725 [illegible] 847 Totals 911 825 847

The Manufacturers' Yellows took three straight from Joe Simpson's aggregation [illegible], but the detailed score was [illegible] in time for publication today.

MERION MAROONS — GTN. BLUES [illegible]

MAIN LINE WHITES — GTN. WHITES [illegible]

U. L. BLUES — OVERBROOK GREENS [illegible]

Atlanta Gets Four Players

Atlanta, Ga., [illegible] Atlanta [illegible] first baseman [illegible] league last year [illegible] New York [illegible] American [illegible] Rube Marquard [illegible] from Pennsylvania [illegible] semipro third baseman from [illegible]

TWO INDOOR POLO GAMES SCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT

Bryn Mawr Plays Second City Troop in Feature Game

Two indoor polo games will be played at the Cavalry Armory, Thirty-second street and Lancaster avenue tonight, starting at 8 o'clock. A team of Bryn Mawr Polo Club stars will meet the Second City Troop in one contest, while the Buccaneers from the Bryn Mawr Riding and Driving Club will take on Troop A in the other number on the program.

George H. Earle, 3d, and Barclay McFadden will be the backbone of the Polo Club mallet wielders with the third man to be picked from C. M. Plowman, H. G. Coner and Walter Dothard. Those not getting in the feature grapple will meet Troop A. Others likely to see service during the evening are William Back and Allan Abele.

Kinsley, McConch and McNeil will probably start the game for the Second City Troop, but the line-up of Troop A is still somewhat uncertain.

INTERSTATE COURT LEAGUE IS FORMED

Swarthmore Prep, Wenonah and Pennington to Play for Tomlinson Trophy

THE Penn-Jersey Preparatory School League will make its initial bow to the schoolboy fans during the coming year. Basketball is the first sport of the new league and a six-game schedule has been arranged.

Three schools make up the personnel of the league. They are Swarthmore Prep, Wenonah Military Institute and Pennington School.

The officials have held up the schedule of the league for more than a fortnight in the hope that a school which expected to join the circuit would send in an application.

When the application was not received the schedule makers went ahead and drafted a list which they announced today. One game home and away will be played by the trio of quintets.

The league was formed some time ago, but has never had an active schedule. It conducted a track championship, and also drew up a football schedule. This latter was not completed until the middle of the season, so that it was decided to let it stand for next year.

In order to have the competition of the highest order, Willard P. Tomlinson, the headmaster of the Swarthmore Preparatory School, has donated a very valuable silver loving cup which will be awarded to the winner of the league for three years.

The trophy will be given to the victor at the end of the coming season and will remain in the trophy case of the school until another member is successful.

All three members of the league have strong teams and a very hotly contested schedule is expected to result.

Coach Baker, of the Wenonah Military Academy, is optimistic as to his team's chances. "If Reichenfelder can be nursed around into good shape for the court game all my worries will be over," quotes the cadet coach.

Reichenfelder was considered one of the best forwards in South Jersey last season and this year he should again rank high.

The schedule of league, as announced by President Norman F. Esibell, follows:

Saturday, January 20—Swarthmore High [illegible] at Pennington School.
[illegible], January 31—Pennington [illegible] at Wenonah M. A.
Saturday, February 6—Swarthmore Prep at Wenonah M. A.
Saturday, February 10—Pennington School at Swarthmore School.
Wednesday, February 21—Wenonah M. A. at Swarthmore Prep.
Saturday, February 24—Wenonah M. A. at Pennington School.

GOLDBLATT LEADS IN SCHOLASTIC

Captain of Southern High Sets Record for First Half of Season

H. MATTHEWS IS SECOND

With the first half of the Public High School League finished and Southern High leading the league, it is quite significant that a member of that team tops the individual scorers in the circuit in "Menchy" Goldblatt, captain and guard of the Red and Black quintet.

Goldblatt's 116 points in five games is more than has ever been made in the league before. He registered little over twenty-three points per contest.

This total was made through nineteen goals from the field and seventy-eight from the 15-foot mark. His nearest rival is Harvey Matthews, the light-haired forward of West Philadelphia High School. The Speedboy, however, is nineteen points in the rear of the Southern star, having 97 markers as his total. Last week he was five points in the rear, but his failure to get only one field goal in the Central game allowed his Southern opponent to pull away from him.

Third place is held by Harris, of Germantown High. Seven field goals and fifty-six fouls give the Cliveden a total of seventy points.

Field-goal honors for the first half goes to Curly Koch, the Southern High forward. Curly tance twenty-three pointers and ranks seventh among the individual scorers. Next to Koch in this respect is Gerson, of Northeast High, with nineteen field goals and two fouls for a total of forty.

Name	School	F.G.	Fl.G.	Pts.
Goldblatt	Southern High	19	78	116
Matthews	West Phila. High	16	65	97
Harris	Germantown High	7	56	70
Goldstein	Northeast High	4	49	57
Edwards	Central High	12	28	52
Ritter	Frankford High	8	34	50
Koch	Southern High	23	4	50
Hay	Germantown High	22	0	44
Gerson	Northeast High	19	2	40
Listerman	Southern High	12	0	24
Haseltine	Central High	12	0	24
Day	West Phila. High	12	0	24
Walker	West Phila. High	11	0	22
Foley	Southern High	10	0	20
Hallam	Frankford High	10	0	20
Lazer	Central High	7	0	14
Stratton	Frankford High	4	6	14
Pedrick	Frankford High	6	0	12
Potter	West Phila. High	5	0	10
Scarborough	Northeast High	5	0	10
Greitzer	Central High	6	0	12
King	Germantown High	12	0	24
Litvack	Southern High	7	0	14
Balderson	Northeast High	6	0	12
Hoffman	Southern High	4	0	8
Feinberg	Central High	4	0	8
Kronmiller	Frankford High	4	0	8
Sabelman	Central High	4	0	8
Tomlin	Frankford High	4	0	8
Scarborough	Northeast High	4	0	8
Rhimer	Germantown High	3	0	6
Lachman	Germantown High	3	0	6
McCurdy	Northeast High	3	0	6
McCauley	West Phila. High	2	0	4
Venable	Germantown High	2	0	4
Fischer	Central High	2	0	4
Arremann	Northeast High	2	0	4
Dieterle	Germantown High	2	0	4
Hamiller	Germantown High	1	0	2

Tug-of-War Champion Dies

Boston, Dec. 23.—Timothy J. Coffey, who was individual tug-of-war champion of this country for ten years, and claimed he could outpull any man in the world at the end of a rope, died here yesterday. In 1906 at a tournament in New York Coffey defeated twenty-seven men of many nations in a contest advertised for the world's championship.

Scholastic Basketball

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

West Philadelphia High Alumni, 35; West Philadelphia High, 30.
West Philadelphia High Fresh., 15; West Catholic High Fresh., 4.
Southern High, 52; Alumni, 30.
Northeast High, 24; Wilmington High, 14.
Northeast High 2d, 16; Wilmington High 2d, 10.
Camden Catholic High, 38; Haddonfield High, 27.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Parkesburg High vs. Norristown High at Norristown, Pa.
West Chester High vs. Oxford High at Oxford, Pa.
Schoolship Annapolis vs. Girard College at Twenty-sixth street and Girard avenue.

BAN HAS HOT WORDS FOR BASEBALL WRITERS

"Put Your Own House In Order," Retort of American Leader

Chicago, Dec. 23.—President Johnson, of the American League, in a letter to President F. G. Lieb, of the New York Baseball Writers' Association, in which he asserted baseball official scorers "in many cases are grossly lacking in efficiency and responsibility," advised the Baseball Writers' Association to "put their own house in order before sending me scurrilous and questionable complaints" on the Ty Cobb hit controversy.

The New York Chapter of the Baseball Writers' Association recently adopted and forwarded to President Johnson a protest against the latter's action in discarding the box score of the official scorer in a Detroit-Yankee game at New York last May.

In substituting the Associated Press box score of the game Ty Cobb gained one more hit, making his 1922 batting average .401.

Philadelphia Markets

WHEAT—Receipts, 269,391 bush. Market steady at 1c decline. Car lots in export elevator—No. 2 red winter, $1.36@1.37; No. 3 red winter, $1.33@1.34; No. 4 red winter, $1.29@1.30; No. 5 red winter, $1.25@1.26; No. 3 red winter, garlicky, $1.27@1.29; No. 4 red winter, garlicky, $1.22@1.24; No. 5 red winter, garlicky, $1.14@1.16. Mixed wheat 8c under red winter. Sample according to quality.

CORN—Receipts, 118,407 bush. Quiet and unchanged. Car lots in export elevator—No. 2, 82½@83c; No. 3, 81@81½c; No. 4, 79½@80c. Car lots for local trade—No. 2 yellow, 83½@84½c; No. 3 yellow, 82½@83½c.

OATS—Receipts, 5984 bush. Steadily held. Car lots as to location—No. 2 white, 54½@55½c; No. 3 white, 53½@54c.

FLOUR—Receipts, 1,899,143 lbs. in sacks. Quiet and unchanged. Quotations: Per 196 lbs., packed in 140-lb. jute sacks—Soft winter straight, Western, $6@6.50; do., do., nearby, $5.75@6.25; hard winter straight, $6.40@6.65; do., short patent, $6.75@7; spring first clear, $6@6.50; do., patent, $7@7.25; do., short patent, $7.35@7.60. Fancy spring and city mills patent family brands, $7.85@8.60. Rye flour, $5.50@5.75.

PROVISIONS—Steady but quiet. Quotations: Beef, in sets, smoked and air-dried, 46c; beef, knuckles and tenders, smoked and air dried, 47c; hams, S. P. cured, loose, 19@21c; do., skinned, loose, 18@19c; do. do., smoked, 20@21c; hams, boiled, boneless, 37c; picnic shoulders, S. P. cured, loose, 14c; do., smoked, 16c; bellies, in pickle, loose, 21c; breakfast bacon, 27c; lard, 14c.

BUTTER—Quiet and easy. The quotations: Solid-packed, in tubs, creamery, extra, 58; higher scoring goods, 57@59c; extra firsts, wholesale, 53@55c; jobbing, 54@56c; creamery, firsts, 46@50c; creamery seconds, 41@45c; sweet creamery, extra, 56c; jobbing sales of very fancy goods, 57@59c; extra firsts, 53@55c; firsts, 46@50c; lower grades, 41@45c; extra prints jobbing at 64@67c; fair to good, 60@63c.

EGGS—More plentiful and 3c lower. Quotations: Nearby extra firsts, 49c; do., firsts, 47c; Western extra firsts, 49c; do., firsts, 47c; jobbing sales of candled eggs to retailers, fancy selected, in cartons, 56@57c; loose, 55@56c; good to choice, 51@54c.

CHEESE—Firmly held but quiet. New York whole-milk, flats, fancy, fresh, 27½@28½c; do., fair to good, 25@27c; Longhorns, 28½@29c; single daisies, fresh, 28@29c; jobbing sales of fancy goods, 30@31c.

LIVE POULTRY—Fowls, not Leghorns, fancy, fat, yellow-skinned, weighing 5 lbs. and over each, 25@27c; medium, 21@23c; small and inferior, 19@20c; fowls, Leghorns, according to quality, 19@22c; spring chickens, not Leghorns, fancy, fat, yellow-skinned, weighing 4@5 lbs. each, 28@21c; spring chickens, not Leghorns, fine broilers, weighing 1½@1½ lbs. each, 26@28c; spring chickens, not Leghorns, medium quality, 20@22c; spring chickens, not Leghorns, inferior, 18@19c; spring chickens, Leghorns, 18@25c; staggy young roosters, 20c; old roosters, 16@17c; ducks, White Pekin, fancy, fat, 25@26c; do., ordinary, 22@24c; do., mixed colors, 21@23c; do., muscovy, 18@20c; geese, 24@26c; turkeys, 40@45c; guineas, young, per pair, weighing 1½ lbs. and over each, $1.35@1.40; smaller sizes, $1.10@1.20; guineas, old, per pair, 75@80c; pigeons, per pair, old, 35@40c; young, 30@35c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Spring turkeys, Delaware and Maryland, fancy, 50@55c; do., fair to good, 44@48c; Virginia and West Virginia, fancy, 40@50c; fair to good, 43@46c; common, 30@40c; old Toms, 38@40c; old hens, 38@45c; fowls, fresh-killed, dry-picked, in boxes, weighing 5 lbs. and over apiece, 30c; weighing 4½ lbs., 29c; weighing 4 lbs., 27@28c; weighing 3½ lbs., 23@24c; weighing 3 lbs., 19@21c; weighing under 3 lbs., 16@18c; fowls, fresh-killed, in barrels, dry-picked, weighing 4½@5 lbs. and over apiece, 29c; weighing 4 lbs., 26@27c; weighing 3½ lbs., 21@23c; weighing 3 lbs. and under, 16@18c; chickens, Western, in boxes, weighing 4½@5 lbs. and over each, 31@32c; weighing 4 lbs. each, 28@30c; weighing 3½ lbs. each, 25@26c; weighing 2½@3 lbs. each, 23@24c; weighing 1½@2 lbs. each, 33@35c; chickens, Western, in barrels, weighing 5 lbs. and over each, 29@30c; weighing 4 lbs. each, 27@28c; weighing 3½ lbs. each, 24@25c; weighing 2½@3 lbs. each, 22@23c; weighing 1½@2 lbs. each, 20@30c; chickens, nearby, weighing 5 lbs. and over each, 31@32c; weighing 4 lbs. each, 28@30c; weighing 2½@3½ lbs. each, 25@27c; weighing 1½@2 lbs. each, 33@35c; old roosters, dry-picked, Western, large, 16c; do. do., Southern, 17@18c; geese, Western, fancy, 23@25c; do. do., ordinary, 20@22c; ducks, Western, 26@30c; do., nearby, 28@30c.

CLOSE BIGGEST OIL LEASE IN MEXICO

American Bankers Take Gulf Coast Concession of 11,000,000 Acres

OBREGON GIVES APPROVAL

By Associated Press

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—The Los Angeles Times today reported an announcement from the promoters that a group of Los Angeles manufacturers, bankers and oil operators has obtained from the Mexican Government "what amounts to a blanket concession on all government lands in the oil district of the east coast."

"It is by far the biggest oil transaction in Mexican history," the Times said, "and probably the most important deal of its kind in the world, for it involves 11,000,000 acres of land adjoining rich workings of the oldest established companies in the Tampico and Tuxpam districts."

The paper further declared "the transaction also has important political significance, coming as it does after the extended controversy between the Obregon Government and the American oil companies, in which the United States Government has been as yet an unsuccessful arbitrator."

On Royalty Basis

It is announced the Los Angeles group will go into the Mexican oil district and operate according to the Mexican article 27 and under a Federal concession on the same royalty basis which established companies have declared confiscatory. The concession, it is stated, permits them to drill on lands immediately joining the richest wells in Mexico.

The announcement came after the return here from Mexico City of W. W. Wilson, G. E. Moreland and George J. Bushmiller, who stated they obtained the concession after an interview with President Obregon who personally went into the details of the enterprise.

The concession, they stated, was made out under the direct supervision of M. Alesio Robles, Secretary of Industry, Commerce and Labor in the Obregon Cabinet. Mr. Wilson said the lands designated comprise virtually all Federal oil lands extending along the gulf coast from a point north of Tampico to Tuxpam, close to holdings of the Standard Oil Company, the Doheny interests and other prominent oil companies. The concession also includes the island of Juana Ramirez, said to have been long sought by American companies because of its important location in geological surveys.

Government Rake-Off

The concession provides that 40 per cent. of the gross production goes to the Mexican Government; that the concessionaires pay five pesos annually a hectar for the lands they will exploit; that a deposit of 400,000 pesos be made and that 200,000 pesos be invested in works and exploration within a year.

Twk years are given for exploration and the concession runs for twenty years with provision for renewal.

The exploitation will be financed entirely by Los Angeles capital, it is announced, and plans already are well advanced for the selection of centers for the active work of the undertaking.

Wilson and Moreland are manufacturers of oil drilling machinery and Bushmiller is an oil operator. Other members of the syndicate, which is described as a close corporation, include Harry Lee Martin, capitalist; Austin O. Martin, banker; John O. Costerly, capitalist; Ferdinand J. Bushmiller, oil operator, and Dr. L. D. Jones, physician and capitalist.

Mr. Martin and Mr. Moreland are expected to return to Mexico City to put the plan into operation as soon as possible, it is said.

LIVESTOCK QUOTATIONS

Chicago, Dec. 23.—HOGS—Receipts, 10,000 head. Market active; 10@15c higher; Bulk 150 to 250 pound averages, $8.45@8.55; bulk packing sows, $7.60@7.85; pigs mostly $8@8.25; few up to $8.40; estimated holdover 3000 head. Heavy hogs, $8.40@8.50; medium, $8.40@8.55; light, $8.45@8.60; light lights, $8.50@8.60; packing sows, smooth, $7.75@8; packing sows, rough, $7.40@7.75; killing pigs, $8@8.40.

CATTLE—Receipts, 1000 head. Market compared with week ago: Beef steers unevenly 25c@$1 higher; good grades reflecting most advance; extreme top matured steers, $13; best long yearlings in load lots, $11; few head prime yearlings, $13; stockers and feeders, 25@40c lower; better grades beef cows and heifers, 50@75c lower; medium to good grade heifers showing most decline; lower-grade butcher she stock steady; canners and cutters, 25@40c up; bulls strong to 15c higher; veal calves steady to strong; week's bulk prices, beef steers, $7.75@9.25; stockers and feeders, $5.75@6.75; beef cows and heifers, $4@6; canners and cutters, $2.85@3.50; veal calves, $9.25@9.75.

SHEEP—Receipts, 3000 head. Market steady; compared with week ago: Choice fat wooled lambs, 10@15c lower; other grades unevenly lower; heavy fat lambs off most; fed yearling wethers nominally steady; sheep steady to strong; feeders steady; week's extreme top fat lambs, $15.40 to shippers, packer top, $15.30; freshly clipped lambs, $12.75@12.90; heavy fat ewes, $5.50@6; week's top feeding lambs, $14.65; bulk $14@14.50.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 23.—HOGS—Receipts, 3000 head. Steady. Heavies, $8.65@8.85; heavy and light yorkers and pigs, $9@9.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 500 head. Sheep, $8.50. Steady. Lambs, $15.30 lower.

CALVES—Receipts, 100 head. Higher. Top, $14.

East Buffalo, Dec. 23.—CATTLE—Receipts, 375 head. Dull. Calves—Receipts, 500 head. Steady, $5@14.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 4000 head — 10@15c higher, heavy, $9; mixed, $9@9.10½; yorkers, $9.10@9.15; pigs, $9.15@8.25; roughs, $7.50@7.75; stags, $4.50@5.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1100 head. Active, unchanged.

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—HOGS—Receipts, 1000 head; steady to 25c higher; heavies, $8.50@8.75; packers and butchers, $8.75@9; heavy fat sows, $6@7.25; pigs and lights, $7@9; stags, $4@5.25.

CATTLE—Receipts, 225 head—Steady. Calves, lower, $4@12.

SHEEP—Receipts, 25 head—Steady. LAMBS—Steady.

DAUGHERTY WOMAN ASSISTANT MAY TESTIFY

Mrs. Mabie Walker Washington may be brought even more prominently into the public eye during the threatened impeachment proceedings. Constance Drexel, a special Public Ledger correspondent, writes frequently of news of interest to women, of national and international importance, in the columns of the Public Ledger. "Make It a Habit."—Adv.

SIX HURT AS BUS UPSETS

Vehicle Carrying 18 Passengers Hits Car at Wilmington

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 23.—Six persons were injured at Eleventh and French streets early today, when a bus collided with a motorcar owned by Frank Williams, 10[illegible] Kirkwood street, and the bus was overturned. Those injured and taken to the Delaware Hospital for treatment were Joseph Clements, Luther Baxter, Roger Godfrey, Edward Phillips, Charles Day and William Fox. All suffered from lacerations.

GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Dec. 23.—With practically no cables in from abroad, due to the holiday, and with little or no prospect of any export business in sight, the grain trade was mainly of a holiday character here.

A private report from the United Kingdom took a bullish view of the situation there and said a good demand was in sight for North American wheat for December-January shipment. This, however, had little effect on the market at the start here. There was some scattered profit-taking of wheat in evidence during the early dealings, but the trade was without a guide.

Trade was not large, a majority of the traders looking on and waiting for the close.

The opening, which varied from unchanged figures to ⅛c lower, with May 124½ to 124⅝, and July 113¼ to 113⅜, was followed by further slight declines all around.

Prospects for large receipts Tuesday had some effect on the corn market today. After opening unchanged to ⅛c down, with May 72⅛c to 72¼c, the corn market underwent a further setback.

Oats started unchanged to 18c off, with May 45⅜c to 45⅞c, and after declining a little underwent a slight reaction.

Provisions were firmer, in line with higher quotations on hogs.

BAR SILVER

New York, Dec. 23.—Foreign bar silver, 61¼c; Mexican dollars, 47⅝c.

Paris Bourse Active

Paris, Dec. 23.—Trading was active on the Bourse today. Three per cent rentes, 59 francs 30 centimes. Exchange on London, 62 francs 85 centimes. Five per cent loan, 76 francs 70 centimes. The dollar was quoted at 13 francs 50 centimes.

GOSSIP OF THE STREET

Most of the tickers were silent in the financial district today. With the exception of the Chicago Board of Trade all the leading stock exchanges and commodity markets took an extra holiday and business was suspended until Tuesday morning. Abroad the Christmas holiday will extend until Wednesday.

For the first time in a number of years Wall street had real bull market yesterday before taking the Christmas holiday. While it did not contain all the tinsel and fancy trimmings usually accompanying similar outbursts of bullish enthusiasm, it was, nevertheless, highly successful from a standpoint of enhancement in market values. This was particular true as to the industrial shares.

In consequence, it was not strange the rank and file left the street last night in an extremely happy frame of mind, which gave vent to some rather extravagant expressions as to the immediate future of the market. Some went so far as to predict we are on the eve of a substantial forward movement which may extend over a period of several months.

The oils which had been unpopular for the last couple of months last week again cam einto their own and the strength displayed in this group was the subject of considerable discussion in brokerage lrcles. Attention was directed particularly to those companies operating in California. Standard Oil of California was spoken of as one of the issues in this group most likely to present spectacular movements marketwise, once the activity in the oils has gained momentum.

The action of Mexican Petroleum was without much influence marketwise, because of the special reasons for the pronounced advances that occurred in it during the week. The amount of this stock outstanding available for trading on the New York Stock Exchange, is now so small it would not be surprising if the issue should command a quotation as high as $1000 or $2000 a share. While it is regarded as unlikely any such quotation will be established, still it is one of the possibilities that must be reckoned with by any one desiring to speculate in it.

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FINANCIAL
Dividends

DUQUESNE LIGHT CO.
DIVIDEND No. 32

Pittsburgh, Pa., December 14, 1922.
A quarterly dividend amounting to One Dollar and seventy-five cents per share (being one and three-quarters per cent [1¾%] on the par value of $100 a share) on the 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock of this Company, has this day been declared payable February 1st, 1923, to all holders of said 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock at the close of business January 1st, 1923.
Checks will be mailed.
C. J. BRAUN, Jr., Treasurer.

HUPP MOTOR CAR CORPORATION
Preferred Dividend No. 29
Detroit, Michigan, December 18, 1922.
The Directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 1¾% on the 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock, payable January 1, 1923, to stockholders of record December 29, 1922. Checks will be mailed.
A. VON SCHLEGELL, Treasurer.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
Philadelphia, Pa.
December 21, 1922.
At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held this day a quarterly dividend of three per cent was declared, payable January 1, 1923, to its stockholders of record at close of business December 28, 1922.
Checks will be mailed.
The sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) was transferred to Surplus Account, making that fund Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,500,000).
CARL H. CHAFFEE, Cashier.

MANAYUNK NATIONAL BANK
Philadelphia, Pa., December 19, 1922.
The Board of Directors has this day declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 7% and an extra dividend of 2% on the capital stock, payable on or after January 1 next. Until such time the books will remain closed. $100,000 has been transferred to the surplus account, making that account $800,000. Dividend checks will be mailed.
EUGENE J. MORRIS, Cashier.

THE KENSINGTON TRUST COMPANY
Philadelphia, Pa.
December 21, 1922.
The Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of six per cent ($3.00 per share) on the Capital Stock of this Company, payable December 30, 1922, to holders of Stock of record at the close of business December 30, 1922. Checks will be mailed.
CHAS. L. MARTIN, Treasurer.

SOUTHWARK TITLE AND TRUST COMPANY
Philadelphia, Pa., December 21, 1922.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of 6%, free of all taxes, payable to Stockholders as of record December 31, 1922.
E. H. WEST, Secretary.

FRANKLIN SECURITIES CORPORATION
Philadelphia, December 11, 1922.
The Board of Directors has this day declared a dividend of three per cent (3%) out of the earnings of the Company, payable December 30, 1922, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 23, 1922.
GERALD HOLSMAN, Treasurer.

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Proposals

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF WATER
December 13, 1922.
Sealed proposals will be received and opened at Room 216, City Hall, until 12 o'clock noon, on Friday, December 29, 1922, for the following:
Contract No. 624—Furnish and install sand machines, Queen Lane filters.
Contract No. 625—Turbo centrifugal boiler feed pump, Torresdale Pumping Station.
Contract No. 626—Coal storage equipment, Shawmont Pumping Station.
Contract No. 627—Furnishing single nozzle fire hydrants.
Contract No. 628—Furnishing and delivering 6"-8"-12" stop valves.
Contract 629—Furnishing and delivering C. I. water pipe.
For full information and particulars apply to Room 796, City Hall.
FRANK H. CAVEN, Director.

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