

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS

BUSY CHRISTMAS FOR RAILROADS

Experience Congestions Early Today; Passenger Trains Lose Schedule Time

Christmas will be anything but a quiet day on the railroads. Indications are that it will be the busiest day in all branches, officials have experienced in a year. To-day finds the yards of the Pennsylvania and Reading companies jammed with freight. Schedules for passenger trains were lost sight of at intervals.

Early morning passenger trains brought many people to Harrisburg, and they took hundreds away. The express and parcel post business has gone beyond all expectations.

Engineer Seeks Rights as Brotherhood Member

A fight of long standing between the Pennsylvania Mutual Beneficial Association and the Pennsylvania Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers will be taken up in Dauphin County Court.

RAILROAD NOTES

An average of 1,500 cars are being shipped from the Reading mines each day. Railroad brotherhood officials who were in conference here last week first to go after 3:45 p. m.

Standing of the Crews

HARRISBURG SIDE Philadelphia Division—113 crew first to go after 3:45 p. m.

ENOLA SIDE

Harrisburg Division—2 crew first to go after 3:45 p. m.

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Jackson Sales Establish New High-Water Mark

P. H. Keboch, the Jackson distributor, reports that former records broken in the sale of cars for one week.

FORD SOLICITS QUILTS PILGRIMS

prominent Norwegians will join the expedition.

Henry Ford's departure from Europe apparently marks the termination of the expedition to the mountains of the many movements which have been undertaken to bring about the ending of the war.

Mrs. Schwimmer Leading Figure

The Women's International Peace Association has been in existence for some time. It held a congress at the Hague last Spring and appointed delegates to continue her work for peace.

Before the peace ship Oscar II

reached the other side there were reports of dissension among the peace delegates. When Mr. Ford reached the ship he was met by the peace delegates.

GENERAL CLEMENT HEADS STATE GUARD

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CONFERENCE SOON ON BIG HIGHWAY

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SANTA CLAUS AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Ten Little Stockings Will Be Hung Tonight by Relatives of President

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—I. H. Hoover, chief usher at the White House who is playing Santa Claus here this year in the absence of President Wilson on his honeymoon trip to Hot Springs, Va., was a busy man to-day.

Ten Little Stockings

This was just the beginning of Hoover's work to-day. Up in the Library of the Executive Mansion, on the second floor, he found a large Christmas tree on which ten little stockings were to be hung.

Full line of Granolas and Columbias

records. Spangler, Sixth, above Maclay.—Advertisement.

CROPS WORTH \$173,473,720

Pennsylvania Farmers Reap Vast Sums From Cultivation of 7,797,000 Acres

Eight of Pennsylvania's crops, to which 7,797,000 acres were devoted in 1915, realized \$173,473,720 for the farmers of this State, according to the calculations made by the statisticians of the State Department of Agriculture from reports furnished by township crop reporters as of December 1.

GENERAL CLEMENT

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Major Clarence E. Foresman of Williamsport, was to-day reappointed major of the Subsistence department, and Major James E. McNary, of Pittsburgh, of the Inspector general's department.

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TELEGRAPH'S CHRISTMAS CANDLE



The Telegraph's giant candle will be lighted to-night. It stands almost six feet high on its candlestick and weighs eleven pounds. It will be lighted at 7 o'clock and will burn continuously for several days.

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table a few days ago when at Mayor Treasurers request Commissioner Bowman offered an ordinance creating a bureau of detectives, carrying a salary of \$1,500 for the captain.

SOME OF THE CUTS

For the streets and public improvement department Mr. Lynch is allowed \$121,983.66. Of this \$16,000 is appropriated for the street repair plant and repairs; \$1600 to repave State street from Cameron to Thirteenth.

PROVISION FOR PARK EXPERT

In the park department City Forester Mueller is allowed \$200 increase in salary; \$1,916.32 for lighting the river wall; and \$20,331.29 for park maintenance.

GIFT FOR THE GOVERNOR

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John A. Brandt, aged 59, one of the most widely-known residents of this borough and in Middletown, died last evening shortly before 6 o'clock at his home, Second and Pine streets.

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ISOLATED FIGHTS BLASTS HOPES FOR XMAS TRUCE

British war casualties totaled 525,227 up to December 9, it was officially announced in London to-day.

Total Casualties of British Mount to More Than Half Million Men

London, Dec. 24, 12:09 P. M.—Replying to a written question by P. A. Molteno, member of the House of Commons, Premier Asquith to-day said that the British casualties up to December 9 total 525,227.

Russia Determined to Carry War Through

London, Dec. 24.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Reuters Telegram Company, writing under date of Thursday says: "To a full sitting of the budget committee of the Duma to-day, Minister of War, General Shchegolev, made a long statement on the political situation in the course of which he said that the relations with Greece following the entente allies' fortification of Saloniki were perfectly well defined.

Police Have Several Clues in Murder Case

Steelton police are trailing down several clues which they believe will aid them in determining the motive for the crime, but whether one or more persons took part in the murder the authorities are not sure.

MUSIC AT ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN

The following special program of music has been arranged for Sunday at St. John's Lutheran Church: Morning—Organ voluntary, Christmas Pastoral, Merkel; anthem, Halle-lujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah.

MUSIC AT A. M. E. CHURCH

The choir of Monumental A. M. E. Church will give a sacred concert Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The program follows: Selection, orchestra; section, "Matus," choir; invocation, pastor; opening chorus, "Joy to the World"; choir; male quartet, "Eden, Duffan and others"; chorus, "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings"; choir; vocal solo, Fred Weaver; chorus, "Hark What Celestial Sounds"; choir; trombone solo, James White; chorus, "The Christmas Carol"; Miss Jenkins, Miss Payne, Mrs. Striplin; clarinet solo, W. W. Burke, of Australia; chorus, "Ring Sweet Bell"; choir; vocal solo, Mrs. B. A. Striplin; choir; chorus, "The Christmas Carol"; announcements and offertory; benediction by the pastor; B. A. Striplin, choirmaster.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO SING XMAS CAROLS IN TOWN

More than fifty young people, members of Centenary United Brethren Church will leave the church this evening at 9 o'clock, and will visit the homes of residents of the town singing Christmas carols.

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STEELETON CHURCHES

At First Presbyterian Church the Rev. Benj. Segelken, 1:30. "The Prince of Peace"; 7:30, "The Wonderful Christ"; Sunday school, 9:45; C. E., 6:30.

MORE JOBS THAN WORKERS

So scarce has labor of all kinds become and so insistent are employers in their calls for workers, that the State Bureau of Employment yesterday issued a statement from its Philadelphia office, calling attention to the fact that at all sorts of good jobs are open and asking people to apply for them.