NEWS OF PULPIT AND PEW IN HARRISBURG

TO HOLD SPECIAL CHURCH SERVICES

Many Pastors Plan Month of Nightly Evangelistic Meetings; Big Chorus to Sing

To open the church activities in the city for 1917, pastors in a number of city churches have arranged for a series of nightly evangelistic services, to extend, in a number of instances, until February 1.

Big choruses and sermons by many visiting pastors will feature the services. At one church a traveling evangelist will conduct a campaign for four weeks. These services will be held in the State Street United Brethren Church, with Evangelist W. C. Mealing and wife, of Williamsport, in charge. The Rev. Mr. Mealing will open the campaign to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock, when he will speak on "The Unanswered Prayers." Mrs. Mealing will have charge of the music during the services.

The Rev. Dr. William N. Yates will hold meetings each night except Saturday at 7:45 o'clock. George Cover, of Highspire, will direct the chorus of 150 voices.

At the Grace Methodist Church a different speaker will preach each night. The Rev. Dr. John D. Fox, pastor, will have charge on Monday evening; the Rev. Dr. George Edward Reed, Tuesday evening; the Rev. Dr. H. C. Pardoe, Wednesday; the Rev. Dr. R. H. Colburn, Thursday, and the Rev. Dr. George P. Mains Friday.

The Rev. George F. Schaum, pastor of Harris Street United Evangelical Church, will open the campaign in that church on Monday evening, and the Rev. N. L. Linebaugh in the First United Brethren Church on Wednesday evening.

LUTHERAN

Christ—The Rev. Thomas Reisch, D. D. 10:30, "A Blotter for Every Month;" 7:30, "I Believe in the Holy Ghost;" 2, Sunday school.

St. Matthew's—The Rev. E. E. Snyder. 10, "A New Year's Message;" 7:30, "The Medium Man;" 9:45, Sunday school.

Bethlehem—The Rev. J. Bradley Markward, D. D. 10:30, "What Is Your Life?" 7:30, Maunder's Christmas cantata; 1:45, Sunday school.

Shiloh, Riverside—The Rev. E. E. Snyder will preach at 3 o'clock; 2, Sunday school.

Trinity—The Rev. R. L. Meisenhelder will preach at 10:30 and 7:30; 2, Sunday school; 11, watch night service.

St. Michael's, German—The Rev. Reinhold Schmidt. 10, preaching; 11:45, Sunday school; 9, watch service.

Zion, Eagle—The Rev. M. S. Sharp. 10:30, "Pressing Forward for the Prize;" 7:30, "All Things Made New;" 9:30, Sunday school.

Trinity, Camp Hill—The Rev. Dr. D. D. Weigle. 10, "Another Year's Respite;" 7:30, "Prof. L. A. Weigle, of Yale University, will preach; 9:15, Sunday school.

Zion—The Rev. S. Winfield Herman. 10:30, The Rev. Charles S. Fausold, secretary of board of education, will preach: 7:30, special Christmas praise service by choir; 1:45, Sunday school.

Calvary—The Rev. Edward H. Pohl. 11, "The Success of the Christmas Gospel;" 7:30, "Our Comfort at the Close of the Year;" Sunday school.

Augsburg—The Rev. A. M. Stamets. 10:30, "The Christmas Message in Different Forms;" 7:30, "A New Year's Meditation;" 11, watch night service.

Redeemer. — The Rev. Myron E. Shafer, Ph. D., pastor; 10:30, "A New Year's Home;" 7:30, special Christmas music by choir and selections from "The Other Wise Man."

Memorial — The Rev. L. C. Manges D. D. 10:30, "The True Splendor of Nation;" 7:30, sermon by Charles S. Bausman; Sunday school.

St. John's—The Rev. Henry W. A. Hanser. 10:30, "The Course of Life But What of the Old Year;" Sunday school, 2.

Holy Communion. — The Rev. John Henry Miller, pastor; 10:45, "The Eternal Home;" 7:30, "New Year." Sunday school, 9:30.

MISCELLANEOUS

Associated Bible Students — The regular Berean study at 1:45, "The Restoration of Israel;" at 3:15 o'clock C. Russell Fortney will talk on "Hope Until the End."

Open-air service on Market Square at 10:45; gospel service at the Mission, 1032½ South Second street, at 7:45. Meetings every night at 7:45.

Wayside Mission. — The Rev. Walter E. Albee; special sermons at first of the year. They are: To-morrow, "All Old Things Have Passed Away, and Behold All Things Became New." Tuesday: "Jesus Meets the Woman at the Well." Wednesday: "Jesus Turned the Water Into Wine." Thursday: "Jesus Caused the Lame Man to Walk." Friday, "Jesus Restores the Blind Man's Sight." Saturday, "Jesus Healed the Ten Lepers." Sunday: "Jesus Overcoming the Devil."

Kelker Street Hall. — Revival meeting at 10:30; Sunday school, 7; revival meeting and watch night meeting.

Salvation Army. — Captain and Mrs. Neilsen, services at 3 and 8 p. m. every day during the week except Monday and Saturday.

BAPTIST

St. Paul—The Rev. E. Luther Cunningham. 10:30, "The Saints at Home;" 7:30, "Two More Woes for Unbelievers;" 12:30, Sunday school; 10:30, covenant meeting and watch night services.

First—The Rev. W. S. Booth. 10:30, "The New Threshold;" 11:30, Bible school; 7:30, "Seeds That Fell by the Wayside."

Market Street—The Rev. W. H. Dedman. 10:30, "If;" 7:30, "The Old and the New;" 11:30, Sunday school.

Second—The Rev. Albert Josiah Greene. 10:30, "Calvary"; 9, "The Book of Records of Jewels;" 12, Sunday school.

EPISCOPAL

St. Augustine's — Archdeacon E. L. Henderson, rector; 11, "The Christian Church and the Challenge of the New Year;" Sunday school, 12:30. Midnight service 11, followed by the Feast of the Circumcision of Christ.

St. Stephen's—The Rev. Rollin A. Sawyer. 8, Holy communion; 10, Sunday school; 11, morning prayer and sermon; 7:30, Christmas cantata, "The Holy Child."

UNITED EVANGELICAL

Park Street—The Rev. A. E. Hangen. 9:30, Sunday school; 10:45, "The Way for the Year 1917;" regular watch night services from 9 to 12, "The Redemption of Time."

Herman—The Rev. George F. Schaum. 10:30, "Approaching the Throne;" 2, Sunday school; 10, watch night service.

Plan Big Program For Class Rally Services

Great interest is manifested by the men's Bible class of the Harris Street United Evangelical Church, Harris and Susquehanna streets. Plans for class rally day, Sunday, January 7, when a special program will be given, are being made. At the annual business meeting the following officers were elected: President, C. A. Stineman; vice-president, John M. Lappley; secretary, E. S. Schilling; assistant secretary, W. K. Hertz; treasurer, W. M. Moyer; librarians, Roy Gardner and W. H. Bowers; chorister, W. R. Donmoyer; teachers, I. J. Batdorf and I. P. Bowman.

At the Wednesday evening prayer meeting class C. B. Fisher and C. H. Mickey were elected leaders for the term of two years.

METHODIST

Stevens Memorial—Dr. Clayton Albert Smucker. 10:30, "The Flying Angel" Sunday school, 2; 7:30, "What the New Year Needs."

Marysville.—The Rev. S. B. Bidlack, Sunday school, 9:30; preaching service, 10:30.

West Fairview. — The Rev. S. B. Bidlack, Sunday school, 1:30; preaching services, 7:30.

Fifth Street—The Rev. Edwin A. Pyles. 10:30, "Watchwords for the New Year;" 8, "Losing Your Past;" 10, watch-night services; 2, Sunday school.

Asbury—The Rev. W. H. Gaines. 11, "Walking With God;" 9, watch services; 2, Sunday school.

Epworth—The Rev. J. D. W. Deavor; 11, "What Have We Done With the Year 1916?" 8, watch night services, sermon by the Rev. R. C. Harrison, of Baltimore; 10, Sunday school.

Camp Curtin Memorial—The Rev. A. S. Williams. 10:30, "Thy Stewardship;" 7:30, "Numbering Our Days;" 2, Sunday school; 10, watch night service.

Camp Hill—The Rev. H. W. Hartsook; 11, "More Excellent Things." The choir will repeat a Christmas anthem; 7:30, a special service appropriate to New Year's Eve will be held, addressed by the Rev. D. H. Leader and the Rev. George E. King; 10, Sunday school.

St. Paul's — The Rev. William Moses. 10:30, preaching; 7:30, watch night services will be held in connection with the evening meeting; 1:45, Sunday school.

Grace. — The Rev. John D. Fox, D. D., pastor; 10:30, "The Open Vision"; 10, watch night service, "The Closing Year and Human Life," by the Rev. George P. Mains, D. D. Sunday school, 12:10.

Ridge Avenue. — The Rev. William W. Hartman, pastor; 10:30, "The Influence of Methodism"; 7:30, "The Spirit of Methodism." Sunday school at 2.

PRESBYTERIAN

Pine Street—The Rev. Lewis Seymour Mudge, D. D.; Rev. J. S. Armentrout, assistant. 10:30, "The Problem of Providence;" 7:30, "Redeeming the Time;" 1:30, Sunday school, elementary departments; 1:40, Sunday school, advanced departments.

Division Street—The Rev. J. S. Armentrout. 3, Sunday school, adult Bible classes; 7:30, New Year sermon.

Calvary—The Rev. Frank P. Mackenzie. 10:15, "A Cure for Care;" 7:30, "An Unwritten Page;" 9, Sunday school.

Covenant—The Rev. Harvey Klaer. 10:30, "The Supreme Duty of the New Year;" 7:30, "The Parable of the Unjust Steward;" 2, Sunday school.

Market Square—The Rev. George Edward Hawes, D. D.; Rev. George Snavely Rentz, assistant; 9:45, Sunday school; 11, "Though Time Changes, Still in God's Love;" cantata by the choir, "The Message of the Star;" "11, watch night service.

Bethany—The Rev. John M. Warden. 7:30, "The Unknown Journey;" 9, Sunday school.

Immanuel—The Rev. H. Everett Hallman. 7:30, "For Those That Fail;" 11:15, Sunday school.

Camp Hill. — The Rev. E. E. Curtis of Harrisburg will preach at 11 and 7:30; Sunday school at 9:45; cantata this evening at 7:30 by members of Olivet Presbyterian church of Harrisburg.

Capital Street. — The Rev. B. M. Ward, pastor; 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school at 12:15.

Olivet. — The Rev. Alfred L. Taxis, pastor; 10:30, "Philistinized Christianity." Sunday school, 2. "Cobblestones and Diamonds," 7:30.

Westminster. — The Rev. E. E. Curtis, pastor; 10:30, "Emmanuel." Sunday school, 1:45; C. E., 6:30; 7:30, "Our Best Friend."

Church Music

MESSIAH LUTHERAN

Morning—Prelude, Pastorale, Parker; offertory, Cradle Song, Neidlinger; contralto solo, "Praise the Lord, O My Soul," Holden; postlude, Postlude, Becker.

Evening—Prelude, Impromptu, Parker; anthem, "Cantate Domino," Buck; offertory, "Evening Star," Wagner; anthem, "Like as a Father," Heyser; postlude, March in C, Hosmer.

GRACE M. E.

Morning — Organ, Largo in G (Xerxes), Handel; carol, "The Angel and the Shepherds" (Old Bohemian); organ, Pastoral Symphony ("Messiah"), Handel; anthem, "Ring Out, Ye Bells," Henrich (requested); organ, March in D ("Joshua"), Handel.

Watch night service—Organ, Meditation in C, Baldwin; anthem, "Brightest and Best," Hanscom; organ, Capriccio in F, Lemaigre; anthem, "The Trumpets of Christmas," DcKoven; organ, "March of the Magi," Dubois.

FOURTH REFORMED

Morning—Soprano and baritone duet, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," Shelley, Mrs. Vallerchamp and Mr. Backenstoss.

Evening — Special musical service, Christmas anthems: "Where is He that is Born King of the Jews?" Coombs; "There Were Shepherds Abiding in the Field," Vincent; "Holy Night, Peaceful Night," Hawley; Gloria (from Twelfth Mass), Mozart; "Sing, Sing, O Heavens," Simper.

RIDGE AVENUE M. E.

Morning—Prelude, "Vision," Bibl; anthem, "I Will Extol Thee," Wilson; offertory, Berceuse, Guilmant; postlude, March, Handel.

Evening — Prelude, "Herbsnacht," Frysinger; anthem, "Lead, Kindly Light," Wilson; offertory, Berceuse, Stebbins; soprano solo, "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes," Vernon Evill, Miss Mary E. Morgan; postlude, "May No Rash Intruder," Handel.

CANTATA AT ST. STEPHEN'S

At the evening service at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church the choir of thirty-five voices under direction of Alfred C. Kuschwa, organist and choirmaster, will sing Thomas Adams' Christmas cantata, "The Holy Child." Master William Webster, boy soloist at St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, and Clarence H. Sigler, bass, will sing the solos.

At the morning service Loveday's Te Deum and Jubilate in E Flat will be used, and the Christmas anthem, "Lo, God, Our God Has Come," by Haynes, will be repeated.

WATCH NIGHT IN CITY CHURCHES

Many Ministers Plan Midnight Services to Close Work of the Year

Thousands of church members in the city will participate to-morrow evening in the watch night services planned by many of the ministers as the closing observance of the year.

In many of the churches services during the entire day will have special features to mark the closing of one of the biggest years in church history in Harrisburg.

At the Fourth Street Church of God services will start at 8.30 o'clock instead of 7.30 and continue until midnight. The communion service will be included in the program, after which the Rev. Dr. William N. Yates, pastor of the church, will speak on "The Effect of the Gospel on Old and New."

The Rev. Dr. George Edward Hawes will have charge of the watch night services in Market Square Presbyterian Church, beginning at 11 o'clock, under the direction of the Christian Endeavor Society. Services in the Harris Street United Evangelical Church will begin at 10 o'clock, led by the Rev. George F. Schaum.

Special prayer, song and testimonial services will be included in many of the programs as the congregations watch out the old year. Other churches with late services are Sixth Street United Brethren, Augsburg Lutheran, First Baptist, Calvary Presbyterian, Maclay Street Church of God, St. Michael's German Lutheran, Fifth Street, Camp Curtin and Grace Methodist, Bethany Presbyterian, Otterbein United Brethren, Trinity Lutheran and St. Augustine Episcopal.

CHURCH OF GOD

Maclay Street—The Rev. Dr. William S. Houck. 11, "Alive, at the Close of the Year; "9, "Is It Well With Thee—for the New Year?" Watch night service.

First, New Cumberland—The Rev. C. H. Heiges. Services at 10:30 and at 7; 9:15, Sunday school.

Penbrook—The Rev. Jay C. Forncrook. 10:30, "The Old and the New;" 9:30, Sunday school.

Fourth Street—The Rev. William N. Yates, D. D., 10:30, "The Old Year on the Witness Stand;" 8:30, quarterly communion service, followed by watch night service; 1:40, Sunday school.

Pleasant View. — The Rev. George W. Harper, pastor; Sunday school, 9:45; 10:45, "The Old and the New Year." 7:30, evangelistic services, the Rev. A. H. White will preach.

Green Street. — The Rev. H. S. Hershey, pastor, "The Evidence of True Wisdom," 10:30; Sunday school, 2; "Where Art Thou?" followed by the watch night service, at 10 p. m.

UNITED BRETHREN

First—The Rev. N. L. Linebaugh. 10:30, "Is Universal Peace Near?" 7:30, "The Opening Door;" 1:45, Sunday school.

Sixth Street — The Rev. Joseph Dougherty. 9:45, praise service; 10:30, "A New Year's Motto." The following services will be held for the watch night meeting: 8, song service and "A New Year's Petition;" 9:30 to 10, social hour; 10 to 10:45, season of prayer; 10:45 to 11:30, testimony.

Trinity, New Cumberland — The Rev. A. R. Ayres. Preaching 10:30 and 7; 10, watch night services; 9:30, Sunday school.

Calvary, Lemoyne—The Rev. P. R. Koontz will preach at 10:30 and at 7:30 Mrs. C. King, of Oklahoma, will speak; 9:30, Sunday school.

WILL OBSERVE CENTENNIAL

Members of the Wesley Union Church Will Celebrate To-morrow

The one hundredth anniversary of the Wesley Union A. M. E. Zion will be celebrated with special services to-morrow. Bishop J. S. Caldwell, D. D., of Philadelphia, will preach at the morning service, 10.45. The evening service wil be addressed by Justin W. Carter, attorney of this city, and the Rev. W. A. Ray, pastor, will have charge of the watch night meeting.

Church Briefs

The choir of the Bethlehem Lutheran church will sing Maunder's "Bethlehem" at the evening service to-morrow. The soloists will be Mrs. Hiefner, Mrs. Cael, Mrs. Bressler, Miss Ibach, Mr. Mathias, Mr. Lutz and Mr. Hoover.

W. C. Mealing, of Williamsport, will open a four weeks' evangelistic campaign at the State street United Brethren church to-morrow morning. His sermon subjects will be: Morning, "The Unanswered Prayers"; afternoon, "The Second Coming of Christ," and the evening, "He Roasted His God."

Dr. C. O. Miller, of New York city, will preach on the subject of war at the morning service at the Tabernacle Baptist church. The Rutherford Glee Club will sing at the evening service.

Special evangelistic services will be held in the First United Brethren church during the coming two weeks. The Rev. N. L. Linebaugh, pastor, will have charge of the services. A choir will sing special music at all of the meetings.

A service of unusual character will be held to-morrow evening in Messiah Lutheran church, the Rev. H. W. A. Hanson, pastor, has announced that the usual watchnight service will be dispensed with, and in its place will be substituted an Old Year's service. His subject will be "But What of the Old Year?"

Two services of unusual interest will be held to-morrow at the Stevens Memorial Methodist Episcopal church. In the morning at 10.30 o'clock Dr. Clayton Albert Smucker will preach on "The Flying Angel," and the new quartet choir will sing special music. At the evening closing service, 7.30 o'clock, a service with many new year features will be given with a special sermon on "What the New Year Needs." Special music will be sung.

Linglestown High School Association Holds Social

Linglestown, Pa., Dec. 30. — Last evening the Linglestown high school alumni held an enjoyable social, which was attended by many members. Features of the program were readings by Miss Sara V. Shriner, of Philadelphia, and singing by the Scrap Iron Quartet. At the business session the following officers were elected: President, Edward Buck; vice-president, Frank Hoke; secretary, Miss Sara V. Shriner; treasurer, Miss Marion Smith.

Market Sq. Presbyterian Choir to Give Cantata

The choir of Market Square Presbyterian church will sing the cantata, "The Message of the Star," by Huntingdon Woodman, at the evening service. The work is one of great beauty, dignity and contains choruses for mixed voices, and for male voices and solos for all parts. It is as follows:

Part II The prophetic promises, opens with the chorus, "There Shall Come a Star," followed by the solo, "A Man Shall Be As a Hiding Place From the Wind." Part II: "The Annunciation, closing with the chorus, "He Shall Be Great." Part III: "The Song of the Angels," opens with a beautiful pastorale on the organ and comprises, in addition to the solos, "There Were Shepherds" and "Fear Not," the fine double chorus, "Glory to God."

Part IV: The song of the shepherds, "Let Us Now Go Even Unto Bethlehem," with the interwoven theme, "O Come All Ye Faithful." Part V: "The Search of the Wise Men," with baritone solos, full chorus, "For Out of Thee Shall Come a Governor" and the male choruses, "Where Is He?" "In Bethlehem of Judea" and "When They Heard the King."

Part VI: The Adoration of the Wise Men, with solos, "Thine Is the Scepter" and "Long Have We Waited," and male choruses, "Hail to Our Saviour." Part VII: "The Mother's Reverie," soprano solo; "So Safe Against My Heart," and the chorus, "God So Loved the World." The soloists will be Mrs. Wilbur F. Harris, Miss Middaugh, Mrs. Good, H. A. Kelker and Gwilym Watkins.

Before the service a fifteen-minute organ recital of the following numbers: "Toccata," by Renaud, and "Song of Joy," by Frysinger. Miss Middaugh will sing "Prepare Tyself, Zion," from the "Christmas Oratorio," by Bach, and the closing number of the program will be Gounod's "Ring Out Wild Bells." The offertory will be the andante from the "Sonata Pathetique," by Tschaikowsky, and the postlude will be the "Hallelujah Chorus" from the Messiah.

The music for the morning will be: Prelude, "Marche de Procession," by Guilmant; (b) "Iste Confessor" and (b) "Ecce Panis Angelorum;" anthem, "Song of the Magi," Miles; offertory, "Allegretto," Capocci; men's chorus, "Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep," old Besancon melody; solo, "Cradle Song of the Virgin," Kreisler, words by Helen Bruce Wallace, Mrs. Harris; postlude, Grand Choeur in G minor.

The choir is under the direction of Mrs. Wilbur F. Harris, with Mrs. Bent L. Weaver as organist.

Colored Churches of City to Hold Union Services

The Interdenominational Ministers' Conference of this city and vicinity will hold union evangelistic services in the various colored churches of this city and Steelton. The campaign will be opened Sunday, January 7, and continued until Sunday, February 4. The first services will be in the Harris Methodist Episcopal church from January 7 to 9; the Zion Baptist, from 10 to 12; the Bethel M. E., 14 to 16; the Wesley M. E., 17 to 19; the Capital Street Presbyterian, 21 to 23; in the Asbury M. E., 24 to 26; Second Baptist, 28 to 30; St. Paul's Baptist, 31 to February 4.

MARKET SQUARE ACTIVITIES

Dr. George E. Hawes, pastor, will lead the watchnight services to-morrow night. The meeting will start at 11 o'clock and continue until 1917.

The annual congregational meeting will be held in the church Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Several new trustees will be elected and other important business will be transacted. Preparatory services for the first communion of the new year to be held Sunday, January 7, will be held Friday evening. Dr. J. George Becht, executive secretary of the State Board of Education, will give an illustrated lecture, "In the Land of Scott and Burns," in the lecture room of the church, Thursday night. This lecture is in charge of the Bible class of J. Henry Spicer, who will also have three other lectures within the next two weeks.

PINE STREET NOTES

Sermons appropriate to the incoming of the New Year will be preached at both services at Pine Street Presbyterian church to-morrow. In the morning, the Rev. Dr. Mudge, pastor, will preach on "The Problem of Providence," and the evening "Redeeming the Time." The musical program for the day is:

Morning — Prelude, "Largo," Handel; anthem, "God Is Our Refuge," Webbe; offertory, "Aria," Gluck; anthem, "I'm a Pilgrim," Marston; postlude, "Grand Chorus in D Major," Guilmant.

Evening — Prelude, "Offertoire in A," Batiste; anthem, "Keep Me Lord, the Shadows Falling," Matthems; offertory, "Prayer," Verdi-Shelly; anthem, "Lead, Kindly Light," Buck; postlude, "Con Moto Maestoso" (Sonata III.), Mendelssohn.

On Tuesday evening the monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Guild will be held in the church parlor. The topic for discussion will be "Alaska."

The "Servants of the King" begin this week a new course of study centering around the lives of some of the "Servants of the King' in South America." This promises to be a very helpful study for these "teen-age" girls.

REFORMED

Salem—The Rev. Ellis N. Cremer. Pastor will preach at 11 and at 7:30; 9:45, Sunday school.

Second—The Rev. Harry Nelson Bassler. 10:30, "The Old Year and It's Lessons;" 7:30, "A Way to a Happy New Year;" 1:45, Sunday school.

St. John's—The Rev. G. W. Hartman. 10:30, "God With Us;" 7:30, "Pressing On," a New Year's Meditation; 2, Sunday school.

Fourth.. — The Rev. Homer Skyles May, pastor, will preach at 10:45 on "The Old and the New," and at 7:45 on "Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday and To-day and Forever." Sunday school, 9:30.

FIFTH STREET MUSIC

The music at the Fifth Street church to-morrow will be as follows:

Morning — Prelude, "Chorus of Shepherds," Lemmens; anthem, "Blessed Redeemer," Denza-Fearis; offertory, "Lullaby," Lemare; postlude, "Grand Chorus," Rogers.

Evening — Prelude, "Christmas Offertory," Grison; anthem, "Sing, O Heavens," Tours; offertory, "Contemplation," Malling; anthem, "Ring Ye Bells," Heinrich; anthem, "The Strain Up Raise, Alleluia," Buck; solo, "The Birthday of a King," Neidlinger, Mr. Martin; anthem, "O Pray For the Peace of Jerusalem," Knox; anthem, "Ring Out, Wild Bells," Gounod; anthem, "Inflammatus.. (Stabat Mater), Rossini; Miss Mary Buttorff, soloist; anthem, "Hallelujah Chorus," (Messiah), Handel.

SCHOOLHOUSE BURNED

Waynesboro, Pa., Dec. 30.—Thursday evening the schoolhouse at Grindstone Hill was completely destroyed by fire. The building was a brick structure and it is thought that a defective flue caused the fire

Commercial Trust Company
of Harrisburg, Pa.
1222 and 1224 N. THIRD STREET

On January 1, 1917, the business of the Commercial bank will be taken over by the Commercial Trust Company of Harrisburg, Pa. The Commercial bank extends its thanks to all its patrons and depositors, and the Commercial Trust Company, under the same management, invites you to do your banking and trust company business with it. You will find every banking facility and convenience, and liberal treatment.

The Christmas and Vacation Club Fund, in which you can deposit 25 cents, 50 cents, or $1.00 per week, or as much more as you wish, may be started any time.

CHILDREN SOLD 170,271 SEALS

Harrisburg's Schools Establish New Red Cross Christmas Seal Sales Record

Harrisburg's school children sold just 170,271 Red Cross Christmas seals during the single week's campaign prior to the holidays according to the official computation of the returns announced to-day by Secretary D. D. Hammelbaugh of the school board, chairman of the school work committee.

The net sum realized from this end of the campaign alone—just $1,702.71—is not only a new record for Harrisburg but a record-breaker for cities of the size throughout the State.

During the 1915 campaign the children disposed of 116,872 Christmas stamps, but this year special effort was concentrated in the school work with little less than amazing results.

Meloy School Record

Individual efforts of scholars and by rooms showed equally startling results. The record established by Miss Blanch Meloy room in the Forney building is believed to be a record for the country. **In her room alone the forty-one** pupils sold 14,150 seals, an average of 345 per child. Christine Sheets, a pupil of the Forney building, sold 3,255.

While Miss Meloy's room stood out in a class by itself so far as the sales by rooms is concerned, the Susquehanna "open air" building sold the greater number of seals per capita—thereby winning the handsome State flag that had been offered as a prize. There are forty-three small tubercular youngsters in the Susquehanna building under the instruction of Miss Marian Williams. The "open air" small folks sold on an average of 235 per child.

The Best Salesgirl

The best salesgirl incidentally is a pupil in the "open air" school. She is pretty Miss Evelyn Mair, who sold 5,700 seals. The leader of Harrisburg's nearly 11,000 school children was Dickinson Johnson of the Camp Curtin. He won first place last year, too, but in the recent campaign he bested his previous record by disposing of 5,750 "stickers"—some of which, by the way, he sold to Governor Brumbaugh.

The increase in the school sales generally over last year was 45½ per cent. while stupendous increases were reported from various buildings. Among the leaders were: Shimmell, increase, 309 per cent.; Susquehanna, 446 per cent.; Lochiel, 533 per cent.; Camp Curtin, 88.4 per cent.; Forney, 42.3 per cent.; Reily, 117.6 per cent.

How the Buildings Stood

The sales by buildings follow:

Foose, 2,037; Harris, 3,307; Paxtang, 200; Webster, 5,479; Shimmell, 10,240; Stevens, 735; Fager, 1,375; Willard, 5,565; Central high, 9,235; Boas, 3,545; Verbeke, 3,000; Calder, 1,003; Reily, 11,050; Cameron, 26,195; Maclay, 3,700; Camp Curtin, 19,028; Hamilton, 2,896; Penn, 1,100; Downey, 600; Woodward, 2,830; Wickersham, 1,600; Allison, 3,000; Lincoln, 7,200; Forney, 20,035; Vernon, 5,400; Technical high school, 1,000; Melrose, 3,600; Lochiel, 2,160; Susquehanna, 10,100; Steele, 3,050.

CENTRALIZE PURCHASES IN U. S.

Paris, Dec. 30.—Alexander Ribot, minister of finance, addressing the Senate on the appropriations for the first quarter of 1917, said that the French government had done everything possible to centralize its purchases in America and that it now had an intermediary to regulate prices. The Senate voted unanimously for the first clauses of the bill, comprising the credits as a whole.

OLIVET
Presbyterian Church
REV. ALFRED L. TAXIS, Pastor
Derry Street, above Fourteenth

10.30 A. M.
"PHILISTINIZED CHRISTIANITY"

7.30 P. M.
"COBBLESTONES AND DIAMONDS"

2 P. M.
SABBATH SCHOOL
All Departments

The Church That Welcomes Strangers

MANNING WILL BE POOR BOARD HEAD

Thomas S. Manning to Be Elected President According to Courthouse Report

Thomas S. Manning, Londonderry township, for several years a member of the Dauphin county poor board, is to be elected president of that body at the annual reorganization meeting Monday according to general report in county circles to-day. Manning although serving as a poor director, for his second term has never filled the president's chair.

The Londonderry director will succeed Fernando Loudermilch, Millersburg, president during the past year, will become treasurer of the board, it is said, while Frank B. Snavely will be re-elected to the job of purchasing agent.

The county commissioners, it is said, will reorganize by re-electing C. C. Cumbler, Highspire, as president. Few, if any changes, in the county offices are predicted.

Ed. Hummel on Duty. — Edward Hummel, a former city policeman and for the past year a night custodian of the courthouse, has returned to duty after an absence of several weeks because of an attack of rheumatism.

Prison Inspectors Elect. — At the annual meeting yesterday afte of the Dauphin county prison Lane S. Hart was re-elected pre and B. Frank Ob r, secretary. liam A. McIlhenny was rechose den and Mrs. Mc nny will co to serve as matro R. B. Shope Buffington and A. J. Pugh we elected underke ers; J. C. first day watch, illiam D. He second day watch, and Edgar C. mel, third day watch.

Sell Finnen Estate Property. 428 South Camer street, one properties of the chael Finn tate, will again offered at sale on the courthouse steps a o'clock Thursday, January 4, by ney George L. Reed, master in tion.

Holiday at Courthouse. — county and city offices will the New Year holiday Monday as business is concerned, althou heads and clerks of the vario partments will be busy during the day closing up the books a tending to the ends and ends ness incident to the close of th

EDUARD STRAUSS DIE

Berlin, Dec. 29, via London, —A Vienna dispatch announc death of Eduard Strauss, the poser of dance music.

Eduard Strauss was a memb famous musical family. His Johann Strauss, was consider most notable composer and co of dance music of his generati wrote 246 pieces of dance m addition to a series of comic Eduard's brother, Joseph, was as "the waltz king," and w creator of 283 popular waltzes. than 200 pieces of dance mu credited to Eduard. He was c tor of court balls in Petrograd f eral years and visited America i 1902. In recent years he had his home in Vienna. He was 8 old.

PINE STREET
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
THIRD AND PINE STREETS
Sunday, December 31
Preacher, Rev. L. S. Mudge, D. D., Pastor
10:30 A. M.
"The Problem of Providence"
Psalm 55:19
7:30 P. M.
"Redeeming The Time"
Ephesians 5:16
You Are Most Cordially Invited to
These Old and New Year Services
Excellent Choir Music,
Familiar Congregational Hymns.
Practical Spiritual Preaching.
A Warm Welcome.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH
FRONT STREET, NEAR PINE
REV. ROLLIN ALGER SAWYER, Rector.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31
8 A. M.—Holy Communion.
10 A. M.—Sunday School.
11 A. M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon on "The Old Year."
At this service the Te Deum and Jubilate in E flat by Loveday, be rendered, and the Offertory Anthem will be, "Lo, God, Our God Come," by Haynes.
SUNDAY EVENING, 7.30 O'CLOCK.
The Christmas Cantata—"The Holy Child," by Thomas Adams. The soloists will be Master William Webster, boy soprano, Clarence H. Sigler, bass.
ALL SEATS FREE. STRANGERS WELCO

WEEK OF PRAYER
BEGINNING TO-MORROW EVENING, 7.30
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
THOMAS REISCH, D. D., Pastor.
Theme: "Person and Work of the Holy Spirit."
Service every evening 7.45, preceded by spirited service song.
BRING YOUR FRIENDS