CENTRAL HIGH IS CLOSED TO BOYS IN NEW CLASSES

All Freshmen Graduated by Grammar Schools to Be Sent to Technical

school directors at their meeting late yesterday approved the following action:

Appointment of J. J. Brehm, district supervisor, as principal of the Junior High School to be established in the Camp Curtin Building.

Statististed in the Camp Courts

Building.

Extension of school term to
June 23, 1917. (For 1916-1917

session only.)

Adoption of salary code on
merit system for city teachers
as prepared by Dr. F. E. Wownes,
city superintendent.

Order that all boys entering
first year class of high school in
September be sent to Technical.

Appointment of G. Herman
Goetz, principal of Cameron
Building, as supervisor to succeed
Mr. Brehm.

Adoption of building committee report asking that the Shimmell School building be turned
over to the Community Center
Association for entertainment
purposes.

Permission given to Penn Com-

purposes.

Permission given to Penn Community Center to use room in the basement of Penn building for basketball.

No action was taken on the selection of an architect, the question which caused a split on Tuesday afternoon at the special meeting.

The board was unanimous in approving the constitution and by-laws of the proposed Shimmell Community Center Association, which is to have complete 'charge of the Shimmell school building, when used out of school hours for any entertainment or social events.

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To Develop Social Centers
Although the board reserves the right at any time to rescind the order giving the use of the building, it is one of the first moves for more social center work in the city schools—a community development plan urged by a number of experts who have been in the city to speak at various meetings held by civic organizations.

The Shimmell Association when finally organized will report through the officers to Superintendent Downes and to the board. A president, four vice-presidents, recording and financial secretaries, treasurer, and six standing committees will constitute the organization, which is to be governed by a cabinet with not less than fifteen members, as a quorum.

Permission for use of the building will be granted by the association without consulting the school board, and that organization will assume all responsibility for the proper care of the school while it is used for any purpose.

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Another community center move which has been agreed upon by the board, is the use of a room in the Penn building for basketball games between members of the Penn Community Center, recently organized. The principal's room in the same building will be used by the Center for illustrated lectures.

In lengthening the school term for the present year, it was explained by the teachers' committee that the State Department of Public Instruction has ruled that a school district may not receive full State appropriation unless schools are open 180 days.

Professor Brehm, appointed as principal of the Junior High school to be established in the Camp Curtin building, will spend the remainder of the school year in visiting schools in other cities under the direction of Dr. Downes. He will also be one of the advisory board to meet with the architect to plan the new Junior Brehm's

architect to plan the new Junior High Schools.

Mr. Goetz will be Professor Brehm's successor, and Dr. Downes has been given the power to secure a competent teacher to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Mr. Goetz. The salary scale for teachers which was approved by instructors in all of the city schools, will be finally approved within the next month. Necessary amendments to the school board rules were approved so as to conform with the scale. Additional qualifications for teaching, in the future, will be the standard of determining advancement, since the change has been approved.

The new system divides all instructors into five classes and according to grades. Teachers can advance from one class to another only after three years' experence in the one in which they are teaching. The grades are divided from first to sixth in the elementary schools; seventh to minth in the high schools.

the high schools. In the elementary group the scale ranges from \$475 to \$1,000 for both sexes: intermediate, women, \$650 to \$1,200; men, \$850 to \$1,200; men school, women, \$750 to \$1,800; men \$1,000 to \$1,800. The new scale becomes effective beginning next September.

tember.

Permission was given for the use of the Technical High School study halls for State examination, April 20 and 21, and August 23 and 24. The auditorium will be used on February 25 for the benefit of a Jewish war relief fund; March 1 for an entertainment by the Bethesda Mission, and March 9, for a concert by employes of the Moorhead Knitting Company.

House Rules Committee to Make Leak Report Soon

By Associated Press

New York, Feb. 17.—Little more public information is expected from the investigation of the presidential peace note "leak" and its consequences until the House Rules Committee makes its report to Congress. All the machinery of the investigation, including records of transactions submitted by stock brokers here, has been transferred to Washington. The members of the committee have returned to the national capital and Sherman L. Whipple, their counsel, expects to join them there to-day.

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Measures anticipating recommendations that may be made to Congress for the purpose of protecting the government against premature information about its plans and of protecting stock brokers from charges such as those which were considered by the committee already have been taken by the New York Stock Exchange. A resolution adopted by the board of governors of that body yesterday condemned the employment by members of the exchange of newspapermen to obtain for them advance or confidential information.

Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 17.—Work at seven of the largest mining operations in the district was tied up to-day as a result of a strike of 3,000 bituminous coal miners near Portage. The men demand pay for the actual number of tons handled instead of according to the standard weight of coal cars.

HUGE BUSINESS IS SHOWN IN REPORT WANT HALF RATE

Secretary of the Commonwealth Woods Reports on Big Increase in Charters



Pennsylvania's great industrial expansion is reflected in the report of Secretary of the Commonwealth Cyrus E. Woods, which shows that in the two-year period ending November 30, 1916, there were 2,70 charters issued to them iron and steel, electric power, coal mining and similar enterprises. This is the largest number of charters ever issued in a similar period according to officials at the Capitol.

The revenues of the department for the same period were \$1,163,717.65, of which \$964,259,83 was for bonus and \$199,457,82 for fees.

In addition to the charters for corporations the department issued seventeen for railroads; thirteen for insurance companies; 216 for building and loan associations; seventeen for state banks, rechartering five of the latter which were granted letters patent twenty years before. Over 2,000 corporations filed notices of increase of stock or debt, the amounts carried running into the hundreds of millions in the aggregate. Thirty reorganizations and fifty-one mergers were also recorded. There were 329 trade marks registered.

An interesting statement of the report is that charters as third classities were granted to four municipalities.

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Some idea of the extent of the filing of nominating petitions for primary elections is given by the statement that 2.595 such papers were entered together with thirty-eight nomination papers. In the same period 145 party names were pre-empted.

The department also commissioned 9.895 officers ranging from a governor to notaries public and justices of the peace in the two-year period. This is an increase of 1.504 over the previous period.

Secretary Wood's report, which is a model of brevity, says that the arrangement of several sub-divisions of the department has been changed to facilitate the work without any increase in the working force or any expense to the State.

Cost Apportioned.— The Public

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Cost Apportioned. — The Public Service Commission in an order handed down to-day apportions the cost of carrying a State highway over the tracks of the Pittsburgh and Western and Pittsburgh, Bessemer and Lake Erie railroads and Connoquenessing creek in the borough of Butler, amounting to \$150,000, directing the borough to pay thirty per cent. The Pittsburgh, Bessemer and Lake Erie is to pay twenty-six per cent. Pittsburgh and Western eight per cent., county of Butler seventeen per cent. and the State of Pennsylvania fifteen per cent. Plans are also approved for the work. It is probable that the Legislature will be asked to make an appropriation to cover the State share of this and other improvements ordered in recent months by the commission, but for which no funds are now available through the Highway department.

Wants His Berries.—One of the

partment.

Wants His Berries.—One of the most unusual February complaints filed with the Public Service Commission was by E. Horton, of Foxburg. He declared in a statement filed that a railroad company had lost a crate of strawberries he had shipped from Oil City to Foxburg.

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Guardsmen On Mettle.—Excellent records of attendance are reported as being made by organizations of the National Guard which are now being inspected by the Guard officers under the regular winter schedule. The schedule for the organizations which are about to return is to be announced shortly.

minssion is to be taken up by the mines committee shortly. The canal feature of the report will probably receive some study.

General orders were issued to-day from the Adjutant General's office announcing the appointment of James E. Gee, Monongahela, to be first lieutenant of Company A, 10th infantry and the retirement of Chaplain Charles M. Miller, of the First Field Artillery, at his own request. Resignations of First Lieutenants Guy W. Knight, company I, 18th infantry, and Carl H. Conner, supply company, First rtillery, were accepted and First Lieutenant J. H. Rickards, company A, 16th infantry, was discharged upon report of a board of efficiency adverse to him.

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The Pennsylvania Rallroad's proposed to put into effect a regulation, on three days' notice, refusing cars to operators who load from wagons and do not have tipples, on the ground that the car shortage made it necessary, but the commission refused to approve it after a series of hearings. The company has now given notice of intention to make such a regulation effective on thirty days' notice. The company has now given notice of intention to make such a regulation effective on thirty days' notice. The company has now given notice of intention to make such a regulation effective on thirty days' notice. The company has now given notice of intention to make such a regulation effective on thirty days' notice. The company has now given notice of intention

Elect Mrs. Quincy Bent FOR STUDENTS Chapter For Steelton

Directors of County Pass Resolution Asking This From Legislature

Resolutions requesting members of Legislature to use their influence in having a law enacted giving half rate on transportation to school children; endorsement of the \$18,000 appropriation for school purposes and requesting the county commissioners to defray the expenses of the county superintendent to attend the National convention of county superintendent in Kansas City, Mo., February 24, were passed at the business session of the midwinter convention of the Dauphin County School Directors Association meeting in the Steelton high school auditorium this morning. A resolution was passed thanking the Steelton heople for entertaining the directors during the convention.

The resolution including the request for half rate on transportation of school children to and from school was discussed in length. Reasons given for this request were that many students in the outlying districts are compelled to pay considerable fares in order to attend school.

The election of officers this morning resulted as follows: President, Albert B. Shenk, Derry township; first vice-president, John H. Lehr, Lykens; second vice-president, Frank Balsbaugh, Swatara township; secretary, W. H. Horner, Oberlin; treasurer, when the Cumberland Valley State Normal School, Shippensburg, in his address on "How to Select a Good Teacher," declared that personality and preparation of the teacher, are the principal fatcors when the selection is made.

Superintendent Lee Driver, of the public schools of Randolph county, Indiana, told of the effects of school training at home. on transportation to school children; endorsement of the \$18,000 appropri-

Steelton Snapshots

Postpone Game. — The basketball game between the Baldwin A. C., of Steelton, and the Oberlin A. C., which was to be played on the Orpheum hall floor tonight, was postponed until February 2018.

Devotional Meeting.—Roger Care, vicusity 20.

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Firemen's Relief Meeting.—Nothing but routine business was transacted at the monthly meeting of the Steelton Firemen's Relief meeting last ton Firemen's Renorminght.

To Hold Ball—A masquerade ball will be held in Croation Hall Monday evening by the St. Mary's Catholic evening by the St.

club.

Banquet Choir — Members of St.

John's Lutheran Church choir will be
entertained at a banquet by the church
council Tuesday evening. The St.

John's congregation will attend the
mass meeting in commemorating the
quadricentennial of the Reformation
in Chestnut Street hall to-morrow evening.

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Forty Hours' Devotion—Forty hours' devotion will open with high mass in St. Ann's Catholic Church to-morrow morning at 10.30 o'clock. Several members of the Harrisburg clergy will assist the Rev. B. Sama, the rector, in conducting the services.

STEELTON CHURCHES

St. John's Lutheran-The Rev. G. N. Lauffer, pastor, will preach at 10.45 on "The Ministry of Jesus." Sunday school at 9.30. No evening services.

will have a program. Sunday school at 9.30, Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.30. St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Highspire—The Rev. Ernest L. Pee, pastor, will preach at 10. "The Foolishness of Preaching," and at 3.30, "Bad Habits." Sunday school at 2.30.

SEEK LUCY GILBERT

Chief of Police J. Edward Wetzel this morning received a request that search be made in the city for a Lucy Gilbert, but no description was given of the missing girl. The message is signed by George Woodson, of Pittsburgh, and asks that if Lucy can be located, she be informed of the death of her sister.

tory. The commission will probably give a hearing later in the month so that a decision can be rendered before March I7.

General plans for regulation of payment of bounties on scalps of noxious animals and birds, which are paid out of proceeds of the hunters' license fund, were discussed yesterday by Deputy Attorney General Davis, Auditor General Powell and Secretary Kalbfus, of the State Game Commission. The new regulations will be announced shortly and are expected to halt some of the difficulties which have been encountered.

Killing the Dogs—The Fayette country farm bureau officials have called upon country and state officials to kill off all of the dogs which are ownerless on the ground that they are destroying valuable sheep.

Gephart Named—John T. Gephart, for years connected with the State Highway department, has been selected as country road engineer of Fayette country at \$3,600.

Chairman of Red Cross

Forty-five Steelton residents yesterday pledged their support to a Red Cross organization for the borough, when they joined a local chapter at a meeting in Trinity parish house. At the meeting next Friday afternoon efforts will be made to double the mem-bership. Invitations have been issued to all ladies in the borough to join the ranks. At this meeting work on bandages and other hospital supplies

for the government will be started.

Mrs. Quincy Bent was elected chair man; Mrs. C. A. Alden, vice chairman Mrs. Solomon Hiney, secretary; Mrs. R. M. Rutherford, treasurer. Thes officers with Mrs. R. V. McKay, Mrs. E. R. Whipple and Mrs. Hill, constitute the board of directors

Automobile Skids Into Fairlamb Store Window

Skidding on the ice when the brakes were applied quickly in an effort to avoid either hitting a street car or an automobile truck, an automobile owned and driven by Frank Budwick, Front street, Steelton, went through a large window pane at the R. F. Fairlamb's cigar store, Front and Locust streets, this morning. Budwick was coming down Front street; an autotruck was coming out Locust and a street car up Front. According to witnesses Budwick applied the brakes and the automobile skidded across the pavement through the window. A wheel on the auto was broken.

Historical Pageant to Be Given by High Students

The presentation of a pageant along historical lines by High school students in April will replace the annual cantata held at the Easter season, according to plans at the school. More than 200 persons will take part. Prof. W. M. Harclerode, supervisor of music will have charge.

The affair which will be composed of musical talent will no doubt be the largest local talent affair in the history of the school.

MASS MEETING TOMORROW

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Special services will be held at Centenary United Brethren church tomorrow. In the morning the Rev. A. K. Wier, will baptize and take into the church, a class of 20 converts. In the afternoon a meeting for men and women will be held. Evangelist Williams will speak on "That Which Makes America Famous." "Freindless Souls," was the subject of Evangelist Williams' talk last night. He declared that Steelton's unsaved do not seem to care for their souls. He said he never saw such unconcerned people as the Steelton folks. The Rev. C. A. Sollenberger, of Grantville, Pa., and the Rev. H. S. Keiffer, of Oberlin, took part in the devotional exercises last night.

START TREE TRIMMING

Work on trimming and treating trees on the borough school property surrounding the High school building was started this morning by workmen from the Berryhill Nursery company, of Harrisburg. The work is being done under the direction of the Shade Tree commission.

ATTENDING CONVENTION

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Steelton residents, officers in the
Eastern Croation League and a delegate left at noon to-day to attend the
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and to-morrow. Stanko Serbic, is
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Horvath has been secretary-treasurer
for four years. Anthony Serbic will
represent the Croation Sokol. They
will return Monday.

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First Presbyterian—The Rev. C. B. Big Casses Listed—The Public September of the supplication of the Read ing Transit and Light Company to purchase \$4,000,000 of the stock and its framework to the same time the commission will hear the application of the Metropolit tan Electric Company, of Reading, for purchase by it of \$80,000 of compared to the purchase by the same company of the control ingrights in the Pennsylvania Utilities Company and for the purchase by the same company of the control ingrights in the Pennsylvania Utilities Company and the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Lectranounce of the Philadelphia Electric values of the State Highway Department not to further company the power, generating and converting system and to lease its high transmission lines.

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MIDDLETOWN PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. John Stotz spent
Thursday at Harrisburg visiting the
latter's mother, Mrs. Anna Weish.

The Rev. James Cunningham left
this morning for Hamburg, Berks
County, where, on Sunday, he will
preach the anniversary sermon in the
M. E. Church.

Prof. H. J. Mickey, superintendent
of the public school, and School Director M. H. Gingrich, attended the midwinter school convention held at Steelton to-day.

The junior class of the high school
held a class party at the home of Miss
Marion Shellenberger in East Main
street.

Daniel Barbush and Miss Ella La

Daniel Barbush and Miss Ella Labrandi, both of town, were united in marriage at the St. Mary's Catholic Church Thursday morning at 10.30 o'clock by the Rev. William Howard. They were attended by Eugene Barbush, brother of the bridegroom and Miss Margaret Barbush, a sister. A wedding dinner was served. They reside with the groom's parents in Lawrence street.

rence street.

Mrs. Sherman Hawthorne, of Har-risburg, was the guest of the social circle held at the home of Mrs. N. C. Fuhrman in Swatara street, Thursday

To-day was the last Saturday for holding market in the Central Market house, which was recently purchase by H. A. Romberger for a hosiery mill All stallholders will move down to the United Markethouse Saturday morning, February 24. There will be 33 of

them.
Charles Lamby, who had been quite
ill at his home in North Spring street,
for the past three weeks, is able to be
up again.

years connected with the State Highway department, has been selected as
county road engineer of Fayette county at \$3,500.

Going to Erie—Commissioner of Fisheries N. R. Buller left this afternoon
for Erie, where he will direct some
of the work because of the serious accident to Charles H. Hartman, one of
the officials at the Erie hatchery.

Spoke at Johnstown—Jacob Lightner,
director of the State Employment Bureau, spoke at the Johnstown Chamber
of Commerce on the system in his bureau.

NEWS OF STEELTON R. R. TROUBLES

Rolling Stock Falling Apart; Harrisburgers Will Go to First Arrival of Foreigners in Cannot Get Provisions to Large Cities

(BY STAFF CORRESPONDENT OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.) Berne, Switzerland, Feb. 17, via

Paris. — Although the most serious of the great problems which to-day occupy the attention of the German leaders is the food question, of almost equal importance is the situation presented by transportation difficulties.
Until the present winter these difficulties were felt but little and were not recognized generally as constituting a major problem until the shortage of food became more acute by reason of the lack of rolling stock, the depreciation of freight ears and the sudden

a major problem that the shrease of food became more acute by reason of the lack of rolling stock, the depreciation of freight cars and the sudden cold spell which froze the rivers and canals, hindering or preventing the transportation of most necessary foods to centers of population.

Rolling Stock in Poor Shape

At the beginning of the war Germany had a surplus of railway carriages, freight cars and locomotives which had been provided expressly against emergency. In consequence transportation of the first two years of war was adequate for all the unusual demands made upon it, notwithstanding the extension of territory served. The conquest of Belgium resulted in the capture of a comparatively large number of Belgian freight cars which to-day may be seen everywhere in Germany, Polans, Lithuania, Austria, Hungary, Serbit, and even Rumania. The factories in which rolling stock ordinarily is produced and repaired, however, are needed urgently at present for other purposes. Moreover, the shortage of oils has made it impossible to keep the cars in proper condition. Such few cars as were captured in Russia have been found unavailable because they are of broad gauge.

The German surplus, deteriorating from month to month has gradually gone to pieces. Shortly before the correspondent left Berlin it was described by an unusually outspoken German railway official as "miserable."

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From time to time passenger service in all parts of Germany has been reduced, until at the present time the trains which at this season are cold to the freezing point, are terribly overcrowded frequently late and seldom complete even short journeys without getting hot boxes. From the beginning of the war the government has proceeded on the basis that the troops must be supplied with all kinds of necessities at the expense of everything else and even the magnificent German trackage system is loaded down constantly with trains carrying troops, supplies and ammunition. Not only is it impossible for civilians behind the front to travel without difficulty, but food supplies often are jeopardized.

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Fair First

Week in September

The problem has been increased by the necessity of shifting troops frequently between the western and earst refuse the western and earst refuse the western fronts to counteract offensive movements of the allies.

Beginning with last fall the canals and rivers had come to be used more and more for the transportation of foodstuffs, partly because boats have a longer life than cars. Then came the cold, which froze everything bett the largest rivers and even stopped transportation on the Rhine for a time. Every city in Germany had long felt the pinch for the lack of horses, automobiles and other means of short haul transportation. This, in common with the stoppage of water traffic and the great reduction in the number of trains, has brought trying need to the larger cities. Centers like Berlin have not had even their scant allotment of potatoes, flour and other commodities.

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Zouaves and City Grays to Plan Big Reception

to Returning Guardsmen

Arrangements for participation in the recention to Companies D and I races, W. K. Rodfong, C. W. Myers, E. S. Keiper, C. C. Etnoyer and Hiram Elighth Regiment, on their return to this city from the Powder will be to this city from the Border, will be made by the City Zouaves and City Grays Veteran Association at a meet ing to be held in the Armory Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

The call for this meeting was is-The call for this meeting was issued to-day by the officers of the City Grays, and all members of the City aves, City Grays, ex-members of the National Guard of Pennsylvania are urged to be present. All exmembers of companies of the N. G. P. in the State who happen to be in Harin the State who happen to be in Har-risburg have also been invited to at-tend the meeting.

Divide Postal Berths Fairly, Wilson Orders

Washington, D. C., Feb. 17. — Arecutive order directing that appeared for post office inspectors be portioned equitably among the Sand the political parties, and that motions be made only on a merit by was issued by President Wilson, or recommendation of Postmaster Ger Eurleson.

FERN ROCK COMPLAINT IS DISMISSED AS UNJUSTIFIED

The Public Service Commission has dismissed the complaint of F. B. Hu-ber, who complainted of the train ser-vice of the Reading at Fern Rock, be-cause he failed to appear at the hear-ing. It is also set forth that 'no suf-

ing. It is also set forth that "no suf-ficient reason appears for investiga-tion of the complaint."

Formal complaint against the pro-posed tariff of the Pennsylvania Rail-road refusing cars for wagon loading in the soft coal region was filed to-day by the Pennsylvania Wagon Coal shippers organization, which has offi-ces in Cambria county.

MRS. JEAN BARNETT RAMSEY

Mrs. Jean Barnett Ramsey, of New Bloomfield, widow of the Rev. James S. Ramsey, well known in this city, died suddenly early this morning at her home. She was a daughter of the late Charles A. Barnett, who died just a week ago; a cousin of Attorney George R. Barnett and Miss Helen C. Clark, of this city. Week ago.

R. Barnett and Miss Helen C. Clark,
this city,
Mrs. Ramsey was a Wilson College
girl more than twenty years ago and
several of her classmates reside here.

RAILROAD RUMBLES IN GERMANY BAD ONE-DAY TRIPS IMMIGRANTS HERE AS FOOD PROBLEM START TOMORROW

Washington; Altoona Folks Will Visit New York

One-day excursions on the Pennsylvania railroad will be inaugurated tomorrow. A special train will leave Har-risburg for Washington at 7.03 a. m. Another train starting at Lancaster will come via this city and go to Washington. Two trains will be run from Altoona to New York city, taking on passengers at all points eastward to Marysville.

Two weeks ago it was feared these special trains would not be run because of war conditions. There is nothing to interfere with to-morrow's schedules. One special announcement was made to-day in connection with the excursions to Washington.

Capitol Will Be Closed
The United States Capitol building will be closed to all visitors. Other places of interest will be open, includplaces of interest will be open, including Corcoran Art Gallery, Botanic Garden, Library of Congress, New National Museum, and Washington Monument. New York excursionists will not be admitted to the Brooklyn Navy Yard, or be permitted to visit any boats from foreign countries.

Reports from Altoona and based on inquiries in this city and Lancaster, indicate big crowds to-morrow. The New York trains will pass through this city between 4 and 5 o'clock in the morning.

WAGE INCREASES AT YORK WAGE INCREASES AT YORK
York, February 17.—Notice was received here yesterday from the Baltimore offices that the heads of the signal department on this portion of the Pennsylvania Railroad have been granted an increase in pay, the increase becoming effective on February 1 last. The increases ranged from \$9.65 to \$12.85 a month, and affect W. E. Gemmil, signal foreman, and H. Lauer, signal maintainer, stationed in this city; J. A. Seitz, signal maintainer at New Freedom, and T. A. Miller, signal maintainer at Cockeysville, Md. A number of the employes of the local carpenter gang were also granted increases.

P. & R. WIRELESS STATION OPEN P. & R. WIRELESS STATION OPEN cerived his first check as a Reading Receiving apparatus for the wireless station of the Philadelphia and Reading Y. M. C. A., at Reading, was connected yesterday. The new station was tested and worked satisfactorily. After-the completion of minor connections, the station will be open daily. Time will be received at noon and sent to various parts of the city. The new station was built by J. D. Phillips, superintendent of signals of the Reading Railway. He contemplates placing wireless stations at Rutherford and other points.

Standing of the Crews

WORKING HARD TO GET FREIGHT CARS

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Both the Pennsylvania Railroad and
Reading Railway are making special
efforts to get a supply of cars moving to and from Harrisburg for the
accommodation of local merchants.
Recent congested freight conditions
have been responsible for delays in
getting merchandise to local business
houses.

houses.

This was the opinion expressed by a number of local merchants. One wholesale dealer cited an instance where 13 days were required to bring one shipment from Philadelphia to Harrisburg. Railroad officials claim that congestions have been due to cold, weather, car shortage and to the tieup of shipments along the Atlantic coast. Everything possible is being done to better conditions.

Railroad Notes Hiram McGowan Simmers is home from a trip East in the interest of Keystone Assembly No. 21, Mutual Beneficial Association of Pennsylvania Railroad Employes.

Chairman Grafton Drake, of the Friendship and Co-operative Club, announced last night that he had engaged the Morgan orchestra for the annual ball on February 28.

Chairman Grafton Drake,

W. L. Fisher, yard dispatcher at Enola, who has been off duty on ac-count of illness, is improving slowly.

Donald Eastlake, of Philadelphia, has been made freight solicitor for the Pennsylvania Railroad at York. He succeeds Arthur H. Dutton, transferred to Washington, D. C.

J. E. Shepp, freight brakeman on the Baltimore division of the Penn-sylvania Railroad, is ill.

John D. Corkle and John A. Bumbaugh, ushers at the Pennsylvania Railroad station, will do special duty at Washington, D. C., during inaugu-ration week. They will leave here about March?

Additional committee announced for the committee in charge of the Friendship and Co-operative Club ball include: D. Hertzler, J. Ewing, J. H. Keesbury, J. L. Redmond, E. H. Hampton, O. P. Keller and Harry Facler.

E. J. Koehler, freight conductor on the Pennsy, who has been ill, has re-turned to duty.

Clement F. Smith, passenger con ductor for the Pennsylvania Rallroac on the Frederick division, with Mrs Smith, will leave next week for Flor ida and Cuba.

New signals at Glen Rock on the Pennsylvania Railroad, will be in stalled next week.

BUY FARM LAND

Three Months; Joseph Nathanson in Charge



Attached to Pa-cific Express west last night were

Attached to Pacific Express west last night were hree cars with immigrants. It was he first arrival for three months, Joseph Nathanson, the first arrival for three months, Joseph Nathanson, the veteran Pennsylvania ralload interpreter, was in charge. The foreigners numbered 150 and neuded 52 women. They were a healthy cooking lot of immigrants and included representatives from Sweden and other neutral countries. The destination of these future citizens of the United States was Texas and the far west. They will take up farming.

Deeds For Farm Lands

Many showed deeds for land. Others had money to pay for their farms as soon as they take possession. Twenty of the men showed deeds for property valued at \$35,000. The average amount of money carried by each male immigrant was said to be \$700. They were six weeks coming to America.

Interpreter Nathanson said this was the beginning of a busy season, that during spring many foreigners would come here to take up farming and other vocations.

vocations RETURN FROM ALTOONA

Harrisburgers who attended the big meeting of the Friendship and Cooperative Club at Altoona Thursday night, returned home yesterday. They were loud in praise of the royal entertainment afforded by the Altoona members. The meeting was a big The program included ad-by prominent members and success. officials, and musical features. Among those from Harrisburg were: T. H. Sheesley, Balser Beam, R. H. Green-wood, J. E. Whittle and C. J. Mc-Combs.

VETERAN CONDUCTOR DIES Within forty hours after he had re-ceived his first check as a Reading

Standing of the Crews

HARRISBURG SIDE

Philadelphia Division — 110 crew to go first after 2.30 p. m.: 121, 112, 124, 128, 104, 123.

Engineers for 110, 124.
Fireman for 128.
Conductors for 110, 121, 124, 123.
Brakemen for 110, 124, 124.
Engineers up: Martin, Gemmill, Sober, Gable, Brodacker, Layman.
Firemen up: Bowersox, Walker, Eckrich, Herman, Fisher, Swartz, Dietrich, Killian, Ryer, Strickler, Arney, Dohner, Walkage.
Conductor up: Hooper.
Flagmen up: Boyd, Shultzberger, Dougherty, Nation — 242 crew to go

Flagmen up: Buyer,
Brakemen up: Boyd,
Dougherty.
Middle Division — 242 crew to go
first after 1.30 p. m.: 250, 3, 7, 223, 244,
248.
Three Altoona crews to come in ten
crews laid off at Altoona.
Engineers for 3, 7,
Conductor for 7,
Flagmen for 3, 7,
Engineers up: Corder, Leppard,
Asper, L. A. Burris,
Firemen up: Corne, Eckert, Linn,
Adams, Bitting.
Brakemen up: Kowatch, Rowe, L.
R. Sweger, D. L. Sweger, Kraft, Yohn,
YARD CREWS — HARRISBURG
Engineers up: Wise, Matson, Mach,
amer, Gibbons, Cless, Dwing, Yinger,
Starner, Morrison, Monroe, Beatty,
Feas.
Firemen up: Hardy, Wilhelm, Smith,
Zeigler, Yuchity, Rodenhafer, Black,
Smith,
Engineers for 5th 8, 12, 3rd 24, 38,
76.
Firemen for 4rd 8, 12, 16, 2nd 22, 74,

Firemen for 4rd 8, 12, 16, 2nd 22, 74, 76. ENOLA SIDE
Philadelphia Division — 207 crew to
go first after 4.15 p. m.: 201, 226, 229,
240, 205, 234, 210.
Engineer for 201.
Brakemen for \$7, 10, 40.
Brakeman up: Whitington.
Middle Division—451 crew to go first
after 1.30 p. m.: 229, 247, 219, 101, 112,
102. Engineer for 101.

Fireman for 101.

YARD CREWS — ENOLA
Engineers up: Anspach, Kling, Smith,
Branyon, Bretz.
Firemen up: M. S. Hall, Eichelberger, Myers, Gullerman, Brandt, Reed,
Backenstoe, Walsh, Haubert, Hinkle,

Brown.
Engineers for: 2nd 108, 1st 126, 122, 3rd 126, 104.
Firemen for 1st 126, 1st 124, 122, 128, 130, 3rd 126.



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