

RAILROAD NEWS

IMPROVEMENT PLANS COMPLETE

One Official of the Opinion That Big Changes Will Be Made in This Vicinity

That part of the money allotted to the Pennsylvania Railroad by the United States government for improvements and equipment, will be spent in and about Harrisburg is not denied. When asked to-day whether any plans had been decided upon, one official from Altoona said:

"In the estimate sent to Washington asking for a certain amount for the Pennsylvania lines east, proposed improvements were outlined. What has been approved will not be made public for two weeks. Altoona is to have an extension to its Juniata shops and an enlarged locomotive building plant, is one report that appears to be well founded.

Improvements in This Vicinity "Some time ago improvements at Enola yards and along the low grade line were said to have been decided upon. These improvements, it is believed, will come with the aid of the government. Increased track-pace between Harrisburg and Middletown, and track facilities between Lemoyne and Marsh Run with changes of main tracks, increased yard facilities in this city, at Marietta and Columbia and east of Lancaster, are also said to be included in the plans.

Committee to Talk Over Friendship Club Plans

John L. Long, president of the Friendship and Co-operative Club for Railroad Men, will meet his committee to-morrow night to talk over plans for the future. It is necessary that every member meet him at the Grace street rooms at 8 o'clock. The executive committee has approved of the change of date for the big open meeting which will be held in the city of Harrisburg, Pa., on the 25th of May, at the Middle-town Ordnance Depot, will be on hand.

John H. Keesebury, secretary of the club, will send out notices this week. Announcements will also be posted on all bulletin boards in Harrisburg and vicinity and along the main line of the Pennsylvania between Philadelphia and Altoona.

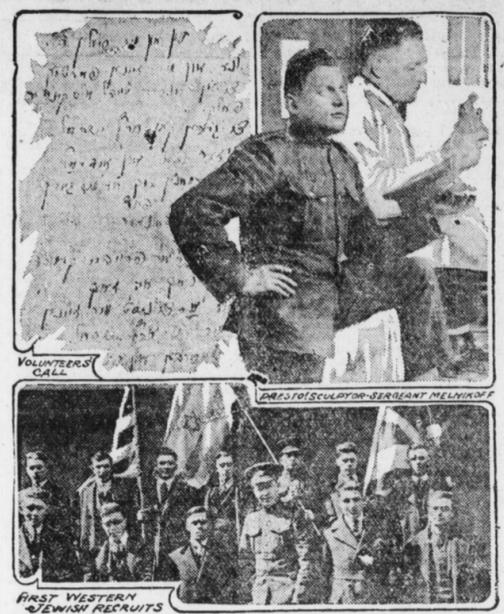
Place Night Work Ban For Women Car Employees

Milwaukee, May 20.—Women conductors or "motormen" will not be allowed to operate cars at night in Wisconsin under a ruling announced by the Industrial Commission. The rule on which women are employed must begin at 5 o'clock in the morning and terminate before 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Standing of the Crews

HARRISBURG SIDE Philadelphia Division—The 108 crew first to go after 9 o'clock: 115, 105, 129, 122. Engineers for 106, 123. Fireman for 105, 123. Conductors for 106, 105. Flagman for 105. Brakemen for 115, 105, (2), 123, 123 (2). Engineers up: Frickman, Shoaff, Grace. Firemen up: Northcut, Miller, Bolton. Conductor up: Solomon. Flagman up: Wenrick. Brakemen up: Brown, Kaseman, Kase, Heagy, Clark, Preston. Middle Division—The 27 crew first to go after 1.45 o'clock: 42, 21, 29, 26, 27, 27, 23, 23. Firemen for 29, 23. Conductors for 27, 47, 21. Flagmen for 27, 21. Brakemen for 23. Letter, Kaufman. Engineers up: Brown, Musser, Weaver. Conductors up: Lower, Crimmel. Yard Board—Engineer for 3-15C. Firemen for 2-7C, 3-7C, 2-14C, 23C, 23A. Engineers up: Keefer, Ford, Klerner, Buffington, Auman, Miller, Blevier, Esig, Ney, Myers. Firemen up: McKeever, Wengel.

JEWIS ARE ZEALOUS TO ENLIST FOR PALESTINE SERVICE WITH BRITISH



Carrying the flag of Zion 8,000 miles that they might enlist under the battle flag of Britain to go more than 8,000 miles to Palestine, two Argentine members of the first contingent from the western division of the British-Canadian Recruiting Mission displayed the devoted zeal of the Jews who are volunteering to fight the Turks in the Jewish unit of the British army. That services were held repeatedly during the first night's travel Zionward shows how zealous are these Jews in this long expected opportunity.

More than 300 Jewish people bade them farewell in Minneapolis, singing hymns and songs of America. The most influential Jews, including rabbis and women, were in the party. They were welcomed in Chicago by a famous sculptor, Abraham Melnikoff, who dropped his chisels to enlist, and soon was in sergeant's uniform on recruiting duty.

Stuart, Kling, Garman, Hoover, Stacks, Heiney, Lake, Carmichael, Sherman, Staff, Whiteley.

ENOLA SIDE Philadelphia Division—The 211 crew first to go after 4.15 o'clock: 256, 242, 212, 238, 206, 240. Engineer for 213. Firemen for 242, 206. Conductors for 242, 213. Flagman for 213. Brakemen for 241, 256, 242. Conductor up: Gemperling. Brakeman up: Weaver.

British Have Closed North Sea by a Barrier of Mines

London.—The British Admiralty restrictions on navigation in the northern part of the North Sea, in consequence of the laying of a great mine field for the purpose of foiling submarines, became operative to-day, and hereafter all shipping in that area must comply with stringent regulations or ignore them at their own peril.

After dark no ship will be permitted within the prescribed area, which lies between the coasts of Norway and Scotland, and any vessel finding itself there half an hour after sunset must anchor in accordance with the Admiralty's direction. The regulations include strict rules affecting all except warships entering and leaving the ports of northern Scotland as well as the Orkney and Shetland Islands.

The vast barrier, which seems to have been overestimated in extent in earlier reports, is now said to cover approximately 22,000 square miles. Many details obviously cannot be divulged, and some of those printed appear to be based on assumptions by non-official experts, but it is generally accepted that the barrier is designed to fence in, as far as possible, U-boats and other enemy craft in the northern end of the North Sea in the same manner as the barrier across the Straits of Dover already effectively blocks their access to the Channel. It is remarked that if the barrier is to exclude submarines the mines must have been laid at an unusual depth to cover the limit of the average submarine's diving capacity.

THE READING

The 8 crew first to go after 11.45 o'clock: 57, 19, 21, 72, 14, 2, 65, 16, 58, 11, 12, 23. Engineers for 57, 60, p. m. Beth. Star. Firemen for 72, 2, 11, 12, Brd., Lebano work train. Conductors for 72, 21. Flagmen for 9, 21. Brakemen for 60, 65, 8, 12, 14, 21, 3-255, Lebanon work train. Engineers up: Singer, Pletz, Ruth, Ralsner, Wunderlick, Barnhart, Sweezy, Deardorf, Kaufman. Firemen up: Wengle, Morrison, Rayston, Yeagy, Booth, Durbrow, Kohnlein, Myers, Kochenour, Martin.

MIDDLETOWN COMMENCEMENT

THURS., MAY 23

Class of Nineteen Will Receive Diplomas From High School

The thirty-ninth annual commencement of the Middletown High school will be held Thursday evening, May 23, in the Realty Theater at 8 o'clock. The class roll follows: George Alfred Bowman, Grace M. Brestel, Sarah Elizabeth Croll, Verna Louise Hess, Fannie Louise Hofton, John Forney Houser, Bessie May Kresge, Lester Vincent Kupp, Robert Landemuth, Mary Frances Moore, Macon Myers, William Edward Neagle, Truman Eteleo Rodfons, Warren McKinley Seiders, Harold Joseph Trechler, Mary Catharine Wozniak, John David Whitman, Henrietta Louise Wickey and Frank Zell, Jr.

Faculty—H. E. Force, president; H. B. Garver, principal; Ira R. Finny, Latin and French; Mrs. Rita Szydani, English; Miss Gaudie Mason, music. Directors—N. C. Fuhrman, vice-president; Ira H. Springer, secretary; J. P. Ackerman, treasurer; H. J. Wickey, superintendent; W. S. Sides, H. W. George, M. D.; M. H. Gingrich.

The program follows: March, orchestra; invocation, the Rev. Fuller Bergstresser; salutatory, "The Awakening of a Nation," Sarah Elizabeth Croll; oration, "Citizenship," William P. Frye, Harold Joseph Trechler; reading, "How Tom Sawyer Got His Fence Whitewashed," Messrs. Zell, Seiders, Wozniak, "The Red Cross," Bessie May Kresge; octet, "The Sailor's Glee," C. E. Leslie, Misses Moore, Wickey, Hofton, Houser, Kresge, Kupp, Kresge, Kupp, Rodfons, Miss Mary Catharine Weaver, pianist; violin solo, "Hejre Kati," Jeno Hubay, John David Whitman; Hatz prize oration, "The Flag on the Firing Line," Roosevelt, Truman Eteleo Rodfons; prophecy, Verna Louise Hess; valedictory, "The Spirit That Animates," Henrietta Louise Wickey; presentation of diplomas, H. E. Force, president school board; music, orchestra; address, "The Distribution of Patriotism in America," Dr. Madison C. Peters; class songs; benediction.

The Red Cross parade this evening will have been held in town for some time. The procession will form on Ann street, starting at 8 o'clock, and move up to Wood, to Pine, to Union, to Water, to Catherine, to Pine, to Main, to Spring, to Water, to Catherine, to Emmaus, to Market. The lineup follows: Police escort, Chief of Police Charles Houser, special police, D. C. Stager, William Farmer and John Moore, chief marshal, H. E. Moore, chief of staff, G. D. Walcott, Mrs. G. W. Myers, F. Wagner, H. McGill, Lane Brinser, S. O. Detweiler, N. Reigle, T. Smith, John Lutz, general committee. First division will form in Ann street, right on Wood, in the following order: Marsh, H. M. Fenical, Liberty band, aero supply depot, delegation, Boy Scouts, Middletown Chapter Red Cross, Mothers' Congress, mothers whose sons are in the service, G. A. R. Veterans, business and town of Me and in autos. Second division, will form in Ann street, right in Catherine, in the following order: Marshal, W. E. Detweiler, drum corps, High school, Grammar school, Intermediate schools, Secondary schools, Primary schools, Middletown Fire Department, fraternal organizations, citizens in general. Third division, will form in Wood street, right in Ann, in the following order: Marshal, D. B. Keifer, New Cumberland band, Winchroft stove works, High school, Middletown car works, Palmyra band, shoe factory, Rifle's drum corps, Romberger hosiery mill, railroad employes. Fourth division, will form in Market street, right in Wood, in the following order: Marshal, A. H. Luckenbill, decorated floats automobiles.

Miss Pearl Flaig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Flaig, of Ann street, and Warren Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brown, South Wood street, were married at the St. Peter's Lutheran Church parsonage, North Spring street, Saturday evening at 8 o'clock by the Rev. Fuller Bergstresser. They were unattended. They will reside with the groom's parents. The Middletown Alumni will hold its annual banquet in the High school room, Friday evening, May 24. The program follows: Selection, orchestra, address of welcome, Edgar Nuskey, president; presentation of class 1918, Prof. H. J. Wickey, violin solo, John Wiman, reading, select, Mary Elbert, vocal solo, Mrs. John Raymond, reading, selected, Blanche Churchman, piano duet, Mrs. A. R. Hoffman and Miss Clara Beck, address, "Patriotism of Our Boys," Maurice R. Metzger; quartet, selected, refreshments to conform with present war conditions will be served.

But notwithstanding such limitations confidence is expressed that the new measure, combined with the recent operations at Zebrugg and Ostend, must greatly handicap the movements of the U-boats and further discourage the hopes that Germans have placed in the submarine campaign.

American "Ace" Bags Ninth Enemy Plane

SERGEANT FRANK BAYLES who is from New Bedford, Mass., is fast becoming one of the most noted "aces" in France. He has succeeded in downing his ninth enemy plane in battle. Bayles tried to enlist in the American aviation service, but was rejected because of "defective vision." He then went to France in the French hospital service, later joining the famous "Stork" flying squadron, which was commanded by the late Captain Guynemer, and quickly "made good."

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