

gauge track to the entrance of the packing house to be prepared for shipment.

Several Theories Advanced.

Some of the powder, it was said, may have dropped from the car and either a horse's shoe or the wheel of the car could easily have ignited and caused a flash to reach the powder in the car, exploding it and the powder in the hoist.

Most of those who lost their lives were under twenty years of age, and with the exception of Allan A. Thaxter, whose home was by Potomac Me., all lived in or near this city.

Twenty-six men were in the packing house when the powder went off, and not enough of them were left for identification with the exception of Allan A. Thaxter, the foreman, whose home is in the Potomac Me. His body was found in pieces, and a part of his body was found hanging on a tree across the creek.

Killed Outside the Building. Four of the thirty men killed were killed by pieces while outside the packing house. They were Mace, a driver; Harahan, a carpenter; Pleuston, a fireman; and Oliver, a machinist.

The pellet packing house was a one-story frame building, eighteen by twenty feet and divided into six rooms. Not a single part of it was to be found. Nearby buildings were badly damaged.

The men injured were outside the plant. They were struck by bits of machinery, flying sparks and other debris and all were badly mutilated. They were rushed to the Delaware and Homeopathic hospitals in this city. One of them had a leg blown out and several lost an arm or leg.

Rush of the Relatives. The awful shock of the blast struck terror to the hearts of the residents of the neighborhood and other settlements along the Brandwine, accustomed as they are to powder mill explosions.

There was a rush to all the gates by relatives and others to learn if any one was killed. Excitement was admitted except some of those who rushed out from Wilmington in automobiles when they learned the seriousness of the accident.

FESTIVAL OF HANUKKAH WILL BEGIN AT SUNSET

Observance of Victory of Maccabees Over Syrians Will Continue Eight Days.

The Jewish festival of Hanukkah, in observance of the victory of the Maccabees over the Syrians and dating from 165 B.C., begins this evening at sundown and continues for eight days.

At the Eighth Street Temple special day evening in the reformed temples and Saturday in the orthodox temples.

At the Eighth Street temple special services will be held Friday and Sunday evenings, while at the Adams Israel and other temples services will be held Saturday morning.

WILL HEAR SUFFRAGISTS.

Senate Committee to Give Audience to Delegation December 15.

What is expected to be the first hearing in the Sixty-fourth Congress on woman suffrage has been set for December 15, when the Senate committee on woman's suffrage, Senator Charles S. Thomas, chairman, will listen to a delegation from the National American Woman's Suffrage Association.

The arguments will be directed toward the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the Constitution, to be introduced into the Senate by Senator Thomas December 6, it is stated. Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, Mrs. Edith McCormick, Mrs. Desha Breckinridge and Mrs. Nellie Stone will be announced as the probable speakers.

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DECEMBER 1915. S M T W T F S. 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Only 20 more Shopping Days before Christmas. Do your shopping now and early in the day.

THOUSANDS WILL STREET DISPLAY Exhibit Is Striking Feature of the Electrical Prosperity Week Program.

AUTOMOBILES IN PARADE ELABORATELY ADORNED

Prizes Awarded to Holmes & Son, Naval Gun Factory, Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

With the route of the parade lined with thousands of spectators and the side streets packed to capacity with automobiles of every description, 150 gasoline and electric vehicles participated in an automobile parade last night.

The first prize for the best advertising display in the parade was awarded to Holmes & Son's bakery, which had ten trucks in line. The naval gun factory, the bureau of engraving and printing captured the prizes for the most novel display and the best lighted exhibit.

The judges of the event were Commodore J. B. Brown, C. B. Brant, denburg, president of the Washington Board of Trade, and P. T. Moran, president of the Chamber of Commerce.

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RULES OF ESSAY CONTEST ON "ELECTRICITY IN EVERYDAY LIFE."

Subject: "Electricity in Everyday Life." Write not more than 250 words. Write on one side of the paper only. Write your name, age, grade, school and home address at upper left-hand corner of the first page.

Get your essay in early. Contest closes at midnight December 2. Address your essay to Electrical Contest Editor, care of The Star.

Contest open to public school children of the District of Columbia and the general public.

was used for conveying the judges up and down the line of march. Some of the other exhibitors in the parade, in addition to the long line of privately owned gasoline and electric pleasure cars, which led in behind the floats, were: Walker-Gordon Laboratory, Chapin & Sacks Manufacturing Company, Dulin & Martin, Carroll Electric Company, Berry & Whitmore, Pony, Southern Bu-laine, Supply Company, Wilson & Rogers, O Street Market Company, Bartram Garage, Hirsch's Shoe Store, American Express Company, Sanitary Grocery Company, King-an & Co., Exide Battery Depots, Incorporated, Thompson's Dairy Company, Post Office Department, Federal Taxicab Company, O. R. Evans, G. G. Cornwell & Son and Frazee-Potomac Laundry Company.

Case Dismissed, Collateral Refunded. The collateral of Mrs. Rosa L. May, which was stated in last Friday's Star to have been forfeited in the Police Court, was on the next day returned to her, the information against her being on that day null and void upon a reopening of the case.

Arranging Basket Ball Schedule. The girls' basket ball team at George Washington University will play a practice game with the Central High School team Friday. Other local high school teams will be met in practice games in the near future.

President Gets Walsh Report. Dante Barton of Kansas City laid before President Wilson today the plans of the unofficial committee headed by Frank Walsh, chairman of the Federal Industrial Relations commission which went out of existence recently, for seeking legislation on subjects investigated by the old commission.

The Sweater Shop

A SWEATER---The Gift of All Gifts. It will be remembered long after other gifts are forgotten, as it will be used constantly every day.



ESKIMO SUITS for the Little Tots, consisting of Sweater, Cap, Leggings and Mittens; all wool angora; \$5 value. Specially priced, \$3.50.

Sweater Coats, of closely woven worsted shawl collar or V neck and pockets. \$3 value. Specially priced, \$2.

All-wool Sweater Coats, heavy weight, with shawl collar or V neck and pockets. \$4 value. Specially priced, \$3.

All-wool Sweaters, with large shawl collar and pockets; a real \$5 value. Specially priced, \$3.50.

For His or Her Xmas Gift. Official Knit Coat. For College Men and Women. A real \$7.50 Shaker-knit, Heavy, All-wool Sweater Coat, with large shawl collar and women-in pockets; white, colors and college stripes. Specially priced, \$5.

Bath Robes. All-wool Blankets. \$2.95. Complete Line of SAKONY Wool Goods. Leather Auto \$1, \$1.50 & \$2 Up. Complete Line of SAKONY Wool Goods.

GIFT HINTS FOR HIM---Neckwear, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Gloves, Hose, Combination Sets, Etc. Articles Laid Aside for Xmas on a Small Deposit. Julius A. West, 800 7th St. N.W., Cor. H. Mail Orders Solicited.

Diamonds For Christmas

Whether for gifts or personal use they offer a safe investment opportunity. Every stone is of pure white quality and we guarantee a bill of sale with each ring, stating that same can be returned for full purchase price in exchange for larger stone at any time.

SPECIAL FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY ONLY. \$15 Diamond Ring \$9.85 \$70 Diamond Ring \$58.75 \$20 Diamond Ring \$14.85 \$85 Diamond Ring \$72.50 \$37.50 Diamond Ring \$26.85 \$100 Diamond Ring \$85.00 (Set in Platinum Tops.) Any style of mounting desired.

Why Not Pay a Deposit Now and Let Us Reserve Your Selection? Open Evenings Until 9. Selinger's Manufacturing Jewelers and Opticians. F Street, Corner Ninth. Look for the Big Clock.

HUNDREDS INSPECT PRIZES FOR ESSAYS

Quality and Quantity of Gifts Are Occasion of Much Praise.

Hundreds of persons today as last evening viewed the prizes being offered by The Star and the Washington committee in charge of Electrical Prosperity week, and which are to be distributed to the winners in the essay contest now being conducted on the uses of electricity in everyday life.

Many comments of approval of the excellence of the gifts offered were heard and many discussions as to the merits of electricity for cooking, lighting and other uses were to be heard in front of the display windows at the northeast corner of 13th and F streets.

Contest Ends Tomorrow. Tomorrow at midnight the contest is to close. All essays must be in by that time and they will not be considered.

For Gifts or for Yourself You're Safe in Buying Our Women's Gloves at \$1.

Women's Gray Mocha Gloves, warm and serviceable as well as smart in appearance; one class, \$1.00. Women's Washable Pique Gloves in new stretch shades of sand and butter, also white and black, \$1.00.

Women's English Walking Gloves, made of select quality skins; in tan, \$1.00. Children's Wool-lined Tan Kid Gloves, with and without fur tops. Also Kid Mittens with fur tops, and Boys' Cow-boys and Boy Scout Gauntlets. \$1.00.

Men's High-grade Washable Tan Cape Gloves with spear backs, including the finest quality and workmanship. \$1.50.

50c President Suspenders. Men's Famous President Lisle Web Suspenders, with the finest and most durable sliding cord in the back. 25c.

20c India Linon, 9/4c. 10-inch Sheer White India Linon, in demand for the gift aprons and other garments.

15c Yard-wide Percale, 8/4c. Best Quality Fine-cout French Percale, in a range of new light patterns of all colors.

10c Shaker Flannel, 5/4c. White Shaker Flannel of good weight, warmly lined on both sides. For women's children's garments.

10c Outing Flannel, 6/4c. Pretty checks and stripes of all colors. In Best Quality Pileed Outing Flannel.

Sale of \$7.50 & \$10 FURS \$5.98. All of rich, serviceable quality---the fashionable pieces everybody wants. Choice of: White Iceland Fox Double Animal Scarf with head and tails. Red Fox Full Double Animal Scarf with head, tail and feet. Handsome Black Cotton Coat, of excellent workmanship, lined with guaranteed satin. Choice, \$25.00. Children's Fur---Children's Fine White Thibet Fur Sets, consisting of dainty muff and scarf, both lined with satin. \$5.00.

Butterick Pattern Free With These \$3.00 Bath Robe Blankets, \$1.88. Why pay \$5.00 for a Ready-made Bath Robe when you can easily make one of equal quality at far less cost? These blankets are heavy, soft and fluffy, and show many rich Navajo Indian patterns and large figured effects of all colors. Size for full robe---75x90 inches.

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ered. Announcement of awards will be made as soon as the essays are carefully read and marked. For the benefit of those who may not have read previously in the manner in which the 100 per cent is to be distributed it is given again: For the subject matter, 40; for spelling, 15; for grammar, 20; for general neatness, 20; and for handwriting, 5. Ideas as to some of the uses to which electricity may be put in everyday life may be obtained from observing the many electrical devices on display at 13th and F streets. In addition to the prizes offered are many other articles.

Prizes Are Practical. The prizes offered are of a practical nature. Wherever beauty is to be found among the electrical things there, use also is to be found. Both adults and school children are taking deep interest in the contest. Indeed, no little good-natured rivalry has been aroused. And still the questions as to the ways in which electricity may be used are being asked in all parts of the city.

Scores of persons hitherto unfamiliar with the great servant of mankind are being awakened to its great variety of uses---and to the spread of those uses, likewise scores are becoming familiar with the simplicity of operation of electrical machines. With practically all of them, as is indeed the case with the essay writing also, no technique is required. Simplicity is the keynote.

The entire plant of a Pennsylvania asphalt block manufacturing concern is mounted on freight cars, so that it can be taken wherever there is work for it to do.

Holiday Service at Its Best at Everybody's GIFT STORE

Gifts purchased now will be reserved for future delivery on payment of a small deposit. All boxable gifts will be boxed free. Umbrellas, Silver Articles, etc., engraved free. You'll find it more satisfactory to shop early in the day and early in the month.

ALL HATS TRIMMED FREE. KING'S PALACE. 810-816 Seventh Street.

SALE OF 250 COATS

110 COATS Regular \$12.50 Values \$7.90. 140 COATS Regular \$20 Values \$12.90.

Materials are of the richest character fine moutons, boucles, kersyes, zibelines and imported mixtures. Belted and full ripple models, with collars of fur, plush, velvet and cloth. The black mutton coats have immense fur collars and cuffs in gray and brown.

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You can please the home folks and save lots of trouble by ordering Reeves-baked Pies, Cakes and Pastries for dessert. Delivered fresh and clean direct from the oven.

When shopping stop and get a loaf of Reeves-Baked Raisin Bread. REEVES, 1209 F Street.

Men's 50c Underwear

Choice of the Two Favorite Kinds. Men's Elastic Derby-ribbed Underwear, snug fitting and comfortable. Men's Heavy Satisfactory-ribbed Underwear, shirts and drawers to match. 39c garment.

Men's \$1.00 Part-wool Gray Underwear, sure protection in the coldest weather. Garment. 59c. Men's \$1.00 Medium-weight Union Suits, elastic ribbed and perfect in fit. Special. 69c.

10c Bleached Cotton, 6/4c. Yard-wide Bleached Cotton of standard quality, free from bluing and good weight. 15c Pillow-cases, 8/4c. Excellent grade of 45x36 Muslin Pillow-cases, made of heavy 11-oz. finished muslin with wide hems. \$3 White Fox Neck-pieces, \$1.98. Beautiful quality, warm, fluffy and stylish. All have head, feet and tails.

Women's Gowns, 20c. Women's Charming-style Muslin Night-gowns, trimmed with lace, embroidery or picot. \$1.98. Children's \$1 Dresses 79c. Any child's \$1.00 Colored Tub Dress in the house. All styles, all colors. Sizes 2 to 14 years.

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Whether you are looking for the youngster's outfit for immediate wear, or whether you want to reserve it for a holiday gift, this saving must command your attention. The Overcoats are made of heavy woollens in military style, but toned high at the neck, and made with belted fronts. The Suits are in various fancy patterns of sturdy materials. Smart Balkan Norfolk models, tailored for

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