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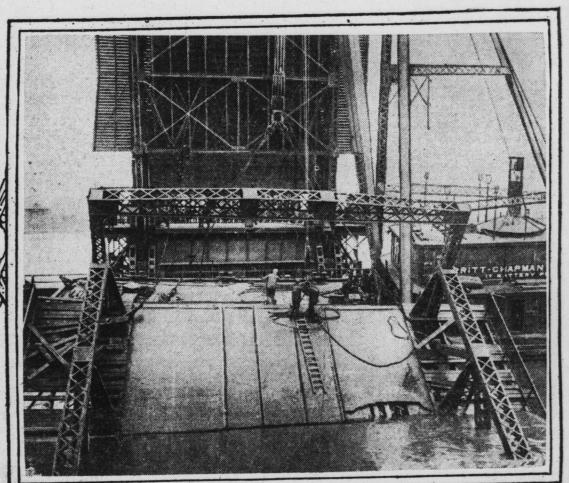
One of the first pictures received here of President-elect Hoover in Peru. Taken at the American embassy at Lima, the photo shows, left to right: Counsellor Mathew E. Hanna of the embassy, Presidentelect Hoover and Dr. Pedro Rada Y Gamio, Peruvian minister of foreign affairs .-- Associated Press Photo.



King Neptune's "surgeons" operate on Allan Hoover, son of President-elect Hoover, as part of his initiation into the select society of "shellbacks," as the battleship Maryland crossed the equator. He is seen stretched out on the operating table as one of the many "landlubber" victims of the sport enjoyed by old Neptune's cohorts during the traditional ceremony. -Copyright by P. & A. Photos.



Grandniece of John D. Rockefeller weds. Brooks Emeny of Salem, Ohio, and his bride, the former Miss Winifred Rockefeller, leaving the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Church in New York after their wedding Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, jr., were among the prominent New Yorkers at the wedding.



Crowds surging around President-elect Hoover's car just after he landed at Callao, Peru. One of the

most enthusiastic greetings the President-elect has received on his Latin American good-will trip was given

Two tugboats and their crews had a narrow escape when one side of the big steel drawbridge spanning the Hackensack River in Jersey City, N. J., collapsed as it was being lifted to allow the boats to pass with a tow. The 500 tons of steel crashed into the river just as the tugboats neared the passage. The side in the water was up in the air like the far side when it crashed. -Associated Press Photo.

SEAL SALE TOPS **50 PER CENT MARK**

Hospitals of City Take Active Part in Campaign to Get \$4,000.

Cash receipts from the Christmas Health Seal sale as reported at head-quarters of the Washington Tuber-

culosis Association, 1022 Eleventh street, up to noon today, represented the sale of 2,250,today, represented the sale of 2,250,-000 seals at a cent each toward the goal budget of \$40,000 necessary to carry on the health service of the association for the association for

From Mrs. Agnes H. Stewart, director of the occupational therapy department for the benefit of patients at the Tuberculosis Hospital, came the report this morning that sale of Christmas seals is being pushed by the several hos-pital wards. Each of these has chosen its captain under the general direction of Miss Naomi McKenna, assistant in the occupational therapy work. These hospital teams already have called for 50,000 seals and are arranging to have them mailed to customers not seen in

person.

This hospital work is being further aided by the display of the numerous art objects made by patients in a public sales store in the Cavalier Apartment. House at 3500 Fourteenth street, where Christmas seals also are on sale. Mrs. Stewart is in charge of this sale, which

will continue all week. Return the real was are slow-ing down, although many thousands of seal allotments have not yet been heard from. Officers of the association ask that all who have received seals by mail on approval will remit for seals or re-turn those not wanted, using the stamped envelope which was sent with

Train Kills Pedestrian. Special Dispatch to The Star.

ROCKVILLE, Md., December 17: John Starr, colored, 37 years old, was killed by an eastbound Baltimore & Ohio train at Westmore, a mile from New York City, Under Court Orhere, while crossing the tracks yester-day about noon.

The Record of Santa Claus

is almost reached by Star classified advertisements, which make over 100,000 calls in one evening. No salesman could make that many calls in many days.

Therefore, let a Star classified advertisement sell your home farm, automobile, excess office equipment, piano, furniture or anything you no longer need.

Forest Is Planted To Provide Girls

By the Associated Press.

TSCHEKIRGE, Turkey, December 17.—This Anatolian town near Broussa boasts of a forest of hope chests. A large tract of land on the outskirts of the town belonging to the municipality is reserved for this forest and every tree bears the name of one of its townsgirls. For centuries it has been the custom for every father in Tschekirge to plant a tree whenever a daughter is born to him and to mark the tree with that daughter's name. When the baby girl grows up and it is time to start the hope chest, without which no Anatolian husband can be won, the father cuts down the tree, sells the wood and with the proceeds the filling of the hope chest begins.

But Only One Held Under New Ruling.

7-CENT CAR FARE RATE

ders, Files Amended Briefs in

FIND CACHE OF LIQUOR

Complying with an order of the Su-preme Court requiring the filing of more concise briefs by all parties to the con-

With Hope Chests

POLICE, SEEKING THIEVES.

Three Charged With Possession,

After being warned that two colored men had entered premises in the 1900 block of Biltmore street with apparent intent to rob, Detectives R. L. Jones and R. A. Williams followed and report that they found 175 quarts of alcohol, 20 quarts of rum and 5 quarts of gin in the house.

Police say Mary O'Hearne and Jeremiah R. O'Hearne were standing guard over the alleged liquor. They denied having seen the colored men, but are said to have admitted ownership of the liquor. Waldron Davis, 1200 block of C street, was arrested as he left the building, having in his possession five quarts of gin and four one-half gallon jars of alcohol.

The three people were taken to No. 8 precinct and charged with possession. However, Davis is the only one who can be held on the charge, according to the ruling made today by United States Attorney David A. Hart, as the entry was made on the pretext of locating the colored men and without first going through the formality of procuring a warrant.

AGAIN UP FOR HEARING

Interborough Controversy.

troversy in the Interborough 7 cent carfare case, the City of New York to-day filed in the court a new brief of 186 pages, or 82 less than its former

burgh, Ashmand of Washington and Jefferson. Second row: Nowack of Illinois, Raskowski of Ohio, Wagner of Wisconsin, Gibson of Minnesota, Harpster of Carnegie Tech and Holmer of Northwestern **FALLS CHURCH ASKS**

Question Whether Company Would Lose by 5-Cent Rate in Town Would Be Determined.

LOWER BUS FARE TEST

FALLS CHURCH, Va., December 17
—Citizens here have asked the
State Corporation Commission to order a reduction in bus fare within the limits a reduction in bus lare within the limits of the town for two or more months in order to study the effect on the income and business of the Washington, Maryland and Virginia Bus Co. A petition presented by Mayor Bethune asks for a ruling creating a special 5-cent zone within the town. Lester Hooker, chairman of the commission who came from within the town. Lester Hooker, chairman of the commission, who came from Richmond Friday to hold a special hearing, indicated to Mayor Bethune and the 25 or more citizens who, with C. E. Arnold, president of the bus company, attended the hearing, that the commission will take prompt action. Spokesmen for the town pointed out that with a rate of 25 cents from the terminal at Twelfth street and Pennsylvania avenue to Broad street in Falls Church, it was inequitable to charge 10 cents for the trip from Broad street to East Falls Church station, a distance of less than one mile. Mr. Arnold said the company was not able to give the reduction if it entailed a loss in income or meant acting as a feeder to one of the street car companies.

OUTSTANDING WORLD EVENTS OF PAST WEEK BRIEFLY TOLD

Twelve captains are included in the selection of the best collegiate foot ball talent of the year for the all-Eastern team which will meet a picked

Pacific Coast team in the annual charity game at San Francisco, December 29. This photo was taken as the squad held its first practice at Chicago

Saturday. The 12 captains, left to right, front row: Delp of Penn State, Howell of Nebraska, Bennett of Indiana, Guest of Lafayette, Fox of Pitts-

By the Associated Press.

Who shot first is the question between the South American disputants.
Paraguay insists that the 35-man garrison of Fort Vanguardia fired the first bullets, while Bolivia maintains that the initiative came from an attack by the initiative came from an attack by 300 Paraguayans. She is so certain of this that she has notified all con-cerned that she will consider no mediation until Paraguay has made repara-tion for what is considered a gross insult to Bolivia.

The Pan-American Conference of Washington, the Council of the League of Nations at Lugano, the Argentine Republic and the Vatican have all taken

steps to prevent a war.

The Council of the League hesitated to take any action until it became apparent that failure to do so would create a widespread feeling that the League was more European than world-wide. There was also doubt as to how the United States might view any League intervention, bus this was dissipated when a precedent was found in similar action in 1921, after Costa Rica and Panama had ended diplomatic relations over a boundary questions.

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The Council meeting, as expected, gave opportunity for numerous "eye-to-eye" talks on the big European problems of German reparations and evaculation of the Rhineland. Gustav Stresemann, German foreign minister, early restated his country's position that the two subjects were distinct and added that complete evacuation of the occupied territories could not be expected until reparations had been fixed. But on the same day in Germany Hermann Mueller, the chancellor, said that speedy removal of the allied troops would be only right and just.

The reason for the Stresemann attitude came out several days later after troversy in the Interborough 7 cent carfare case, the City of New York to Carfare case, the City of New York to The Singled in the court a new brief of 186 pages, or 82 less than its former brief.

While retaining all the salient features of the former brief, counsel for the city have re-written their arguments opposing the order of the statutory three-gludge court which author-ed the fare increase from 5 to 7 cents bending final action on the case.

The City emphasized that should this increase be sustained. New Yorkers would be required to pay annually \$23.

The The Efficiency Burgested as also in the old Parliament to 14 in the new port of the Rhineland. Gustav Stressmann, German foreign minister of many years, were reduced from 328 for many

With this question put aside temporarily, August Zaleski, Polish minister of foreign affairs, started an acrimonious debate with Stresemann over the rights of German minorities in Poland. Dispatches describing this exchange at Lugano were coincident with official advices from Warsaw telling of a bitter attack upon Germany in the foreign affairs committee of the Polish Parlia-

> Peasants Win Victory in Rumania. Juliu Maniu's position as head of the Peasant party government in Rumahia was consolidated by a smashing elec-toral victory. The party won 361 out of 387 Parliament seats and the Liberals,

THREE HURT IN AUTO.

-Associated Press Photo.

Car Occupied by Fairfax Attorney's Family Is Overturned. Special Dispatch to The Star.

mann, Aristide Briand of France and Sir Austen Chamberlain of Great Britain. It became known that this "big three" had about agreed that while experts were examining the reparations problem negotiations for evacuation should be continued by the governments, thus making the subjects parallel.

The troublesome frontier questions between Lithuania and Poland are also to go to a board of experts. Premier Waldemaras of Lithuania finally agreed to this with the understanding that the penalty element of the investigation should be dropped.

With this question put aside tempoautomobile of John Rust, attorney of Fairfax, was overturned yesterday on the Little River pike near Ilda when

DIES AT AGE OF 93.

Mrs. Christina Keim Was Widow of Union Veteran.

President Requests Senator Schall to **Show Him Dog Guide**

By the Associated Press. At President Coolidge's request, Senator Schall of Minnesota went to the White House today to show the Chief Executive the German police dog he uses as a

The dog was trained at one of the German schools where dogs are taught to lead the blind, and was presented to Senator Schall a year ago by a friend in Ger-many.

HIGHWAY BRIDGE REPAIR REPORTED UNFINISHED

Contract Time Expires Today With Week's Work Needed for "Finishing Touches."

The contract time for completion of repair work on the Highway Bridge expired today with about a week's work still necessary before the finishing touches, Assistant Engineer Commis-sioner Herbert C. Whitehurst an-The Farris Engineering Co. of Pitts-

burgh, contractors for the work, will be required to pay the District Govern-ment \$50 a day in liquidated damages for each day after today on which work is done on the bridge, plus all ex-penses incurred by the District for in-spection work.

installed. This must then be covered with a laminated wood structure and asphalt surface.

All other work is complete with the exception of about two thirds of the asphalt laying required between car it tracks.

MAJ. E. W. NILES DEAD: VICTIM OF APPENDICITIS

Maj. Ellery W. Niles, Coast Artillery Corps, attached to the office of the chief of Coast Artillery, Munitions Building, and who resided at 3703 S street, died at Walter Reed General Hospital, yesterday, from ap-pendicitis. His widow, Mrs. Blanche E. Niles, has not yet completed arrange-ments for the funeral, but it is probable

of Union Veteran.

Mrs. Christina Keim, widow of Morris Keim, a Union veteran of the Civil War, died Friday at her residence, 1329 Longfellow street, at the age of 93.

Mrs. Keim was born in Germany and spent the early part of her life in New York and Virginia, coming to Washington to live 47 years ago.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Vanderbelt Quick and Miss Lily Keim, and a son, Alfred H. Keim. She also leaves six grandchildren and one great-grandson.

ments for the funeral, but it is probable that interment will be in the Arlington National Cemetery.

Born at North Chesterville, Me., February 14, 1883, Maj. Niles was graduated from the Military Academy in School in 1922, and from the Army War College in 1923, and attended the Naval War College in 1923, and attended the Naval War College in 1924. His entire service was in the Coast Artillery Corps, in which he reached the grade of major in July, 1920. During the World War he served as a lieutenant colonel in the National Army. College in 1923, and attended the Naval War College in 1924. His entire service was in the Coast Artillery Corps, in which he reached the grade of major in July, 1920. During the World War he served as a lieutenant colonel in the National Army.

MERGER REVISION MEETING CALLED

All Interested Parties to Convene Today to Discuss Plan Changes.

An effort to work out a modified plan for merging the local traction lines is expected to be made at the conference this afternoon between the Senate subcommittee and representatives of the companies, the Utilities Commission, People's Counsel Fleharty, the subcommittee's expert, Dr. Milo R. Maltbie,

Efficiency. It will be the first time these various groups have gathered to survey the situation since the Bureau of Efficiency and Dr. Maltbie filed their reports analyzing the merger plan as presented to Congress and suggesting certain

and representatives of the Bureau of

Although a definite conclusion is not looked for at this preliminary meeting, the interchange of views is expected to throw some light on the question of whether it will be possible to have a merger plan enacted at this session of

The downstream side of the draw span has not yet been touched. The asphalt cover on this must be torn up, the steel buckle plates underneath removed and a steel I beam substructure installed. This must then be covered with a large of the subcommittee of five Senators handling the problem is understood to be in favor of modification of the present plan. At the same time, indications are that the subcommittee of five Senators handling the problem is accomplished at this session if possible.

It is probable, therefore, that today's conference will resolve itself into a discussion of the extent to which it is

possible to obtain an agreement on changes in the plan of unification. The clause in the unification plan as presented to Congress, which would fix the value of the merged companies at \$50,000,000 for a 10-year period, with a provision against any change in fares for one year, is almost certain to be one of the chief topics of discussion. Dr. Maltble disapproved of this figure and advised the subcommittee not to write an agreed valuation into the legislation, but to leave that question to be determined by the regulatory body. The Bureau of Efficiency recommended tentative acceptance of the \$50,000,000

figure to hasten the benefit of the merger, suggesting that there is nothing in the agreement to prevent the commission from starting work on a new valuation following the merger.

The Efficiency Bureau pointed out that the Interstate Commerce Commission has adopted a method of valuation has adopted a method of valuation. that the Interstate Commerce Commission has adopted a method of valuation which results in a lower value than that arrived at by the current reproduction cost doctrine, and that cases involving this question are pending in the United States Supreme Court. The Efficiency Bureau suggested that if the court approved the I. C. C. method the Public Utilities Commission could revalue the local traction lines in accordance with the court decision.

Dr. Maltbie told the subcommittee it was not customary to write definite