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THE GOOD ROADS CONVENTION BEGINS SOLVING DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

ROOSEVELT MAKES IT CLEAR TO SENATE WHY HE DISCHARGED THREE NEGRO COMPANIES

PROFESSOR EXTRIDIT'D
 (Scripps News Association)
 London, Dec. 19.—Extridition of Prof. Karl Hau, of George Washington University, Washington, D. C., to Germany, was granted today, on the charge of murdering his mother-in-law last November.

E. P. WRIGHT DEAD
 (Scripps News Association)
 Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 19.—E. P. Wright, father of Ed Wright, general manager of the Scripps, McLean Press Association, died last night. The funeral will take place Thursday.

OPEN SUNDAY
 The Pacific Express office will be open next Sunday, with the exception of the noon hour, to accommodate the Christmas traffic.
 Yard Switchman, T. T. Nickerson left this morning to visit friends in Omaha.

FIRST SESSION INTERESTING

The 34th annual convention of the Oregon Good Roads Association is now in session at the Commercial Club.

PROSPECTING MINING PROPERTY

A party of Portland money men are in the city this week inspecting the Foley-Imhaus Company's mining property at the head of Grande Ronde. There is (natural power at that point amounting to 15000 horse power, at low water mark, and with this excellent water power at the company's command, it is likely that big things will develop at that point.

THE MESSAGE IS POINTED

(Scripps News Association)
 Washington, Dec. 19.—Replying to the resolution adopted by the senate on December sixth, demanding information on the discharge of the negro soldiers at Brownsville, President Roosevelt today sent the following communication to the senate:

"To the Senate:—In response to the senate resolution of December sixth, I herewith send the report of the secretary of war, General Nettleton, documents and other memoranda as to the precedent for the summary discharge or mustering out of regiments or companies, some or all of which were guilty of misconduct, were discharged after full consideration, and I found it my constitutional duty as commander in chief of the army to do so. It appears that the feeling between the citizens of Brownsville and the garrison were at a difference and both sides are to blame, but that is wholly unimportant, as nothing that occurred there from this feeling of difference, offered in any way to shape an excuse or justification for the atrocious conduct of the troops when they, in a lawless and murderous spirit, under cover of night, made an attack upon the citizens. From nine to twenty soldiers took part in the attack upon the citizens; they leaped over walls, hurried thru the town firing at whomsoever they saw. They shot into houses where they saw a light, and where the would-be murderers must have known were women and children. Ten shots were fired into one house where two women and five children were huddled. The escape is remarkable. A lieutenant of police rode toward the firing and saw fifteen colored soldiers. They killed his horse, shot the officer thru the arm, which was later amputated.

They shot into a saloon and killed the bartender. None of the individual raiders were recognized, but many witnesses agree that they were all negro soldiers. These witnesses were corroborated by shattered bullets, shells and clips from government rifles, found on the ground. No bullet holes could be found in any of the buildings at the garrison, thus dispelling the contention that the citizens started the firing. The citizens were taken wholly unawares. No private soldier could have secured the rifles unless commissioned officers had unlocked the gun racks for him, and all evidence proves that these were other than participants in the raid. Perhaps all of the command knew of the raid and conspiracy. Comrades of the murderers, by their own actions, rendered it necessary to either leave all the men, including murderers in the army, or turn them all out.

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The Pursuit of Happiness

Now that the light has died out of summer skies, while the world grows gray, do you think there's nothing to do but snuggle down by the fire, watch the white old world swing around again, and wait impatiently for the Time of Happy Days?

Ah! But you're wrong—the whole world, restless, longs for the golden days of summer—unthinking, careless of the rare truth that Happiness itself, in its purest form, is now, of all times, so easy to gain.

"But where to find it?" Deep under the branches of the Christmas tree it lies—where the twinkling light of mystical, magical candles falls on the faces of little children. Climb a creaking, dingy stair—and see the pale, tear-stained face of a lonely child grow beautiful—as some simple toy is clasped to a little heart that beats triumphantly with a reawakened faith in a dear old Santa Claus who did not forget!

Let Christmas morning bring to each of your friends the knowledge that you have remembered—that the days are not busy enough, the years not hurried enough to drive away the timely thought that will glorify even the smallest gift.

No need to search the year through. In the jingle of Christmas bells, in the hand-clasp of a friend, in the smile of a little one—lies happiness. And in more than all else is it rare and beautiful that to possess it you must give it—and that in the giving you cannot part with it.

To those you know—to those who would know the joy of Christmas giving—this store is a helpful place. Shelves and counters, cases and corners fairly groan beneath their accumulation of Gift-Things.

Make it your own—a place in which to choose wisely and buy economically. You will find the Christmas spirit in the air—irresistible, contagious—with all who help us here eager to make your visits enjoyable.

<p>Umbrellas Everybody's got one!—? Ah, but not like these. Here are handles that are bent and twisted and carved from woods that come from every spot on the crown globe. Others in which the pale opalescent hues of pearl blend with the lustre of silver and gold.</p>	<p>Handkerchiefs Who said, "Handkerchiefs make good gifts!"—? You'll say they'll make the most delightful of gifts—before you see a hundredth part of this extraordinary collection. Some are almost as firm as a spider's web—others are edged with fairy-like lace.</p>	<p>Jewelry In the toe-tip of the stocking something from these cases should go. A ring—a bracelet—a brooch—a pin—a set of studs or buttons—what you like—a long as it snuggles down where it will be discovered last—as the best of all the gifts should be.</p>	<p>Gloves Don't worry at all because you don't know exactly the size of glove that fits the person to whom you wish to send a pair. We expect to be just as busy the day after Christmas exchanging sizes as we are the day before, selling these most satisfactory of holiday remembrances.</p>
<p>Modish Garments You didn't know that Santa Claus knows Dame Fashion well? Then come and see the style lines of our superbly modeled garments—wraps and suits and jackets and skirts all fashioned with a defter needle than the kindly old saint can wield—yet all breathing Christmas cheer.</p>	<p>Furs Furs, deep-toned, luxuriously rich and soft, will add to the charm of the happy faces of hundreds of fortunate folk after Santa Claus has come and gone. And—best of all—the comfort and becomingness of a scarf or coat or muff doesn't depend solely on the price that has been paid.</p>	<p>Toys Our toys are going fast. Toys for boys and girls. Dolls, drums, horns and everything that a good live boy or girl would want.</p>	<p>Box Goods A complete line of toilet sets, shaving sets, collar and cuff boxes, handkerchief boxes, stag sets, military brushes. Come and see the rest.</p>
<p>Leather Goods Hundreds of puzzled folk are to stop before the counters where we show all that is new from the shops of the Leather Workers. Few are to pass on without opening their purses—for here are pocketbooks, handbags, card cases—more enticing things than we could describe in an hour.</p>	<p>Where Dolls Reign Do you wish to see some little girl's eyes snap with pure rapture? Bring her here. Here, where the jaunty dolls elbow each other—where flaxen and brunette beauties stand, a light of anticipation in their brown and blue eyes as they await the inspection of their future little mothers.</p>	<p>Indian Robes Which even white men and women like to wear. Useful in a hundred ways.</p>	
<p>Linen Handworked linens, center pieces, scarfs, table covers, towels, and every thing in the linen department.</p>		<p>Stocks TAKE A SLUMP (Scripps News Association) New York Dec. 19.—Throttled in the grip of a tight money squeeze, railroad stock is slumping on Wall street today, in what is virtually a rich man's panic. Millions of dollars are already lost and many traders are forced to the wall. With call money at twenty-five per cent there is no relief in sight for the pools that have been thrown over thousands of shares today to lighten the burden. The Vanderbilts and Morgan have rushed to aid the situation, announcing at noon today that all interest on payments, on all funded indebtedness of the Vanderbilt system, which is due Jan. 1st, will be paid at once. The Standard Oil crowd is reported to have taken advantage of the situation to pound the market and bring out the loosely held stocks.</p>	



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JUDGE J. C. HENRY
 Who assures Union county some good roads

This morning broke with a drizzling rain. Then too, both trains were late, which all combined, to cause a postponement of the opening of the convention.

The train from the west this morning brot to the city, J. H. Albert, president National bank of Salem; L. R. Webster, County Judge Multanomah county; Ex-Governor Geer, of Pendleton, John H. Scott, president Oregon Good Roads Association, and the association's secretary H. B. Thielsen of Salem.

Immediately after one o'clock, business men and farmers from throughout the county to the number of about one hundred, began to assemble at the Commercial Club and to register at the Secretary's table. Before two o'clock president Scott had called the opening session of the convention to order. Mayor Stoddard addressed the body in behalf of the city of La Grande, Turner Oliver in behalf of the La Grande Commercial Club and County Judge Henry, who is also a vice-president of Oregon Good Roads Association, welcomed the officers and attendants in his capacity as representative of Union Co.

Mayor Stoddard in his address of welcome stated that in the manner of making good roads, he would refund the present

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STRIKING CARMEN LOOSING

(Scripps News Association)
 Portland, Dec. 19.—Labor leaders are favoring a call for a general strike to aid the carmen. The question will be considered tonight by the federal trade association. The street car company continues to run its cars on schedule and is discharging unionists continually. The strikers are apparently defeated.

MORE WORK LESS PLAY WILL RELIEVE

(Scripps News Association)
 Washington, Dec. 19.—Senator Hansbrough today said, "If railroad presidents of the country would spend more time managing their roads and do less strutting about in swell clothes and living in swell hotels, there would not be so much car shortage. Neither would there be so much suffering and death by cold in remote parts of the country, and even in the cities." He had just left the President where he held an animated consultation. He continued, "All we can do is to investigate and fix responsibility with the present laws. If the commerce commission could be empowered to order cars from one part of the country to another, the situation would be relieved."

EVERY HOUR COUNTS NOW

<p>Toilet Cases Books Perfumes Fancy Stationery Shaving Sets Fine Brushes Leather Goods Fine Cigars Confectionery, etc.</p>	<p>Our stock of desirable holiday gifts has proved attractive to those who realize that Christmas good will is no excuse for extravagance and that a satisfactory saving can be made on anything we supply. Our stock is heavy at all times, unusually heavy now but it is probable that at the very last assortment will be somewhat broken.</p> <p>Hence every hour will count. In fine Toilet Articles, Mirrors, and like sensible articles of every day usefulness there is no danger of our stock being exhausted. You will be able to find what you want to the last hour and minute—or after Christmas for that matter.</p>
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