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## HOLIDAYS AT WHITE HOUSE

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, Dec. 22.—The President and his family have completed their Christmas program. They will spend the day at home. On Christmas eve the young people will go to the home of Cap-

tain Cowles, where they will have a Christmas tree. Day after Christmas the family will go to Pine Knot Va where they will spend the next week. No visitors will be received.

### FAILURE ANNOUNCED

(Scripps News Association)  
New York, Dec. 22.—Having been caught in the tight money squeeze a few days ago, Arnold Leo & Co., announced their failure on the stock exchange today. It is an old firm with branches in Baltimore and Philadelphia. Their liabilities are not yet known.

### MAINE'S ICE CROP

(Scripps News Association)  
Portland, Me., Dec. 22.—It is expected that five or six hundred thousand tons of ice will be cut for shipment further south this year. The ice crop is already good and operations have been commenced.

## BUSINESS IN LA GRANDE BRISK TODAY

Every hitching post in the city has been in use today. For the first time this week the farmers and ranchers have appeared in the city in considerable numbers. From early morning until three-thirty the streets were filled with farmers and city shoppers. Business has been brisk in every business house in the city.

### FLOODS IN PENDLETON

(Scripps News Association)  
Pendleton, Dec. 22.—The floods are subsiding and the weather grows cooler. There is no damage done today in the city but the country bridges have suffered. Last night the city was in darkness. Traffic has been interrupted but will soon be back to schedule time.

### SCOTCH GIRL LABOR LEADER

(Scripps News Association)  
Boston, Dec. 22.—Miss Mary R. McArthur, of London, will arrive here in a few days in the interests of women's trades unionism. Miss McArthur is secretary of the Women's Trade Union League, an organization of British women wage workers numbering over 155,444 and growing rapidly. She will speak in the principal cities in the states.

### NEGROES FORMING COLONY

(Scripps News Association)  
Oakland, Calif., Dec. 22.—Negroes of this city have formed a Citizens Progressive Club, which was incorporated today. They intend buying up a lot of land on which they will build and form an Afro-American Colony.

### TEN MINERS KILLED

(Scripps News Association)  
St. Louis, Dec. 22.—Ten men are reported to be killed in a mine explosion, six miles east of Carlyle, Illinois, this morning.

### GOLDEN WEDDING

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, Dec. 22.—Justice of the Supreme Court and Mrs. Harlan celebrated their golden wedding anniversary today. Among those present are three of the bridesmaids of fifty years ago.

### DECLINED THE HONOR

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, Dec. 22.—Capt. Jack Greenway of Wisconsin and one of the Roughriders, who has been spending several days as a guest of the President, today declined to accept the position of Commissioner of the General Land Office.

### LABOR LEADER DEAD

(Scripps News Association)  
Coalbry, Ill., Dec. 22.—W. E. Smith, president of the United Mine Workers of Illinois, died at his home today with pneumonia.

### WIRES WERE DOWN

About three o'clock this morning, a tree blew down out in the valley, falling across one of the Electric Light Company's primary wires. Consequently the city of La Grande was instantly shrouded in darkness. It was daylight before the crew found the trouble.

### GOES VIOLENTLY INSANE

Lester Victor, a young man, whose parents live in Wallowa canyon, went suddenly insane this morning. He was in the city and this morning when attacked, was on the streets. He attempted to disrobe himself when the police took him in charge and placed him in jail. After the first violent attack he began to rest more quietly and is now showing signs of recovering from his temporary attack by insanity.

### THE NEW CHARTER

The Commercial Club, after going over the proposed new charter, and with only a few minor changes in the wording to make the meaning more clear, returned it to the council with their approval. It is expected that the council will meet Wednesday to put their final stamp of approval upon it, order it published and in due time submit it to the people for their approval at the ballot box.

### LA GRANDE STUDENTS HOME

Following are some of the La Grande people who have been attending educational institutions of the northwest and are home for vacation: Forest Ivanhoe, O. A. C. Corvallis; the Misses Emogene and Ruth Russell of St. Paul's school, Walla Walla; Maude Clements, Whitman College, Walla Walla; Harriet Young, teacher at Whitman college, Walla Walla; Misses Laura Holm and Gertrude Ralston, Pendleton Academy; Ethel Gilling, Portland Business College; Ralph and Jay Reynolds, Raymond McKennon, Frank Hawley, Nib Conley, Frank McKennon of O. A. C. Corvallis; Miss Ada West of St. Helen's Hall Portland; Leranzo and La-Von Zundell of the Logan, Utah Agricultural college.

Mrs. Wallace Childers returned this morning after a brief visit in Portland, amusements

## RESCUERS CAN SEE MAN ENTOMBED FOR TWO WEEKS

(Scripps News Association)

Bakersfield, Cal., Dec. 22.—Shortly after three o'clock this morning a telephone message was received from the Edison mines stating that there was no hope of getting Hicks, the buried miner, out until late today. The rescuing party has encountered new obstacles, in the form of large boulders which completely blockade the tunnel. The men are afraid to attack the boulders fearing that they will cause a cave in which would smother the imprisoned man. Hicks reports that rats are beginning to eat the bodies of the dead miners near him. The rats are a source of great uneasiness to Hicks as he states he is afraid that they will attack him next. According to the telephone message, Hicks retains his strength, but admits that he is becoming "frightfully nervous, and that every dropping pebble causes him to start."

Shortly after noon today the rescuers were working directly over the car which shuts in Hicks. The debris is now cleared away to such an extent that the men can see the prisoner. He can see them, and gets light from the shaft and feels the rescue, to all intents, will be accomplished. The imprisoned man is in the best of humor and in a good physical condition. The actual removal of Hicks, however, will not be accomplished for several hours yet. Orders have been issued to the effect that he will not be removed from where he lies until the place is thoroughly roofed and timbered over so there will be no possibility of a final cave in which would be fatal to him and the rescuers. Night may fall before the removal is accomplished.

### SENATOR ANKENY'S BROTHER

(Scripps News Association)  
Portland, Dec. 22.—Henry Ankeny, aged 62, a brother of United States Senator Ankeny of Washington, died this morning of bright's disease. He came to Oregon in 1850 and for many years has been engaged in mining in Southern Oregon and has taken an active part in politics for many years. Four years ago he was prominently mentioned for governor.

### EARTHQUAKE INSURANCE TROUBLE

(Scripps News Association)  
Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 22.—The L. Straus Company of San Francisco today began a suit of \$21,446 against the Milwaukee Mechanic Insurance Company, the amount being alleged to be due on policies on losses during the earthquake.

### DOCTOR ARRESTED

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, Dec. 22.—Dr. Leon was arrested here today charged with illegally operating upon Viola Strother.

### "NEGRO GOT GAY"

(Scripps News Association)  
Indianapolis, Dec. 22.—Arthur Metzler, a drug clerk shot and killed Al Harvey, a negro this morning. Metzler stated that the "Negro got gay" and tried to go behind the counter. He telegraphed the proprietor of the store: "Come and haul away the dead negro that I have just killed."

### THANKS THE PRESIDENT

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, Dec. 22.—The President received a telegram today from the governor of California, thanking him for his efforts to have the flow of the Colorado river checked, which the governor says saved thousands of people from ruin as thousands of acres would have been destroyed.

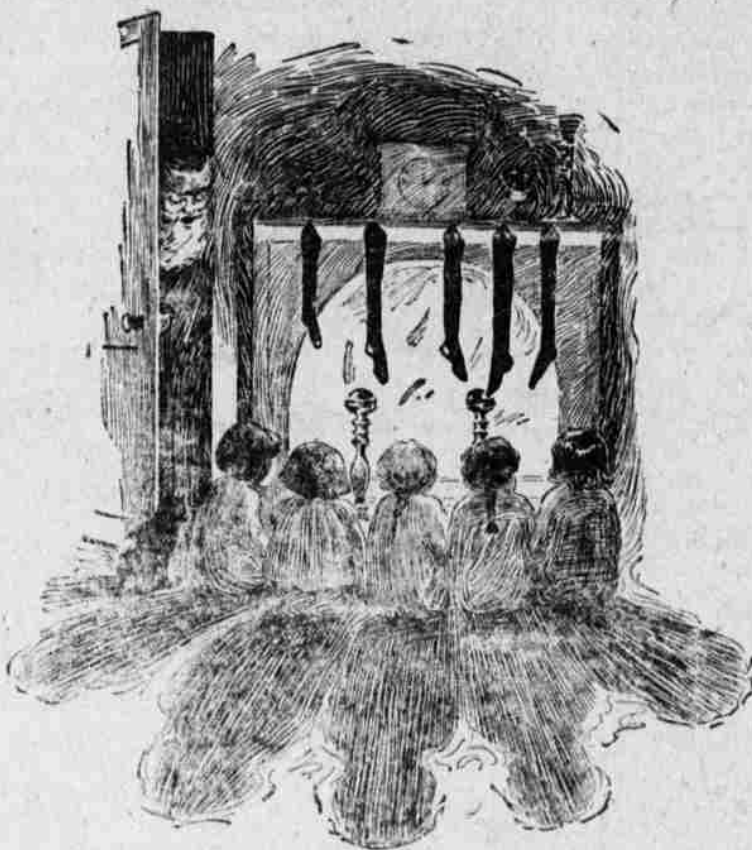
### WELCH WILL REFEREE

(Scripps News Association)  
Tonopah, Dec. 22.—Jack Welch of San Francisco has been chosen to referee the Gans-Herman fight. He has accepted.



## For Xmas Firelight Glows

BUT a short time, and then—Christmas Eve—when children's fingers, stiff and trembling with excitement and anticipation, will hang the little stockings—dear little, thin little stockings that lose their identity, and are glorified by the part they are to play in bringing joy to the children



## HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ANYTHING?

Even if your Christmas list is completely checked off, don't you think of some other child whose heart will beat more happily if an unexpected gift makes bright the gray of Christmas morning? The tiniest gift becomes great and wonderful then. It need not cost but a trifling sum—and MONDAY IS THE LAST DAY. Isn't there another friend whom you've forgotten—some one to whom a remembrance will bring pleasant thoughts of days that are past? The gift need not be costly—and MONDAY IS THE LAST DAY

### IT WILL BE A BUSY TIME AT OUR STORE

For two reasons—Because prices on Christmas goods have dropped—there are thousand of delightful "gift things" here that will be sold for less than you'll find them elsewhere—and MONDAY IS THE LAST DAY. The spirit of Christmas is in the air. Christmas gifts will cost little and Christmas Eve is at hand

WE HOPE YOU'LL COME, BRING THE CHILDREN, YOU ARE WELCOME

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