

NEEDY ONES FEAST AT LADEN TABLES

Philanthropic Organizations Forget No Known Family at Christmas Meals.

SUCCESS IS NOTABLE ONE

Never, Say Leaders in Charity Work, Has Response Been So Willing Nor So Many Really Deserving Ones Benefited.

By the Christmas activities of the Portland Commons, the Salvation Army and the Volunteers of America, the homeless, the destitute and the unfortunate were yesterday made happy. Never before have these organizations undertaken their Christmas operations on such a large and generous scale, and never before have their various charitable functions been so successful. Not a needy person was overlooked. The cheer in the form of delicacies, foods and presents went into the homes of the destitute and needy, into the orphan homes, the reform school and the penitentiaries and jails; into the realms of the homeless and, in short, everywhere that there was any possibility of the Christmas spirit being lost in want or tears.

One of the largest affairs of the day was the dinner for men given by the Portland Commons at the hall on Front and Burnside streets. Here more than 1000 men partook of a spread of all kinds of delicacies, from turkey and other foods ready lined up in front of the building were several hundred men. It was possible to seat 100 in the hall at a time. From the opening of the hall until 5 o'clock last night the meals were served to all comers.

Here's what was given each: Vegetable soup, coffee, choice of pork, beef or turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, peas, corn or beans, celery, pudding, mince pie, apples, oranges, candy and nuts.

During the day the men ate up more than 100 pounds of beef and pork and more than 150 pounds of turkey. During the hours the feasting continued music, both instrumental and vocal, was furnished by Mrs. C. A. Glenn, James Gourley, Miss Ida Velg, Miss Cassie Cissel and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thayer.

At the Albertina Kerr Nursery and Orphans' Home the women and children were cared for by the Portland Commons. Sixty mothers and children were on hand to take part in a big dinner and a Christmas-tree entertainment, which was open to all who wanted to partake. The bill of fare was the same as that at the men's dinner, excepting that ice cream was served. After dinner a present was given each mother and child by W. G. MacLaren, who purchased the presents with money sent for the purpose by Alexander Kerr. Until after 6 o'clock last evening the fun at the nursery continued.

Donations Are Many. Mr. MacLaren attributed the success of the entertainments and dinners given by the Portland Commons largely to the help of wealthy persons of this city and to persons in various parts of the state who contributed to the menu. Robert Livingston donated apples from his own orchard, the Masonic Temple loaned the crockery, the fruitgrowers of Hood River sent 80 boxes of apples, and G. D.

Bartruff, of Salem, sent 50 sacks of potatoes. In addition to the entertainments and dinners given the Commons sent 30 boxes of delicacies to prisoners at the penitentiary at Salem; 145 boxes to the County Jail, 80 to the Linnton sub-jail, 50 to the City Jail and 154 to Kelly House. In the boxes were candies, fruits, jelly and cakes. A large number of oranges and apples were sent to the reform school. Mr. MacLaren attributes the success of the box lunch part of the work to the help furnished by the churches in packing the boxes and getting the foods together.

Wives Not Overlooked. The wives of prisoners and state wards were not overlooked. Fifty bumper baskets full of good things to eat were sent out to various parts of the city, taking in all the families of prisoners who are in need.

Following the distribution Tuesday of baskets to the poor of the city, the Salvation Army last night gave three Christmas trees upon which were presents for all poor children. Hundreds of youngsters flocked to the scenes of the entertainment and received presents. The trees were given at 307 Salmon street, 47 North Second and Tenth and Burnside streets. The children of the Salvation Army entertained the children of the poor with music.

The Volunteers of America gave a Christmas tree at 267 Ankonny street, and sent more than 250 children to their homes happy. Each girl present was given a doll and a stocking of candy and nuts, and each boy a baseball and mitt and candy and nuts. In addition, each child was given an order on Roberts Brothers for shoes and stockings or underwear. The orders call for either a pair of shoes and two pairs of stockings, or two suits of underwear and two pairs of stockings.

All the charitable organizations united last night in their thanks to the public for the help given them, which made it possible for the needy to be so well cared for.

CLUBS' OBSERVANCE QUIET

Portland Organizations Celebrate by Extending Charity.

Clubs of the city were for the most part quite informal in their observance of Christmas. The Portland Commercial Club made perhaps the most elaborate preparations and celebrated with a big special Christmas dinner. Evergreens decorated the dining-room and a big Christmas tree was also one of the important decorative features.

The Commercial Club remembered its employees with gifts of money from the fund secured from the resident members, which amounted to more than \$1300 and was divided among the employees on the basis of their length of service.

At the University Club Christmas punch was served and a special dinner enjoyed.

The Elks' Club expended most of its Christmas energies in the charitable work it undertook and yesterday at the club the members contented themselves with a little "feed" and with holiday punch. No special arrangements were made at the Arlington Club.

The Portland Press club will hold its chief celebration during the remainder of the week, especially on the occasion of the Children's day observance, Saturday. For that reason no formal Christmas arrangements were made yesterday.

JUVENILES PLAY AT CLUB

Newspaper Men Secure Orchestra of Children for Entertainment.

Another attractive feature has been added to the programme, to be presented Saturday afternoon, at the Press Club. It is Webber's famous Juvenile Orchestra, composed of 11 performers, boys and girls. The orchestra will give several descriptive numbers. The entertainment, which is being arranged for the ladies and children of the club, will take place between the hours of 2:30 and 4:30 P. M., and during that time Santa Claus will appear and distribute souvenirs and good cheer.

A number of ladies have volunteered to serve as reception committee.

COLDS CAUSE HEADACHE AND GRIPE. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes the cause. There is only one "BROMO QUININE." Look for signature of E. W. GROVE.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE IS GIVEN BY MISS JUDITH SCOTT.



GROUP OF THOSE PRESENT AT HAPPY GATHERING. Miss Judith Scott, daughter of Mrs. H. W. Scott, dispensed hospitality yesterday in delightful fashion, entertaining 19 of her young relatives and nearly as many grown-ups at an elaborately appointed Christmas tree and party. Throughout the halls and in the drawing-room and the commodious library, quantities of tree and party. Throughout the halls and in the drawing-room and the commodious library, quantities of tree and party. Throughout the halls and in the drawing-room and the commodious library, quantities of tree and party.

BIG DINNER SERVED

Portland's Women's Union Host to Working Girls.

BABY HOME IS BENEFICIARY

Winners in Voting Contest of Olds, Wortman & King Plan Expenditures to Buildings—Christmas Activities Recorded.

A merry group of girls gathered round a bounteously-laden table yesterday at the Home for Working Girls. The girls are with their one parent last night they had their Christmas party, and the evening was brimful of happiness and rejoicing.

The United Artisans have lived up to their reputation of doing good during the Christmas season, and have been instrumental in helping several of the needy. At their meeting Friday night they will decide specifically upon what shall be done with their share of the contest money. Much of it will probably be used in carrying on their philanthropic work, looking after those in distress and giving aid to the sick and unfortunate.

The Portland Fruit and Flower Mission will find its share of money exceedingly useful, for the organization does a far-reaching amount of good work, and the members visit the County Hospital, contributing fruit, flowers and reading matter, and bringing joy to the hearts of the sick and needy. The mission conducts two day nurseries, one at 231 Twelfth street and the other in Albina. Here the babies of working women are cared for day in and day out, in cheerful rooms with trained nurses in attendance and the best of everything to make little tots happy and keep them comfortable and healthy. These are only a few of the many activities being carried on by the good women of the Portland Fruit and Flower Mission.

The Portland Heights Club has sent out cards inviting the children of the members and their friends to a jolly Christmas party on Friday evening at the hour of eight. The affair gives promise of being unique and enjoyable. Besides the festivities planned for the guests, there are to be some donations for the poor. The club members are expecting to make the affair one of

NEWSIES SEE SHOW

800 Youngsters Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pantages.

CHRISTMAS TREE IS HUGE

Long Programme Arranged and All See Pictures to Their Hearts' Content—Repeating Winked At in Presenting Gifts.

"Gee, I'd like to take a good look at that Pantages guy, an' I'd like to kiss 'is wife," said a little urchin to a brother mite as they wandered forth from Pantages Theater yesterday morning, their pockets bulging, a red white and blue horn in one hand some sweets in the other and a look of radiant happiness upon their faces.

"What makes him do it, d'yer think, that 's what gets my goat, for wha'te 'is wife," said a little urchin to a brother mite as they wandered forth from Pantages Theater yesterday morning, their pockets bulging, a red white and blue horn in one hand some sweets in the other and a look of radiant happiness upon their faces.

But for all his shrivelled up wiseness, Jimmy was away off on one particular. Mr. Pantages didn't give that Christmas tree just because he was one of the men that had "made their pile" and wanted to spend it somehow. It was because he was once a "newsie" himself. At the age of 19 he was selling papers in Panama, and he has done many "things" since then, but that was why there was a Christmas tree and a present and some candy for every boy who went to Pantages yesterday morning at 11 o'clock.

There were four real shows, acrobats or whatever you like to call 'em, and in addition so many moving picture reels that even the boys and girls had at last seen all the reels they wanted for one day. Between 700 and 800 children were looked after and cared for by Mr. Johnson and his fellow-workers, including "Dad" who sits at the door as a rule, but who this time had to look after the kids from inside.

Dad said they were "just like a lot of stampeding cattle, they were worse than women; there wasn't any holding 'em back."

And the tree and the Santa Claus. Everybody knew that special provision had been taken to get the biggest tree in Portland. Well, it was even bigger than that. It must have been as big as the original Christmas tree, where all the presents come from.

Santa Claus was the modest retiring man who prevents people from passing upstairs without their checks or their tickets. Yesterday he would have been ousted from his position, for he let people through more than once.

Youngsters Get "Fill." "Yes, sir, I was Santa, and they kept me busy all right, all the time." "The kids were lined up, and some of them, why the minute they'd get their present and their candy, off they went quick as they could round and they were back again waiting in line once more. But still, well, it was Christmas you know, so I said nothing if they'd only been round once. But when one kid comes in line with all his pockets bulging to beat the band and his hands full of candy as well, why, sir, I just says to him, 'Won't you take a horn this time for a change?'"

And up in Mr. Johnson's office late yesterday there were still packages of chocolates by the hundred, puzzles,

books, bags, horns and two large stacks of empty buckets, each of which had held 25 pounds of chocolate.

SANTA ESCORTED BY PARADE

Twenty Auto Trucks Carry Gifts to San Francisco Children.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Children to the number of 15,000 swarmed the Stadium in Golden Gate Park today. A Christmas tree nearly 60 feet in height was the center of a stand containing six other trees and all bore gifts. For every child there was candy and for those who gave evidence of need there were articles of clothing. Boys who came barefoot went home wearing shoes and stockings, and little girls departed laden with articles of clothing.

Santa Claus arrived in a sleigh, and the fact a motor displaced the reindeer, and the runners did not touch the earth, failed to detract from the enthusiasm. The affair was promoted by the Santa Claus Association and the gifts were made possible by the charity of San Franciscans generally. The pleasure of the day was contributed to by athletes from the Olympic Club and by numerous musical organizations and drill corps. Twenty automobile trucks conveyed the gifts to the stadium, and Santa Claus was escorted by today. A automobile parade. Mayor James Rolph, Jr., and members of the Board of Supervisors were present.

HOTEL CHILD FARES WELL

Christmas Tree and 36 Presents Go to Youngster at Portland.

William Robert O'Donnell, Jr., was the Christmas child at the Portland Hotel, the only one, and was treated in royal style by the management and those who make their permanent home there. In the room of his father was a tree decorated with electrical bulbs of many colors, as well as loaded down with presents of every kind that would attract the wishes of a 5-year-old boy.

The presentation of the tree to the boy was accompanied by unusual ceremonies, with Manager Kauffmann acting as director-general in the presence of the entire household.

There were "only" 36 presents for the boy and with the huggings and kisses that he received from the childless he was dumfounded until he donned an Indian suit and made such a din on a trumpet that his friends, "the enemy," retired.

MASS SUNG AT ST. MARY'S

Christmas Programme at Catholic Cathedral Impressive Ceremony.

Solemn high mass was sung at 6 A. M. yesterday at St. Mary's Cathedral. The music was principally taken from Gounod's "St. Cecilia" Mass. The hymn, "Adeste Fideles," and the old carol, "Silent Night," were also included in the programme. The Christmas solo, "Noel," by Adam, was sung as an offertory solo.

At 11 A. M. solemn pontifical mass was sung by the Most Rev. Archbishop. The music was taken from Hummel's mass in D, and Gounod's "St. Cecilia." Other musical numbers were "Adeste Fideles," Gounod's "Natale," and Adam's "Noel." The solos were sung by Misses Adel Barndickel, Anna Mutschner, T. Ledwidge, Rose Friedle and Messrs. Albert Gianelli, R. A. Cearnis and S. A. McCartney. Frederick W. Goodrich was organist and director.

Hotel Employees Remembered.

Every employee of the Imperial Hotel received a Christmas present from the management equal to 10 per cent of the regular monthly wage and accompanying this gift was a letter that expressed appreciation for the faithful work done in the interests of the hotel during the past year. In explaining this gift to his employees Phil Mettschan, Jr., manager, stated that he attributed the success of the hotel largely to the competency of the active workers under him and that they were entitled to some little monetary consideration as well as his personal expressions of confidence.

PHOTOGRAPHER CATCHES SNAPSHOT OF WELL-LADEN TABLES SET FOR SOME OF PORTLAND'S LESS FORTUNATE FOLK, AND GLIMPSE OF MEN IN LINE WAITING THEIR TURN AT PORTLAND COMMONS.



MORE THAN 1000 MEN EAT 500 POUNDS OF BEEF AND PORK AND 150 POUNDS OF TURKEY AND TRIMMINGS

SANTA CLAUS AT PANTAGES DISTRIBUTES PRESENTS TO ALL



WAITING TO GO IN; PART OF THE JUVENILE CROWD—2, PASSING THE TREE, GIFTS AND CANDY IN EVERY HAND.