

THOUSANDS TO SEE THEN YEAR COME IN Churches Plan Watch-Night Services With Music and Literary Programmes.

JOYOUS TO GO TO GRILLS

Police to Insist on Sane Observance and Disorderly Will Be Arrested. Streetcar Company Puts on Extra Owl Cars for Tardy.

Tonight's the night! 'Tis the New Year's eve and the celebrators are all ready to speed old 1914 into oblivion and welcome young 1915 with all the enthusiasm that usually marks the turning of the year.

Churches will hold watch-night services throughout the city, welcoming the coming twelfth month with prayers for better things. Many an earnest petition will be lifted to high heaven that wars may cease and peace once more prevail.

Convivial souls will jam the grills and pledge the advancing dozen months in many a flowing bumper.

Sane Observance Order. The police have orders to enforce a sane observance of the night and where hilarity extends to the point of disorder, arrests may be expected.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company will maintain a special owl service on all lines, both city and interurban. The "stubb" lines will not make any special concessions, however.

Methodist churches of the city will unite in a special watch night service at the First United Brethren Church, welcoming the coming twelfth month with prayers for better things.

Young people of the congregation of the First United Brethren Church will have charge of a watch night service. Music and literary exercises will be a prominent part of the programme.

Special services will be held at the Mount Tabor Presbyterian Church from 8 until 12 o'clock tonight.

There will be a community watch service tonight by the congregations of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Rose City Park at the latter edifice, commencing at 8. Dr. W. W. Youngson will preside. The early part of the evening will be occupied with a reception for the new pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. J. M. Skinner.

Sellwood Y. M. C. A. to Give Dinner. At the Sellwood Y. M. C. A. a dinner has been arranged for tonight and watch night services will follow.

Nazarene churches will unite in a special service at First Church, East Couch and East Seventh streets. The University Park Methodist Church will hold watch night devotional services, preceded by a programme by the children of the church.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Sellwood, will hold services tonight from 8 to 12 o'clock. The service will be a festive and communion service, marking the passing of the old year at Zion German Lutheran Church tonight, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The young people of the First Christian Church will keep open house on New Year's day from 10 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock at night at the church parlors. Among the singers will be Mrs. Richard Percy Knight.

At Patton Methodist Episcopal Church tonight a New Year's eve programme and a social hour will be followed by a watch service starting at 8:30 o'clock. The church is at Michigan avenue and Alberta street.

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CARS RUN LATER TONIGHT Service Till Early Hours Will Accommodate New Year's Revelers. Streetcars will run all night—nearly so—tonight to accommodate the New Year's eve revelers.

Regular service will be maintained until 2 o'clock and the regular hourly owl service will be maintained after that. Exceptions are made only on the city lines. At 11:30 Dr. E. J. Bule, Methodist evangelist, will speak. J. D. Goodell, industrial Y. M. C. A. secretary, will have a display, moved by an electric motor, showing the effects of Association work in the Northwest logging camps.

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worked throughout the Northwest, serving in many of the roughest mining camps. Many officials now prominent in the service of telegraph companies worked beside him in the early days. He was a Civil War veteran and saw service during the troubles with Sitting Bull. He had sent messages on many of the fires, panics and earthquakes of the past half century.

The funeral will be arranged by the Oregon Timers' Telegraph Association, of which W. A. Robb, manager; Chief Operator Brooks and Alec Craib, of the Western Union, and Chief Operator Ellis, "Doc" of the Postal Telegraph Company, are members. Mr. Henderson leaves no immediate relatives.

One of the contributors of the following in the vernacular of the telegrapher's craft: Now it's night to you, Cut out from roasts and grief; The sheet is closed, the log is true, And O, 't is by the chief. The sheet is closed, the log is true, The sheet is closed, the log is true, A check-up worthy such as you, And Christ for a relief.

JURY LAYS NO BLAME BULLET THAT CAUSED DEATH OF WALTER M. ASKAY NOT TRACED.

Miss Ethel Rose Tells of Jealous Suiitor, but Officers Believe Glancing Shot Responsible.

"Shot by an unknown person" was the verdict returned last night by the coroner's jury, sitting at the inquest into the death of Walter M. Askay, who died at Good Samaritan Hospital Monday night from a wound in the head inflicted by a supposedly stray bullet fired by a woman.

Askay was riding on an outbound St. Johns streetcar when, as he neared Fifth and Pine streets, a bullet crashed through the window and struck him in the neck, penetrating his skull and entering the brain. Detectives Swennes and Moloney, who had opened fire on the fleeing negro, were held responsible for the accident on the supposition that a wild bullet had struck a hard surface and, in glancing, found Askay a target.

A closer investigation of the case is expected following the story told by Miss Ethel Rose, although the original case was handled by Detective Swennes shot by one of the detectives is still generally accepted. She said that Dick Gardner, alias Dickson McGreggor, had threatened her when she refused to marry him.

Thomas Swennes and Pat Moloney, the detectives, are anxious to have the case cleared up before the grand jury for further investigation. They were not satisfied with the verdict of the jury.

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KANSAS ACTS AS 'DRY,' SAYS CAPPER

Governor-elect Declares Per Capita Liquor Consumption Is Only \$1.25 a Year.

1 FARMER IN 5 HAS AUTO

People of State Told It Is Their Duty to Take Lead in Active Propaganda to Abolish Saloons in Nation.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 30.—Kansas was pointed to as the proof that prohibition actually does prohibit in an address by Arthur Capper, Governor-elect of Kansas, before the National Convention of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association here tonight. He asserted that the fact that Kansas is prosperous and at peace with itself is largely due to prohibition.

"Prohibition is not an easy condition to achieve or maintain," he said. "It takes constant vigilance and ceaseless enforcement of law."

Mr. Capper touched on woman suffrage in Kansas when he asserted that in the state no man can gain office on what is known as a "wide open" platform that the women would defeat him if the men should fail.

Per Capita Consumption Reduced. Kansas has reduced its per capita consumption of liquor to \$1.25 annually, as compared to the \$21 annual per capita consumption of the average state having saloons, the speaker pointed out. He also asserted that Kansas had the lowest percentage of illiteracy in the United States, largely as the result of its 23 years of prohibition. He compared conditions in Kansas with those in Missouri, the nearest state with saloons.

"In Missouri one farmer in 100 owns an automobile," he said, "while in Kansas one farmer in five has a car. Missouri has \$50,000,000 a year. Missouri has but \$20 per capita in the savings banks, Kansas, with 2,250,000 less population, has more than \$100 per capita and about \$600 for every family within its borders in the savings banks."

Kansas Helps New York. "Missouri has millions of dollars invested in breweries and saloons, but Kansas lent \$50,000,000 to New York in the panic of 1907, while Missouri declined to send a penny. Missouri's wealth has been going into saloons and breweries to an alarming extent. Kansas' wealth has been going into schools and banks, into safe homes, into educational institutions, into town improvements."

In view of these results, Mr. Capper said, "It is the duty of Kansas people to take the lead in an active propaganda for making this a saloonless Nation."

"On the west," he concluded, "Colorado has joined the elect. On the south Oklahoma, dry from its birth; on the north Nebraska is striving for the right, and on the east, Missouri is trying to be free."

"BILL" HANLEY OPTIMISTIC Opportunity for Idle on Central Oregon Land Is Suggested.

William Hanley, big smile, hearty hand-clasp, original philosophy and all, said in Portland yesterday that he had at the Multnomah Hotel after two cyclonic months working and trading cattle among his fat Hereford herds in Harney county, Mr. Hanley reported that a crisp winter in Central Oregon has placed the cattle in prime condition.

He predicts that the wave of prosperity that is now being produced by the European war and other things will keep right over the crest into our midst before we realize it," said Mr. Hanley.

"It makes a man positively ashamed of man's management of the thousands of acres of easily tillable Central Oregon land lying untouched, as virgin as the day it left the Creator's hand, and then to come to Portland and meet idle men on every street—and this with wheat at \$1.25 and soaring."

CHAPIN PARDON YET PENDS Absence of Governor West Balks Efforts to Arrive at Terms.

Because of the absence of Governor West, efforts are being made to arrive at terms for the pardon of W. H. Chapin, a real estate dealer, who was sentenced to the Penitentiary for misappropriating \$25,000 placed in trust by Mr. and Mrs. William Grace, failed to be brought to a head. The conference was to have been held in the office of the McCulloch, in the Journal building.

Deputy District Attorney Collier, who prosecuted Chapin, declared that the only terms on which he would agree to the parole or pardon of the man would be that Chapin repay every cent of the \$25,000, with interest. Chapin pay \$500 down and \$75 a month to the aged couple was the proposal made and on this basis the agreement finally may be reached.

DEATH REUNITES COUPLE Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Flaherty Apart Five Years Make Up as Wife Dies.

A husband and wife who had been estranged for more than five years were reunited at the death of the wife at the Good Samaritan Hospital yesterday. Mrs. T. E. Flaherty, a victim of appendicitis, was the widow of Mr. Flaherty, who was stricken a week ago and her husband, T. E. Flaherty, of Spokane, Wash., hastened to Portland with the hope that a "kiss and make-up" might woo his wife back to health. He remained at her bedside constantly.

Mr. Flaherty is a representative of Mill & Gibbs, of New York. He will return to Spokane with his 12-year-old son Howard, who had been in custody of Mrs. Flaherty.

SOBER RUSSIA IS GLAD Peasant's Problem Is What to Do With His Money.

MANCHESTER, Dec. 16.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Writing of the popularity of the teetotal movement in Russia, an Englishman in Moscow says in a letter to a Manchester firm, which he represents there: "At the present moment, it is impos-

sible for anybody in Russia, whether rich or poor, to obtain any liquor whatever in the form of alcohol, unless at a druggist's with a doctor's prescription. All the government vodka shops have been closed since the beginning of the war, and now all manner of wine shops are closed. Even restaurants and hotels are forbidden to sell alcoholic drinks. The strange thing about it all is that nobody is grumbling and everybody is in fact delighted. It is a monopoly of sugar, in order that the poor may have a cheap supply. Heretofore, it has been out of their reach."

AGENTS DECEIVED FRAUD THREE STENOGRAPHERS HIRED ON \$100, SAYS POLICE.

Henry E. Gorham Is Held, Detectives Believing Him to Be Fake Representative of Studebaker Company.

With a cash capital of \$105, the police say, Henry E. Gorham, an alleged fake representative of the Studebaker Corporation of America, hired three girl stenographers and started on an advertising tour of the state. A. H. Brown, Portland manager of the company, expressed doubt last night as to the man's credit. Studebaker was arrested by Detectives Grist and Vaughn, for investigation.

The man's credit on Gorham's reliability was raised yesterday when he ordered Studebaker Company literature sent to his room at the Multnomah Hotel. The messenger found that Gorham was not registered at the Multnomah and the company began an investigation. It was found that Gorham was at another bank.

Gorham hired three stenographers yesterday. It is reported, to assist him in an advertising tour of the state. Each girl was to receive \$15 a week. "Are you congenial?" he is said to have asked one woman. "Yes," she replied. "I'm congenial to a certain limit."

When Gorham was arrested he had only \$105 and a check for \$75, in favor of Patton Halley, another alleged representative of the company. Among his other possessions was a car, index of possible automobile dealers in Spokane, other sections of Washington and Oregon.

John Brown, manager of the Studebaker company, interviewed Gorham with District Attorney Evans. Mr. Brown believes that Gorham has no connection with the Studebaker company. The police have telegraphed to Spokane to obtain Gorham's record there.

FLEEING SUSPECTS FELLED Patrolman Abbott Trips Alleged Store Robbers as They Run.

Escaped as they crawled out of a saddle store at Front and Alder streets through a broken window last night, William Emmett and Albert Connor, the two men who were charged with the robbery of the store, were chased by Harbor Patrolmen Todd and Powell. As the men sped by Patrolman Abbott, the police-looker hit them and threw them to the pavement.

It is thought that the men entered the store to break a plate glass window. The compartment, however, was barred from the rest of the store by heavy fire doors, and contained nothing of value. The men were captured.

Emmett is a shoemaker, 23 years old. Connor is a laborer, 31 years old.

DUMDUM NOT FOR ALLIES German's Samples Made in America Do Not Fit Guns Used.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—State Department officials have practically completed their investigation of charges by the German Ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, that German bullets were being supplied from the United States to the armies of the allies. An answer to Count von Bernstorff will be made within the next few days.

The department's investigators reported that the samples of dum dum bullets submitted by the German Ambassador as having been made in the United States would not fit any rifle in use by the allies.

State Department officials also have been informed by an American diplomat just back from Europe that he found no ground for the charge that Belgians have been mutilated by German soldiers.

ANTI-WAR RIOTS RUMORED Uprisings in Six Austro-Hungarian Provinces Reported From Basle.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The Daily Chronicle's Basle, Switzerland, correspondent forwards dispatches received from various parts of Austria-Hungary purporting to show that rioting against the war is occurring in six provinces of the dual monarchy. In the dispatches it is alleged that peace manifestations in Vienna were suppressed by the police, who charged the crowd, wounding 30 persons and arresting a large number of the demonstrators.

Even more emphatic disturbances are of daily occurrence in Budapest, according to the dispatches, and similar reports have been received from Prague, Transylvania, Agram and Dalmatian coast towns.

Base Line Home Robbed. Three gold watches, old coins, bills and an automatic pistol were taken last night by two men who entered the home of W. E. Lewis, about one-quarter of a mile beyond the city limits on the Base Line road. Deputy Sheriff Lumsden and Patrolman G. J. Inverdig, but found no trace of the thieves.

Ex-Congressman Is Dead. BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 30.—Duncan E. McKinley, ex-Representative in Congress from California, was stricken with apoplexy at his home here today and died shortly afterward. He was 72 years of age and was a member of the legislature when the seizure came.

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