

WHITE CHRISTMAS DELIGHTS NEW YORK

More Than 100,000 of City's Poor Partake of Metropolitan Hospitality.

OLD CUSTOM IS MAINTAINED

Thousands on East Side Get Customary Pairs of Shoes, Though "Little Tim" Is Dead—Visitors Offset Absentees.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Christmas brought to New York a snow storm, cheering all who delight in wintery holidays and gladdening the heart of the small boy with his new sled.

Among the features of the holiday were the free dinners provided for more than 100,000 of the city's poor. The Salvation Army fed 25,000 at the Grand Central Palace and provided, besides, a Christmas tree for the children. The Volunteers of America and other charitable organizations dispensed quite as bountiful a supply of food and cheer.

On the East Side the same crowds which attended the funeral of "Little Tim" Sullivan, crowded the Tammany headquarters on the Bowery today, to find that "Little Tim's" annual Christmas dinner had been provided this year by his big cousin, State Senator Timothy Sullivan. Thousands of East Siders ate their fill and departed with free pipes and tobacco and tickets for new shoes.

It had been the "Little Tim's" last request that this Christmas charity be kept up by the Sullivan family. Many visitors were in the city to offset the loss of thousands who journeyed to old homes in the country for the holidays. Among the jolliest of the city's guests were 1000 sailors from the Atlantic battleship "Oregon" who were billeted in the Hudson close to Riverside Drive. The Government provided the men with beautiful dinners.

Whipped by a 48-mile gale from the northeast, a real Christmas storm swept through Greater New York tonight, covering the streets and alleys and houses to a depth of more than six inches with snow. Telephone and telegraph service was seriously interrupted in this state. The city was a scene of confusion, while streetcar and interurban car traffic was badly hampered. In the heart of the white light district only 14 pedicabmen passed a given point in 20 minutes today.

Very few accidents were reported despite the heavy snowfall.

CAPITAL HAS WHITE XMAS

Taft and Cabinet Members Enjoy Day With Families.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—From the President of the Nation to the humblest resident, the citizens of Washington enjoyed one feature of the holiday in common—a glorious white Christmas. With snow today came the falling of snow, and by the time most of the people in the city were asleep, the ground was covered to a depth of half an inch with snow.

President Taft and family spent Christmas in much the same manner as the thousands of others. Charley, Robert and Miss Helen were at home, and the President spent the greater part of the day surrounded by his family. There were no formalities. Later in the day the President went to the Executive offices and by 11 o'clock he was in bed.

Vice-President and Mrs. Sherman put in the day at their home in Utica, N. Y. A family gathering was a feature of the day at the home of Secretary Knox and K Street. With Mr. and Mrs. Knox were their sons, Hugh S. and Philander C. Knox, Jr., and their daughter, Mrs. J. E. Lindo, and her husband.

Secretary Dickinson took his Christmas dinner on board the Mayflower, en route to Porto Rico. Secretary Meyer, who has been absent on a hunting trip, hurried home to spend the day with his family. Secretary and Mrs. MacVeagh, Secretary and Mrs. Ballinger and Attorney-General and Mrs. Wickham celebrated Christmas at their residences in Washington.

USE TALLEST CHRISTMAS TREE

Celebration Held Above Clouds by Visitors on Mount Wilson.

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 25.—The tallest Christmas tree in the world was a feature of today's celebration among the clouds by visitors on Mount Wilson.

It was a grand old pine standing in a mantle of snow on the mountain top, dressed in tinsel and gorgeous trimmings. Around the tree were stacked gifts of every variety, and the longest ladder to be found in the vicinity was employed in the removal and distribution of the presents.

POLICE PREVENT SUICIDE

Break In on Man Who Has Knife Raised to Cut.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 25.—After chasing the members of his family out of their home at Oak Point last evening, Henry E. Waldren calmly sat down to a table and prepared to kill himself. His wife opened a large knife to cut his throat and then wrote the following farewell letter:

"Good-bye, dear wife. I am tired of life. "Henry"

He was just reaching for the knife to carry out his intention of self-destruction, when two officers broke into the house and arrested him after a struggle. He was locked up in the County Jail.

KING WEDS ON DEATHBED

Marriage of Leopold Confirmed by "Authoritative Person."

BRUSSELS, Dec. 25.—The Twentieth Century, an organ of the government, notes "an authoritative person" as confirming the reported marriage of King Leopold on his deathbed.

It also says that a few days prior to this, Baroness Vaughan received holy communion.

AMERICAN GIRL ATTRACTS ATTENTION IN LONDON.



MILDRED RIDGELY CARTER. NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—One of the loveliest of the young Americans in London for several seasons past is Mildred Ridgely Carter. A freckle-faced beauty, who has been First Secretary of the Embassy, Mr. Carter is now Minister to Roumania.

STAR TAKES DUAL ROLE

FLORENCE ROBERTS SEEN IN "THE TRANSFORMATION."

Shubert's Attraction Opens to Enthusiastic Audience at Syracuse, N. Y.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Miss Florence Roberts opened at the Lyceum Theater here this noon under the management of the Shuberts in the new play by Rupert Hughes, entitled "The Transformation."

The star and the play were enthusiastically received by large audiences twice today. According to the programme, "The Transformation" is a free adaptation from an Italian classic. Miss Roberts has an unusual opportunity playing as she does, dual roles. In the first she is Collinette, a poor little seamstress, and in the second act she is Eliska Marescot, the decollette and fascinating premier danseuse.

As Collinette she is married to Count Philippe Desorvigny. After a few months' happiness, however, she dies of privation. Philippe, discouraged and distracted, goes to America. Some years later he receives a letter from a friend which tells him of the discovery of a dancing girl who resembles greatly the dead of Collinette. Philippe hurries back to France, where, at a masked ball, he meets Eliska Marescot, the girl in question. Philippe has an unfinished portrait of Collinette upon which he had been at work at the time of her death. He induces Eliska to pose for it and now there comes into Eliska's life the first pure love she has ever felt for another person. His recuperating power transforms her into another being.

The play is handsomely staged. Miss Roberts' support includes White Whittier, Virginia Maud Granger, Susan Siegel, Frank Conroy, Arthur W. H. Russell, Homer Miller, Robert Stow, G. H. Russell, William C. Andrews, Howard Pell Trenton, Grant Clark and George Pearce.

STOCK MARKET LISTLESS

Large Call for Cash at New Year's Will Restrict Dealings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Speculation in stocks was dull and listless this morning. The market movement in individual stocks were not convincing, especially as many of them gave place to almost complete relapses. Preparations for the heavy year-end money requirements engaged the money market and kept the call loan rate stiff, with dread of a further rise. Confidence in relation to money, after the turn of the year, was modified by the known requirements, including large stock and bond subscription payments in January, maturities of foreign loans to American borrowers, and the possible necessity of gold exports to meet them. Various oblique indications give cheerful indication of prosperity, but wage controversies loom in the prospect and anti-corporation measures at hand are distracting factors.

Garden of Gods Given City.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Dec. 25.—When Colorado Springs awoke today it found in its midst the biggest Christmas gift in the history of the city—the famed Garden of the Gods, presented by the late Charles E. Peterson. This marvelous park, which is known throughout the United States and in many foreign lands for its curious rock formations, today belongs to the property of Congress Springs. The property, comprising 480 acres, is valued at \$200,000, and makes the city's park system one of the largest and most varied in the world for a community of this size. A spot will be set aside for the erection of a memorial tablet to the donor.

Prizes Given for Growing Vines.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 25.—On April 15 of this year W. B. Sherman of this city gave out 500 Tokay grape vines for general distribution through the county and agreed to divide \$100 in prizes for persons showing the greatest length of vines at that time. The contest was closed this week, the judge being Mayor H. H. Kinney. Will Scoville, president of the Fruit Exchange, and George A. Hamilton, a fruit grower, the first prize of \$15 went

PRESIDENT URGED TO BREAK TRUSTS

Insurgents Believe Campaign Would Be of Much Good to Administration.

TAFT WATCHES OIL CASE

Executive Awaits Decision From Supreme Court on Sherman Law as Applied to Standard and Will Not Be Hurried.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 25.—President Taft, according to public men who have talked with him on the subject, is inclined to await the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Standard Oil cases before pressing other prosecutions under the Sherman antitrust law. On the other hand, he is being brought to bear on the President to persuade him to begin wholesale prosecution of the big trusts that are commonly reported to be operating in violation of trade in a manner similar to the Standard Oil Company. Thus far this President has had no effect upon the President, there is no indication that he will yield.

In case prosecution of the trusts is permitted to drag, pending a decision by the highest court in the standard oil cases, the President is likely to find himself embarrassed by utterances that may be made on the floor of Senate and House in regard to the delay of the new session of Congress. There are among the insurgents many men who believe the Administration should announce its policy of strictly enforcing the Sherman law, and should follow this announcement with action similar to that taken in the Oil trust cases.

Insurgents Want Prosecution. The insurgents, or the more radical of them, believe that the decision of Judge Sanborn in the Oil cases, taken in connection with the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Northern Securities case, amply sustains the constitutionality of the Sherman law insofar as it undertakes to prevent combination in restraint of trade, and it is their opinion that the Administration would not only be justified, but cannot conscientiously avoid instituting similar suits against the steel trust, the sugar trust, the tobacco trust, and a score or more other big corporations that have operated in a manner similar to the Standard Oil Company. There is this difference between the President and the insurgents: the President assumes there is possibility the Supreme Court may not sustain the decision of the Circuit Court in the Standard Oil cases; the insurgents maintain that the Supreme Court, on essential points, must sustain the lower court or else reverse its own decision in the Northern Securities case. They admit there is possibility of a difference on minor details between the two courts so far as the Standard Oil decision is concerned, but on the main issues they believe there is no room for doubt as to the nature of decision to be handed down.

Acton Good for Party. Believing as they do, they regard it as a waste of time for the Administration to postpone enforcement of the Sherman law while the Supreme Court has under consideration the Standard Oil cases. They believe that the Standard Oil cases cannot be decided by that court inside of a year, and in the meantime congressional election. If the Administration takes something on faith, institutes suits against the Steel trust, Sugar trust and other corporations of like nature, and convinces the public that it intends to enforce the Sherman law to its last letter, the insurgents believe much good will accrue to the party, and that this same benefit will largely go to the opposition party if the Administration fails to act.

At any rate, those who are becoming impatient are threatening to bring this question squarely before the people, so they can have an opportunity of sounding public sentiment concerning whether or not the people want immediate action. Such an agitation, if it results in arousing sentiment unfavorable to the Administration, will have its effect in the next campaign.

WITNESS IS SHANGHAIED

First Anti-Treating Case in Vancouver Is Dismissed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The witness who subpoenaed to appear in court, but he has been shanghaied and cannot be found. This was the reply made by Chief of Police Secriast during the trial of Thilless and Anderson, the salaried manager in Wyoming, who was charged with the crime of violating the anti-treating ordinance, when asked where the city's chief witness was.

The cases were dismissed for lack of evidence. The City Council last Monday night empowered the police committee to employ detectives to enforce the anti-treating law.

Tax Reports Must Be Made.

DENVER, Dec. 25.—Blank forms are being prepared by local agents of the Federal Internal Revenue Department to be mailed to companies in Wyoming, Colorado and Arizona, which come under the new corporation tax law. Officials have announced that if returns are not received within three months, regardless of whether the companies receive notice, they are liable to penalty under the law.

Dr. Jannesco Summoned Home.

ROCHESTER, Minn., Dec. 25.—Dr. James Jannesco, the famous Roumanian surgeon, who has been in this city since he began to improve immediately, Bucharest, announcing he received a cablegram, announcing the serious illness of his father.

Buying Cannot Stop.

To deliver this May corn, however, Mr. Patten must have at hand every bushel that he sold "short" before the last day for delivery arrives, and in getting this corn together he has to figure on a certain amount of delay between the farmers' cribs and the elevators, due to bad roads, bad weather and other causes.

That means that Mr. Patten must continue buying corn now while corn is going up, for if he waits for prices to go down a situation may arise which will make it impossible for him to get hold of corn at any price.

No Christmas Gifts, Says Loeb.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—It is a blue Christmas for many of the clerks employed at the New York customs house as a result of the order recently issued forbidding employees to accept gifts of any kind from outsiders. For a number of years it has been the practice of the customs house brokers to make small presents to members of the clerical force. In most cases it was a box of cigars, but frequently it took the shape of a generous check. Under the new regime, however, this is all over and the penalty for accepting gratuities is dismissal.

Great Reductions on All Holiday Goods, Fancy Neckwear, Comb and Brush Cases, Dolls, Books, Games and All Toys



OPPORTUNITIES for the Careful-Buying Housewife

Time to say good-bye to all small lots, incomplete lines, odd sizes and remnants. Time to make a clean sweep of them, to hurry them out in double-quick order. All preparations have been made, and it only remains for the hour of 8 o'clock tomorrow morning to arrive.

Every department is represented in this great bargain event. Goods of every description are involved—garments for every member of the family, wearables of every character, dress requisites and home needfuls a-plenty. The list of bargains is long and interesting. Study it well and profit by this great sale.

Smoking Jackets, Suspenders and Mufflers

Now you can revel in bargains; now you can buy the longed-for garments. It is the beginning of the great movement of clean-up sales, and prices have crumbled. A hint to the thrifty: First-comers get best choice. Here's the list:

- All men's Initial Handkerchiefs, cambric or japonette, 10c values, special... 6c
All men's Initial Handkerchiefs, good quality cambric, 15c values, special... 10c
One-fourth off on all fancy Suspenders.
One-fourth off on all Silk Mufflers.
One-fourth off on all Smoking Coats.
Children's Coat Sweaters, \$1.00 values... 69c

Remnant Sale of Odds & Ends

Clean-Up Sale in Suit Dept.

A big after-Christmas clean-up in the Suit Department. Do not neglect to participate, for it means money to you! All manner of wearing apparel is included in this sale. Apart from the few items mentioned below, we are making other offerings of equal merit in Petticoats, Waists, Knit Wear, Dresses, Furs and Suits.

Women's and Misses' Coats

We have never before shown such exceptional coat values in such an array of styles and materials fitted and semi-fitted effects, in strictly tailored models, while others are neatly trimmed. A few as follows:

- Children's Coats, many styles, materials... \$3.90
Women's Coats, of rubberized mohair... \$7.50
Women's Coats, of chiffon broadcloth... \$12.50
Women's Coats, of tan covert cloth... \$12.50
Misses' Coats, of cheviot coating... \$12.50

Muslinwear Clean-Up Sale

FLANNEL GOWNS, \$1.00-\$1.25 VALUES, 75c
A special offering of women's Nightgowns, made of good heavy quality outing flannel, in neat pink and blue striped effect. All made good, full size and neatly trimmed. Real \$1.00 and \$1.25 values, specially priced for this sale... 75c

FLANNEL SKIRTS, REGULAR 50c VALS, 35c
A fine line of outing Flannel Skirts, made of good quality heavy outing flannel, neat stripes or solid colors. These skirts come good full size, with deep flounce, finished with scalloped edge; regular 50c-values, specially priced at... 35c

FANCY APRONS, BEST 35c-50c VALUES, 25c
A clean-up sale of fancy Tea and Chafing Dish Aprons; made of fine lawn or organdie, trimmed with laces and embroideries. A large assortment to choose from. Regular 35c to 50c values. Specially priced for this sale... 25c

CORSET COVERS, 50c TO 75c VALUES, 39c
A clean-up sale of Corset Covers, made of fine nainsook or crossbar and striped dimity, all daintily trimmed with embroideries, laces and ribbons. Regular 50c to 75c values, specially priced for this sale... 39c

A Great Clean-Up Sale in the Shoe Section

Infants' kid Shoes, in turn soles, button or lace, sizes 2 to 5; regular 75c values... 49c
Infants' kid and pat. kid Shoes, turned soles, wedge heels, sizes 2 to 8, \$1 values... 69c
Women's 3-point and 1st kid Slippers, also fur-trim'd Julietts up to \$1.50 values... 99c
Children's kid Shoes, double sole, shown in sizes 6 to 11; special... 99c

A Clean-Up Sale in The Domestic Section

Bleached Sheets, full 72x90 inches, best 50c quality, special... 39c
Pillow Cases, full 42x36 inches, good quality material; 12 1/2c grade, special... 10c
Good full size white Bedspreads, special... 90c

Good full size cotton Blankets, gray, white and tan; best \$1.15 value, special at... 95c
10 doz. full size Comforts, silkline-covered, filled with white cotton... \$1.25
Odds and ends of mused Linens greatly reduced. Bureau Scarfs, Tea Cloths, Tray Cloths, Doyles.