

CHEER BROUGHT TO INSTITUTIONS

Little Folk and Adult Patients in the Hospitals Are Reminded of Season.

BASKETS FILLED FOR POOR

Various Organizations and Associations Provide Christmas Cheer for Old and Young Who Lack Their Own Homes.

Christmas cheer will visit Portland institutions and homes and the inmates will be gladdened by the thoughtfulness of others. The cheer of the season will be dispensed generally.

Santa Claus made an early visit to Good Samaritan hospital yesterday and brightened the eyes of the youngsters in the children's ward. There was a tree with plenty of good things on it, and, in addition to the young patients, a number of invited ones shared in the party. A special dinner and the usual observances will be enjoyed at the hospital tomorrow.

At St. Vincent's Hospital tomorrow the day will be started with early mass at 8 o'clock. The patients and singers from Christian Endeavor organizations will visit the wards and sing for the patients. There will be a special dinner in keeping with the day, and a tree will be given for the children at the institution.

Children Are Contributors.

School children of Portland contributed to various charities of the city on Friday, the closing day of school for the Christmas holidays. Teachers encouraged gifts of money and provisions for the needy and the young workers entered into the spirit of the affair in generous fashion.

The Salvation Army gave out more than 200 baskets, each containing the essentials of a Christmas dinner, yesterday. On Wednesday the Salvation Army will give a tree for children to be held at the Army headquarters, 123 1/2 First street.

The Volunteers of America filled many baskets with provisions yesterday and distributed them to the needy. They contained the items necessary for tomorrow's dinner. Boxes of clothing were also sent to wives and families of men in the Oregon Penitentiary.

Children at home were happy yesterday when a big tree was decorated for them. Mrs. Robert D. Inman, assisted by the girls of Reed College, handled the arrangements.

Rotary Club Has 100 Baskets.

The Rotary club committee will distribute 100 baskets this morning to poor families. Each basket will contain substantial foodstuffs to the amount of \$5.00. After the distribution of the baskets, the Rotarians and their families will entertain children of the Fraser Detention Home at a dinner and Christmas tree at the Benson Hotel.

Wards of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society were guests of the Rose City Club Friday night, and they had a jolly time.

A special programme will be given at the Fraternal Home by members of the Baptist Young Men's Union tomorrow. The city and county jails will also be visited and the inmates cheered. On Wednesday the Fraternal Home will entertain the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society.

Children of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society will be entertained by the Columbia Theater at a movie party tomorrow morning, and during the afternoon there will be an elaborate dinner.

Old People Remembered.

Girls of the Florence Crittenton Home will give a programme there tonight, and tomorrow a big dinner will be served. A tree will be enjoyed in the evening. The Louise Home and the Home for the Aged also have regular Christmas celebrations.

Orphans at the Christie Home, Oswego, will have a Christmas cheer, too, and plans are complete for entertainment, a Christmas tree and a dinner there tomorrow.

Nurses at Emanuel Hospital have arranged an entertainment there, and there will be a special dinner and a Christmas tree.

Convalescents at the Open Air Sanatorium at Sellwood will be entertained by an illustrated lecture, and there will be a special dinner for them.

Each patient at Morningside will be given a present by Dr. H. W. Coe, manager of the institution. Three trees have been ordered.

Fraternal orders of the city will make Christmas week a period of special entertainment. Many may judge it without its special Christmas programmes.

A. J. DAVIDSON PROMOTED

North Bank Official Made General Superintendent.

A. J. Davidson, who has been acting general superintendent of the North Bank and affiliated railroads for the last year, yesterday was appointed general superintendent by President L. C. Gilman, effective January 1.

Mr. Davidson's new position in his new position will include the North Bank proper, the Oregon Electric, the United Railways, Oregon Trunk, Pacific & Eastern, Spokane & Inland Empire and other subsidiaries. His headquarters will be in Portland.

Mr. Davidson has been connected with the North Bank in various operating positions for the last five years. He formerly was president of the Frisco system.

NORTH BANK GIVES RISES

Every Employee of Road Benefits by Increase on New Year's Day.

Every employee of the North Bank Railroad will receive a salary increase, effective January 1.

L. C. Gilman, president of the company, yesterday announced that the employees yesterday that the checks for January services will carry the new rates, when it drew up to the curb provided for under individual or group contracts will be benefited.

A graduated scale of percentages is to be applied. The lowest-paid people will get the biggest rate of increase. President Gilman explained that the advances here are on account of the increased cost of living.

Walter Evans Remembered.

Handsome automobile gaudiest of gray and a pen-knife were Christmas gifts to District Attorney Walter H. Evans from the deputies in his office yesterday. They were presented informally by Chief Deputy John A. Collier. Those participating in the gifts were: C. C. Hindman, Arthur Murphy, J. L. Hamersley, S. H. Pierce, George

FULTON PARK CHILDREN OF "THE MEADOWLARK" CLUB CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH PROGRAMME AND BANQUET.



1—The Meadowlark Club at Their Dinner. 2—Reading From Left to Right, Luella Wadsworth, dancer; Carol Coates, pianist; L. K. Pearson, Vice-President of the Club; Leona Wadsworth, Secretary, and Eben Gulick, President.

AUTO FIRMS HAVE TREES

OVERLAND AND NORTHWEST AUTO ARE SANTA TO YOUNGSTERS.

Candies and Toys Are Taken From Great Pack, and All Visitors Are Well Remembered.

It was a big time for the youngsters along lower Broadway between Couch and Davis streets yesterday, where charity Christmas trees were decked with presents in the salesrooms of the Overland Pacific Company and the Northwest Auto Company.

At the request of Herbert H. Elling, manager of the Overland headquarters, a group of 40 or 50 kiddies between the ages of 4 and 15 were collected by the Salvation Army. Automobiles were furnished by the motor car firm to carry the little guests from their homes and about town before the Christmas festivities were held.

While the youngsters stood around with mouths agape, E. H. Dunn, dressed up as a real Santa Claus, pulled sacks of toys and candy and fruit from the big tree, and those who didn't "draw" toys were provided with nickels either by Santa Claus or E. H. Peterson. All of the children benefited were from poor homes, and they showed their appreciation on departure by applauding their hosts.

The 35 little boys and girls who enjoyed the hospitality of the Northwest Auto Company yesterday at the day nursery and by the Associated Charities. They ranged in age from 4 to 15. The idea originated with the women employees of the auto company—Claudia LaFevre, Thelma Irwin, Mrs. Johnson and Grace Vogler—who handled the little ones with the help of F. W. Vosler, C. M. Menzies and other officers of the company. Miniature wagons, toys of various sorts, balloons, candies and dolls formed the bulk of the packages on the tree. A check for the occasion was furnished by Sherman, Clay & Co.

13 AND 23 IN LICENSE LIKED

Jacob Entler Proposed on 13th and Salary Raised on 23d.

He didn't think 13 was unlucky, even in conjunction with 23. That was the preferred 13 to any other number.

So John Cochran, chief clerk of the Marine department at the Courthouse, obliged Jacob P. A. Entler and skipped two marriage license blanks to give Mr. Entler license No. 35413 yesterday. The prospective bridegroom liked the 13 on the end of the number.

"I proposed to her on the 13th," he said. "I got a license on the 23d, and she was lucky for me. Here I'm getting my license on the 23d, and I received a rise in salary this morning."

CLERK SUED FOR \$20,000

Soda-Water Dispenser Charged With Wrecking Home.

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—George Gorham, soda fountain clerk, employed in a local ice cream emporium, was made defendant in a \$20,000 suit filed today by J. Verden Roberts, local machinist, for alleged alienation of the affections of 173 wife, Mrs. Ione Roberts.

Roberts alleges Gorham induced his wife to leave "his happy home" and the cottage one occasion when the plaintiff entertained Mrs. Roberts in a local cafe. It is also said that two weeks ago Roberts caught Gorham escorting his wife home and that when he reproached the latter, Gorham pulled a gun and began firing into the air. His wife was granted a divorce the day following the shooting.

Road to Join Harbors Sought.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—State engineers place \$47,000 as the estimated cost of completing the seven remaining miles of the Grays Harbor-Willapa Harbor highway. The harbor legislature will unite in asking the Legislature to take up Pacific and Grays Harbor counties in completing this road. Of the uncompleted portion of the road about three and one-half miles are in Grays Harbor County and three and three-quarter miles in Pacific County.

"Bun Charlot" Affair.

A delivery auto of the Log Cabin Bakery caused some comic excitement at Second and Alder streets yesterday afternoon, when it drew up to the curb with smoke billowing from it. The driver sprang from his seat, firemen arrived with a chemical, and the bun chariot was sprayed. The smoke was occasioned by a defective electric coil under the rear of the machine. The body of the car was undamaged.

Corbett Building Has Fire.

The burning of an electric switchboard in the boiler-room of the Corbett building, at Fifth and Morrison streets, shortly before noon yesterday, temporarily put the elevator service out of commission, though it did little other damage. The fire was caused by defective wiring. It is thought it was extinguished by the firemen with chem-

\$9600 GIVEN POOR

Campaign for \$25,000 to Go On After Holidays.

BASKETS ARE SENT OUT

Twenty-five Families Are Provided For by Individuals and Others Are Listed for Those Who Want to Help Needy.

Substantially \$9600 is the total of the fund received by the Public Welfare Bureau in its relief fund campaign up to last night, when the last pre-holiday check was made.

The plan with which the campaign was launched was to raise the full total of \$25,000 necessary to handle the activity for a whole year in this one campaign, and to discontinue soliciting the public thereafter until the holiday season in 1917.

The campaign will be continued accordingly into January, reopening after the holiday season, and continuing steadily until the full budget is met.

The work in the bureau yesterday, aside from the completion of the check on the funds received, was given over to final "rounding up" for distribution of Christmas day baskets.

A number of families were held in reserve so that individuals who desire to send Christmas baskets may be supplied with names and addresses to which to send them. Out of this 50 families 25 were provided for by benevolent individuals yesterday. The remaining families will receive baskets from the Public Welfare Bureau tonight, if they have not been sought by others who desire to give baskets.

The Salvation Army and Volunteers of America gave out their baskets yesterday and the Rotary Club will make its distribution today. In checking up their lists to avoid duplication they worked through the exchange at the Public Welfare Bureau, in which all

PORTLAND YOUNG WOMAN WHO IS EN ROUTE EAST TO WED.

Miss E. Lillian McCoy.

Miss McCoy left here Wednesday for Chicago, where she will be joined by her fiancé, Lowell J. Salsman, formerly of this city, now of Cleveland, O. He will meet his bride-elect in the Windy City and, after the marriage, which will be solemnized immediately upon the arrival of Miss McCoy, he will take her to his parents in Milwaukee for the holidays. Mr. Salsman and his bride will make their home in Cleveland, where they will arrive about the middle of January.

John Damwood Killed.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—John Damwood, 40 years, was instantly killed today while working on a pilerider. A bent limb against which the driver was leaning broke and the rebound of the last tree crushed his skull.

SANTA DUE TONIGHT

Eager Children and Prosperous City in Holiday Mood.

CHURCHES TO CELEBRATE

Spirit of Good Will Is Everywhere Manifested by Happy Faces, Cheerful Greetings and Observance of Customs.

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It was the old story of Christmas, its founding and its message. Music will tell out the tale of the Savior's birth. Special services are announced for all the churches with the Christmas story as sermon topics.

In the happy faces on the streets, in the mystery that prevails around the house, in the greens that brighten the season, and the jolly customs of the holiday, Christmas is seen to prevail. The star attraction, are of course, the children and to be first in the minds of everyone.

It will be hard for the little ones to wait until tomorrow morning to examine the stockings they will hang tonight. For these, the hours will pass on leaden wings. But when the morning comes, the joy of these little ones will make the whole big city glad.

There was just a hint of snow in the air last night that gave grounds for the slightest possible hope that this is to be a white Christmas. But forecasts were not encouraging on this point. It will be stormy, blustery, cold, doubtless, all of which are just the elements for a real, merry and proper Christmas.

Unless all signs fall, Portland will have the merriest possible Christmas. There is enough good cheer for everyone, and plenty to spare. It is a holiday that is to include everyone in its maelstrom of jollity, good will and happy fellowship.

AROUSING FIREMAN COSTLY

Hoseman Relieved of Position After Being Warned by Captain.

For having aroused a sleeping fireman against the will of the captain in charge of the fire station W. A. Hammond, a hoseman was discharged yesterday by Mayor Albee on recommendation of the board of fire chiefs.

It is charged that Mr. Hammond went to engine company No. 2 in civilian clothes and asked to see C. C. Martin, a fireman, Captain C. O. Haines, in charge of the station, told him Martin was asleep and warned him not to disturb him.

KENTON LODGE INSTALLS

Masonic Body Seats C. E. Travillon as New Master.

The newly elected officers of the Kenton Masonic Lodge, No. 45, were installed with appropriate ceremonies last Thursday evening by Past Master George W. Reynolds at the home of Capt. Haines and when it became known that Hammond was a fireman he was discharged.

Following is a list of the new officers: Worshipful master, Claire E. Travillon; senior warden, John H. Seyfert; junior warden, John C. O'Brien; treasurer, Charles T. Selbig; secretary, Walter W. Skofeldt; chaplain, Past Master John Hamilton, senior deacon, Floyd L. Keith; junior deacon, Clarence L. Jones; senior steward, Alfred Kack; junior steward, Roy V. Strout; marshal, Raymond R. Baker; tyler, Charles J. Markell.

ART LECTURE ENJOYED

MISS FALLING'S TALK HEARD BY YOUNG AND OLD.

Museum Scene of Screening Tales of Christmas Love Which Gladden Children Attending.

Many children and grown people attended Miss Henrietta Falling's lecture yesterday at the Art Museum, when slides of the paintings and works of art that glorify in the legends and tales of Christmas love gladdened the children. A number of the best records of Christmas music were played.

Everywhere about the room are portraits and pictures telling of the birth of the Lord, of the education of his mother and her life, and of the legends and facts that surround his life. There were pictures shown by artists who had placed their religious characters in settings of the middle ages, and Miss Falling explained that this was done often in the days before books were printed and education general.

"In the days gone by, before printing became common, the people found their pictures of the religious subjects helped greatly in showing the people what religion really was like," said Miss Falling. "For this reason there are today numerous masterpieces in the great churches of the old world that have been there for hundreds of years. Many of these were illustrated on the screen yesterday."

Miss Ione Dunlap will speak this afternoon on a similar topic and show slides of the "white mule" which will be given Thursday, Saturday and New Year's day.

DRUGGISTS' STOCKS SEIZED

Sales of Alcohol Without Affidavits Are Charged.

Brink's Pharmacy at Thirteenth and Washington streets, and the Perkins' Pharmacy at Fifth and Washington streets, were entered by agents of the State Pharmacy Board yesterday and a quantity of alcohol seized on the complaint that the "white mule" was being dispensed without the formality of affidavits.

Joseph M. Ricon, who was convicted before Circuit Judge Davis of selling alcohol without affidavits, was fined \$50 yesterday. Deputy District Attorney Hindsman tried a more severe sentence, but Judge Davis asserted that he would be lenient, because of the protest and education general.

Fall Breaks Lumberman's Leg.

Battle B. Allen, secretary of the Allen Shingle Company, twisted his ankle in stepping from the elevator in the Northwestern Bank building, Sixth and Morrison streets, last night, fell onto the floor and a leg was broken. He was taken to Good Samaritan Hospital. Mr. Allen lives at 694 Patton road.

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BILL MUCH DEBATED

Champions and Opponents of Child Measure Heard.

AUTHOR EXPLAINS PLAN

W. L. Brewster Points Out Many Parents of Illegitimates Are Not Financially Responsible and Says Bill Will Fail.

J. M. Devers' proposed bill providing for remedy, through criminal proceedings, of the effects of illegitimacy, was discussed with mingled voices of emphatic approval and emphatic disapproval at the Civic League luncheon at the Multnomah Hotel yesterday.

Mr. Devers, who is Prosecuting Attorney of Marion County, spoke on his bill after reading the principal provisions.

Judge T. J. Cleeton, W. S. O'Ren, Mrs. M. L. T. Hidden and Florence Olson gave short talks approving emphatically of the bill, although some of them indicated that some of its details ought to be altered, perhaps.

Mr. Devers, who is Prosecuting Attorney of Marion County, spoke on his bill after reading the principal provisions.

"The discussion today has hinged chiefly on the question of assuring illegitimate children in their property rights," he said, "but it has been overlooked that in a large proportion of these cases there are no property rights involved and the parents are financially and morally irresponsible. A large percentage of the parents of illegitimate children are minors, and how is a minor father to be compelled to support his child, especially if he is financially irresponsible as well?"

"In many more cases practice, I believe, will show that it is far better for the child and for the state to divorce the child, wholly or in part, than to let you complicate matters by instituting criminal proceedings against the father and the illegitimate child shall be made the heir of the father, you will run up against a stone wall and the Legislature will stand pat against it."

"In efforts to secure the illegitimate child in its rights, care must be taken that we do not err to the extent of giving it more protection than is accorded to the legitimate child."

James E. Kerr, the newly-elected president, was installed at the Multnomah Hotel yesterday and presided. The meetings of the league will be suspended during the holidays and will not be resumed until January 6.

EX-PORTLAND BOY NAMED

Edward Walter Porop Nominated for West Point Test.

Edward Walter Porop, an ex-Portland schoolboy and the son of Walter P. Porop who resided here about four years ago, has been notified by United States Senator Wesley L. Jones that he is the principal candidate to take the examinations to enter West Point next year. Mr. Porop graduated from the school at 1127 Sixteenth avenue North in Seattle. Edward is a member of the freshman class of the University of Washington.

Mr. Porop was graduated from Lowell School, Broadway, High School of the class of 1916. He is 20 years old and a member of this year's freshman football team. He is a member of the Coast Artillery Corps, National Guard of Washington.

Campbell Hill Hotel

741 Washington Street. Phone Main 7584.

Sunday Dinner

December 24, 1916, 5:30 to 7:30 P. M.

Head Lettuce with French Dressing. Queen Olives. Cream of Tomato Soup. Fried Spring Chicken, Country Style. Creamed Potatoes. Baked Italian Squash. Pop-Overs with Grapes, Macaroni. Chocolate Cream Pie. Lemon Ice Cream. Cake. Crackers. Cheese. Coffee.

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absolutely without equal, pleasant and effective. The only powerful antiseptic and germicidal catarrh jelly ever offered.

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The first dental necessity ever offered of germicidal action. The only real destroyer of germs by actual test.

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