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## GOVERNOR ROGERS DIED LAST NIGHT

Washington's Popular Chief Executive Passes Away Quite Suddenly.

### TWICE ELECTED GOVERNOR

Will Be Succeeded by Henry G. McBride, Lieutenant Governor Who is a Republican.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 26.—Governor John E. Rogers died this evening at 8 o'clock, after an illness of six days. This morning he began to sink and passed into a comatose state. He grew steadily weaker throughout the day. The collapse was a surprise to his physician and family, as he rested better last night than he has since his illness began. He took some nourishment this morning, but became unconscious about 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Rogers and the governor's two daughters, Mrs. Blackman and Miss Helen Rogers, were at his bedside all day. The governor's son, Edwin Rogers, who is in London, has been called, and F. J. Rogers, a Stanford University professor, and A. C. Rogers, of Santa Barbara, were sent for.

The first symptoms of Governor Rogers' illness developed Friday afternoon at his office, when he contracted a chill. Fever resulted and by 10 o'clock Saturday morning the governor began to complain of pains in his chest. The fever increased slightly and the pains became quite severe. Sunday the first reports of his condition were given out. It was announced that he was suffering from lobar pneumonia, the middle lobe of the right lung being affected. He was attended by Dr. Ingham, of Olympia. While he was acknowledged to be seriously ill, his condition was not considered dangerous. The governor was known to be a man of regular habits and strong constitution, and although in one of his advanced years pneumonia is never to be lightly considered, it was thought that he would pull through.

Dr. Ingham, however, asked for a consulting physician and Dr. P. B. Miller, of Seattle, was called in. Dr. Miller returned to Seattle Monday evening. At that time he was quite hopeful of the governor's recovery and stated that, if his condition was unchanged within the next couple of days, he would probably recover. The patient suffered a great deal of pain Sunday, but by 8 o'clock in the evening he was resting much easier and passed a good night. Monday night was again passed comfortably and Tuesday morning the governor rested easily and was in a cheerful frame of mind. On the same day the watchers by his bedside announced his condition to be safe and the belief was expressed that he would recover. Christmas he was reported to be still improving. It was today that the first turn for the worse came. By afternoon he was very weak and the end was expected at any moment. He was unconscious and therefore free from pain. He lingered until 8 o'clock tonight, when he expired.

[John E. Rogers was born in Brunswick, Maine, September 4, 1838. For a number of years he followed the drug business in Boston and Jackson, Mississippi. He taught school in Illinois and in 1876 moved to Kansas, where he was a farmer editor and organizer for Farmers' Alliance. In 1890 he moved to the State of Washington. In 1896 he was elected governor of Washington on the Fusion ticket and re-elected in 1900. He was the author of several works on political economy, among them "The Irrepressible Conflict," "Looking Forward," "The Inalienable Rights of Man."]

### THE NEW GOVERNOR.

Arrived in Washington in 1884 and Has Been Prominent in Politics.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 26.—Henry G. McBride, lieutenant-governor of the State of Washington, who will become governor, came to this state from California in 1884. In California he taught school and studied law prior to his removal to this state. He located first at LaConner, in Skagit county, where in 1885 he established a weekly newspaper, at the same time practicing his profession. In 1887 he removed to Mount Vernon, the county seat of Skagit county, where he now resides. In the same year he formed a law partnership with General E. M. Carr and Harold Preston of Seattle. The firm name was McBride, Carr & Preston. It continued in business for two years, when it was dissolved. In 1899 McBride was elected a superior judge, serving four years. At the close of his term he assumed a prominent part in state politics and no move has ever

been made in Skagit county or indeed in the Northwest combination formed several years ago by Republican leaders in that part of the state, without the co-operation of Judge McBride. In 1900 he was elected lieutenant-governor on the Republican ticket.

### CONSTITUTION ADOPTED.

Methodist Episcopal Church Ratifies Changes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The announcement here today that the new constitution of the Methodist Episcopal church which was adopted at the last general conference of that denomination held at the Auditorium in 1900 and referred to the various conferences throughout the country has finally been approved by the three quarter vote required. The vote is as follows: Ayes, 3863; nays, 2231.

The principal changes provided for in the constitution are: It gives women the right to sit as delegates in the general conference. It gives laymen's electoral meetings authority to vote on constitutional questions.

It changes the vote necessary in general conference to amend the constitution from three-fourths to two-thirds.

### DAMAGE AT PORT TOWNSEND.

Storm Raged on Straits of Juan De Fuca.

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 26.—Last night and today the most furious storm of the season swept over this section of Puget Sound and the Straits of Juan De Fuca, and shipping has been practically at a standstill. Mail boats from the Straits failed to arrive and boats from here were delayed until a late hour this afternoon. Telegraph and telephone communication has been cut off, the wires being down both north and south of this city.

### FIRE AT PORTLAND.

Brown Building Damaged to the Extent of \$33,000.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—The Brown building, a five-story brick at the corner of Grand avenue and Hawthorn avenue, was badly damaged by fire this afternoon. The four upper stories were occupied as a lodging house and several of the inmates barely escaped with their lives. The total loss is \$33,000. The building is insured for \$30,000.

### MILES RESUMES DUTIES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—General Miles resumed his duties in command of the army today. It is said that he decided to accept the situation with the best possible grace and will say or do nothing to continue the controversy.

## BLIZZARD IN MONTANA

### STORM BROKE WITH SUDDEN FURY.

Wind Accompanying the Snow Reached a Velocity of 45 Miles an Hour.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 26.—A storm struck Helena this morning with a suddenness that was startling, and an apparently calm, warm morning was transformed in almost a twinkling into what was a howling blizzard. A few minutes before the storm struck, many people noted a peculiar cloud effect in the valley, a huge cloud shaped like a great mountain, laden in color, reaching from the valley floor of Prickley Pear to the vaulted dome above, swept up the valley, resembling in many respects a cloud that usually means a cyclone in other state. When the cloud reached Helena it proved to be the advance guard of a blizzard. Snow descended rapidly while the wind raged. The storm lasted almost an hour and since then there has been a high wind.

Section Director E. J. Glass, said the wind this morning attained a velocity of 45 miles an hour. The storm came from the northwest and was general over the western and central portions of Montana.

### IN UTAH.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 26.—The storm which has been raging throughout the Northwestern Intermountain country today struck Salt Lake at 7:30 this afternoon with a suddenness and fury that startled the residents.

From a dead calm the wind increased with remarkable rapidity and within a few moments had attained a velocity of fully 55 miles an hour, bringing with it a blinding snow storm which raged with the fury of a blizzard for over two hours. The storm came from the northwest and although of comparatively short duration was one of the severest felt in this section for years.

## COLORED LABOR AND HIGH TARIFF

The Two Great Political Questions in Australia at the Present Time.

### PEOPLE MUCH STIRRED UP

Passage of Acts Restricting Kanaka Immigration Will Greatly Affect Sugar Industry of the Federation.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 26.—Hon. W. H. Montague, ex-secretary of state of Canada, arrived by the steamer Aorangi from Australia, yesterday. Speaking of the federation in the South Seas, he said that the recent tariff will greatly affect trade with Canada and the United States but a market could be found for machinery, wheat, manufactures fabrics and other goods from this continent. The people of Australia are much stirred up over the new tariff. The great political questions in Australia at present are the high tariff and colored labor. Upon the settlement of the latter depended largely the sugar industry of Queensland. The passage of acts restricting Kanaka immigration will greatly affect sugar plantations. The doctor attended the opening of the new federal parliament which was a magnificent reception. Australians have greatly advanced in labor legislation, having a minimum wage and pension for workmen of over 65 years. The federation is anxiously awaiting the construction of the Pacific cable.

### "STEEPLE JOE" DEAD.

Joe Lawler, the Original Steeple Climber, Passes Away.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—"Steeple Joe" Lawler, the original steeple climber, is dead at Gouvernir hospital. Lawler was 49 years of age, and during his time as a "steeple jack" probably ascended more steeples and tutored more pupils in his dangerous trade than any other man in the country. Lawler was originally a member of the fire department and it was in the training he received as a fireman that he developed his ability as a steeple climber. While a member of a ladder company he made a record of ascending over 182 feet in a trifle over two minutes. Lawler was sent throughout the country by the fire department to exhibit apparatus and performed some daring feats at his trade of scaling the sides of buildings. When he was in San Francisco on this mission in 1895 he met and married Cleo Levine, an actress. He added the ball on the top of the flagstaff of the dome of the Pulitzer building five times, swinging 435 feet in the air while thousands of people below watched him with anxiety. He worked at Old Trinity and Grace churches, helped place Diana on the tower of Madison Square Garden and handled the preliminary rigging on the high Poughkeepsie bridge across the Hudson. He served in Cuba and Porto Rico during the war with Spain, and superintended the building of the first military bridge in Porto Rico.

### CHRISTMAS IN BETHLEHEM.

Manner in Which Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Were Celebrated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The World prints a cablegram from Bethlehem, showing the manner in which Christmas eve and Christmas day were this year celebrated in the Holy Land. According to the dispatch from Bethlehem the sky was clear and the air chill on the day before Christmas. At an early hour crowds commenced to stream in from Jerusalem and other towns. Many travelled from Europe, some even from America. The European costumes mingled with the bright dresses made the scene varied and vivid with colors, while in the throng were seen many fair faced Bethlehem women. At the Church of the Nativity at Bethlehem, the Latins, the Greeks and the Armenians each have a place of worship, but the ceremonies which attracted the thousands were those at the Catholic church. Throughout the morning crowds flocked to the magnificent Church of the Nativity, including the cave, believed by many scholars to be the actual birthplace of Christ. It was brilliantly illuminated. During the afternoon a multitude of people crowded the great square fronting the church, covering the house tops on every side. The procession then appeared, the Patriarchs escorted by Turkish soldiers preceded by the Kawassas, or official guard of the Patriarchs and convent, advancing to the church. Following the sacerdotal procession came that of the French consul and his staff in uniform with an escort of mounted guards, he taking precedent as representing France,

the recognized guardian of Catholic interests in the Holy Land. Following his entry into the church came the beautiful service of Vespers and the benediction. In the evening the church was never without its crowd of worshippers. At 11 o'clock, Matins were sung and a few minutes before midnight all was hushed. Then on the stroke of the hour the "Gloria" arose—all kneeling in profound adoration, to usher in Christmas morning. Immediately afterward the Patriarchs ascended the high altar and commenced to celebrate high mass. Thereafter throughout Christmas day every altar in the sacred edifice was occupied by priests saying masses. Many devotees who took their places at 10 o'clock Christmas evening kept their vigil until 11 o'clock Christmas day, anxious not to miss one moment of the ceremonies on the site of the birthplace of Christ.

### KITCHENER REPORTS.

Another Disaster to British Arms in South Africa.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The following dispatch has been received from Lord Kitchener, dated Johannesburg:

"General Ruddle reports that on the night of December 24, Colonel Firman's camp at Zeefontein, consisting of three companies of yeomanry and two guns, was successfully rushed by a strong commando under De Wet. It is feared the casualties were heavy. Two regiments of light horse are pursuing the Boers."

Boer resistance has always been very strong in that part of Orange River Colony which was the scene of General De Wet's Christmas coup. A great quadrangle of block houses is being built there. At the southeast corner of this quadrangle is an open space from Bethlehem to Lindley, where the square of block houses is still incomplete and here De Wet made his attack. Colonel Firman's force probably amounted to 400 men and the disaster, especially the loss of guns, the possession of which may enable De Wet to successfully attack the block houses, creates a disturbing impression.

### DEMOCRATIC SQUABBLE.

Differences of New York Democrats Grow More Aggravated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The factional differences among the Democrats of the Seventh congressional district over nominating of a candidate for the seat left vacant by the resignation of Nicholas Muller, reached the election hour today. Friends of Jos. F. O'Grady, represented by Asa Bird Gardiner, filed protests against the nomination of Perry Belmont.

The cause of the contest is a personal quarrel between Richard Croker and Perry Belmont. The latter has threatened to sue the Tammany leader for libel.

## SHIP'S CARGO AFIRE

### SHINANO MARU PUTS BACK FROM SEA.

Fire is Raging in Her Cargo of Cotton—Bound From Seattle to Yokohama.

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Shinano Maru is ashore at Port Townsend. Meager details of the conflagration which is raging in her hold arrived this evening by the steamer North Pacific. The Shinano left this port for Yokohama a week ago last Wednesday with several thousand tons of cotton and general freight. She put back from sea and early this morning she arrived at Port Townsend flying signals of distress. The Shinano took out the most valuable Oriental cargo ever sent from this port.

### SQUATTERS MUST LEAVE.

Island of Lacosta Made a Rendezvous for Smugglers.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.—The Spanish squatters on the Island of Lacosta, government reservation near the mouth of Charlotte harbor, must leave there at once, under orders from the treasury department. The revenue cutter Hamilton, acting under orders visited the island last week and Lieutenant F. S. VanBaskerick landed and delivered the ultimatum to the squatters. There were about 40, including a number of men, women and children. They were found on the beach ostensibly fishing. Over a year ago the cutter McLean visited the island and captured a number of smugglers. They found that the island was made a rendezvous for smuggling liquors into the Florida mainland the fishing business being only a ruse. The island contains several hundred acres. Most of the people there are Spanish. If the squatters refuse to go within 30 days or so, troops from Key West will be sent to drive them away.

## MOB OF SOLDIERS WRECKED SALOON

Sequel of Riot at The Presidio, San Francisco, Christmas Evening.

### BUILDING BADLY WRECKED

Nearly 200 Soldiers Surrounded Building and Bombed it With Bullets and Stones—Leaders Arrested.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Last night's riot at the Presidio had a sequel tonight. The saloon of Dave Tarpey just outside the Presidio, where last night's trouble occurred, was completely wrecked tonight.

About 7 o'clock nearly 200 soldiers surrounded Tarpey's saloon and began shooting and firing rocks into the building. Windows and doors were broken and bar fixtures demolished. A riot call was answered by a platoon of mounted artillery, who quickly suppressed the riot. Several arrests were made.

William Ross, a soldier who has been doing extra duty at Tarpey's saloon, ejected two soldiers from the place on Tuesday night because they were unruly and for this he incurred the enmity of the mob element among the soldiers.

### SOLDIERS RIOT.

Saloon Row Ends in Cutting and Shooting Affray.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—During a row in a saloon near the Presidio last evening William Ross, of the coast artillery was stabbed by an unknown soldier. A riot followed. Stones and bricks were thrown and two shots were fired. About 1000 soldiers, it is estimated, gathered. The provost guard and police had to be called out to restore order. Fifty-nine soldiers were put in the guard house and fifteen others taken to the police station. Ross was not badly hurt.

### WHITES AND NEGROES FIGHT.

One White Man and His Son Killed—White Boy and Negro Wounded.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 26.—In a general fight between white men and negroes at Childersburg yesterday afternoon a white man and his son were killed, while a white boy and one negro were wounded. With great difficulty a general outbreak was prevented. The negroes are now in jail at Talladega. The dead are: J. Bird and Rueben B. Bird, his son.

### STORM AT SEATTLE.

Did Much Damage and Endangered Many Lives.

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—Thursday night's storm did much damage and endangered many lives in this city. Along the north end of the waterfront where wind and wave had full sweep at high tide the breakers washed away eight houses. Floating driftwood battered trees to matchwood. The occupants barely escaped.

### WHEAT MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Wheat, May, opening, 82 1/2¢; closing, 82 1/2¢.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 61 1/2¢; Valley, 62; bluestem, 62.

TACOMA, Dec. 26.—Wheat, bluestem, 61; club, 60.

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