

# FIRST CABLEGRAM FROM HONOLULU

## It Will Be Transmitted Tomorrow, When the Good Ship "Silvertown" Will Have Completed Cable.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—A cablegram received this morning from the ship Silvertown announces that the vessel has arrived in sight of Honolulu, having laid 2,238 miles of the trans-Pacific cable. The land end of the cable is now being laid, and this will be completed tomorrow morning.

### SENDS CONGRATULATIONS.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 24, 1902.—Chamber of Commerce, Honolulu, H. L.—Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Or., congratulates you on the completion of the cable which places you in immediate touch with the United States and the rest of the world.

As soon as this has been done, Gov. Dole will send a message of congratulation to President Roosevelt, the first cablegram to pass between Honolulu and the United States.

The citizens of Honolulu are already celebrating the great event, and the arrival of the ship Silvertown has been hailed with great demonstrations of joy. An elaborate program of exercises has been arranged for tomorrow, in which the city and government officials will participate.

It is just 13 days since the good ship Silvertown sailed from San Francisco, and the laying of the cable will have been completed in exactly two weeks, if the arrangements for tomorrow are not delayed. The task was accomplished without a hitch.

The above telegram has been filed with the Postal Telegraph Company ready to be sent to the Chamber of Commerce at Honolulu, when the cable is completed.

The telegram was filed at the request of Manager Annand, of the Postal Telegraph Company, which sent the following message to the Chamber of Commerce of this city:

"We expect to have our cable to Honolulu open for business in a few days and would be glad to send a congratulatory message to that city for you if you desire."

The chamber responded with the telegram first quoted. Manager Annand has also sent a similar message to Governor Geer asking that a message be sent from him to Governor Dole, of the Hawaiian Islands, but has as yet received no reply from the governor.

## POSTOFFICE IS BLOCKED

### Tons of Christmas Mail Is Undelivered.

### ARE WORKING INDUSTRIOUSLY

### May Be Four Days Before All Is Finished Up.

The mail department at the postoffice is simply snowed under. While, to all appearances, the Christmas rush is over here, in reality, there is no end to the confusion that reigns back in the mail room. The force is not large enough to handle the mail that is arriving, to say nothing of taking care of that which is already piled up. In fact, a force large enough to handle the mail matter at the postoffice at the present time could not get into the building.

The citizen who visits the building today will probably not notice the confusion that will go away tomorrow. The "quiet" of the day after Christmas, but that is not the case with the employees of the department. All is bustle and rush on the inside, and will probably be so for several days to come.

### HEAVY CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Superintendent Barrett, of the delivery department, states that the amount of mail not delivered is greater today than it has been for some time past. In commenting on the jam, Mr. Barrett said: "It will be several days before we can get the department straightened out. We did not receive much extra mail until Wednesday morning, owing to the snowstorms in the East, and many of the clerks were idle. When it did begin to come, though, it simply snowed us under and we haven't been able to see it yet."

In speaking of the volume of mail matter this Christmas as compared with last, Mr. Barrett said: "It is impossible to tell exactly at the present time; but I should judge that receipts this year will be considerably greater than they were last. We usually have from four to five days in which to receive and deliver Christmas mail; but this year it nearly all came in two days."

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to William S. Milne and Mildred Smith, Louisa F. Bennett and Ceila Hines, Frank Hyeck and Estella Goodman, Edwin C. Hope and Lucy L. Piquerman, Leonard Wirt and Ida J. Smith, Leslie L. Busby and Hattie O. Bradock, Clyde W. Lundy and Eva G. Walker, William Moore and Terrellia Gonyan.

## HOLIDAY WEEK IS A WEEK OF FEASTING

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## S. M. MEARS BACK FROM THE EAST

### President of Chamber of Commerce Glad to Get Home.

President S. M. Mears of the Chamber of Commerce returned this morning from an extended trip East on business. Mr. Mears said to a Journal representative this morning:

"All I can say to you is that I have just returned from the East. I have been as far East as Boston, and am glad to get back home."

Asked about Chamber of Commerce matters, Mr. Mears replied: "I know nothing about the doings of our organization since I left, and therefore cannot enlighten you on any matters that may come up."

"What did you see or hear of the real situation in the East?" "I think it has been greatly exaggerated in the newspapers. However, I may not be in a position to judge, as I paid no attention to the matter while there beyond what was published in the New York papers."

"How are the markets in the East?" "While East I visited Boston, New York, Chicago and Minneapolis, and met every one having enough to attend to. In fact, I was surprised at the generally successful appearance of the business men."

## SAYS PORTLAND IS LOOKING WELL

Those whose convictions lead them to make such declarations may say all they choose about Portland being "a back number," "asleep at the switch," etc., but regarding this subject H. P. Foster of New York and Montreal has an opinion of his own.

This opinion is that Portland is making much more rapid strides than were ever made by any Eastern metropolis noted for its growth.

Mr. Foster, who is visiting this city for the first time since 1888, is a guest at the Perkins. He came West for pleasure and will likely remain in Portland several weeks. To a reporter for The Journal he said:

"In the 14 years that have elapsed since last I was here Portland has changed so that I should not have recognized it as the same place had I not known its location on the map. The buildings here will compare favorably with those of any city in America. I have been over nearly all of America, and come pretty near knowing. The crowds on the street are always heavy. This is ever an excellent indication of business."

"Since 1888 nearly every feature of Portland has altered. There has been much building and especially in the central portion of the city is the great change noticeable. I cannot say too much in praise of the city. The realization of what is in store for it is far ahead of possible expectation. I have heard a great deal about Seattle, but have not yet been there. However, I have just come from Spokane, and it is not to be compared with Portland at all."

### CAIFORNIA BUTTERMAKERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The California Creamery Operators' Association is in annual session here with an attendance representing all parts of the state. The program provides for papers and addresses by a number of the experts of prominence. President Henry F. Lyon delivers the annual address and the convention closes tomorrow night with a banquet.

### TEXAS ROPING CONTEST.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Dec. 25.—A grand roping carnival, similar to that given last year, opened in San Angelo today under auspicious circumstances. The day's program consisted of a free-for-all contest for prizes aggregating several hundred dollars. As a wind-up tomorrow there will be a team contest for a \$1,000 prize.

### WILL HOLD SPECIAL MEETING

The Lewis and Clark Fair board of directors will hold an informal meeting tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, to meet M. Araki, special envoy of the Japanese Government to the Lewis and Clark and St. Louis Expositions.

### SENT TO ASYLUM.

J. Richardson and Charles Thompson, two men who were picked up by officers last Wednesday on charges of insanity, were sent to the Oregon Asylum for the Insane this morning.

## DRIFTWOOD BLAZE

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## SEEKS TO ESCAPE RESPONSIBILITY

### Train Men Testify as to Train Wreck.

### Conflicting Stories About the Southern Pacific Collision in Which 25 Persons Were Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Responsibility for the awful owl train collision where 25 persons met death is being dodged by railroad employees today at the inquest that is being held over the remains of 11 of the identified dead.

Most of the 12 witnesses of conflicting nature has been given and there is nothing as yet to serve as an estimate of the jury's verdict.

Conductor Dolan of the Owl train was an important witness and one of the first placed on the stand today. He believed, he said, that Engineer McGuire of the Stockton Flyer, the train that crashed into the rear of the stalled Owl, mistook the lights on the latter for a freight train standing in the yards at Byron. He thought the engineer believed he would have time to stop after being signalled by brakeman Cole. Cole then took the stand and testified that he was fully half a mile in the rear of the Owl train when he signalled the Stockton passenger to stop. He said the engineer paid no attention to his signals, and that he was killed at the same high rate of speed as before. He did not believe Engineer McGuire saw the lights at all.

## STANFORD BOYS ARE IN TOWN

The Stanford Glee and Mandolin Clubs got in on the Salem local promptly at 10:10 this morning and went up to the B. S. A. in a body for luncheon. Most of the 12 will attend the academy their headquarters for the next three days. C. H. Baker, H. E. Bush, Harry Atkinson and R. M. Park are to be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Rockey, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Newell have thoughtfully arranged an at home for this afternoon from 3 to 5, at the school to give friends an opportunity of meeting the clubs in a body. Over 700 invitations have been sent out. Mrs. Newell assisted by Mesdames A. E. Rockey, Charles E. Sitton, L. L. McArthur, Richard Koehler, J. Wesley Ladd, W. B. Ayer, Charles F. Beebe, W. C. Alvor, J. A. Elmer and F. Riley, will receive in the drawing room. It has been beautifully decorated with palms, rubber plants, and Oregon grape, while the lights have been subdued by cardinal colored shades.

Punch will be served in the hall by Miss Watson, Mrs. Hubbell and Mrs. Fink will pour coffee at the tables spread in the south parlors. The Glee Club will play several selections. The association of former Stanford students had planned a number of social affairs, while the boys were here, but have decided to entertain in groups rather than as a whole. Mr. Frank Riley's stag dinner Sunday will be the only affair of the kind so far as planned. Last night the audience in Salem was large and enthusiastic—two encores to every number. The rooms of the Blue-Club were thrown open in their honor at the close of the program.

There is to be a concert at the Baker tonight and another in Oregon City tomorrow evening. They will be held all day Sunday and leave Monday morning by boat for The Dalles.

Mr. Harry J. Edwards is general manager, but both clubs have their own leader and manager. C. H. Baker and G. Hawley serve for the Glee and Roy Kith and W. G. Morrison for the Mandolin. The whole trip is to extend over three weeks and take in Victoria, Vancouver and other sound cities.

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## CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS.

The United States Civil Service Commission today makes the announcement that on January 25 and 26, 1903, examinations will be held for the position of electrical engineer in the United States Signal Service Corps. Four appointments will be made from this examination to positions paying an annual salary ranging from \$200 to \$2,000.

Owing to the small number of applicants for the position of department assistants in the Philippines at the examination held December 3, 1902, the department will hold another examination on January 25 and 26, 1903. Information and application blanks can be secured from Secretary Z. A. Leigh of the Civil Service Board.

## THEY ARE BARBOUND.

The steamer Alliance of the Gray Steamship Company's line, which left here for San Francisco on Tuesday is still at Astoria, unable to get out over the bar on account of storms. There are about nine or 10 loaded vessels lying there waiting for the bar to become smooth.

## GREETINGS TO THE POPE.

ROME, Dec. 25.—Over 70 congratulatory messages were received from America by Pope Leo yesterday and today.

## DEATH CALLS A POPULAR MAN

Isaac Steinhilber, one of the best known commercial travelers on the Pacific Coast, and an employe of Neustader Brothers of this city, died yesterday at the home of his parents, at Nineteenth and Hoyt streets. Mr. Steinhilber was 40 years old and was associated with Neustader Brothers for 23 years, during which time he proved his value as a representative and a friend. Along the entire coast he was loved and respected by all those with whom he came in contact.

He was stricken with typhoid fever at Walla Walla, and came home at once, but could not withstand the attack and passed away peacefully on Christmas Day. He is survived by his aged parents, two sisters, Mrs. A. Freidenrich of Grangeville, Idaho, and Mrs. S. J. Freedman of Portland, and a brother, W. Steinhilber. The funeral will be held on Sunday morning.

## THE MURDERER STILL AT LARGE

So far the detectives have not been able to locate the hiding place of Joseph Castro, who is charged with cruelly stabbing Joseph Guglielmo to death in his saloon at First and Market streets early Christmas morning. Detectives Kerrigan and Cordano started upon the trail of the murderer one hour after it was committed, but in the darkness and storm Castro made good his escape.

The family of the murdered man feel that if a physician had been called he might have been saved. After being stabbed Guglielmo lay on the floor suffering the most intense pain. The efforts made to get the police station were futile. When City Physician Zan reached the scene of the tragedy Guglielmo had breathed his last.

The inquest upon the body of Guglielmo was held at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

## LANGTRY AGAIN HERE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Lily Langtry returned to America this morning, arriving on the steamship Celtic.

## BIRTHS.

Burn—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Burn, North Albion, December 12, 1902, a girl. Maier—To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Maier, 1071 Front street, December 12, 1902, a girl.

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

Miss Clayatt, 386 East Everett street; sewer gas fever. Basil Chitty, 163 Front street; scarlet fever.

## DEATHS.

Thomas—At 372 First street, December 24, 1902, Curtis Thomas, aged 22 years. Gay—At 772 Quimby street, December 23, 1902, Sarah Elizabeth Gay, aged 71 years. Kregard—At the N. P. Sanitarium, December 21, 1902, Carrie Kregard, of 151 Whitaker street, aged 29 years. Anderson—At St. Vincent's Hospital, December 21, 1902, Hulda Anderson, aged 74 years.

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