

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR POOR CHILDREN AT THE VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA HALL



JUST BEFORE THE GIFTS WERE DISTRIBUTED.

The Volunteers of America, Capt. John Anderson in charge, gave a Christmas entertainment last night in their hall at 23 North Second street, near Everett street. There were two Christmas trees, both were loaded with Christmas cards, candies, apples, oranges and trinkets dear to the childish heart, all of which were distributed to the 40 children present. Most of the children came from the poor homes that were visited by the Volunteers last Thanksgiving day. The hall was crowded, many adults being turned away owing to a lack of room. Capt. Anderson made a personal dis-

tribution of handsome black morocco gilt edge New Testaments among the audience, including the older children. He held up a testament and asked all those who would like a testament to raise their hands. Sixty persons responded, and 60 testaments were all he had. Among those who received testaments were a number of sailors. The distribution was followed by a brief talk on the New Testament by the captain.

There was also a musical and literary program. Lieut. Emma Pederson, Mrs. Capt. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Anderson and others assisted in the general distribution of the presents. Mrs. Smith made

a short address and Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Kilgore, a poet and a solo by Mrs. Hoover were on the program. The meeting closed at 9:45 o'clock with happiness and good feeling.

Capt. Anderson announced that today he would supply needy people with meal tickets. He bought \$10 worth of meal tickets this morning. A prominent citizen, who prefers not to have his name mentioned, gave him the money.

This afternoon and evening religious meetings will be held in the hall.

During the last two weeks Capt. Anderson says he has given away between 600 and 650 pieces of second hand clothing

which was donated. Much of this clothing went to men out of work. "There is many a good and deserving man in a ragged coat and a pair of overalls," said Capt. Anderson. "We will need old clothing for this purpose all winter. We shall be glad to come and get it if those who have such articles to give away will only telephone Hood 1591, our number. Preach the gospel, feed the poor, clothe the naked."

There will be watch night services at the hall New Year's eve and noon day prayer meeting every day during the winter months.

PARKER CAUGHT.

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about 20 miles south of Arlington, nothing was known of the matter. Surmising that Parker was striking for the sage hills, Day sent word to the sheriff at Condon and this morning the news of his capture came. Condon is 40 miles

operator shortly after the train pulled out for the West.

Day Was Busy.

The activity with which Detective Day followed Parker disproves the stories circulated by some of his enemies that he did not want to push the case against the young man. Day has been a detective in Portland for 25 years, and is known all over the country. During his experience as an officer he has brought prisoners from New

M'GINN CALLED AWAY BY SICK BROTHER

A sad Christmas has fallen to the lot of State Senator Henry F. McGinn. Only a few days before the session of the legislature began he was compelled to leave Portland by the sickness of his youngest brother and law partner, Charles E. McGinn. Charles had an attack of heart trouble a few weeks ago and his physicians advised that he be removed to California immediately.

Senator McGinn decided to accompany

him and will remain with him until he is out of danger. This is the second time that Senator McGinn has been called away from a session of the legislature by sickness or death. In 1895, when he was spokesman for the conference which favored the re-election of Joseph N. Dolph to the United States senate, he was called to Portland by news of the death of his brother, Gilbert McGinn, also an attorney.

TRAVELS 4,000 MILES TO WED IN OREGON

A very pretty romance was brought to a happy ending yesterday when Miss Elizabeth Vreel and Charles Brixton were married.

Miss Vreel traveled clear across the continent to meet her affianced husband. She reached here in the morning and

met Mr. Brixton, who had just arrived from Sacramento, California.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. L. House at the parsonage at 2 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Brixton say they will make their future home in Portland.



THURLOW W. PARKER.

south of Arlington by stage.

"I've got a Christmas present for you," telephoned the sheriff this morning. "Parker is in jail here."

There is no question that the right man is in custody, for he tallies with the description. He wore a red sweater, a cap and the tattooed hands were noticed wherever he went. The developments also show that he did not escape from the train at Umatilla Junction, but at Arlington, where he was seen by the

York, Savannah, Ga., Chicago, the middle states and many from San Francisco and other California cities, but this is the first instance in which a prisoner escaped from him.

"When I see Parker I will simply tell him that he didn't treat me right," said Day. "I showed him every courtesy and he abused my confidence. He is the first prisoner who ever got away from me. I have not tried to excuse myself. I will pay the reward out of my own pocket."

Parker, who also went by the name of T. Walter Browne, cashed more than \$300 in forged checks in Portland in November. He eluded the officers cleverly and committed crimes given when the detectives were on his trail. From here he returned to Montana and was caught at Helena, from which city Day was bringing him back for trial when he made his escape. He was released from the Washington penitentiary at Walla Walla only last summer, after serving a term for forgery.

PARKER'S OWN STORY.

Broke Off Leg Irons After Leaving the Train.

(Journal Special Service.)

Condon, Or., Dec. 25.—Thurlow W. Parker, the much-wanted forger who escaped from Detective Day on the O. R. & N. passenger train last Wednesday, while the officer was bringing him from Helena, Mont., to Portland, was captured at 11 o'clock last night by Sheriff Johnston of Gilliam, at the town of Condon. Parker was sitting behind the door of the main entrance of the Condon hotel at the time. He peeped around the door as it swung open, and saw the sheriff. At almost the same instant Sheriff Johnston saw and identified him by the tattoo marks on Parker's hands. Parker submitted without resistance to arrest.

The prisoner wore a heavy slouch hat, a blue jumper and overalls. When he

first walked into Condon he took dinner at the Palace hotel, but registered for the night at the Condon as "Fred Johnson, O. R. & N." He told the clerk that he belonged to an O. R. & N. crew. He had a small hand satchel and a small sum of money.

Parker told the sheriff that he left the train and escaped from Day, whom he said he left asleep at Arlington, with the leg irons still on him. When he got out of the sleeper he broke off the leg irons with a stone. Leaving Arlington, he walked to the Howard Tobey ranch, a distance of 12 miles, and then walked into Condon. He was in Condon only two or three hours.

Bought Jumper, Hat and Overalls as He Walked to Condon.

(Journal Special Service.)

Arlington, Or., Dec. 25.—Former Parker was arrested last evening by Sheriff Johnston at Condon. Parker was seen in Arlington Wednesday morning, going from here to William Head's ranch on Rock creek, where he secured a jumper and a meal. From there he went to Olex, securing a pair of overalls and a hat from Wade Bros. store. He went to Condon, Thursday, stopping at Taylor Bros. ranch for breakfast and arriving at Condon about 11 o'clock Thursday evening. He was immediately placed under arrest by the sheriff.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON GREAT NORTHERN

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 25.—A west-bound freight on the Great Northern dashed into a rock slide early this morning about 12 miles west of Troy, Mont. Brakeman D. F. Baker, the oldest brakeman on the division, was killed, and Fireman Edward McDonald shared the same fate. Both are single men who lived at Hilliard, Engineer Conway escaped unhurt. The dead men will be brought to Spokane today. The engine struck a rock slide at this morning and went into the ditch.

THIEF'S HOBBY WAS CLOTHING

The police station looked like a clothing store this morning after Detectives Weiner and Hartman collected a score of stolen overcoats from north end pawnshops.

These garments are only a part of the booty secured by H. Dillon, alias A. Nelson, who was arrested by Detectives Day and Weiner in a pawnshop at Third and Couch streets Wednesday night. For a month this clever individual has been causing consternation in police circles.

This morning the detectives took out the patrol wagon and visited all the stores in question to gather up the stolen articles. When the wagon returned there were 20 overcoats, on none of which Dillon had received more than \$3. Several coats are worth from \$50 to \$60.

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ing the plunder and by tomorrow will probably be in a position to help the owners pick out their property. Nearly all the clothing described in The Journal yesterday was recovered.

FEW ARRESTS MADE ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas eve was very quiet in Portland this year as shown by the police records. Not more than a dozen arrests were made last night and this is a small number for the holiday season.

MARINE NOTES.

Astoria, Dec. 25.—Condition of the bar at 8 a. m. smooth; wind east; weather clear.

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St. Johns, Dec. 25.—Passed at 10 a. m. British ship Andorinha.



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JOB TO FLEECE THE GAMBLERS

STRANGE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUND THE INTRODUCTION AND STRANGE END OF THE BILL MAKING GAMBLING A FELONY—SULLIVAN AT HEAD OF THE LOBBY.

"The Municipal association is not responsible for the bill making gambling a felony, introduced into the house of representatives by J. S. Hutchinson of Portland. I know nothing of the matter and as the attorney for the association I would naturally have been consulted if such an action was contemplated."

This is the statement of Judge Martin Pipes, the lawyer conducting the case of the Municipal association. He further said:

"The fact of the gambling bill being stolen or prevented being introduced in the senate is one of the most high-handed outrages ever perpetrated in the history of Oregon legislation. There is no doubt that the gamblers are responsible. The matter should be sifted down and the responsibility fixed and the offenders severely punished. The gamblers could not have carried their point unless there was collusion on the part of some of the members of the legislature. The gamblers had a lobby at the head of which was 'Larry' Sullivan. That some one received money for smothering or openly stealing the bill there is no doubt."

Last Friday The Journal printed the story that "Larry" Sullivan was at Salem consulting with various members of both legislative houses. It stated that the gambling bill would never be brought up in the senate. It showed that Representative Test, under the instructions of Sullivan, telephoned to Harvey Dale, of the Portland club, to get the gamblers together and go to Salem. In response to this message there arrived in Salem, Coho, the slot machine man, and from the various gambling houses, Dale, Fritz, Blasier and a representative of the Gem club and Erickson's.

Representative Test, who telephoned to Harvey Dale after conferring with Sullivan, said this morning:

"I telephoned to Harvey Dale to get the gamblers together and come down, as it was feared the gambling bill would pass. He is an old friend of mine and I simply gave him a tip. Further than this I know nothing about it."

SENATOR BROWNELL TALKS

Interviewed at Oregon City and Denies all Knowledge of Slater Bill.

Oregon City, Dec. 25.—Senator Brownell this morning seemed very much surprised when shown the story of the lost gambling bill.

"I know nothing about the disappearance of the bill," he said. "It never reached me and if it had it would have been handed to the clerk for reading."

With reference to the intimation that the bill had been stolen he said that he did not believe it. He thought the bill must have been lost in the crush of business attending the last hours of the session. He remarked that he believed the clerks and pages were honest and all other officers of the senate, unless he sarcastically remarked, it might be the president. To his knowledge no one had ever called the bill up for a reading and nothing was said about it until after the session had closed. Asked if he saw any gamblers that were purporting to be in Salem with books to prevent the bill's passage, he said that he did not, and that he had no chance to see any.

Senator Brownell refused to state whether or not he believed the bill would have been passed had the opportunity offered, but he intimated that he did not believe that it would.

DRUNKEN MAN ALMOST BLEEDS TO DEATH

After breaking a window in the plumbing shop of Taylor & Stanton, 88 Sixth street at 2 o'clock this morning, Malcolm Chetwin, a young man hailing from The Dalles, almost bled to death. Chetwin was feeling slightly hilarious after spending a merry Christmas eve and as a fitting windup of his celebration he thrust his right hand through the heavy window. There was a deafening crash which brought Patrolman Foster to the scene in short order. The officer took the man to the city jail and for four blocks he left a trail of blood along the sidewalk.

Captain Bailey ordered the wounded man taken to St. Vincent's hospital after the wound had been temporarily closed. The doctor found the gash in the back of his hand was long and deep and it required several stitches to close the wound. He was resting easily this morning and will likely be able to appear in court tomorrow to answer to a charge of defacing a building.

ENGLAND GREET THE NEW REPUBLIC

Washington, Dec. 25.—An official announcement was received by the state department this morning from the London embassy that Great Britain has formally recognized the new republic of Panama. The state department also received a consular report from Guadalupe at Panama that the volunteer department of Cauca, province of Colombia, has been disbanded.

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Trains will leave First and Alder streets at 7:40 and 9 o'clock a. m., on January 12. Remember the date and place. Round trip excursion tickets that date 75c. Call on or address the **OREGON WATER POWER TRAVELING COMPANY** for further information. Room 5, 122 1/2 First street, corner of Alder.

GOVERNMENT WILL BEGIN CELILO CANAL

Washington Bureau of The Journal.

Washington, Dec. 25.—In view of the prompt action of the Oregon legislature in passing a bill appropriating \$100,000 for a right of way for the Celilo canal, the secretary of war late yesterday authorized the expenditure of \$10,000 for the preparation of plans and specifications, and for surveys and estimates needed before contracts can be let for the construction of the great improvement.

No delay will be occasioned is apparent by the activity shown by the department, and Major Langfitt will be at once instructed to begin the removal of all obstructions in the Columbia river between The Dalles and Celilo.

It is the belief of the department that the small islands and submerged reefs in this part of the river can be removed by June 30, 1905, and when this is done the river for more than three miles will be open to navigation.

As reported yesterday, the secretary of war authorized the expenditure of \$62,339 for deepening and widening the channel of the Columbia at Three Mile rapids. This was done in consideration of the right of way appropriation and for the purpose of carrying out the improvement work at once.

CONSUL GENERAL HUGHES RESIGNS

Washington, Dec. 25.—Consul-General Hughes, of Coblenz, Germany, resigned today, and his place is to be filled by Henry Saylor, at present consul at Dawson, in the Klondike. The state department declines to discuss the matter. Some time ago charges were filed against Hughes, but almost at the same time a press dispatch from Berlin stated the cause was of a family nature. Saylor, his successor, is a Pennsylvanian.

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