

RECEPTION AT WHITE HOUSE A BRILLIANT AFFAIR

Formal Opening of Social Season by President and Mrs. Taft—Thousands Extend Greetings to Chief Executive

Washington, Jan. 1.—The president and Mrs. Taft held their first New Year's reception at the White House...

WORK ON FLOATS STARTS MONDAY

Two Men Who Will Design These Features for 1910 Rose Festival Arrive.



John W. Harper, bulder of floats.

John W. Harper and Anton Truckenbrodt, the men who are to build the floats for the 1910 Rose Festival...

GOVERNORS GIVE HEARD PLEDGES FOR CONSERVATION

D. A. R. Enlists for the War, and First Arrays State Executives—What Benson, Hay and Brady Say.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The question, "How Women May Help the Conservation Movement," as answered by the governors of the various states...

STRAUS READY TO GO BEHIND BARS

Convicted Former Cashier of Portland Postoffice Will Not Fight Sentence.

Through his attorneys, Charles A. Straus, convicted ex-cashier of the Portland postoffice, has notified United States Marshal Reed that he will no longer fight his case...

WATCH SERVICES MARK YEAR'S BIRTH

In Many Portland Churches Special Programs Were Carried Out.

Watch night services were general over the city last night. In most of the prominent churches social entertainment marked the early hours of the evening...

BISHOP SCADDING MAKES APPOINTMENTS

Bishop Scadding announces the following appointments for January: 1. Seaside; 2. second Sunday after Christmas; 3. conference laymen's missionary movement; 4. Astoria; 5. Epiphany; 6. St. Helen's Hall; 7. Corvallis; 8. reception to Rev. F. M. Baum; 9. First Sunday after Epiphany; 10. Portland; 11. conference laymen's missionary movement; 12. meeting board of mission; 13. p. m., 16. second Sunday after Epiphany; 17. Portland; 18. at home, Bishopscott; 19. Septuagesima; 20. Portland; 21. conference laymen's missionary movement; 22. meeting of hospital trustees; 23. a. m., 25. Roseburg; 26. Grants Pass; 27. Ashland; 28. Medford; 29. Seixagesima; 30. Portland; 31. meeting trustees of school board.

Forty Countries Represented

The members of the diplomatic corps and their families were the first guests to be presented. In all nearly forty countries were represented at the reception...

NEW YEAR USHERED IN BY LONDONERS

London, Jan. 1.—None of the ceremonial attached by tradition to ushering in the new year in London was wanting at the birth of 1910. There was a usual crowd around St. Paul's cathedral, the ordinary watch-night services were held and families welcomed the new born year as families always have done...

WOMAN BURNED AT NEW YEAR'S REVEL

New York, Jan. 1.—Physicians who are attending Mrs. Charles Ellis, whose gown caught fire in the Cafe Martin last night while the lights were out and the guests were drinking to the coming of the new year, stated today that she would probably recover from her burns...

CONFETTI-STREWING MAN A SUICIDE

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—After a long wild fling at life at its height in the gay New Year's carnival last night, an unknown man repaired to his room in the Berlin hotel and there, sitting erect in a chair, with his clothes covered with confetti, sent a bullet through his brain...

Merrymakers in Collision

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Two persons were injured, neither seriously, early today when a westbound Haight streetcar crashed into the rear of a Market streetcar on Market street. Both cars were filled with New Year's merry makers. The injured are Mrs. Rea Nolan and Gus Bergeren. Motor-man Ottobach, who was in charge of the Haight streetcar, was arrested and will be charged with "battery."

FRESNO VISITED BY SNOWFALL

Santa Clara mountains early today, and a heavy white blanket covers the peaks of the Santa Clara and Ben Lomond ranges. The fall extended farther down the valleys than for many years.

SUNNYSIDE METHODIST HELD WATCH MEETING

Sunnyside Methodist church last night held the most successful New Year's watch meeting in the history of the church, which church was filled with people from 8:30 o'clock until after midnight. Several excellent addresses were made by various Methodist ministers. Rev. Clarence True Wilson, Centenary church, spoke on "The Delity of the Holy Spirit." Rev. J. W. McDougal of Mount Tabor on "The Personality of the Holy Spirit." Rev. L. C. Poor of Sellwood on "The Work of the Holy Spirit." Among church members, Rev. L. F. Smith of Trinity church on "How to Receive the Holy Spirit." Rev. W. R. Jeffrey, University Park church, on "The General Work of the Holy Spirit." Old familiar hymns were sung and as the old year went and the new year was ushered in by Rev. W. H. Hunter, pastor of the church, led in prayer.

HOME CELEBRATES IN HONOR OF NEW YEAR

Some, Jan. 1.—New Year's day was celebrated here today with unusual enthusiasm. The streets were crowded with people and the annual New Year's parade attracted thousands of spectators. At the Quinal a big reception was held, which was attended by all state officials, representatives of parliament, the army and navy and diplomatic representatives of the various foreign governments. At the banquet everything was comparatively clean, although the pope received the congratulations of the numerous members of his household. As usual he received many gifts from all parts of the world and sent his blessings to the faithful throughout the world. His hosts were his guests at dinner.

BIG ROSE TOURNAMENT HELD AT PASADENA

Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 1.—The city is gorgeously decorated with flowers, palms and bunting in honor of the great tournament of roses, the annual New Year's celebration, which is a special feature of attraction of Pasadena. Many thousands of visitors have already arrived here and many more are coming here from the vicinity to witness the corso and chariot races in the afternoon and the grand illumination in the evening. The principal streets, through which the pageant is to move, present a magnificent sight, and visitors who have seen former rose tournaments, declare that all previous records have been broken as to beauty and profusion of the decoration.

FRUSTRATE ATTEMPT TO KILL ALFONSO

San Lucas, Spain, Jan. 1.—The police are convinced that with the arrest last night of three Germans, two Frenchmen and an Italian, they frustrated an attempt to assassinate King Alfonso. The king passed through here yesterday on his way to Granada, where he is in the honored guest at today's New Year's fête. The six suspects are known to be anarchists and have been under the eyes of secret service men for a long time. They were arrested here yesterday through which city King Alfonso announced he would pass on his way to Granada, and this led the police to believe that the regicide plot hatched at the capital, was to have been carried out here. The suspects were taken into custody before the king's train reached the city.

HOOTERS REVEL IN NEW YEAR DELIGHTS

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—As usual the day of the annual New Year's celebration consisted of the great

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