

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ESTABLISHES NEW RECORD FOR 1910

Merchants Declare Business Increased at Remarkable Rate Over 1909 During the Christmas Season.

Christmas shopping of 1910 went on the records last night as the biggest and best in the history of Portland. Biggest in point of volume and best as regards quality of goods and the exceptionally orderly manner in which it was handled. This, the merchants say, is attributable to the early shopping movement which was well headed this year. A tremendous amount of business, but comparatively little crowding even at the last moment.

Increase Great.

Some dealers declare that the holiday trade will show an increase of 50 per cent as compared with that of last year when it was the largest in volume up to that time. They point to the increase as an unmistakable indication of the city's growth in population as well as general prosperity.

"One thing, I noticed, particularly," said a dealer, "the people seemed to know better than to buy what they wanted and they had the money to pay for it."

Shopping Begins Early.

This year the holiday shopping began three or four weeks before the holidays. In former years people have held off to the three or four last days.

All Customers Served.

Early shopping was encouraged, and I believe the public sees the advantage of attending to their shopping in good season and that the good example set this year will prevail in the future."

JIM CASEY SPENDS HOLIDAY IN JAIL

It was "out again—in again" with Jim Casey, a well known character in police circles, yesterday evening.

OFFICER PREVENTS INJURY TO MANY

Shouts Timely Warning to 50 People as Train Backs Into Shed.

Through the alertness of Patrolman Helms, about 50 people were saved from possible injuries at the North Bank depot this evening, when A. & C. train No. 3 backed off the track and completely demolished the shed at the end of the tracks.

The officer saw that the train was backing up at a much higher speed than was usual and shouted to the people in the shed to get out. All ran forward and when the observation car struck the shed it crumbled like so much paper and was pushed into the street. A telephone pole saved a taxicab from being demolished and the noise of the crash frightened the team hitched to a transfer bus. The horses ran away and saved the bus from being smashed. The team was caught before it had run a block.

Robber Held Up Saloon and Secures \$100; Cornered in Gulch.

Special Dispatch to The Journal

Everett, Wash., Dec. 24.—Mike Donnelly, a half breed negro and the marshal and several citizens of Snohomish this afternoon, fought a duel with revolvers and rifles, but no one was wounded. Donnelly, who early in the morning held up the saloon of McEulas and Jessup at Sultan and secured \$100, was recognized by the marshal at 11:00 this afternoon and called upon to surrender. He declined and a revolver duel at close range followed.

Donnelly fled in the direction of Blackman's lake, taking refuge in the thick underbrush of a swamp gulch. Late this afternoon the deputies from the sheriff's office and several citizens left for Snohomish to join in the search for the wanted man.

CLERKS ARE BURIED IN TONS OF MAIL

Postoffice Employees Have a Record Breaking Day—Many Foreign Letters.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Dec. 24.—Seven thousand postoffice clerks in the central New York postoffice and the 40 sub stations are immersed tonight in the most gigantic task of Christmas mail distribution that ever confronted a postoffice force in this country. It is estimated that 4,000,000 letters and packages were received during the day and that millions more will arrive during the night, and tomorrow.

YOUNG WIFE SUICIDES ON CHRISTMAS EVE

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Dec. 24.—In her beautifully appointed apartment in the Dawson Arms, with tables stacked with Christmas presents, Mrs. Marguerite Luersson killed herself tonight. Her husband, George M. Luersson, had been called away by business and had kissed her goodnight.

STARVATION FORCES MAN TO APPLY AT HOSPITAL

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Dec. 24.—Too honest to steal, too proud to beg and unable to find work, John R. Smith, who says he lives in Princeton, Ill., in despair today sought admission to Bellevue hospital. His emaciated appearance gained him admission at once, and after being given stimulants, he was removed to a medical ward, where his case was diagnosed as starvation.

One Miner Killed.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 24.—In a cave-in in the Mohawk mine near here, Anton Kammer, aged 27, was killed, and 10 other miners injured.

MRS. EDDY'S HEIRS FIND GROUND FOR BIG LEGAL BATTLE

Lawyers for George W. Glover and Dr. E. J. F. Eddy Plan Attack on Legacy Devised to Scientist Church.

(By the International News Service.)
New York, Dec. 24.—Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of Christian Science, has left a legacy to the cult she created the gravest crisis in its history. She did this unknowingly, of course, when in her will she made the Mother Church her residuary legatee and bequeathed to it the bulk of her estate, which conservative estimate fixes at close to \$3,000,000.

No doubt remains that the heirs of Mrs. Eddy—her son, George W. Glover, and her adopted son, Dr. E. J. Foster Eddy, have reached a final decision to fight for possession of this fortune. It is already certain that former United States Senator William E. Chandler, and other distinguished counsel representing the heirs, are determined upon a line of legal action, which will raise unique issues and arouse international interest.

Will to Be Attacked.

Not only will the will of Mrs. Eddy be attacked as illegal under the statutory laws of Massachusetts, but there is every promise of a separate proceeding which will be directed against Christian Science itself as a movement against public policy.

The heirs for the Eddy heirs did not have far to look for the keynote of their proposed attack upon the Christian Science leader's will. They found it in the revised laws of Massachusetts for the year 1902, in section 9 of chapter 7. It reads:

"The income of the gifts, grants, bequests and devises made to or for the use of any church, shall not exceed \$200 a year, the excess of the income of any parsonage land, granted to it or for the use of the ministry."

That is all there is to it, brief, plain, unclouded provision of law that had been hidden away among the Massachusetts statutes for more than half a century, but which were re-enacted eight years ago.

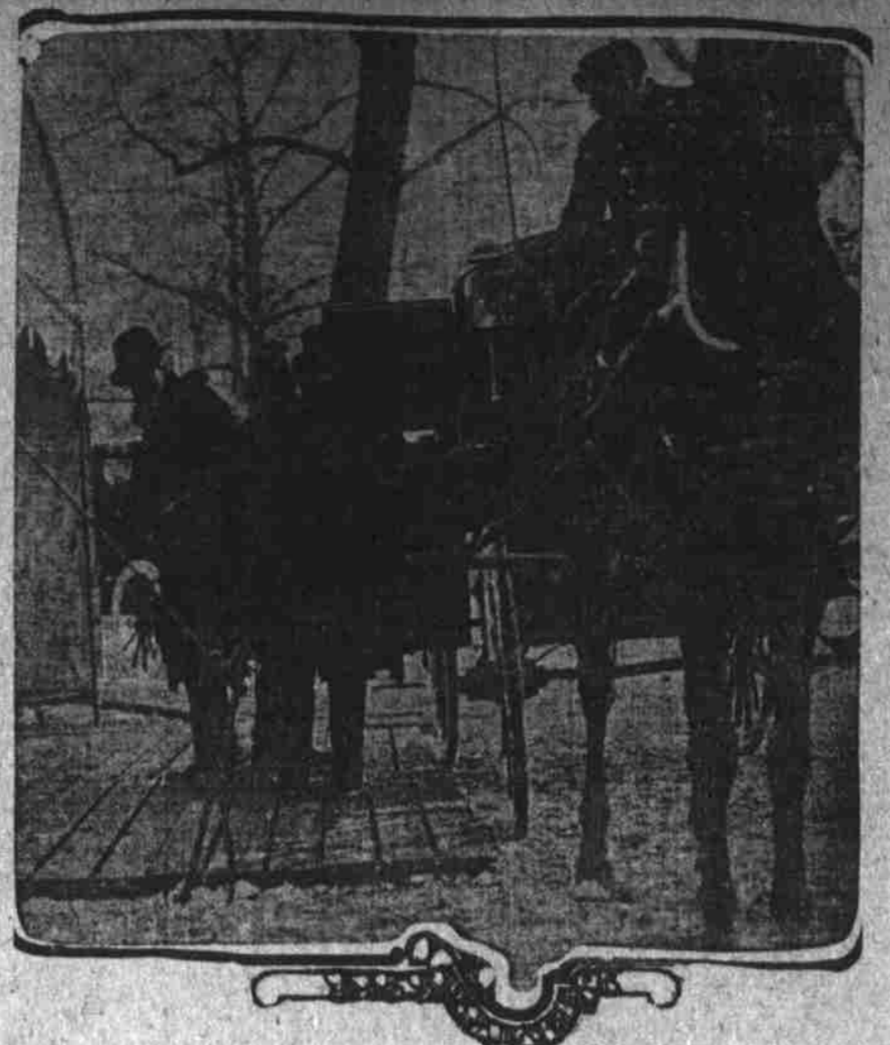
SEER PREDICTS DIRE HAPPENINGS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Paris, Dec. 24.—Having predicted the French floods of this year Mme. De Thebes the most noted of Paris soothsayers, caused a veritable fright among her hundreds of followers today by forecasting that a powerful and evil man will emerge thence with increased prestige. Then he will be master of the hour and battles will follow, battles of words and ideas, with tumult everywhere a new era will open for France and a party which no longer exists will be revived.

SHOT AND KILLED IN PISTOL DUEL

Patrolman Hansen shot and killed an unknown man at 11 o'clock this morning at Third and Couch streets after a running battle of several blocks.

He died as the police officers were carrying him into St. Vincent hospital. Patrolman Abbott had a soldier under arrest at Third and Burnside streets. Sergeant Wantless attempted to disperse a crowd that had gathered. Two strangers interfered, and Detective Coleman then placed one of them under arrest. The prisoner's partner drew a gun, and began firing at the detective and police sergeant, one bullet passing through the latter's sleeve. Four shots were fired, and he then ran up to Second and Couch streets, where Deputy Sheriff Baty began firing at the man, who had reloaded his gun, and again fired at the following officers. Patrolman Hansen was running after the man, and the two were firing at each other. A bullet from the patrolman's pistol struck the man in the mouth, and he dropped.



George W. Glover, the only son of Mrs. Mary Baker Glover Eddy, the founder and late head of Christian Science. This picture was taken as he was stepping from his carriage at the grave of his mother in Mount Auburn cemetery, Boston.

DAHLMAN SUES SCALE COMPANY

Alleges Imposed Upon in His Capacity as Guarantor of Honest Avoirdupois.

(By the International News Service.)
Douglas, Neb., Dec. 25.—A suit filed today in the district court here by Jim Dahlman, the cowboy mayor of Omaha, promises to give the complainant as much publicity as he earned in his recent unsuccessful race for governor. The allegations in Dahlman's bill are interpreted to indicate conditions likely to produce sensations in a number of municipalities in which two competing scale companies have fought for the installation of their scales.

Dahlman is suing the Toledo Computing Scale company of Toledo, Ohio, to force it to pay judgment for costs amounting to \$148.35 found against him and the inspector of weights and measures in the suit of the Money Weight Scale company vs. Dahlman and Pegg in the United States circuit court in 1906, when the inspector, by direction of the mayor, refused to seal a certain type of money weight scale.

In his bill Dahlman alleges that he was induced by the representatives of the Toledo company to order his dealer to condemn a certain type of Dayton money weight scale. Dahlman also alleges that the Toledo company promised to furnish him with counsel to defend any suit, if brought, and to pay judgment against him and his dealer. He now demands that the Toledo company keep its promise.

By giving the outside of the hull of a high speed motorboat sharp angles instead of curves, an asturpary, a designer prevents water being thrown aboard as usually is the case.

THREE KILLED AS TRAIN HITS AUTO

Deliverymen on Truck Lose Lives When Baltimore & Ohio Train Hits Machine.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Chester, Pa., Dec. 24.—Three men who had taken Christmas cheer to many families were instantly killed tonight near Prospect Park when a Baltimore & Ohio train smashed into a heavy automobile delivery truck belonging to Straw Bridge & Clothier, of Philadelphia.

The Dead: EDWARD LANDIE, 25, driver, Philadelphia. JOHN ECCLES, 25, helper, Philadelphia. LEON MALSBERGER, 16, helper, Philadelphia.

The men had been delivering Christmas goods and were returning to Philadelphia when the accident occurred. Fragments of the heavy truck were scattered for a quarter of a mile, the mangled bodies of the dead being found 200 feet from the scene of the accident.

JUNGLE KING FALLS BEFORE GERMAN PRINCE

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Bombay, India, Dec. 24.—The crown prince of Germany has joined the ranks of the other royals who have slain their first tigers in India. While hunting yesterday near Jaipur the crown prince brought down a splendid male tiger near the spot where the czar of Russia, the late King Edward, and King George of England, killed their first tigers. Later in the day the crown prince slew a wild bear with his spear, showing great courage in the face of the on rushing animal.

VIOLIN SEIZED BY CUSTOMS AGENTS

Instrument Brought Into Country by H. O. Havemeyer Reported as Confiscated.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Dec. 25.—According to the New York World of today, Henry O. Havemeyer, genius of the sugar trust, who died in 1907, smuggled a violin known as the Killswater Stradivarius into this country through the port of Boston in September, 1905.

The violin was seized by two special agents of the United States, at the residence of Mrs. H. O. Havemeyer, widow of the sugar magnate, the World's story says, upon information given Collector Loeb about three months ago.

Big Trust Cases Will Be Heard

United States Supreme Court to Hear Arguments on Oil and Tobacco Cases.

Washington, Dec. 24.—To decide whether the Roosevelt trust busting policy shall be perpetuated in law is the task, which confronts the supreme court of the United States with the beginning of the new year. During the week ending January 2 the highest court will hear arguments in the famous Standard Oil and tobacco trust cases.

On its decision hangs the future of the Sherman anti-trust law. If the tribunal holds the law constitutional and disbands the two trusts, it will be a triumph for the Roosevelt policies; if it decides the measure to be unconstitutional the "predatory corporations" will have won their big victory.

ESTRANGED COUPLE FORGET DIFFERENCES

New York, Dec. 24.—After being separated for 16 years, during which time they had not seen one another, John R. Rogers, theatrical manager, and his wife, known the world over a few years ago as Minnie Palmer, the greatest soubrette of her time, met by chance at a Christmas Eve party at the Hotel Albany tonight, kissed and made up.

NEW DISCOVERY IS DECLARED BOON TO MEDICAL SCIENCE

Professor Therlich of Frankfurt Finds Substance That Will Banish All Disease Germs From Body of Man.

(By the International News Service.)
New York, Dec. 24.—A new substance has just been brought into existence that will drive from the human body all germs of every known disease. This quality was discovered by accident by Professor Kitzner in experimenting with the famous "606," a specific which Professor Paul Therlich of Frankfurt presented early this year to medical science.

"In my opinion it is the most wonderful Christmas present ever given the people of the world," said Dr. Samuel W. Lambert, dean of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, noted physician and leader in his profession. He seemed most enthusiastic over the great find, which he himself and others of the medical fraternity only this week have learned has been brought to light.

Testimonial of High Authority.

"The greatest discovery in medicine announced in 1910," continued Dr. Lambert, "was this '606.' From it came the new remedy just announced to the medical profession. Only a paragraph has appeared so far in regard to it. The Journal of the American Medical Association, in the issue of December 17, stated, after referring to disturbances in the body of the patient after the use of '606':

"Either never use methyl alcohol, so that the disturbances cannot be explained in this way. He used for the injection a mixture of what was left in two tubes of '606,' the rest of the contents of the vial having been used in another case.

"The tips of the tubes were fused again to protect the remaining contents and he thinks that the heat applied in the fusing must have modified the drug within in some way to render it more toxic. Experiments on animals with the '606' after it has been heated seem to confirm this assumption of a toxic modification of the drug under the influence of heat."

Greatest of Medical Discoveries.

"This is a new idea," continued Dr. Lambert. "It means so much that I fear it will sound exaggerated. You can readily understand what the driving of disease germs from the human body means. It is, as I have said, the greatest thing in the life of medical research that has been brought to usage, and overshadows the other wonder, '606.'"

PITCHER NAGLE GOES TO PIRATES NEXT YEAR

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—Walter Nagle, of the Los Angeles team of the Pacific league, will be added to the Pittsburg staff of pitchers. President Berry of the Los Angeles club tonight in a telegram, accepted the offer made by the Pittsburg club for Nagle's services next season.

To reduce the dampness in walls a machine has been invented in England to cut seams in them, half an inch wide, into which are inserted lead sheets covered with asphalt felt.

STORE CLOSED ALL DAY TOMORROW---MONDAY

Special Announcements

OUR Regular Annual Clearance Sale will begin Tuesday morning. It is the only sale we hold and is eagerly awaited each year by thousands of buyers, who know and want good furniture, and who appreciate the opportunity of buying it at most unusual prices.

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