

KISSING IS CUSTOM OF RUSSIANS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Portland Man Tells How Pretty Damsel Smacked Him While Walking on Street of Capitol.

A "kissfest" of stupendous proportions is Russia's method of celebrating Christmas, according to Anton Hansen, gardener at Reed college. Beginning at midnight, Christmas eve, osculation is in order, and there is open season on blushing cheeks.

The Reed gardener tells of his first experience with the Russian custom, which left him with the conviction that the entire population of the old St. Petersburg had become demented.

GIRL KISSES HIM

Hansen had been living in Switzerland, where Christmas is celebrated in a same manner, and walking about in the Russian capital on Christmas eve, he was somewhat surprised, and not entirely displeased, when a laughing damsel threw her arms about his neck and implanted several heavy smacks on his cheek. He feared that a mistake had been made, but he had no intention of correcting it.

There was less appeal in the Russian custom, however, in its next application. An old gray-haired peasant was next to salute the Reed gardener in the Russian way, and when this was followed by another uninvited kiss from an ancient female, Mr. Hansen, believing that the city had gone mad, loitered no longer on the public highway, but sought safety down a dark alley and stealthily found his way to his room.

VODKA FLOWS FREELY

The Russian system has its good points, however, in the estimation of the collegiate horticulturist. The old monarchy was a pure democracy for the entire night. Peasants could kiss the czar or czarling, children exchange smacks with the offspring of counts and nobles, and every home was thrown wide open to all comers. Vodka and meats were on tap for everyone, and as the night grew late, the kissing custom, intensified in fervor by strong drink, became the ruling passion of millions.

The custom is a good one, says the Reed gardener, who is a native of Switzerland, and whose experiences include residence in every country in Europe.

Journal Association Of Carriers Enjoy Theatre and 'Feed'

All the enthusiasm of the younger generation of The Journal family, the carrier boys who are directly responsible for the delivery of the paper at the thresholds of thousands of Portland homes, was expressed with the exuberance of youth Thursday evening at the annual "party" of the Journal Carriers' association.

After luncheon in The Journal editorial rooms, the young folk, 300 and more strong, filed into the Hippodrome theatre, where they were honored guests at the annual theatre party. The affair, following a splendid display of the fellowship of youngsters, wound up near the midnight hour.

CHRISTMAS IS JOYOUS DAY TO THOUSANDS

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out a basket of fruit, nuts and candy with a silk American flag was handed to every one.

During the seating the Elks' band played several marches. The singing of "America" was led by W. H. Boyer. Miss Marie Gammie directed the dance of the fairies, who were Doris Phillips, Katherine Buck, Janet Riggs, Dorothy Centro, Helen Taylor, Anna Boyer and Thelma Robinson.

Gifts and candy were taken to the various institutions about the city who could not let their children attend the tree at the Auditorium by a committee. The Louise home school gave an entertainment, and after midnight 25 of the girls visited the homes of the various members of the board and sang Christmas carols. The Christmas dinner was provided through the generosity of the Benson, Imperial, Portland and Multnomah hotels, and gifts were presented by the Elks, the Rotary club and Louise Home, circles 1 and 5.

Christmas boxes containing eatables and presents were given to the families of men in prison.

HOME REUNIONS HELD

Home reunions were everywhere, with the elaborate dinners and the gift-

laden trees as special features, and there were several entertainments provided especially for strangers sojourning in Portland.

At the leading hotels all was life and gaiety, and the evening dinner was a big feature in each instance. Nearly 1000 guests partook of the elaborate dinner at the Benson. Both dining rooms were run at full capacity and the tables were gay with the Christmas colors. A huge Christmas tree stood in the lobby and another was in the grill. The orchestra rendered a special Christmas program.

Both dining rooms were in use at the Portland hotel and hundreds of guests enjoyed the dinner, the dancing and the singing and orchestra program. Harriet and Florence Leach, late of the Orpheum circuit, were the singers; Prasp's orchestra played and M. G. Buterfield was the soloist. The house was filled with many out-of-town guests.

FEAST OF TURKEY

Hundreds of children were guests at the Swivel dinner. The great dining room hummed with childish voices and the little folk were given a great spread of Christmas turkey and all the fixins' and were laden with candy, fruits and nuts.

The Pacific Coast Rescue Mission and Protective society gave a dinner and Christmas tree to the children and mothers of the Albermarle Kerr Nursery home. Each child was given a suitable present provided by the Elks, the Shriners and the Eastern Outfitting company.

SANTA CLAUS BUSY

In the afternoon children were invited in, and Santa Claus appeared for the purpose of distributing to them candy and fruit.

The Multnomah hotel had a capacity crowd to feed and hundreds of dinner guests. Christmas trees graced the lobby and ball room and during the evening a choir of 15 boys sang Christmas carols. The hotel management presented to each permanent guest a potted plant, poinsettias and begonias.

All the theaters had good crowds during the afternoon and evening. Long lines awaited entrance at both the Helix and Liberty for the evening programs.

The Christmas services of Oregon Commandery, Knights Templars, held at 11 a. m. in the Pythian building grand lodge room, were attended by many members and their friends. The address by Earl C. Bronaugh was impressive, full of deep religious expression and patriotic sentiments. Miss Elceena Greene gave several harp solos in a manner that greatly pleased the Sir Knights. Miss Alice Justin sang "Holy Night" in contralto. Many of the ceremonies were strange to the onlookers, all partaking of the day and the traditions and principles of the order.

SANITARIUMS VISITED

A dozen young people from the Portland Community service led by Walter Jenkins gave a sing early Christmas morning through the grounds of the Portland Open Air sanitarium in Millwaukie, much to the delight of the herculean patients. At the same hour the Warren Vesper orchestra of the First Presbyterian church, and led by A. L. Clifford, gave a concert at the Pierce sanitarium on Terwilliger boulevard. At the latter institution many soldiers are convalescing. The 115 pa-

Resident of Oregon For 66 Years Dies

Salem, Dec. 25.—Mary Anne Chapman, a resident of the Salem district for 66 years, died Friday night at the home of her son, George W. Chapman, in West Salem, at the age of 92 years. Mrs. Chapman was a cousin of General Robert E. Lee. Funeral services will be held from the Webb & Clough chapel here Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Children Guests of K. P.

Medford, Dec. 25.—The children of Medford and the valley enjoyed a Christmas tree and entertainment, with presents, as guests of Tallman lodge, Knights of Pythias, at the K. of P. hall Friday.

Dufur Funeral to Be Held Monday; He Was Oregon Pioneer

The funeral services of William H. Dufur, pioneer of 1859, who died at his home, 1075 Belmont street, Thursday, will be held at the Sunnyside Congregational church Monday afternoon at 2:30. Honorary pallbearers will be Judge Tawell, Henry E. McGinn, William M. Calk, Ben Seiling, Frank C. Barnes and J. L. Hammersley. The body will be interred at Mount Scott cemetery.

Dufur was born in Williamstown, Va., in 1854 and came to Oregon with his parents in 1859. In 1876 he married Miss Mary L. Alexander, and shortly after went to Dufur, where he had a stock farm. The town of Dufur was named after him. Returning to Portland in 1908, he was a resident until the time of his death.

Active in the public life of the state,

he represented Wasco county in the state legislature in 1882. Under the Harrison administration he was appointed disbursing agent for the Warm Springs and Colville Indian commission. In 1898 he was appointed forest supervisor of the Bull Run reserve and served in that post four years. At the time of his death he was bailiff in the circuit court.

He was a member of the Woodmen of the World, the United Artisans, master of Woodlawn grange and president of the Oregon Pioneer association.

Dufur is survived by his widow, Mary Dufur; one daughter, Mrs. Blanche G. Greer of Bakersfield, Cal., and one son, Andrew B. Dufur of Dufur.

Mrs. May Adelia Fuller

Mrs. May Adelia Fuller, 65, 1111 Fortieth street, southeast, died suddenly Christmas morning at her home following a short nervous spell. Death was not anticipated by the family, as Mrs. Fuller had her suitcases packed ready to spend the day with her daughter at Hood River.

Mrs. Fuller was the wife of David B.

Fuller of the Federal Reserve bank. She came to Portland 12 years ago from San Antonio, Tex., and was well known throughout the city. She was a prominent member of Centenary-Wilbur Methodist church and during the war was active in Red Cross work. The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock Monday from the chapel of J. P. Finley & Son, with interment at Rose City cemetery.

Louis Paquet

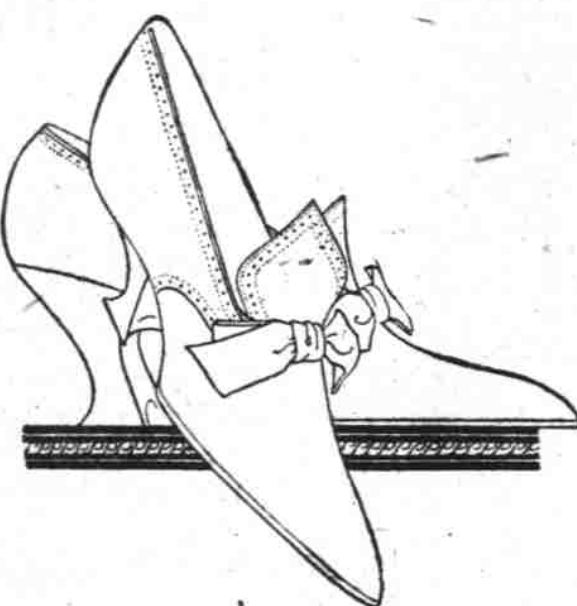
The funeral services of Louis Paquet, veteran of the Civil war and pioneer shipbuilder, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Daisy Ulen, 7423 Eighty-second street, Friday, will be held at the A. D. Kenworthy chapel, Lentz, Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Incineration will be at the Canemah crematorium.

Pendleton Farmer Is Robbed of \$250 By 2 Highwaymen

With a revolver pressed under his chin by one of two holdup men who accosted him at Park and Taylor streets Friday night, William Gillette of Pendleton was robbed of \$250. Gillette told the police the two men called to him to stop, and while one man held the revolver at his throat, ordering him to keep his head up and not look down, the other searched his pockets. The highwaymen overlooked a \$5 bill in Gillette's wallet and some small change in his trousers pocket. The loot was all in \$50 bills. Gillette, who is a farmer of Pendleton, is staying at the St. Charles hotel. He told the police the highwaymen were both apparently between 25 and 30 years old. Both wore dark overcoats. One was tall and the other short.

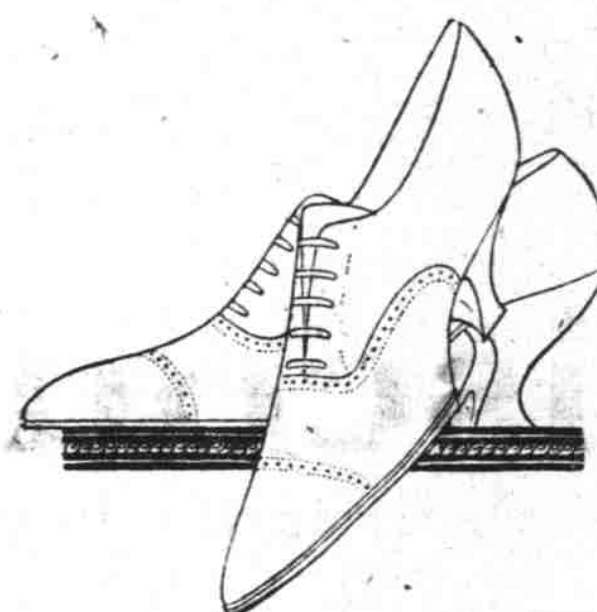
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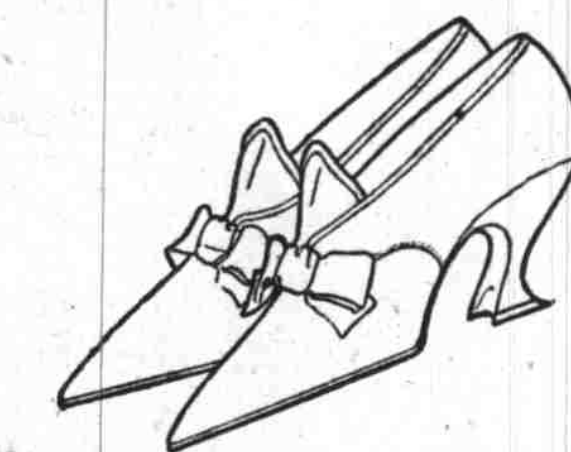
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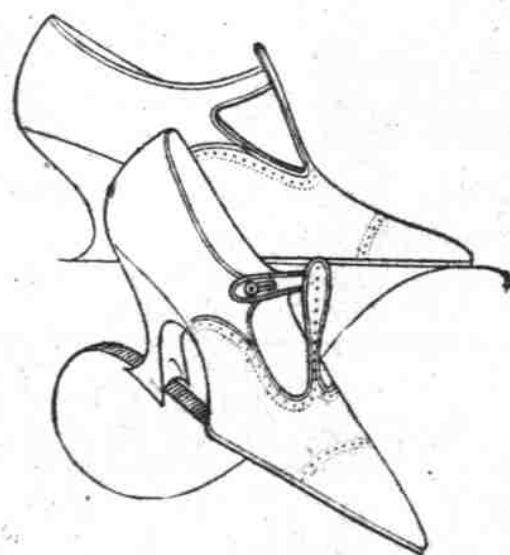


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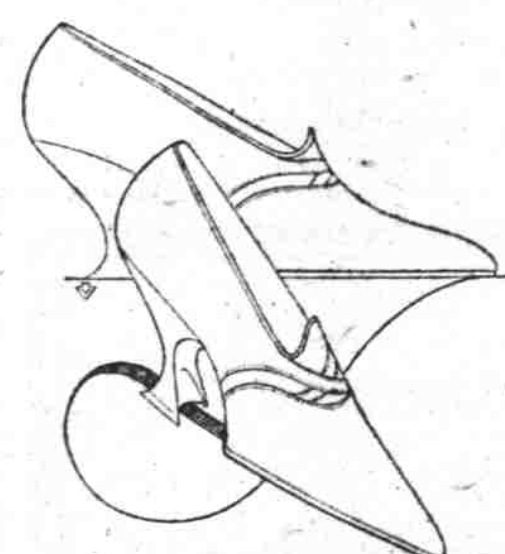
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