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Tonight and Wednesday probably fair.

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# THOUSANDS OF MEN WELCOME BIG SNOWFALL

### Chicago's Unemployed Are Given Work Clearing off Streets—Four Lacks of Snow There.

## ALL TRAINS REPORTED LATE

### Severe Cold Is Hardship on the Poor of the City and Charitable Organizations Have Been Swamped With Appeals For Aid—Traffic From West Almost Tied Up.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Four inches of snow have fallen here and it is a welcome advent to the unemployed. Hundreds of men have been given work clearing off sidewalks. The severe weather has caused much suffering among the poor and charitable organizations have been swamped with appeals for aid. Incoming trains are almost all late, especially those coming from the west.

## CHRISTMAS TREE FOR INDIAN SCHOOL TOTS

At the Umatilla agency school chapel tomorrow evening the annual Christmas tree program for the little children of the Indian school will be held and Major Swartzlander has extended an invitation to the white people of the city and surrounding country to attend. He also asks that the public be thanked in behalf of the children and the school for the contribution of \$140 raised in order to provide the Santa Claus celebration for the government wards.

The Indian school program will start at 7 o'clock and a good program will be given prior to the tree celebration and a real Santa Claus will distribute the presents that have been purchased for the Indian children.

## ZELAYA WILL LEAVE U. S. ON OWN ACCOUNT HE SAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Jose Santos Zelaya, former president of Nicaragua, will sail for Europe for La Lorraine on Wednesday he announced his secretary, Jose Mazias, who will accompany him.

## TIDAL WAVE SWEEPS COAST AND WASHES OUT TRACKS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23.—A tidal wave which swept up from the Pacific at Elmore park washed out several hundred yards of track from in front of a Portland bound passenger train, undermined and flooded half a mile of beach cottages and left a row of miniature lakes of sea water along the railroad. The scene of the flood is in Tillamook county. Ordinarily the ocean is half a mile from the railroad at this point. Track crews repaired the damage within a few hours and the train proceeded to Portland.

## WALLA WALLA WOMAN TAKES HER OWN LIFE.

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Earl Thompson, living on Bryant avenue, died at 3 o'clock this morning of wounds inflicted on her wrist by herself at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. The reason for her act is not known. Coroner Cookerly took charge of the body, but left it at the residence. Dr. E. E. Shaw was in attendance.

## WOMAN IS PARDONED, INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—Governor Ralston made a Christmas present of a pardon to Mrs. Belle Shenkenberger, for 15 years an inmate of the woman's prison here following her conviction on a charge of poisoning her daughter-in-law. She was a civil war nurse. She began her prison term on Christmas eve, 1898, and will be freed on Christmas eve, 1913.

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## JESSIE McCANN, FOR WHOM POLICE OF NATION HAVE BEEN ASKED TO MAKE A SEARCH



NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Jessie McCann, a popular young woman of Flatbush, Brooklyn, has mysteriously disappeared, and the case bears some resemblance to that of Dorothy Arnold, who, leaving her home three years ago, has never been heard from by the public at least.

## 100,000 MEN OUT OF WORK IN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23.—A request that he call a special session of the legislature on January 1 to consider the problem of the unemployed, was telegraphed Governor Johnson today by Thomas Williams, secretary of the California Socialist party. In the telegram Williams claimed that 100,000 men are out of work in California and that conditions are acute in the large centers.

## SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS VACATION

With the closing of school this afternoon, Pendleton pupils commence upon their annual Christmas holiday vacation which this year will last for 12 days. School will be resumed on the morning of Monday, January 5.

## REALTY TRANSFERS IN THIS COUNTY

J. R. Weaver and wife to J. B. Harvey, SE 1-4 of Sec. 6, Twp. 2, N. R. 29; V. H. Rogers to M. McDonald, lots 1 and 2 of the SW 1-4 of Sec. 19, Twp. 6, N. R. 34; James R. Shockey and wife of Meachan to Charles H. Hudson, SW 1-4 of the NW 1-4 Sec. 17, Twp. 1 S. R. 34; Alma F. Barnett to M. L. Watts for \$1,000, 40 acres in Sec. 22, Twp. 5, N. R. 25; Herman Swartz to G. C. Sprague and A. L. Sprague, 5 acres in Sec. 23, Twp. 6, N. R. 34; Clara H. Pugh et al to Martha A. Herman, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 14, Richmond's addition to Helix; Patterson F. Waldrop and wife to W. P. Leach for \$10,000, 33 acres in Sec. 25, Twp. 6, N. R. 34; C. J. Douglas and wife to W. E. Potter, farm unit D of the NW 1-4 of Sec. 2, Twp. 4, N. R. 28; Miles T. Foster and wife of La Grande to Mount Emily Timber Co., 155.32 acres in Sec. 31, Twp. 1, S. R. 37; James M. Wright and wife to same, 177.30 acres in same section; L. B. Moe and wife to same, 177.06 acres in same section; American National bank to W. H. Gullford for \$1,000, lots 2 and 3, and the S 1-2 of the NE 1-4 and the NW 1-4 of the SW 1-4, Sec. 2, Twp. 4, S. R. 30, also lots 3 and 4 and the S 1-2 of the NE 1-2, Sec. 1, Twp. 4, S. R. 30; Edw. W. Suliste to Charles W. Brown, 4 acres Sec. 2, Twp. 1, N. R. 21.

## WILSON JOINS IN CHORUS OF "OLD NASSAU" AT PLAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson stood in a box in a local theater, then with uplifted hands joined in the chorus of "Old Nassau," the alma mater song of Princeton.

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## PROJECT WORK CANNOT SOLVE IDLE PROBLEM

### Commencement on the West Extension Will Provide Employment to Limited Number at Outset.

## TEAMS ONLY IN USE NOW

H. D. Newell, Project Engineer, Says Actual Work Will Begin Soon as Camp Equipment Can Be Gathered—Many Additional Men Will Be Employed in Warmer Weather.

The commencement of work upon the west extension to the Umatilla project in the west end of this county will not solve the problem of how to give work to the state's unemployed, according to a statement made this morning over the telephone by H. D. Newell, project engineer. Because of climatic conditions, the only work that can be done at this time, he says, is the digging of canals which will require teams and teamsters only and, inasmuch as the people living on the project have the teams, the labor necessary will be selected there.

## SHERIFF REFUSES TO UNSEAL MINE

SALT LAKE, Dec. 23.—Sheriff Smith refused today to reopen the Utah-Apex mine where Ralph Lopez the Mexican gunman is sealed up. The management of the mine is growing anxious to resume work and have showed signs of impatience. The sheriff, however, declared he would risk no further men in searching the tunnels for the fugitive. He admitted that he believed Lopez was dead but said that he proposed to wait fully two weeks before resuming a hunt for the body.

## NEWS SUMMARY

General. Governor West gives Sheriff Rand a few days of grace to enforce the laws at Copperfield. One hundred thousand men out of work in California is statement of socialist who wants Governor Johnson to call special session of legislature to consider matter. Thousands of the unemployed in Chicago welcome heavy snowfall and many of them are set to work cleaning up streets. Arrests follow explosion in special train of Russian empress dowager who was about to depart for St. Petersburg. Woman lives for 15 years in private rooms in rear of office of prominent attorney, Melvin Couch, former law associate of Judge Parker. Night riders whip woman, burn her home and order her to leave town at Old Horton, Missouri. Sheriff Smith refuses to reopen Utah-Apex mine where Lopez is believed to be entombed. Courtesy measure is on way to President Wilson who will sign it at 6 o'clock this evening. Eight hour law applies to state employees declares Oregon supreme court in decision. Local. Organization of Teel Irrigation District held invalid by Judge Phelps. Council in caucus considers work done by water commission but project will be delayed. West extension to Umatilla project will not afford work for unemployed this winter. Schools close today for Christmas holidays.

## WEST DECLARES HE WILL CLOSE TOWN

### Saloons at Copperfield Must Obey Orders—Sheriff Rand of Baker County Refuses to Act.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 23.—Governor West said this afternoon: "Sheriff Rand will be given until, after Christmas, to carry out the request of this office. If the request is not complied with, we will perform the duty ourselves and will not stop at Copperfield. There has been utter disregard of the law in Baker county. Complaint after complaint has been brought to this office. The officials up there know of these conditions and in most instances have failed to do their duty."

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 23.—When informed that Sheriff Rand, of Baker county, had defied his order to close the saloons at Copperfield, declaring the executive had no legal authority to make the order, Governor West said: "Well, I will close the saloons there myself, and I will close any other saloons in that county that need closing."

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 23.—Ed. Rand, sheriff of Baker county, flatly refused to carry out Governor West's order to close the saloons at Copperfield, and said that the only way he knew that the governor could have his wishes carried out was to declare martial law at Copperfield and take in the militia and enforce the law with their assistance. Mr. Rand declares that the district attorney has advised him that there is no law on the statute books which would warrant his closing the Copperfield saloons or any other saloon which has a license, and that therefore Mr. West's peremptory order must go unobeyed.

Sheriff Rand telegraphed Governor West asking him to cite the code under which he expected to have his order obeyed, and he said that until he gets a satisfactory answer to this message he will make no move against the saloons at Copperfield. District Attorney Godwin upheld the sheriff in his stand, and said that he could find no authority for proceeding in the Copperfield case, despite the governor's peremptory order. Sheriff Rand and District Attorney Godwin were disposed to make light of conditions at Copperfield, and declared that the governor had been misled to believe that a condition of lawlessness existed, when as a matter of fact, there was nothing, they said, other than a neighborhood quarrel, in which two factions were at loggerheads, and each was endeavoring to bring ruin upon the heads of the others.

## TO OWN PHONES COST COUNTRY \$900,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Government ownership of the nation's telephone lines would cost less than \$900,000,000 and would present no greater difficulties of financing than did the Panama canal, Representative Lewis of Maryland, told the house in an exhaustive analysis of his proposal to have those lines operated by the postoffice department. "The perversion of the laws of public and private financing," said Mr. Lewis, "by which public governments have been disinherited of their moral functions, has led to such corruption and demoralization that cities like New York with its street railways, Philadelphia with its gas works and San Francisco with its telephones have shamed the scions of Roman corruption in their most dishonorable days."

## ARRESTS MADE IN TRAIN WRECK CASE

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—Despite an official assertion that a defect in the lighting apparatus caused the explosion which partly wrecked the special train of the Russian empress dowager last night, it leaked out today that several arrests have been made in connection with the case. The train was awaiting the dowager empress who was to arrive from Copenhagen on the way to St. Petersburg. If the explosion had occurred a few minutes later she would have been aboard. Several employees of the railway were badly injured.

## WOMAN LIVED 15 YEARS IN PRIVATE ROOM NEXT TO LAWYER'S OFFICE

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—"A woman lives; gives always and sacrifices all when she loves and I am only a woman."

This was the answer of Adelaide Brance in answer to a story of illicit love and self denial which reads like a Roman tragedy. The story developed with the sudden death yesterday of Melvin Couch, former business associate of Judge Alton Parker, in his law office here. The presence of Miss Brance in a secret suit of housekeeping rooms back of Couch's office was found as Mrs. Couch sat talking with the coroner and sheriff. The widow faintly admitted when Miss Brance tearfully admitted she had occupied the suite for more than 15 years.

Miss Brance was held by the sheriff on the technical charge of taking \$3 from Couch's pocket. She smiled grimly when told why she was being held. The funeral was privately held this afternoon. Miss Brance broke down completely when the sheriff refused to allow her to attend.

## TEEL IRRIGATION DISTRICT INVALID

By a decision handed down yesterday afternoon by Circuit Judge G. W. Phelps, the Teel Irrigation district, as organized by men interested in getting water on a large area of semi-arid land in the western part of the county, is held invalid. Judge Phelps, briefly speaking, holds that the proceedings have been irregular and that competent evidence has been lacking to secure affirmation or ratification.

The directors of the district will doubtless appeal the matter to the supreme court. The case came before the circuit court upon the petition of the directors for the examination, approval and confirmation of the proceedings in the organization and in the issuing of bonds for the purpose of water rights and the construction of irrigation works. Under the law as passed by the last legislature, the directors of an irrigation district may submit their proceedings to the circuit or supreme court for an opinion as to their legality.

The directors, through their attorney, J. T. Hinkle, at first tried to submit the matter in the form of a friendly suit and for that purpose Glen Warner, famous Carlisle football coach who owns land under the proposed district, appeared against the petitioners through his brother, W. J. Warner who is a partner of J. T. Hinkle.

## COUNCIL STILL WORKING OVER THE WATER REPORT

All day yesterday the city council sat in caucus to consider its report upon the work done upon the gravity system by the water commission, and the end is not yet. In fact it is almost certain that that report will not be ready for formal adoption at the regular meeting tomorrow. There is a possibility that a special meeting will be called to receive it and it is yet more probable that it will be held over until the meeting a week from tomorrow.

The report which the expert accountants have made upon the records and books of the commission has been received by the council but was probably held until the other report is ready. At the caucus it is reported that the work done by the commission was thoroughly thrashed over and that both Dr. James A. Best and Chairman Will Moore were called before it to explain certain matters.

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## MEASURE GOES TO PRESIDENT TO BE SIGNED

### Senate Adopts Joint Conference Currency Bill—House Has Already Ratified Agreement.

## BOTH HOUSES ADJOURNED

Wilson Will Place His Signature to Engrossed Bill at 6 O'clock This Evening—Ceremony Will Accompany Signing—Memorandum Prepared Outlining His Views.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—By a vote of 43 to 35 the senate this afternoon adopted the joint conference currency bill. The engrossed bill is expected to reach the white house not later than 4 o'clock this afternoon. President Wilson announced his intention of signing the bill at 6 o'clock. The house adjourned at 3:11 and the senate at 4:01 o'clock this afternoon.

## NORTH YAKIMA TO REMAIN IN WESTERN TRI-STATE

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 23.—North Yakima will maintain a baseball team in the Western Tri-State league another year. There was a deficit of about \$2,000 from the 1913 season, but the directors have decided to enter another team and endeavor to pull even the coming summer. The directors are Robert Lundstrom, L. O. Janeck, Guy Graf, R. C. Sinclair, Fred Fontaine, T. L. Martin, Dr. E. S. West, Dr. A. F. Campbell and D. L. Thacker. The selection of a manager and players will be discussed in January.

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