

CHRISTMAS, 1920 SEES EUROPE IN VARYING MOODS

Third Year Since Surrender of Germans Finds Almost Universal Desire for National Disarmament to End Wars.

RUSSIANS LACK MEANS FOR ANY CELEBRATION

Italy's Recovery Has Been Weak, and France and Britain Doubt But Greece and Germany Today Rejoicing.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—(By J. W. T. Mason, U. P. Staff Correspondent.)

The third Christmas since the surrender of Germany finds the European nations still in halting moods, but gradually returning to normal conditions.

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SAVORY ODDS KEY HARDING OFF ASSOCIATION TODAY

MARION, Dec. 25.—(U. P.)—President-elect and Mrs. Harding tried hard today to make this an old-fashioned Christmas, but they could not escape the fact that they were in the limelight.

SWIG TOO MANY COSTS DRIVER OF AUTO \$146

Driving an auto while intoxicated yesterday cost Philip Narikas just \$146 Friday afternoon when he was taken before Justice of the Peace T. A. Leavelle at Adams, by Traffic Officer William Loday.

PARTY TO VISIT MEXICO. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—(A. P.)

A first class electrically lighted train with all modern facilities and comforts has been chartered for a number of members of the Chamber of Commerce and their families who leave here January 8, 1921, to visit Mexico City, Mexico.

DIRIGIBLE AIR LINE FROM PORTLAND TO ALASKA IS PLAN FOR NEXT SUMMER

Plans for dirigible air service between Spokane, Seattle, Portland and Juneau, Alaska are under way and it is expected the first dirigible will be operated between Spokane and Seattle next summer.

LANDSCAPE GARDNER DIES PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—(A. P.)

Joseph Meehan, 87, a veteran nurseryman and prolific writer on horticultural and landscape topics, died yesterday.

ONE BAD CHECK GETS BY BUT SECOND LANDS ARTIST ON SNAG AND BEHIND BARS

Edgar Fitzpatrick passed a worthless check for \$10 on the St. George hotel Friday afternoon under the name of George Walker but when he offered another, for \$12, a few minutes later, to Charles E. Bond, he ran into a snag that landed him in the city jail shortly after.

Fitzpatrick, bearing a book of receipts and some envelopes indicating that he has been soliciting subscriptions for the "Stars and Stripes," a newspaper published for former service men, was en route to Boise, Idaho.

The man posed as a railroad worker when he offered a check to the hotel after banking hours.

A letter written at Lewiston by Fitzpatrick to a friend named "Lou" at Granite Creek, Idaho, was taken from him when searched. It indicated

LET JOY BE UNCONFINED



SANTA, IN PLANE, CUTS DIDOS IN AIR ABOVE GAZE OF N. Y. KIDDIES

RIDGEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 25.—(A. P.)—Santa Claus came out of the clouds and circled low before assembled hundreds of children who could see the pink of his cheeks and the white of his whiskers as his airplane cut "didos" in the air yesterday.

BARBED WIRE SHUTS FIUME FROM WORLD

TRIESTE, Dec. 25.—The city of Fiume is completely isolated today as the result of a conflict between Gabriele D'Annunzio and the Italian government over the treaty of Rapallo.

TACOMA FOLK PLAY SANTA TO GERMAN

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—(A. P.)—Residents of Tacoma this year almost abandoned the role of Santa Claus, which for several Christmas seasons they have been playing to relatives and friends in Europe.

TACOMA SENDS TREES TO ALL UNITED STATES

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—The demand for Christmas trees is so extended that a regular business has been built up here in supplying them to all parts of the nation.

BRITISH ORDER SPURS MONEY SAVERS IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(U. P.)—Lloyd-George's reported order to cut in half the estimates for the ensuing year, strengthened the hands of members of congress who want similar action taken here when the army and navy appropriations bills are considered.

CLARA SMITH HAMON DESCRIBES CHRISTMAS WITH MAN NOW SLAIN

WOMAN SUSPECTED OF EMPIRE BUILDER'S MURDER MUSES IN LAWYER'S OFFICE OVER EVENTS OF YEAR AGO IN ARMORE.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 25.—(U. P.)—"Last Christmas was inordinately happy—so happy I was afraid," said Clara Smith Hamon, who is residing here until she returns to Ardmore, Okla., to face the charge of slaying Jake L. Hamon, empire builder and mercenary man.

LAST CHRISTMAS IN WHITE HOUSE SPENT QUIETLY BY WILSONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(A. P.)—President Wilson spent his last Christmas in the white house quietly today. His daughter, Miss Margaret Wilson, Dr. Stockton Axson, brother of the president's first wife, and a few of Mrs. Wilson's immediate relatives, guests at the white house for the holiday season, formed a family circle for a simple Christmas dinner.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE INDICTMENTS QUASHED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—(A. P.)—Grand jury indictments of William "Babe" Borton, Hal Maggart and William Bunker, alleging they conspired to prearrange the decision of the Pacific coast League baseball games, were quashed by Judge Willis in the superior court Friday.

TREE OF LIGHT WILL SHINE AGAIN IN PARK

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 25.—(A. P.)—The annual "tree of light" will again shine in one of the public parks here as the central attraction of the municipal Christmas celebration.

SIXTY TONS OF TOYS TO CHEER UNHAPPY TOTS OF SAINT NICHOLAS RIDES IN SADDLE OF CHINOOK WIND

Children of France Donate Jumping Jacks and Harlequins to Little Friends Hard-Hit by War's Ravage.

ROUGH SOLDIER HANDS MEND TATTERED DOLLS

Writer and Officer in League Leads Country in Carrying 400,000 Bundles to Devastated Aisne and Rheims.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—(A. P.)—Sixty tons of toys, donated by the children of France, will be distributed in the devastated Aisne and in Rheims by the League of Officers and Ex-soldiers of France under the direction of M. Binet-Valmer, the French writer and vice-president of the league.

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CHRISTMAS IN PENDLETON COMES WITH VANISHING OF SNOWS AND WITH HOPES OF HUNDREDS REALIZED NICELY.

NEEDY ARE REMEMBERED WITH BASKETS OF FOOD

Churches Are Filled With Folk Eager to Pay Homage to Christ Child Whose Birth is Observed This Day.

Santa Claus rode into Pendleton in the middle of a Chinook wind, last night and with his bright, cheerful smile vanished the white mantle of pre-Yuletide and spread peace on earth and good-will to men.

There was many a happy soul in Pendleton last night and many a child experienced his annual touch of insomnia.

This morning there were still more glad hearts as the eager expectations of needy were given body.

Pendleton observed Christmas in many ways. Last night and today hundreds bowed in Christian reverence to the memory of the Christ child's birth.

Thousands sent and received gifts, symbolic of the frankincense and myrrh which were bestowed upon the parents of the Savior at his birth, but bearing unmistakably the stamp of 20 centuries later.

Christmas in Pendleton, lacking nothing of the true spirit, that of Christian fellowship. The poor and needy, of whom there are several families, were remembered by the charitable folk of the city, with the Salvation Army in the role of Santa Claus.

The pennies and silver pieces gathered in the bellies placed about the city during the pre-holiday season went to purchase substantial baskets of food for many families that today would be without Christmas joy but for the good work of Captain Jennie Conrad and her staff.

Baskets brimful of good things and substantial things for the lazier, were taken to 21 modest little homes. Some contained chicken or other fowl as the piece de resistance of a Christmas dinner.

Sacks of flour, both large and small, were distributed by the Salvation Army, through the generosity of local institutions and lodges. Many of the sacks of flour purchased by local stores for display in the "Buy a Barrel of Flour" campaign were turned over to the Salvation Army for distribution to the need.

Special baskets for a sick family and for a man ill in St. Anthony's hospital, were taken out. Prisoners in the city and county jails were visited and cheered.

Child Hearts Gladdened In the homes of the more fortunate hundreds of child hearts were quickened and gladdened by gifts of their delight. Toys, dolls, bicycles and coaster wagons were inflated with the more conservative gifts of clothing, high-top shoes and the like.

Christmas is not complete without candy and popcorn and hundreds of pounds of sweets were in Santa Claus' pack last night and this morning.

When the fabled old Saint Nicholas reached Pendleton his back fairly bent under the heavy load in his pack. With the snow melting rapidly his reindeer had all they could pull when they reached here.

Pendleton was a generous giver this Christmas and Christmas trade was exceptionally large.

Special Christmas programs were given in a number of the churches last night, with a few special Christmas services today. The fane of the Roman Catholic church and the communion service of the Episcopal church, with their anthems of the Christmas time, were attended early today by many of those faithful.

Services with the Christmas theme were also observed today in other of the Protestant churches.

Weather

The Weather. By Major Lee Moorhouse, official weather observer.

Minimum, 48. Maximum, 75. Parometer, 29.55.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Sunday fair, except probably in the northwest portion.

CHEMISTRY CLUB FORMS

A chemistry club has been formed at the University of Oregon and will meet twice a month to discuss current chemical literature.