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Dec. 7.—Pandemonium broke loose at 10:30 this morning, when President Roosevelt pressed the signal at Washington that flashed the signal of the open-great apple show in this city. For five minutes it could be made with whistles, bells and human voices. It is proposed to make the great festival.

Louis W. Hill, of the apple show, and who is also of the Great Northern railroad, delivered the principal speech upon the interest that was being taken in such fairs and exhibitions stimulate the principle and the influence is far reaching, he said.

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Dec. 7.—Other than the apple show, the apple will continue to be a big thing away through the breadth of the day of glory today opening in this city. The apple show, for which have been going on for some time past. The exhibition was opened by a telegraphic signal from President Roosevelt.

The spacious armory was at first thought large enough to house the exhibition, but the exhibits were so numerous that several temporary structures were erected to accommodate the overflow display. Altogether some eighty thousand square feet of floor space has been used. The exhibits include fruit from many parts of the United States and Canada, and from England, Germany, France, Japan and Norway. The show will continue through the entire week. During this time there will be lectures by heads of agricultural departments

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Premiums to the value of \$25,000 are to be awarded and there are also twelve prizes consisting of tracts of irrigated fruit lands with perpetual water rights. The largest apple, of regular shape, with perfect stem and calyx and without blemish, is to be reproduced in bronze, which will be heavily plated with gold. The reproduction will be given to the grower of the perfect apple. Special prizes will also be awarded to those devising improved methods of packing the fruit for shipment.

NATIONAL BANK CLOSES AT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 7.—The National Exchange bank, one of the largest in Springfield, did not open this morning. A notice was posted that it was closed by direction of the controller of the currency. No statement has been made of liabilities or resources.

A new court house is just being finished up at Baker City. From the picture of the building, published in the Oregonian, it appears very much like the Eugene court-house.

Eggs are 60 cents a dozen and butter 85 cents a roll in Portland.

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H. BILIK REPRIEVED FROM DEATH PENALTY

Springfield, Dec. 7.—Herman Bilik, who was sentenced to hang in Chicago on Friday next, has been reprieved until January 29, 1909. Pressure was brought to bear upon the board of pardons and the governor and the above action resulted.

After a man has dreamed of being rich and decorative it makes him peculiar to have to get up and put on summer clothes in the winter.

SIXTIETH CONGRESS BEGINS FINAL SESSION

Washington, Dec. 7.—The ever interesting spectacle of the convening of congress today brought to the capitol building the usual throngs bent upon gaining admission to one house or the other to witness the exercises. Immediately after the senate was called to order at 12 o'clock by Vice President Fairbanks, and Rev. Edward Everett Hale, chaplain, opened the session with prayer, Senator Dillingham, of Vermont, presented the credentials of his colleague, Senator-elect Carrolls Page, who was at once sworn in as a senator of the United States.

The house was called to order at noon with the usual ceremonies. After the usual committees were appointed by the senate to inform the president and house of their meeting that body passed a resolution of regret on the death of Senator Allison. The senate adjourned at 12:15 to meet at noon tomorrow.

VICE PRESIDENT AND JOE CANNON APPLAUDED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Senators and representatives were early on hand and in the corridors and on the floors of both chambers there was much good-natured bantering among the victors and vanquished in the November election. The opening of the session in the senate was without incident. The appearance of Vice-President Fairbanks was the signal for a hearty round of applause from both members and the gallery. Immediately following the prayer of the chaplain, Dr. Edward Everett Hale, the roll was called by states. Albert B. Cummins, the successor of the late Senator Allison, of Iowa, was applauded when the oath was taken.

THE OPENING OF THE SESSION IN THE HOUSE WAS ATTENDED BY SCENES OF GREATER ACTIVITY THAN THOSE WITNESSED IN THE UPPER BRANCH.

The opening of the session in the house was attended by scenes of greater activity than those witnessed in the upper branch. A round of applause swept through the gallery when Speaker Cannon appeared on the rostrum and rapped for order. The following members-elect of the house immediately after the conclusion of the roll call, took the oath prescribed for members of congress: O. C. Wiley, of the Second District of Alabama; George A. Barnhardt, of the Thirtieth District of Indiana; Albert Reapainal, of the First District of Louisiana; John P. Swasey, of the Second District of Maine; Frank E. Greenwood, of the Fourth District of Maine; Eben W. Martin, representative-at-large from North Dakota, and Otto G. Foelker, of the Fourth District of New York. Vice-President-elect Sherman also appeared in the house and was given an ovation from the republican side.

MAN FOUND DEAD THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN MURDERED

Body of Jacob Mathews Found in Deserted Cabin on Walker Place

PLAINLY EVIDENT THAT ROBBERY OCCURRED

But There Are No Marks on the Body to Indicate Violence—Officers Investigating

Sheriff Brown and Coroner Gordon are investigating the death of Jacob Mathews, who was found dead Sunday afternoon in a cabin near the Walker residence between Eugene and Springfield and close to the Portland, Eugene & Eastern railway grade. While there are no marks of violence on the body, it appears that the man was killed and robbed, or he died from some unknown cause and the body was robbed afterward. It is plainly apparent that robbery took place and the officers are trying to determine how death came.

The body of the man was found by L. N. Fisher, a young man residing in Eugene, who was walking along the grade of the electric line with a young lady. Coroner Gordon was at once notified. He drove out to the place and found the body lying face down. The pockets of the clothing were all turned wrong side out, being emptied of their contents, and even the collar and cuff buttons had been removed from the shirt. About the sawmill on the hillside, several months ago he fell from a rig at Marcola and broke his leg. It may be that he had been working at the Mill City, in Linn county. Mathews arrived in Eugene from Portland Saturday afternoon, as far as can be learned. It is presumed that he took the street car that evening or late in the afternoon, starting code to the end of the line, starting on the look for Springfield, along the right-of-way to go to the home of his brother-in-law, Mrs. Carson, at Springfield, where his daughter is staying. Whether he entered the cabin on the Walker place and suicided by taking poison, died suddenly from

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONGRESS IS UNDER WAY

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The Southern Commercial Congress today opened its sessions at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The speakers are Wright and John F. Wallace, of New York, the latter delivering the main address of the day.

ELEVEN KILLED IN EXPLOSION

Twenty-six Others Are Injured and Not Expected to Survive

Calcutta, India, Dec. 7.—The explosion of a magazine at the military station today killed eleven men and wounded twenty-six others, most of whom will die. A few of the dead and injured are natives, but most of the latter are British soldiers. The accident is the worst of its kind for several years. The origin is not known, but there will be an investigation made. At first suspicion was laid upon the natives, who are opposed to English rule and all magazines and forts are watched closely.

DEFENSE IN RUEF TRIAL RESTS CASE

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—The defense in the Ruef bribery trial rested its case this morning after offering little except testimony of a document and technical character. No witnesses were called and there were no tense or spirited cross-examinations. The argument for Ruef was begun this afternoon. It is expected the case will go to the jury on Wednesday.

MAIL SERVICE IN NORTHWEST NEEDS A NEW DIVISION

Washington, Dec. 7.—The report of the first assistant postmaster-general to the postmaster-general says: "The rapid growth of the section of country embraced in the states of Oregon, Washington and Utah, and the territory of Alaska renders it advisable to create a new division of railway mail service in the section. The service in the section named is now under the immediate supervision of the division superintendent at San Francisco, Cal., who, under the present schedule, in time of transit is thirty-five hours from Portland, fifty-one hours from Spokane and forty-three hours from Seattle. Suitable legislative authority is required before action can be taken, and I recommend that it be secured."



JOSEPH G. CANNON. When Joseph G. Cannon rapped for order in the House of Representatives, he was lustily cheered by his admirers.



CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS. The vice-president was at the opening of congress today, and his appearance was roundly applauded.

RAIN IN WESTERN OREGON TOMORROW

Oregon and Washington—Rain in western portion, probably snow in eastern portion tonight and Tuesday.

SWEDISH VICE CONSUL KILLS HIMSELF

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—Charles A. Ekstrom, the Swedish vice consul at St. Louis, suicided with prussic acid today. Recently he had some difficulty with his superiors in the consular service of his country, and worry is supposed to have deranged his mind. The Swedish government has been notified.

THE WHEAT MARKETS

Portland, Dec. 7.—Wheat is unchanged.

GOVERNOR-ELECT IN POOR CONDITION.

Paso Robles, Cal., Dec. 7.—Governor-elect Cosgrove's condition took a decidedly unfavorable turn during the night. The heart, up to the present time is strong, but shows some sign of weakening. Although the symptoms are not favorable for recovery, the nature of the disease is such that some improvement is still possible.

INQUEST TOMORROW

Coroner Gordon at first concluded to hold an inquest over the body this afternoon, but later decided to postpone it till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in order to give time to obtain as much information as possible as to how the man met his death.

Low Cash Prices Chief Attraction at Hampton's.

That Point the Way to Profitable Buying

Shopping days are passing swiftly. We urge you to purchase early. Goods now on display, as well as the practical novelties for grown-ups, much of the fancy for children. With the largest stock in Eugene, with the largest force of salesmen, we can give you the most dependable goods makes this the most economical establishment from which to purchase.

We've Sold Shopping Bags

But never have we had such values as we are showing at the present time. By a fortunate purchase direct from an exclusive bag manufacturer we are able to name a price which is so low that you can't believe it. You save the profit. Won't it be worth while? Let us demonstrate. Bags at \$1.25, worth \$2.00; bags at \$2.00 worth \$3.50.

- EMBROIDERED LINENS**
These are appropriate for the season and moderate in price.
12x12 embroidered Linen Dolly, each 75c
18x18 embroidered Linen Centre-piece, each \$1.40
32x32 embroidered Linen Centre-piece, each \$2.00
- ROUND DOILIES AND CENTREPIECES**
12x12 scalloped edge, drawn work border, each 10c
18x18 scalloped edge, drawn work border, each 20c
18x18 scalloped edge, embroidered centres, each \$1.25
- SCARFS**
Embroidered scarfs, hemstitched edges.
18x36, each \$1.40
18x54, each \$3.50
Linen scarf, drawn work and insertion in centre, wide clusy lace edge, 16x45, each \$1.50
Centre-piece to match, 30x30, each \$1.50

SHE WILL REMEMBER THIS CHRISTMAS IF IT BRINGS HER A GORDON FUR

These Gordon Furs are not only up-to-date, but they are a date ahead. In purchasing this make you are assured of quality. We have known them ten years—they are the best. We have furs for \$1.50, or better and larger ones up to, each \$35.00



UMBRELLAS FOR MEN OR WOMEN ARE HERE BRIGH TAND NEW

What could you give that would be more useful? No matter what you pay you will get the very highest quality right here in this big, well-stocked store. We can sell you one for 50c or up to \$10 or \$20.

SILK WAIST PATTERNS

There is an advantage of exclusiveness in purchasing these new arrivals. They come in 5-yard lengths, stripes and several colors; the pattern \$6.00

PRETTY WHITE APRONS

Made of fine lawn or dotted Swiss; others fine cambric—useful present for any woman. Round afternoon apron, ruffled lace edge, each, 25c, 35c, 50c and 60c
Long wide apron, bib straps over shoulders, ea. 35c, 60c

Shopping With Quality in Every Garment—Style in Every Seam

Wear this kind of goods you are sure to be a well-dressed man. Look just as well as anybody, anywhere. Any clothing, but this store for good clothing. You'll find this true in every garment on our counters. Clothing good Xmas present, either a suit for \$6.50 or ones up to the top notchers at \$30.00. But we have a store full of furnishings.

- Put a Gordon hat on your head and you have reached the limit of hat goodness. Each \$3.00
- If you wear a sweater there is comfort in every motion. Each 75c to \$5.00
- Indispensable to solid comfort: how about one for Christmas? Each, \$4.00 to \$9.00
- A home coat or a smoking jacket, would be a very good present. We have a fine line. Each \$4.00 to \$8.00
- Rain Coats**
We sell rain coats that will shed rain; that's the kind you want. Each, \$12 to \$25
- Boys' Clothing**
Among the good makes of boys' clothing will be found Mrs. Jane Hopkins' Boy-proof kind; suit, \$2.50 to \$6
- Men's Sox**
Fancy sox, plain sox, wool sox; we can sox every man's. Eugene our stock is so large, prices, 12 1/2c, 25c, 50c
- Combination Set**
A set, consisting of garters, suspenders and arm band, all match; set, 75c and \$1.00
- Golf Gloves**
He can use a good pair of golf gloves for Xmas; the pair 25c and 50c
- Ties for Everybody**
Ties, Four-in-hand ties, new shades, new patterns, new goods, crisp and snappy. Each 25c and 50c
- Silk Handkerchiefs**
The fine washable kind, with wide, hemstitched borders; each 50c, 75c and \$1
- Silk Umbrellas**
Fine silk Umbrellas; fancy handles; no better goods made; each \$1.00 to \$2.00
- Fancy Shirts**
Large assortment from which to select; you can be suited here; each \$1 to \$2.50
- Stetson Hats**
A Stetson hat is too well-known to need describing; we have them \$4 to \$8

Hampton Bros.
558-564 Willamette St.
WHERE CASH BEATS CREDIT

- AND MUFFS**
Bear cloth collar and muff \$1.25
Astrachan collar and muff, each \$1.50
Angora muff set, with trimming, \$2.50 and \$3.50
- BOYS' CLOTHING**
If the boy needs a suit, why not buy it for Xmas \$1.50 to \$10.00
- NIGHT ROBES**
Make use of presents. We have them from 50c to \$1.25