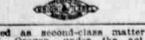
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## **DEFENDS PARENTS** BY SLAYING MANIAC

fending his father and mother from the attack of a madman. Bert Webster, 24, shot and killed Frank Kenyon, telegraph operator of the West Shore railroad at Amboy, eight miles appeared at the Webster home last night and ordered the farmer to burn his barn. Webster refused. Kenyou then drew two revolvers.

The family was ordered into one kept prisoners all night. In the meantime, the madman gloated over his deeds and threatened to kill Webster if his orders were not carried out before midnight.

One of the children finally slipped away, ran to a neighboring house and summoned ald. A posse was formed and advanced upon the place.

Bert Webster, in the meantime, obtained a gun and sneaking quietly into the room, shot Kenyon, who died before a physician arrived.

## FREE RIDE FOR KIDDIES CHICAGO'S XMAS GIFT

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 .- Twenty-five thousand street car tickets, entitling FEDERAL RADIUM "kids" in the tenement districts to FEDERAL RADIUM ride free to Grant Park for Chicago's first municipal Christmas celebration tonight, were grabbed up eagerly today, while city officials made final arrangements for the fete.

At 4 p. m. a drill by mounted police will start the program. From five to six, motion pictures wil be thrown on a huge canvas erected on the art that will illuminate a Christmas tree ice. 85 feet in height.

the "kids" celebration.

## RAIN THREATENS TO SPOIL FRISCO XMAS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 24 .-Rain threatened today to prevent San Francisco's usual open air Christmas Eve celebration tonight at Lotta's Fountain in the heart of the downtown district. The weather bureau predicted rain for tonight and tomorrow.

A special chorus of 500 voices, trained by John W. McKenzie, was Hero" from the "Chocolate Soldier," yards district early Monday. and "I Love You California."

## CARNEGIE PRESENTS PEACEFUL PICTURES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Andrew NATION'S CAPITAL cate today sent Secretary of War Garrison "a peaceful Christmas gift." It was a small picture in a simple bronze frame, showing a soldier taking leave of his little daughter, who was inquiring:

"Daddy, are you going to kill some little girl's father?"

same picture.

## PRESIDENT POINCAIRE

host and hostess to 4000 school remained indoors to trim Christmas children at a Christmas entertain- trees. ment at the Trocadero theater. All

#### MORE LILIPUTIAN STATESMANSHIP

\*HAT the mayor and city council have seen the handwriting on the wall and are making a strenuous ping Tuesday. effort to stem the tide and bid for popularity at the eleventh hour is shown by their action Tuesday evening in her mother, Mrs. Case, for some store building. The children played Big preparations are being mad reversing their former position and deciding to submit the time, has returned to her home in games, recited and generally enjoy- for a Christmas tree in the assem amendment removing salaries to a vote of the people.

The mayor took occasion to blame the present charter son Paul have returned from a few the Sunday school children generate at the hall Thursday night. Every for the inefficiency of the city administration and ap- days' visit in Medford. pointed a charter revision commission to prepare a com- D. W. Sturgess of the Meadows H. N. Mullin, manager of the mission form of charter. Those named were not consulted, was here Thursday purchasing a Phoenix blacksmith, left Wednesday school at the O. A. C., is visiting some have refused to serve, some are out of the city, oth- quantity of carn from Bowen & for San Francisco to spend a week relatives here at present. He is or ers have no experience, qualification or conception of the

The entire program is characteristic of the Liliputian Jasper Rodgers, for some time, was statesmanship of the administration, which has substi- joined by her husband Thursday, who tuted petty village politics for business administration, will visit briefly before returning to The change of front is simply a bid for popular support their home at Weed.

and sympathy. Neither new charter nor commission form will remedy brother, all of Trail, stopped over mountains. the situation, which is much more serious than the admin- night here Tuesday en route to then istration is able to realize. The first effort must be the mining property at Evans creek. practice of rigid economy in all departments, a placing of affairs upon a sound business basis, the curtailment office department for earrying mail

SYRACUE, N. Y., Dec. 24.—De- of unnecessary and unneeded expense. The city should on the Sams Valley and Asbestos spent the last year. practice what every business house in the city has been route. The present carrier's term forced to practice, the least possible expense component expires in June, 1914. after which with efficiency.

Mayor Purdin states that upon his election he found west of here early today. Kenyon "chaos" existing-that he has spent two months in inves- valley. The route from Beagle to tigating and believes that he is better quulified thereby Ashestos will be three times per been attending school. than others-yet his sole recommendation is to revolu- week, as at present. Get your bids tionize the form of government. He has made no rec- ready, boys. ommendation towards curtailing expense, abolishing useroom, fined up against the wall and less offices and paring down the \$50,000 payroll.

The form of government may be an aid to readjust- week. ment, but there can be just as much waste and inefficiency under one form as another. The city can be just as economically managed under the present charter as under a new one-with capable men at the helm-and the admin istration's first duty is to set the municipal house in order by supplanting the present "chaos" with business methods-and stop living beyond our means.

The charter is no bar to ordinary common sense nor For the Yuletide is with us, are its limitations any excuse for fallure to do the best possible with the present machinery. It's a poor work- The Child of the Manger; man who blames his tools.

If the time wasted by the administration in purile No time for complaining, peanut politics was spent in constructive reorganization the recall would not be invoked as a remedy. It is high Let the swift-flying hours time that men of affairs in Medford showed a little patriotism by taking hold of city affairs and aided in restoring its financial affairs to a healthy basis.

## BANK IN FAVOR SAFE, COLLINSON POINT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24,-Endorsement of a federal radium bank M. Anderson, chief anthrapologist where cancer sufferers might receive with the Stefansson expedition, reon a huge canvas erected on the art institute, and promptly at 6 p. m. expert treatment was given today by minister of naval affairs today, that Mayor Harrison will touch a button Dr. Rucker, of the public health serv- all the scientists and members of

greatly to be desired," he said.

"Radium has been found beneficial it must be handled by experts. Such near Barrow on August 19. a thing as a radium bank would assure this kind of treatment."

# ATHLETES HELD FOR

scheduled to sing. Edmund Burke, men, members of an athletic club. seen." the Irish baritone, was scheduled to were held by the police today in the share the headline honors with Miss investigation of the death of Anna Rena Vivienne. The latter, a former Laughlin Dempsey, Battle Creek, member of the Tivoli Opera company, Mich., who was found almost nude planned to sing two numbers-"My and dying in an alley in the stock-

The police believe the girl was lured to a barn, attacked and stripped of most of her clothing and then thrown into the alley, where exposure caused her death. The athletic club occupies quarters near where the girl

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 .- The deserted village had nothing today on Christmas Eve would be delivered Washington. The national capital All cabinet members received the was off the map. Gone were its legislators, after a weary the month's grind on tariff and currency; vanished were its society folks for over HOST TO 4000 CHILDREN the holiday trips; the president and his family are speeding southward for PARIS, Dec. 24.-President and Pass Christian, Miss., and even gov-Mrs. Poincaire this afternoon were ernment clerks left for short trips or

The air of desertion will hang children under 13 years received heavily upon the capital until Jantary 12, when congress re-opens.

# STEFANSSON SCIENTISTS

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 24.-Dr. D. the crews of the Alaska and Mary "Any system which will lower the Sachs, two of the exporers vessels. Solists from the Chicago Grand cost of radium, guard poor sufferers are safe and well in winter quarters Opera, the Paulist and Swedish choirs against charlatans and spread the at Collinson Point, fifty miles from and a big band will furnish music for use and experimentation of radium is Flaxman Island, in the Arctic Circle. The report states, contrary to recent O, sing, little children, Dr. Rucker declared that the use despatches from Seattle, that neither and promotion of radium is only in its of the two vessels is damaged to any

Dr. Anderson reported as having in cancer treatment," he said, "but last seen the Karluk in an ice pack

## SAYS AMERICA HOPE OF CIVILIZED WORLD

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 .- The mix-CHICAGO, Dec. 24 .- Ten young the greatest race the world has ever

This was the farewell of Dr Maria Montessori, inventor of the unrepressive system of educating children when embarking for home on the Lusitanai early today.

"Your country is one of the hopes youth is in the air and in the soil. The mother is one of the great wonders of your growing race.

## HOLIDAY MAIL IN **NEW YORK DISTRIBUTED**

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-Although double the amount of former holiday mail is being handled by the post office here, Postmaster Morgan today announced all mail received hereby Christmas Day.

"Extra automobiles and furniture vans are being used for delivery." said Morgan. "Yesterday 230,000 two cent stamps were used and 250,-00 ones.

#### John A. Perl UNDERTAKER

Lady Assistant 28 S. BARTLETT Phones M. 47 and 47-J2 Ambulance Service Deputy Corone

#### BEAGLE BEAGLETS

Mrs. E. D. Wilhite and Mrs. Geo. vited. Stney were in Central Point shop-

Weed, Cal., much improved in health, ed themselves. The unloading of the bly hall of the schoolhouse Wednes

visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. place in the shop until he returns.

time the route will be rearranged day. and a daily mail will be given beween Gold Hill and Bengle, via Sams

Mrs. L. M. Sweet and daughters, Louie and Mildred, were in Central Point and Medford the first of the in Fort Klamath.

Several of our young people ex-Wednesday night. Here's for a glorious old time.

There's a thrill in the air. There's a joy in the heart; There's a generous stir

In the home and the mart. Make ready to greet Lay gifts at his feet.

For envy or strife: With laughter be rife. Put by all forebodings. Your murmuring cease.

All hail. One that cometh, The bringer of peace. If, led by false glitter,

You've wandered afar, Come back to your loyalty, Led by the star. Give up your vain quest And your wandering wild, For the pearl of great price

Ring out the glad carols, Old strifes put away. Deck chapel and church In His honor today. Let the great organs tremble With symmonies grand

Is the Wonderful Child.

And send the glad tidings All over the land. And sing, young and old, Though the joy of the Christmas

Can never be told. But sing and rejoice, With your banners unfurled. For the Christ that is come Is the hope of the world."

### PHOENIX PARAGRAPHS

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Mark at Peyton. Ferns, Thursday, December 18,

The Christmas Sunday school will hold a Christmas tree at the home ing of races in America will produce of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Henry Wednesday evening.

Mr. Minuth has recovered from his recent illness and is again in ford were in Butte Falls last week charge of the lumber yard. The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Charles Roberts Friday after-

The Presbyterian choir will give of the civilized world. The feel of a Christmas musicale Sunday eve- Tuesday to do her Christmas shopning in the church.

Mrs. John Wright's aunt, who for the past week. Born-To Mr. and Mrs. E. Hodg-

kiss, Sunday, December 21, a son-The schools will hold Christmas

attended the Presbyterian Sunday Cross, Miss Dulcy returned to her Mrs. Caldwell, who has been with school party given at the Engle home Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Russell and two large Christmas trees found all day night and for a hard times tree ously remembered.

with his family. A competent black- his way to Kansas City as a Y. M Mrs. Amick, who has been here smith has been secured to take his C. A. delegate.

#### FLOUNCE ROCK FRILLS

The beautiful weather lasted un-Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Zimmerlee and til Sunday, when a cold rain set in on and Manford Zimmerlee, a with snow falling on the high

As it is the "home burg" of Geo.

Bert Nason and Harry Welsh came home on the stage the same

Margery Erskine came home Saturday from Medford, where she has Mrs. Ditsworth is expecting her

daughter, Miss Ila Lytle, home on Sunday or Monday. Miss Lytle has been spending the last few months

Mr. Bushell, who has been camped on the Flounce Rock grade with his peet to attend the dance at Trail, partner, working the road, left to his home Saturday.

Miss Enid Peelor also went home on Saturday to spend the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Blanchard spent Saturday at the home of G. W. Kineaid.

Mrs. T. B. Higginbotham has been suffering from inflammatory rheumatism the last few days. She Comedy Singing, Talking and Dancing is slightly better at present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Peyton made a business trip to Prospect Monday. Selig Special in Two Reels, Featur J. W. Grieve and Mr. Pardue made a trip to McCloud Saturday. returning Sunday.

Mr. Martin of the Mansfield ranch left for Medford Monday. Alfred Gordon accompanied him. Earl Peyton has the contract for

furnishing wood for Laurelhurst school this winter. Kenneth Erskine made a business

trip to Prospect Wednesday. Bert Higginbotham is spending few days at Red Blanket ranch. gathering his cattle.

The W. C. T. U. met Saturda with Mrs. R. E. Peyton. There was a good attendance and a good meeting. Mrs. Ditsworth conducted mother's meeting in place of Mrs. Brown, who was unable to attend. Several honorary members and few masculine visitors came in in for delicious refreshments

which were served by Mrs. Heron. The Flounce Rock school gave Christmas entertainment on Friday before the holidays. The directors and several visitors were present and enjoyed the program very much. Everyone present received a treat of candy and nuts, most of it, o

course, going to the children. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Erskine spent Saturday at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. R. E. Peyton. Mrs. J. F. Ditsworth spent Sat urday and Sunday visiting friends

Miss Rose spent several days of last week visiting at the home of J. F. Ditsworth, Jr.

#### BUTTE FALLS BUBBLES.

Mr. and Mrs. Randoloh of Med-Mrs. O'Brien has relatives from Colorado visiting her at present. Mrs. Coonse went to Medford last

Mrs. Barker went to Medford or ping. She returned Thursday,

"Bon" Buchanan of Eagle Point lives with her, has been quite sick came up Saturday to visit her grandmother, Mrs. Kee. Dr. Emerson was in Medford last

week on business. Enid Peelor, who is teaching

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exercises in the auditorium Wednes- school in the Flounce Rock district. day afternoon, to which all are in- is spending her Xmas vacation visit-

ing friends and relatives here. Upwards of two hundred persons After an extended visit with Mrs

body is invited to attend both,

Ralph Wright, who is attending

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