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CHRISTMAS PLAY AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ASHLAND

ASHLAND, Dec. 24.—A very interesting program was given at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening. The program began with music by the Sunday school orchestra. A very delightful vocal solo was sung by Miss Leoline Brookmiller, the selection being "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem." After this solo a speech of welcome was given by little Miss Peterson, a primary student. The main feature of the evening was a clever little playlet, written by Miss Lilly May Poley, entitled "Christmas Eve in a Toy Shop." Children of the different classes took the different parts. Miss Harriet Bevington took the leading part of the shopkeeper's daughter, and Miss Macey Poley took the part of "The Little Poor Girl." The dolls formed a very important part in the playlet, and these parts were taken exceedingly well. The play began when the shopkeeper's daughter brought the Little Poor Girl into the shop and told her of Christmas and the story of Christ. They also told each other what sort of Christmas they would each have. Then the shopkeeper's daughter told the Little Poor Girl the story that her grandmother had told her, about how the dolls woke up and danced and played between the hours of 12 and 1. Just then the clock struck 12 and the dolls got up and paraded around the room, singing "Holy Night" and played until the clock struck one. Among the different dolls in the shop were: "The Kewpie Doll," which said "Mama," the doll which said "Papa," a Negro rag doll that said "Baby," a "Raggedy Anne" doll, a "Japanese Doll" which sang, a "Tin Soldier" which saluted, a Jack-in-the-box which squeaked when it came out of its box and a "French Doll." The shopkeeper's daughter and the Little Poor Girl see these different dolls doing their stunts and both are satisfied that what the grandma had said was true. Pricely at one o'clock all of the dolls run to their places and become perfectly still. The program closed with another selection by the Sunday school orchestra and when Santa Claus came in the room at the ringing of sleigh bells on the outside, and after making a short speech he gave treats to all the youngsters. This playlet was directed by Mrs. Wilmer Poley and was declared by all to be wonderfully clever. Among the dolls were small children not over three years old and it was considered wonderful that these little children were so still during the time when they were not supposed to be playing. The whole program was a great success and was very much enjoyed by all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Miller and daughter are spending Christmas with friends and relatives in Newberg, Ore. They will return the 28th of December.

Harold Merrill will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Merrill of the Boulevard. This is the first time in two or three years that Mr. Merrill has been home for Christmas. His many friends are very glad to see him.

Special Christmas music has been prepared by all the churches and Christmas sermons were given Sunday. At the Presbyterian church special music by the choir was furnished and Miss Eva Poley and Miss Florence Allen sang "Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem." The sermon was given by Rev. Nelson of Medford. A short cantata by the choir was also given. The choir at the Methodist church gave their Christmas cantata Sunday evening, but special music was furnished during the morning service. The sermon was given by Rev. Chaney, entitled, "Even Unto Bethlehem." This was the story of Bethlehem and the different Bible stories of the place and its setting in the Scriptures.

Harvey Woods, who has been attending the University of Oregon is home for Christmas.

Miss Madge Marion is sick at her home with the measles.

The Wheeler family of Medford will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Andrews Christmas day.

The Congregational church and the Methodist church will hold their Sunday school programs at their respective churches Christmas eve. Much work has been done on both programs and it is expected that they will be very good ones.

Mrs. Aaron Andrews who is in Santa Cruz has been quite sick. She went there on business and was taken sick while there.

Mrs. P. C. Ball and daughters Jean and Jeanette, went to southern California to spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

Fireman Maxey and wife, formerly of Ashland but now living in Oakland, Calif., are spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. Maxey's people, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Maxey of Allison street.

Miss Lydia Williams has gone to Red Bluff where she will spend Christmas and the holidays with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John Sells.

Miss Refine Myers who has been attending the University of Oregon is home to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Miss Esther Church who has also been attending the university, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. B. C. Forsythe. She well known in Ashland, as she attended school here for about a year.

DESPITE CAPTURES U. S. RUM RUNNERS ARE GETTING RICH

NEW YORK.—The war of government forces on Rum Row, seat of history's greatest smuggling operations, an activity that since last January, has provided many thrilling stories of piracy, tragedy, comedy and battle, has netted a rich haul in ships, liquor and men.

Conservative, unofficial estimates of the seizures by coast guards, customs and treasury department agents, prohibition agents and policemen develop the following list:

Small rum-running speed boats	150
Deep-sea craft	10
Seaplanes	1
Motor vehicles	40
Men	375
Cases of liquor	27,000

In addition to the seizures coast guards made more than 100 runners to jettison their cargoes, averaging 50 cases to a boat.

The monetary loss to smugglers through these captures is estimated at about \$5,000,000, but they only laugh at this, claiming the loss to be but "a drop in the bucket" compared to the gain of successful operations.

Rum-smuggling, begun on a small scale off the New Jersey coast in 1921, was extended all along the Atlantic seaboard in 1922, and the first big anchorage of rum-carriers established in the waters south of Ambrose Lightship last January established the new famous Rum Row, a location desirable for the runners of Long Island as well as for those of New Jersey.

Nineteen rum boats, including three steamers, were parked on the Row at the height of the January trade, and since that time there has been always at least one rum carrier out their doing business.

Coast guard boats launched the campaign against the runners in the first month, seized at least a dozen of the craft, and smuggling became a hazardous game.

Federal agents ashore began concerted operations against the motor-truck runners, and many rich prizes fell into their hands. Still the business continued. The gaps made in the runners' ranks by captures filled like a hole dug in dry sand. Captures increased in number, smuggling increased in volume.

In the summer months a seaplane was employed by the runners on the Long Island shore for scout work. One day the seaplane, disabled, made a forced landing near a coast guard station and was captured.

Some of the bigger craft of the smugglers became venturesome then and were caught close inshore. Morning was unfolding two months ago when the coast guard cutters on rum patrol sighted the Tomoka, a British schooner, about six miles off the Jersey beach. They chased her through haze, overhauled her and took her captain and crew, and "Rummy Bill" McCoy, the king of rum smugglers.

A week later the Dragon, a palatial cabin cruiser equipped with radio wireless, was captured. She is said to have been the mother-boat of the swarm of small-runners, her duties being to warn them of impending danger and the whereabouts of the government craft.

The latest seizure of consequence, the Dutch auxiliary schooner Zeehond, ended the career of the transport used by "Mannie" Kessler, the bootlegger king, the shore rival of McCoy. Kessler soon is to go to Atlanta to serve a term for conspiracy to violate the prohibition laws.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Indications today were that after the "Christmas truce," in the Protestant Episcopal church the controversy between modernists and conservatives would rage with renewed vigor.

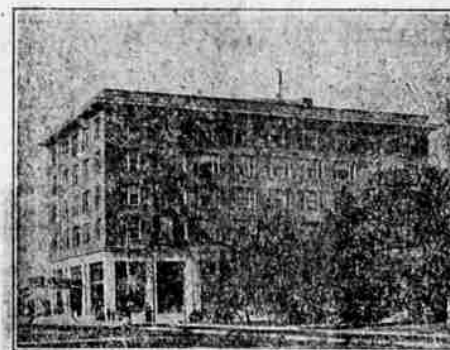
Bishop W. T. Manning's request for the truce was generally observed yesterday but reference to the controversy was made in copies circulated yesterday of the sermon delivered by the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks at St. Bartholomew's a week ago yesterday and by the Rev. Dr. William Norman Guthrie, pastor of St. Mark's in the Bowery in discussing the bible.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS POUR IN ON POPE

ROME, Dec. 24.—Christmas greetings from all over the world are reaching Pope Pius in a steady stream those from America being especially numerous.

There were preliminary observances at the vatican today. The gardeners of the vatican presented the pontiff with a tribute of flowers and fruit. Later all the members of the sacred college were received and tendered their good wishes, the head of the college tendering an appropriate address. Pope Pius responded, ending by extending the Christmas hope that "God might be glorified and peace and good will prevail on earth."

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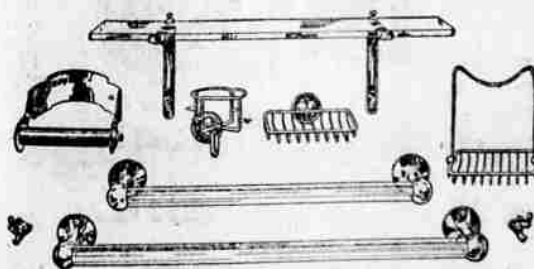
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