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HOW THE CHURCHES KEPT CHRISTMAS

The Catholic church celebrated Christmas appropriately at St. Joseph's hall Friday evening. A very large number was present. The opening numbers of the program was a selection by the St. Joseph orchestra, excellently rendered The feature of the evening was a one-act drama, "Won on a Wager," characters in which were taken by Joseph Kaiser, Mrs. A. E. Huckestein, Jr., Miss Eleanor Scahrf, Miss Mary Eckerlen, Miss Bertha Eckerlen, Miss Matilda Eckerlen, August Huckestein and Evert Massey. Following this was a selection by the orchestra, a vocal solo by Mrs. R. A. Kurtz, an instrumental solo by Miss Theresa Collins, and "Carols Old and New" by the Misses Scharf. An orchestral selection closed a most enjoyable program, after which the presents were distributed.

The Christian church gave an interesting program before a large audience Thursday night, consisting principally of songs and recitations by the children of the Sunday school. Two numbers by the Christian church quartet, Messrs. Epley, Wenger, Kauvland and Wolf, were much enjoyed, as was also the vocal solo of Miss Watson and a song by Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Sykes. After the program the presents were distributed from a large tree. The decorations of the church were the best that have ever been seen at any similar occasion in the city, the credit of which belongs chiefly to Dr. Epley, who had the decorating in charge. The Sunday school rooms were turned into a fairy winter scene, with many small evergreen trees, and a large one covered with snow. On the stage was arranged a real waterfall, with a background of rocks, ferns and woodland shrubs, and the whole effect was greatly enhanced by the use of about 75 incandescent lights.

Program at First Presbyterian.

The following program was given at the First Presbyterian church Sunday evening before a large audience.

Song—By Sunday school.
Prayer—Mr. Babcock.
Song—"Christmas Time," primary department.
Recitation—Kenneth Wilson.
Recitation—Herbert Darby.
Recitation—Margaret Griffith.
Song—"Jesus in a Manger," primary department.
Recitation—Dorothy Hobson.
Recitation—Maxine Buren.
Exercise—Twelve primary children.
Song—"Luther's Cradle Song," primary department.
Stereopticon slides and tree.

The church was effectively decorated with evergreens and holly. Articles of food, clothing and money were received, which were distributed among the poor of the city.

First Congregational.

The First Congregational church held their exercises on Wednesday evening. A program was given composed of songs and recitations, by the younger members of the church, and selections by a vestment choir of about 25 young women, under the leadership of Mrs. Bauer. Dr. Bauer told the story of "Marley's Ghost, from Dickens' Christmas Carol and the different characters were illustrated by stereopticon views. After the program the doors of the Sunday school room were thrown open, showing Santa Claus' house in the Northland, and a real Santa, who gave presents to three brownies, who distributed them to the children.

At Asylum and Prison.

The convicts at the penitentiary were not overlooked on Christmas day. In the morning they were given a program, and at noon were served with a big Christmas dinner. All work was suspended for the day.

A special dinner was also prepared for the inmates of the asylum, and with it a short program given.

LUCKY BOY MINING CO .REORGANIZED

It is not generally known, but there is a good deal being done at the Lucky Boy mines in the Blue river district.

The whole thing has been reorganized under the name of the Consolidated Lucky Boy Mines company, with D. W. Tilford as president; Grant Phegley, vice-president; Cord Sengstake, secretary and treasurer, and O. A. Lyman as local manager.

The new company has been quietly working with an experimental plant which was received Monday by freight and with it a considerable quantity of other machinery, chemicals and 3800 pounds of unslacked lime bought of L. N. Roney, were started on their freighting journey to the scene of operations yesterday morning.

It is well known that the large body of ore at the mine is quite rich, but is of a character that the values cannot be gotten out by stamps, and it is not so base that a smelter is absolutely necessary. The purposes of this experiment is to try a new process by which the values can be secured, or at least a large part of them. The progress if the new company will be watched with more than ordinary interest, as the people of the upper McKenzie and of Lane county generally know of the wealth of gold there is in the Blue River district and are only waiting until some one strikes the process by which the gold can be extracted and that section will become as famous as the Treadwell or the Homestake districts—Western Oregon.

Evangelical Association.

Corner of Seventeenth and Chemeketa streets. Sunday school at 10 a. m., C. F. Doty superintendent. In the absence of the pastor Rev. Ezra Maurer will preach on "Taking An Inventory" at 11 a. m. and Rev. J. F. Goode will occupy the pulpit at 7:30 p. m. Y. P. A. meeting at 6 p. m.

WARNED TO AVOID SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—It was learned here today from federal authorities, who have had the matter in hand, that Bishop Merriam C Harris of Japan and Korea, one of the most famous bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, has been warned by them not to come to this city on his journey back to the field of his labors. He will sail from Vancouver, B. C., on the last of this month, taking passage at that port to avoid meeting the compatriots of Chang and Chun, the two Koreans who are accused of having participated in the murderous attack on Durham White Stevens, the Korean-Japanese diplomat last spring.

Bishop Harris has been for many years a missionary to Japan, and has been always an ardent believer in the destinies of that nation. He has traveled through the Mikado's empire from one end to the other, and is one of the best known white men in Japan. His missionary labors have extended to Korea, and he has spent much of his time in that country, acquainting himself with conditions in the hermit kingdom. Despite his services to the Koreans, the anti-Japanese element in that nation has frequently criticised the bishop for his alleged bias toward Japan, and his alleged support of policies which have seemed inimical to Korean interests.

When Bishop Harris arrived in San Francisco bay last spring, immediately after the shooting of Stevens, the government officials of San Francisco, acting under secret orders from Washington, D. C., smuggled the clergyman from his steamer in a special tug to the Berkeley shore where he was landed quickly and hurried to the home of a friend. He stayed in Berkeley only a few hours, taking the first train for the East, and there he has remained ever since.

When Bishop Harris decided to return to Japan he was again warned by the government officials that the same band of Koreans, who planned and carried out the attack on Stevens, had similar designs on him, believing that his friendship toward the Japanese was a menace to their own country. Fearful that some fanatic might try to murder the missionary, the authorities persuaded him to choose a new route to the Orient, and he has therefore made a detour which will take him to Vancouver instead of San Francisco on December 31.

SOLVES PUZZLE OF A DEAD LANGUAGE

Standford University, Dec. 26.—A number of scientists and members of the Stanford Philological Association will meet here this afternoon to listen to the reading of old Latin and Etruscan inscriptions which have heretofore been meaningless. Professor Hemple of the German department declares that he has succeeded in deciphering inscriptions and has invited the savants to a reading of the ancient readings.

Professor Hempl says that his discovery will aid materially in throwing light upon Old World history of Greece and Italy and may settle disputed points.

JUDGE SAYS HARGIS JURY MUST AGREE

Irvine, Ky., Dec. 26.—After twice reporting that they could not agree, the jurors in the case of Beach Hargis, charged with murdering his father, Judge James Hargis, were sent back to their room again today, the court demanding an agreement.

The trial of young Hargis has been one of the most sensational in the long list of mountain murder cases. Judge Hargis was one of the most prominent figures in the famous feuds of Breathit county. He was the political boss of the county.

Beach Hargis, while drinking asked his father for money, and in the quarrel that followed, shot him.

After several hours more in conference, the jurymen this afternoon reported their absolute inability to agree. It is understood that nine were for acquittal. The court reluctantly discharged them, and the whole case will have to be gone over again.

JOHNSON FIRST NEGRO CHAMPION

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 26.—Jack Johnson, the big negro, from Galveston, Texas, is the world's heavyweight champion. He wont the title today in the big arena at Rushcutters Bay from Tommy Burns, the French-Canadian, who had held it since James J. Jeffries relinquished it, and after a chase of Burns that led half way around the world.

The end came in the 14th round, when the police, seeing Burns tottering and unable to defend himself from the savage blows of his opponent, mercifully stopped the fight. Previously it had been arranged that, if the police interfered, a decision should be rendered on points, and Referee McIntosh declared the big black man a winner, for all through the fight he had shown himself Burns' master in every style of fighting.

Ex-Champion's Opinion.

St. Paul, Dec. 26.—John L. Sullivan said today that Jack Johnson has no right to claim the championship as the result of his victory over Tommy Burns at Sydney, as he considers the present day bouts mere boxing matches.

"The fight resulted much as I expected. I never could see how a good little man had a show with a good big man, as was this case," said John L.

"Even with the victory over the so-called champion of the world, though in my opinion Burns never was the champion of the world, the negro can't assume that title.

"These present day bouts can't be truly styled prize fights. They are merely boxing matches where padded mitts are used. I can't see where Johnson is given a high position in the opinion of the general American public. I don't think the country will make a great howl over the colored man when he returns.

"In my opinion the American public is fast losing interest in the manly art.

"Johnson undoubtedly will get two or three fights in this country but it is only a question of time until he meets a better man which is always the case."

CLAUS SPRECKELS JOINS MAJORITY

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Claus Spreckels, the famous sugar king and one of the pioneer captains of industry of the Pacific Coast, died this morning at 4:30 o'clock at his temporary home, 2027 Howard street, the end coming after an acute attack of pneumonia which the 80-year-old millionaire contracted last Tuesday night.

Christmas day was an anxious one in the household of the noted capitalist. His physician, Dr. Herbert C. Moffit and Dr. C. M. Richter, both reported their patient very low, and, as the day progressed, unfavorable symptoms developed which caused the family to gather at the home, expecting the worst.

John D. Spreckels was the only one of the sons in the city at the time, but Rudolph Spreckels was hurrying home on the Nippon Maru. A wireless message was sent him on the steamer and, when the vessel reached the wharf, an automobile was ready to hurry him to his father's bedside. These two sons and their families were at the bedside of the father when the end came.

INSANE PATIENT COMMITS SUICIDE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Michael McGinnis, an insane patient at the Detention Hospital, committed suicide today by hanging himself with a sheet attached to one end of the bed in his cell, which he had stood on end as a rude gallows. He had climbed up on a chair and then kicked it from under him, thus allowing himself to strangle.

Steward Arthur J. O'Leary had spoken to him only a few minutes earlier, and had found the man apparently normal and cheerful. After receiving his order for breakfast, O'Leary prepared the meal and returned with it only to find his patient dangling in the noose made of the sheet. O'Leary cut the man down and assisted the hospital doctors in trying to resuscitate him. Despite their efforts McGinnis died.

Last Wednesday the police were summoned to arrest McGinnis who had barricaded himself in his own home and for an hour held the police at bay with a shotgun.

PROSECUTION CLOSES IN THE HAINS' CASE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 26.—The case for the prosecution in the trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains, charged with participation in the killing of William Annis by Captain Peter C. Hains, the defendant's brother, was completed today with the testimony of George Bolton, attache of the district attorney's office, and the defense opened.

Bolton was called to testify to the efforts of the prosecuting officers to subpoena John Tonning, a Swedish boatman, whose testimony, it is claimed, will be of the utmost importance to the defense. Tonning has been missing for several months.

Following Bolton's testimony, a motion on the part of the defense to dismiss the indictment against Jenkins Hains was made by Attorney McIntyre, who began a long technical argument.

At its conclusion Judge Crane denied the motion, and Attorney Joseph A. Shay began the opening argument for the defense.

Shaw showed the rulings of the court throughout the trial, and declared that they were adverse to the defense. He said that the evidence did not show that a crime had been premeditated by the defendant, or did the defendant know that his brother carried a revolver until the instant of the shooting.

Shay said that Jenkins Hains tried to prevent the killing, and was horror-stricken himself when it happened. He said that the captain was mentally unbalanced, and that the defense would show the causes leading up to the shooting.

Judge Crane, at this point, interrupted Shay, making a stringent ruling forbidding the attorney for the defense to refer to the relations between Captain Hains and Annis, declaring that the truth or falsity of any charge of ill-will had no bearing on the case

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 26.—That Thornton Jenkins Hains drew his revolver to protect his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, from a member of the Bayside Yacht club after the shooting, was the claim made this afternoon by Attorney Joseph A. Shay in his opening argument in which he outlined the Jenkins Hains' defense.

The defense will also claim that the statements of many of the witnesses forthe prosecution regarding the utterances of Jenkins Hains were false.

Say said that the first knowledge that Hains has that Annis was at the club was when a member named Burchfield addressed a woman as "Mrs. Annis." He said when the defendant learned that Mrs. Annis was at Bayside he tried to get his brother to go home.

Shay declared that Jenkins Hains did not recognize Annis, who was attired in a bathing suit; that Captain Hains rushed down to the float and that Jenkins Hains lost sight of him and almost instantly heard the rattle of shots behind the sail on Annis' boat.

The attorney declared that when Jenkins reached the boat, Tonning, Swedish boatman, was at the side. The boatmen took the revolver from Captain Hains, pinioned his arms with his right hand and lifted it in the air to deal the captain a blow.

"Jenkins Hains then cried 'don't hurt him, he's my brother'" said Shay. "He then rushed down to the boat. Then Roberts, who has already testified, took the revolver after it left the hand of the captain. As the revolver was in the hands of Roberts it was raised and pointed at the captain. Jenkins Hains drew his revolver and shouted, 'Don't shoot, don't shoot. Keep back. Get an officer.'

"We'll show you," continued Shay to the jury, "that all or almost all of the statements attributed to Jenkins Hains were false. We'll show you that Mrs. Annis was not on the float and that Jeknins Hains' pistol was not pointed at her."

Attorney McIntyre for the defense, called Assistant District Attorney Darrin as his first witness. After several questions had been ruled out by the court, Darrin left the stand having made a few unimportant replies.

Attorney Young for the defense testified to the authenticity of the sworn statement of witness Skura to the defendant's counsel, which Skura, on the stand previously contradicted. An adjournment was taken until next Monday morning.

The hatred we feel toward our troubles increases the love we bear our blessings.

PACKERS AFRAID OF JAIL SENTENCES

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, Dec. 26.—For the first time in the history of the anti-trust cases, it is said, the government will take the attitude in the Chicago Packing cases, now under investigation, that the individuals instead of the corporations shall be punished, that convictions of individuals instead of corporate offenders shall be aimed at, and that imprisonment in the pen instead of fines shall be the penalty fixed. This was the startling story which leaked out this afternoon and has spread like wild fire through the offices of the big beef packing concerns which are now being probed by the special agents of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

District Attorney Edwin Sims is making a searching inquiry and expects to record wholesale convictions when he has gathered and presented all the evidence which he is now after. Sims expects to wring secrets from the corporations through granting witnesses immunity. He is seeking offenders who are familiar with the secrets of the packers, and who are willing to turn states evidence in exchange for clemency when their own cases are brought into court.

The chief grounds for this new attack is that individuals are alleged to be holding immense tracts in the West for the use of the corporations, and that the packers are alleged to have gone back to rebating, and that Swift, Armour, Morris and Cudahy are alleged to have formed a combination to operate through the National Packing Company. It is declared that on these grounds the government can prosecute the packers under the Elkins, Hepburn and Sherman laws.

Perhaps the most sensational evidence which the government agents are alleged to have discovered, is that covering the charge that ever since the packers have been gobbling up grazing lands in the West. It is claimed that millions of acres are now being held for the packers in the range country, this giving them control of the cattle raising industry and enabling them to control and fix prices.

TIME LOCK WAS TAMPERED WITH

Los Angeles, Dec. 26.—Discovering that the time lock on the vault of the First National Bank at Monrovia was out of order on the night of December 14, when the institution was robbed of $29,700, detectives today believe they are hot upon the trail of the robbers.

A spring reversed in the time lock of the vault left only the combination lock holding the door. This proved but a slight obstacle for the cracksmen, who were able to enter the vault without the aid of explosives.

Officers of the looted bank admitted today that the time lock on the vault had not been working well for some time, and that on December 19 they had an expert from Los Angeles repair it. As the door was held shut by the combination, the officers did not discover until after the robbery that the expert's efforts had not been successful.

That the robebrs who looted the bank were professional cracksmen the detectives have no doubt. The money stolen was all in gold and currency, the burglars leaving $1600 in silver, which they evidently believed was too heavy to carry away.

SAD ENDING OF AN ALASKAN MARRIAGE

Warrensburg, Mo., Dec. 26.—A dreary ending to a bright childhood romance came today, when Leroy L. Middlekamp, an Alaskan mining man, arrived here with the body of his bride, who died in the northern territory five months after their marriage.

When Middlekemp went to Alaska two years ago, Miss Jeannette Polster promised to await his return and become his wife. Middlekamp was successful in the far north, attained the superintendency of a mine, sent for Miss Polster and they were married.

The honeymoon was interrupted when the bride sickened and died. On her death bed she pledged her husband to bring her home for burial, and after a 19-days' journey he reached here this morning, in a state of collapse.

The burial will take place tomorrow.

People who are not so well heeled, but have plenty of soule, generally wear less heel and more sole