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SEVENTY-THREE PERSONS TRAMPLED TO DEATH

J. THORBURN ROSS IS GRANTED FULL PARDON WITHOUT SERVING DAY

Full Rights of Citizenship Restored to Man Who Was Convicted of Misappropriating School Funds Deposited in His Bank by State Treasurer--Restored to Full Rights of Citizenship--Made Full Restitution to State and This Brought Leniency.

One of the most acceptable Christmas presents handed anyone this year was given Christmas eve by Governor West to J. Thorburn Ross, who was granted a full pardon and restored to full rights of citizenship.

KING GEORGE AND QUEEN MARY SPEND THEIR XMAS QUIETLY

London, Dec. 25.—King George and Queen Mary today spent their Christmas very quietly with their children and a few intimate friends at their Norfolk residence, Sandringham.

LAD OF 12 ACCUSED BY SALEM POLICE OF BEING ROBBER

George Reed, a twelve-year-old lad, was arrested about 12 o'clock last night on the charge of late hours and later it was found that Reed is the one responsible for the robberies which have occurred frequently of late from the Kory Kitchen, a little store on Court street.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR CHILDREN OF SALEM MAKES MANY HAPPY

Young Folks Gather in Great Numbers to Get Fine Gifts Handed Out. PROGRAM IS VERY FINE

Over 1300 children were delighted last night when the Cherrian Club members lined them up in front of the big Christmas tree in front of the court house and handed to each kidlet a fine pound box of French mixed candy and a big red apple.

SOLVE CHRISTMAS BUYING BY FORMING CLUBS EARLY IN YEAR

Yonkers, N. Y., Dec. 25.—There the mighty few of the newly weds and the older weds of Yonkers, in Mount Vernon and other sections of Westchester county, who brought them of the fine Christmas trees were having today—and then looked forward with gleam to the bills that must be paid one week hence, when the monthly statements arrive.

MEDFORD WOMEN PREFER SHOPPING TO VOTING

Medford, Or., Dec. 25.—(Special).—Christmas shopping this year has proved too engrossing for Medford women to allow them to register for the city election January 13.

BOSTWICK TELLS OF CRIME

MOTHERS' PENSION LAW TAXATION TAKEN OUT OF POLITICS BY WARMS BILL AND THERE ARE MANY OTHER IMPORTANT LAWS

Since that hour I haven't enjoyed an hour's peaceful sleep. I always went to bed falling, and to see his wife and two little children that I read about in the papers, crying.

THE WEATHER

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon: Possibly showers tonight and tomorrow. Warmer, with some sunshine.

CLAIMS OHIO LEADS IN RECENTLY ENACTED PROGRESSIVE LAWS

Fifty-Six of Most Up-to-Date Measures Are Placed on Statute Books.

Upon Ohio's statute books today are written fifty-six of the most progressive laws in the nation, evolved from fifty-six campaign pledges to the people of Ohio before the last election.

FALSE FIRE CRY BRINGS SORROW TO MANY HOMES

Search Being Made for Burly Drunken Man Who Shouted Alarm--That He Will Be Lynched Is Considered Certain--Christmas Festivities in Cop per Country Are Suspended and Nearly Every Man Is Looking for Miscreant -- Only Three of Those Trampled to Death Unidentified.

SIR KNIGHTS OF SALEM HOLD CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Do Moly Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar, of this city, hold its Christmas services in the beautiful Masonic lodge rooms, at 9 o'clock this morning.

STATUE STAYS IN ITALY

Florence, Dec. 25.—Danatello's famous statue of St. John the Baptist, which was made for his friend and patron, Martelli, and bought by the Italian government for \$80,000, was placed today in Danatello's hall in the national museum after having remained hidden five centuries in the old Martelli place.

CHRISTMAS RUSH FATAL

Muncie, Ind., Dec. 25.—Benjamin Harrold, aged 59 years, a rural mail carrier and father of Orville Harrold, the famous tenor, died here today of heart failure in the city postoffice. The rush incidental to Christmas was said to have hastened his death.

KILLS WIFE AND SELF

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 25.—Upbraided by his wife for drinking, James Carney, aged 32 years, shot her in the back today with a double-barreled shotgun, killing her, and then committed suicide.

SCHNEIDER ACQUITTED

Chicago, Dec. 25.—Harold Schneider was acquitted by a jury in Judge Brennan's court yesterday afternoon of murdering Joseph Logue, diamond merchant, in the Vicker building December 20, 1912. The jury was out less than three hours.