

AT PORT OF SPAIN

American Fleet Finishes First Stage of Voyage to Pacific.

ELABORATE WELCOME FOR SHIPS

Imposing Array of War Vessels Excites Admiration of People.

EVANS CALLS ON GOVERNOR

Admiral Evans on Normal Visit to Governor.

SHORE LEAVE GIVEN MEN

Torpedo Boat Flotilla Leaves for Arrival of the Vessels—All Reported Well.

PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 24.—Port of Spain is preparing to welcome the American fleet of battleships with hospitality and good-will.

Numberless launches, rowboats, small yachts and harbor craft of all sorts began putting out on an early hour this morning.

Rear Admiral Evans called on the governor of Trinidad, Sir Henry Moore Jackson, this morning.

While preparing to leave the harbor the destroyer Whipple's propeller fouled the anchor chain of the sloop Fortuna.

Fleet Stopped for Burial at Sea.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Special dispatches from Port of Spain, Trinidad, announce the arrival there of the Atlantic fleet on its way to the Pacific.

Christmas Message Sent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Admiral Evans has reported to the Navy department the arrival of the battleship fleet at Trinidad yesterday.

SAILORS ENDURE HARDSHIPS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—With a tale of hardship and privation that adds another chapter to the romance of the sea.

MAN SINGS WHILE IN TRANCE

MONTCLAIRE, N. J., Dec. 24.—The curious trance-like state in which Edward Shea has remained for more than a month has taken on a new phase.

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Wednesday, December 25, 1907.

Table with 7 columns (Sun-Mon) and 6 rows (1-7) for December 1907.

Forecast till 1 p. m. Wednesday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Fair Wednesday; colder Wednesday afternoon.

Temperature at Omaha table with columns for Hour, Deg. and values for various times.

DOMESTIC

Arrival of the American fleet at Port of Spain is made gala day. The Memphis Savings bank closed its doors yesterday.

Funerals of victims of mine disaster are pathetic sights. Masked men held up saloon in Chicago.

Labor leaders at Washington claim the Buck boycott decision takes away their inalienable rights.

Judge Lewis of Denver has quashed indictments against men accused of land frauds.

Attorney General Thompson is much pleased at the decision of the United States supreme court granting the state permission to file a petition in the railroad case.

Jobbers and manufacturers' association of Omaha reports that fall trade during merchants' meeting was even and a half per cent greater than during the record breaking spring meeting of 1907.

City Prosecutor Daniel says no more arrests will be made for violations of the Sunday law until the district court interprets the meaning of "common labor."

Christmas day in Omaha finds the men, women and children in all strata of life happy and most of them prosperous.

Acting President Mahoney of Western Federation Making Effort at Goldfield.

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Dec. 24.—If a compromise of any nature is possible at the late day between the Mine Owners' association and the Western Federation of Miners it will be brought about through the efforts of Acting President Mahoney of the Western Federation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—More than 120,000 people will eat Christmas dinners in New York tomorrow furnished by the Salvation army.

NEW VIEW OF LAND LAW

Judge Lewis Quashes Indictments Against Lumbermen in Colorado.

ENTRYMEN MAY MAKE DEALS

Agreements Made After Application is Filed Under Timber and Stone Act Held to Be Legal—Government Will Appeal.

DENVER, Dec. 24.—In the United States district court here today Judge R. E. Lewis granted the motion to quash the indictments against E. M. Riggs, president, and Charles D. McPhee and J. J. McGinnity, directors of the New Mexico Lumber company.

The decision of Judge Lewis is based, as to the main point in the case, upon the allegations in the indictment to the effect that they charge no tampering with or agreement with entrymen prior to the application of the entryman for lands.

By these two propositions, one following the other, the court reaches the conclusion that the charge against the indicted men does not reveal a conspiracy to acquire land by a method violative of the timber and stone act provisions.

The cases will be carried by the government to the supreme court of the United States. All of the indictments were drawn by Oliver E. Pagan, assistant attorney general of the United States.

Persian Ruler Has Not Succeeded in Convincing Subjects He is in Earnest.

TEHERAN, Dec. 24.—Twenty-four hours' reflection seems to have convinced the factious of the Persian public which favors the constitutionalists that it is better to keep their powder dry until the Dutch legation of reform are converted into acts.

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ROME, Dec. 24.—The pope was present at the sacred college today for the exchange of Christmas greetings with the cardinal.

WHEAT PROSPECT NOT GOOD

LAHORE, India, Dec. 24.—There has been a remarkable diminution in wheat planting in the Punjab.

LABOR LEADERS WILL FIGHT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Attorneys for the American Federation of Labor today filed objections against the scope of the temporary injunction of the district court prohibiting the boycotting of the Buck Steve and Baker company of St. Louis.

POPE GREETHS HIS CARDINALS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The government today formally rested its case in the prosecution of John B. Walsh, who is accused of misappropriating funds of the Chicago National bank.

MEMPHIS BANK CLOSES DOORS

One of Oldest Institutions in Tennessee Forced to Suspend Business.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—This bank is closed by order of the chancery court. E. L. McHenry has been appointed receiver.

Several weeks ago a statement was published that the bank had been heavily loaded with paper of a certain origin upon which it could not realize.

A "misapprehension seems to exist in regard to the supposed failure of this bank. The facts about an unpaid maturity were immediately made good to the bank by certain of its officers and directors, and the bank sustained no loss whatever.

Resources—Loans and discounts, \$1,031,656; overdrafts, secured, \$28,477; stocks and bonds, \$25,720; real estate, \$17,281; cash and other assets, \$2,150,000.

Later a statement was issued by the directors of the Memphis Savings bank announcing that the institution was solvent and that creditors would not lose a cent.

PRICE OF BEER MAY GO UP

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—"One thousand saloons will have their doors and gone out of business in this city by May 1 next," said Adam Ortseifen, president of the McAvoy Brewing company.

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SISTER OF MERCY MURDERED

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 24.—Sister Theresa, a nurse at St. Mary's hospital, was today shot and killed by Gustav Wirth, who is believed to be insane.

MOHLER GOES TO THE COAST

Report that General Manager of Union Pacific is to Be Promoted.

TO REBUILD HARRIMAN LINES

General Superintendent Park to Become General Manager and W. A. Whitney General Superintendent.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24.—The Deseret News today prints the following: The News has semi-official authority for announcing that E. E. Calvin of the Southern Pacific is to go to New Orleans about January 1.

W. H. Bancroft, vice president and general manager of the Oregon Short Line, will undoubtedly continue to fill that important position.

Vice President and General Manager A. L. Mohler of the Union Pacific is in Chicago with members of his family to spend Christmas. T. M. Orr, assistant to Mr. Mohler, said that nothing had been heard of the contemplated changes in the officials of the Harriman lines at the headquarters in Omaha.

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MITCHELL RECOVERS SLOWLY

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—The condition of John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, is improving.

FUNERAL OF FRANK CARPENTER

Services Will Be Held in Calvary Baptist Church Thursday Afternoon at Two O'clock.

Funeral services of J. Frank Carpenter will be held at the Calvary Baptist church, Twenty-fifth and Hamilton streets, Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

Members of the Commercial club will meet at the club rooms Thursday at 1 p. m. and attend the funeral in a body.

TRAIN BLOWN FROM TRACK

Six Persons Badly Injured by Unusual Railroad Wreck in Colorado.

DENVER, Dec. 24.—The baggage car and first coach of train No. 25, north bound on the Colorado Southern railroad, which left Denver at 10 o'clock this morning, was blown from the track and overturned in the ditch a quarter of a mile north of Marshall.

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CHRISTMAS IN OMAHA

Old Santa Claus Finds the City Happy and Prosperous.

EVERYBODY READY AND WAITING

Good Christmas Dinners for the Poor Add to the Cheer.

ENTERTAINMENTS AT CHURCHES

Youngsters Will Observe the Day with Song and Music.

HAPPY DAY FOR COUNTY CHARGES

Men, Women and Children in All Strata of Life Will Celebrate Festival of All Festivals.

Christmas Day Program.

Entertainments in most of the churches by the Sunday schools in the evening.

Entertainment by Salvation Army children in the hall, 1711 Davenport, 8 p. m.

Entertainments in all hospitals.

Christmas dinners at the various charitable institutions.

Party, morning, afternoon and evening, at Institute for Deaf and Dumb.

Special dinners at county and city jails.

Special services at many of the churches.

Special masses in Catholic churches.

Amusements.

Base ball at Beta, park, 8 p. m.

Boys', William Gollner in "Caught in the Trap," matinee and evening.

Orpheum, vaudeville, matinee and evening.

Auditorium, roller skating.

Krug, "Busy Day, the Maatema Man," matinee and evening.

Moving pictures at other theaters.

Great Day is at Hand.

Christmas, the great day of good will, is at hand.

The preparations which have been under way for so many weeks are about to culminate in the great and manifold joys of the day when gifts are given and received and everybody delights in seeing others happy.

Among those who are not rich in this world's goods and who lack even the necessities of life are a great number of men and women who are able to help the needy and to give to the poor.

The Salvation Army has been gathering funds for weeks at the street corners.

At 5 o'clock Tuesday evening several hundred baskets containing the material for a substantial Christmas dinner were given to deserving poor at the barracks, 1711 Davenport street.

Wednesday evening an entertainment will be given at the hall.

Children will go through scarf and tambores drills, the band will play and Staff Captain Storey will speak.

The big Christmas tree entertainment for the children will be given Friday evening in the hall.

Provision has been made to entertain 350 children, and each will receive a gift and candy, fruit and nuts.

All this week work on January 1, in the Daniels and Fisher department store in this city.

CITY MISBORN CHILDREN.

The big affair for the City Mission children takes place Thursday morning on the stage of the Auditorium.

The stock and goods will be taken care of. At the various hospitals there is a charge have made kindly preparations for the shut-ins to partake of the spirit and all the hospitals there will be entertainments in the afternoon or evening at which all of them will be able to walk or crawl or be carried will be present.

Preparations are being made at Clark hospital for a real Christmas celebration, beginning at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, when carol services will be rendered by Deane Beecher of Trinity cathedral and the choir boys. Following the services a large Christmas tree will be placed in the children's ward and bags of candy and gifts will be distributed to each person in the hospital.

The various charitable institutions have been preparing for this day for several weeks. In this plan they have been helped by charitably inclined individuals and organizations. At the Rescue home there will be a Christmas dinner for the twenty-two inmates. The Elks' lodge sent two pounds of chicken for this dinner.

At the Detention Home.

The children of the Detention home will have a big time. There is to be a tree, for which the children themselves have made the decorations.

This is to be lighted early in the morning and in the afternoon at 4 o'clock there will be an entertainment with Christmas songs and stories. The Women's Christian Temperance union will give each child a sack of candy and a handkerchief, beside a toy for each.

The Knights of Columbus furnished the toys and candy and tree for St. James' orphanage at Benson. The Elks supplied turkeys for the dinner. The children will have their entertainment Wednesday evening and will present a Christmas play on that occasion.

At the Child Saving institution there will be an entertainment at 3:30 in the afternoon, for which two big trees have been trimmed.

There will also be similar entertainments at the Creche and a special dinner at the Old People's home.

The newboys had their celebration Tuesday noon in the Vineyard of the Rome hotel.

For the Deaf and Dumb.

There will be a Christmas tree entertainment at the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb Wednesday morning. A party for the little folks of the institution in the afternoon and a party for the big folks in the evening.

The unfortunate in the city and county jails will be made happy with good things to eat furnished with lavish hand by the authorities and with gifts sent in by individuals and organizations. At the county jail there will be a big feast, including roast goose with all the trimmings, to say nothing of coffee with cream and sugar in it. The guests there have to drink their Rio "straight" usually.

The church celebrations will be everywhere large and elaborate. The clergy have been preparing the music for weeks and the Sunday school children have been learning their "pieces." In some of the churches there will be early morning services. This is particularly true of the Episcopal churches. At All Saints there will be services at 5:30 and 10:30 Christmas morning. At the latter service the choir will render a number of Christmas carols prepared for the occasion. At the church of St. Philip the Deacon the Christmas services were ushered in with a midnight mass Tuesday night.