

City Spends Xmas of Joy and Cheer

Gloom and Despair Are Driven to Cover—Churches Have Special Services.

Legion Feasts Ex-Yanks

The sad Christmas did not appear in Omaha yesterday. If there was a person in want who had not felt the kindness of the various charitable organizations...

Newboys Get Gifts

Street urchins and newboys were remembered with gifts. One newboy being given \$25 by a local banker.

Special Church Services

Omaha churches had special services. Sunday school classes had extra music features by the children.

Ex-Service Men Cared for

The American Legion members, under Rev. Father Holsapple worked well into Saturday night and all day Christmas to see that ex-service men without homes, and others who were stranded here for lack of employment...

Hospitals Are Visited

The Women's Overseas Service league, of which Miss Helen Cornell is president, visited the local hospitals carrying baskets of homemade "goodies" to sick ex-service men.

Boxes for Poor Farm

Miss Cassie Riley distributed 285 Christmas boxes containing nuts, candy and fruit to inmates at the county poor farm.

King Thanks Whitlock For Aiding Belgium

Brussels, Dec. 25.—(By A. P.)—King Albert called at the American embassy to bid farewell to the retiring ambassador, Brand Whitlock, expressing the thanks of himself and the nation for the relief work which Mr. Whitlock carried on during occupation of Belgian territory by the Germans.

Lincoln Gas Company Patrons Get Rebate

Lincoln, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Patrons of the Lincoln Gas and Electric company of this city may get a little Christmas joy from the fact that a draft for \$284,515.62, representing rebates due to consumers under the \$1 gas case order, was received by the company and turned over to the Nebraska State bank.

One of Smallest Dogs in World Born at Bluffs

One of the smallest dogs in the world is a jealously guarded curiosity at the home of C. O. Davis, 111 North Eighth street, Council Bluffs. Its mother is a tiny Mexican Chihuahua, the smallest breed of dog to be found anywhere.

No British Empire 100 Years Hence, Says Wells

London, Dec. 25.—"I hope and believe that 100 years hence there will be no British empire. Either it will have played its part in the development of civilization and have changed into and given place to a much larger union of free states, or it will have become a danger and a nuisance to mankind, and have followed German imperialism and Roman imperialism to the dust heap."

Eldest Daughter of Noted Writer Is Victim of Wrecked Romance

Jessamy Bret Harte Steele Inmate of St. Lawrence Hospital for Insane—Moving Picture Brings Outline of Tragedy to Light.

Chicago Tribune—Omaha. Her Latest Wire. Ogdenburg, N. Y., Dec. 25.—A story more full of surprises than fiction has been uncovering itself up here on the American shore of the St. Lawrence river during the last fortnight.

Jessamy Bret Harte Steele, elder of the daughters of Francis Bret Harte, world-famous author of the "Luck of Roaring Camp," "The Outcasts of Poker Flat," "Tennessee's Partner," "The Heathen Chinese," and other imperishable stories and poems of the pioneer days of California, and herself once an outstanding figure in the less staid life of New York, through her compelling personality, her beauty and her irresponsible madcap gaiety, is an inmate of the St. Lawrence Hospital for the Insane.

Christmas Truce Observed by Both Sides in Strike

Helen Keller Sends \$100 and Sympathetic Words to Workers—Only One Arrest.

Blue Jackets Sent to Cairo To Quell Riots

Flotilla of Armed Nile Boats Reported Ordered to Upper Egypt—Military Controls Port Said.

Cadillac Reduction More Than "Dopesters" Here Had Predicted

The much discussed reduction on Cadillac automobiles came as a Christmas present to the long list of motorists who were waiting to see what Cadillac would do the first of the year.

Youths Must Hang for Murder, Court Rules

Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 25.—Llanero Corral, 16, and Romaldo Losano, 17, convicted on a charge of killing Ventura Bencomo, jailer at Silver City, April 1, must hang, the supreme court yesterday refusing to grant them a new trial.

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The Weather

Forecast. Nebraska—Fair and rising temperatures Monday. Hourly Temperatures. 5 a. m. 21, 6 a. m. 22, 7 a. m. 23, 8 a. m. 24, 9 a. m. 25, 10 a. m. 26, 11 a. m. 27, 12 noon 28, 1 p. m. 29, 2 p. m. 30, 3 p. m. 31, 4 p. m. 32, 5 p. m. 33, 6 p. m. 34, 7 p. m. 35, 8 p. m. 36, 9 p. m. 37, 10 p. m. 38, 11 p. m. 39, 12 midnight 40.

Debs Given Ovation at Prison Gate

From Crowd on Outside Echoed by Cheers From Inmates as Socialist Leader Is Released.

Goes Direct to Capital

By The Associated Press. Atlanta, Dec. 25.—Eugene V. Debs, several times socialist candidate for president, was released from Atlanta penitentiary at 11:30 this morning, the balance of his 10-year sentence for violation of the espionage act having been commuted by President Harding.

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Another safe was blown in Omaha on Christmas eve, netting the yeggs \$200 in cash. The Reuben grocery, Twenty-fifth and Davenport streets, was the scene of the "job."

Door Badly Damaged

The heavy door of the safe was blown out of shape by the explosion. The "job" was similar to the work that characterized at least a half dozen safe-blowing robberies in Omaha last week.

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American Delegates Optimistic

Confidence Expressed That Agreement on Naval Limitation Will Be Reached This Week.

Others View Dark Side

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING. Chicago Tribune—Omaha. Dec. 25.—Confidence that the agreement on the reduction and limitation of naval armaments could be completed this week and sealed at a plenary session of the international conference was expressed tonight by members of the American delegation.

Wait Word From Paris

French delegates said they would not be ready to state their position on the latest Hughes proposal until after hearing from Paris, probably tomorrow. Mr. Hughes proposes that France be allowed to maintain its present submarine strength of approximately 31,000 tons.

Oppose Concessions

When the naval limitation agreement was completed the conference will resume consideration of the problems affecting China and the Far East. Events in China connected with the institution of the so-called dictatorship of Gen. Chang Tso Lin, the super-Tuchun and inspector general of the three provinces of Manchuria, and the resignation of the cabinet are regarded in conference quarters as a vindication of the position taken by the powers when they adopted the Root principles as a chart for their future attitude toward China.

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When the conference adopted the Root declaration of principles it went with the idea of doing something definite toward removal of foreign restrictions on Chinese sovereignty, independence and national administrative autonomy. But the representatives of the eight nations other than China participating in the conference have come to the conclusion that China can be done without disregard for the fundamental principles of safety for foreign lives and property in China, and when China is ready to afford such guarantees.

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