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SOUTHWEST UNION.

John Steele is on the sick list.
R. W. Stump moved into his new house last week.
George Keller is down on the Wabash river buying fur.
Wm. Britton, of Chicago, was on his farm last week.
There were three foxes captured by Robert Keller last week.
Rev. Daniel Morris preached at the U. B. church Sunday week.
The hunters should know that the game law has expired for the season.
Miss Nora Stout, of Darlington, is visiting Miss Flora Harwood, of this place.

NEW ROSS.

A wedding in town this week.
Dan Morrison has moved to the farm.
A new boy at the home of Dora Hankins.
Jay Brown has joined the Odd Fellows.
Christmas goods were nearly all sold here.
J. B. Evans and family have returned to Weyland.
C. O. Routh seems right at home in his new store.
The Christmas entertainment was largely attended.
B. Adkins and wife returned to Indianapolis Tuesday.
The building and loan will settle up and quit business.
Rev. Brewer will visit relatives in Marion county this week.
Iris Beck and Mattie Johnson are spending vacation with home folks.
People by their travel seem to be taking advantage of low railroad rates.
Mrs. Bettie Loop is selling "The Life of Christ." It is a good book and should find a ready sale.

A large number of Knights went over to Jamestown Wednesday evening to institute a lodge there.

The principal of the schools showed a courtesy to his pupils by giving them a social at his home Saturday night and treating them with oranges, candies, nuts, apples, etc.

MAE.

A black Christmas.
T. A. Armstrong is in Kalamazoo, Michigan.
The S. of M. met last Saturday night in the school house hall.
Melville, Lila and Lora Faust spent the holidays at Camden.
Misses Flora and Ella Thompson visited in Frankfort during holiday.
Preaching at the M. E. church last Saturday by Rev. Stephens.
Fred Myers is head brakeman on the Big Four through Clinesville.
The quills now have their peace and fear no more the dog and gun.
S. M. Freeman and W. V. Linn are spending the holidays at Spokane Falls.
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Martin are visiting relatives in the southern part of the state.
Quite a number of folks from Indian-

apolis were at the Christmas tree at Mace.

Mrs. Elkin's sister and husband from Madison county are spending holidays with her.

Miss Myrtle Hunt rendered a very beautiful and appropriate solo at Union Christmas eve.

David Durbin, traveling salesman for C. C. Peterman has the grip. Also his son Jim and wife Mary.

Mrs. I. E. Livengood, of Covington, is spending the holidays in Mace with her mother, Mrs. M. J. Johnson.

The Rev. D. D., L. L. D., and M. D., Albert Peterman is again acting as head salesman for brother C. C. Peterman.

The Christmas tree at Union was largely attended. Mrs. J. G. Johnson made some very appropriate remarks for the occasion.

The little sleek rabbits must suffer now for it is holidays with the school kids and they are out in full force with pop guns, pistols and clubs.

Harry Hipes and John Caldwell have purchased Gen. Geo. Washington's old homestead at Mt. Vernon. They intend to make it a famous resort for tourists.

We saw the Argus News scribe at Mace Friday night at the Christmas tree. It was warm weather don't-cherk now and why did he set so close to the stove?

Jasper Faust will visit the Shades next summer and take with him his little skiff which he got off the Christmas tree. We wish him many a happy row over the crystal flood at the Garland Dells. Better take a bathing suit too, Jasper, for your frail bark may capsize (not baptize) you in the waves beneath.

TATER RIVER VALLEY—Madison Tp.

Dr. L. T. Brown has la grippe.
There is some complaint about dogs killing sheep.

The growing wheat looks splendid and promises a big crop.

Little Willie Grimes is married to a lady near Clarksville.

Malinda Elston, of Delphi, is visiting relatives in the valley.

Calvin Baum, of Kirkpatrick, has gone east to see his parents.

Lagrippe is spreading in the valley. G. W. Willson is the last victim.

M. B. Waugh was in attendance at the state grange and reports a good time.

W. H. Gray is running the elevator at Kirkpatrick for Mr. Calvin Baum while he is off on a visit.

Some papers say they do not mind staying all night in our county jail, but they like to read the Bible.

Madison township will try and furnish two candidates for our next election, a representative and county commissioner.

About all of the fat hogs are all out of the neighborhood and the farmers have nothing to do only to spend the money.

The Christmas boat that sailed in the M. E. church at Kirkpatrick on Christmas eve contained many valuable and useful presents.

There was a doleful looking set at Linden on Christmas day because they could not get anything to drink. It was a dry Christmas.

It is reported that O. W. Stingley would like to warm the chair that Hon. Michel Carroll set in during the last session of our legislature. Mr. Stingley promises to stir up a hornet's nest if elected.

A most impressive event took place on Christmas eve at five o'clock at Wm. Z. McBee's, in the way of a family reunion and Christmas tree loaded with many valuable presents. J. W. Willson had the honor of presenting to an unbroken family of seven children and seven grand children, some 80 presents. The father was given an \$8 chair, and the mother a pair of gold spectacles. Mr. McBee is one of the pioneers of this part of Montgomery county and his family has always had a helping hand in building up all good society. It was an occasion to be long remembered.

ON THEIR TRAIL.

Avengers After Sims and His Murderous Gang.

MORE DETAILS OF THEIR LATEST RAID

Little Children and Innocent Men Murdered — The Governor of Mississippi Sends a Company of Militia After Them.

A HUNT TO THE DEATH.
MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 28.—The military, numbering twenty men, fully armed, have started from here for the house of Bob Sims. They took with them a six-pounder fieldpiece.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.—The Times-Democrat's Buckatonna (Miss.) special confirms the report telegraphed Thursday night concerning the murderous work of Bob Sims and his gang in Choctaw county, Ala., and says that Sims was surrounded Thursday in his house by sixty men. Some forty shots were exchanged, and Bob Sims and five others retreated to the house, where he is strongly fortified, having Winchesters and revolvers. His besiegers have a few rifles and shotguns. There are strong chances that Sims will break through the cordon and a reign of terror be inaugurated. If he does not it is expected 700 men will environ the house.

Terrible Deeds of the Sims Gang.
De Soto, Miss., Dec. 28.—Not since the days when the Copeland gang of thieves made Alabama the scene of their operation and Rube Burrow, recklessly held up trains and defied the whole south have the authorities of this section been so wrought up as within the last three months, when Bob Sims, the notorious moonshiner of this state, began to attract the attention of the people of the whole country by openly defying the officers of the United States government, as well as the local authorities.

It was in September that Sims and two of his family were arrested for distilling illicit whisky. The arrests were made by a deputy United States marshal, and the prisoners were kept guarded in a room at the hotel in Bladen Springs. That night relatives of Sims surrounded the house, and after killing two officers and a private citizen and losing two of their number they rescued Bob and his companions and escaped to the woods. Pursuit was instantly made, as the affair created the greatest excitement at the time, but neither Bob nor his followers were caught.

Swore to Be Revenged.
A mob visited his home and destroyed everything he had in the world, and he vowed vengeance against every man in the party, all of whom, to the number of thirty-seven, he has sworn to kill. The first move in the direction of carrying out his threat was made on the night of December 23, when Sims and five of his gang surrounded and set fire to the home of John McMillan, who resided 25 miles from this place in a wide and sparsely settled country. Here he committed an outrage that will linger forever in the memory of the citizens of this section.

Killed Women and Children.
Before firing the house he and his gang called to the inmates, six in number—two men, two women and two children—to come out and surrender. The offer was refused, and then the house was fired. The flames ascended higher and higher, until at last the inmates were compelled to flee from the burning building. As they ran out John McMillan, John Kennedy and Kennedy's 7-year-old daughter were fired upon and killed instantly. Two other girls, 7 and 12 years old, were dangerously wounded, as was also Miss Belle McKenzie, a 22-year-old school-teacher, boarding with McMillan's family. Mrs. John McMillan and a man, Llewellyn, were seriously wounded. In the hurry to leave the building a little 3-year-old child of McMillan's was forgotten, and it was burned to death. After shooting everyone in sight McMillan's store was looted and the gang went for Sims' home, 6 miles distant.

Avengers Start Out.
The news spread with alarming rapidity and a posse was quickly summoned and pursuit given. At 8 p. m. Sims' house was surrounded and a hot fight ensued between the two factions. About 800 shots were exchanged, but as Sims had the advantage of position the posse lost one man. The firing was then suspended and a courier came into DeSoto, Miss., and Gov. Thomas G. Jones was asked for aid. Sheriff Gavin, of Choctaw county, thought best to take this act rather than sacrifice the lives of his men, who were at the mercy of bullets from the cutlows whenever they advanced on the house. At 7 o'clock Friday night a detachment of artillery from the First regiment, Alabama state troops, left Mobile with a galling gun, and will proceed at once to the scene. In the meantime the cutlows are surrounded, and frequent skirmishes with the posse of men guarding the building occur, and people are wrought up to a high pitch of excitement, and hardly anybody in that section has been asleep in two or three nights, fearing a visit from the gang.

Two Fires Result Fatally.
LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Philomena O'Hare, wife of John O'Hare, was burned to death Christmas morning, the result of a lamp explosion. Her husband, who had been quarreling with her, was arrested. An hour later Patrick Clige, a machinist, was burned to death in his boarding house.

Eleven Men Killed.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The accident which occurred on the New York Central railway Thursday night at Hastings-on-Hudson has proved to be much greater than from reports received. The official list of the dead as given out number eleven people.

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Death of State Treasurer Pons, of Florida.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.—State Treasurer J. Pons died Thursday night from cancer of the stomach, with which he has been a sufferer for two years. Mr. Pons was 58 years of age and of Spanish descent.

Shot in the Back.

TAYAS CITY, Mich., Dec. 26.—During a shooting match Fred Moorhead, an influential citizen, was instantly killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Edward Walker. The two men were close friends. Mr. Walker is frantic with grief.

Killed by the Cars.

BRADDOCK, Pa., Dec. 26.—Peter McNally, of Bradnock, and John Daugherty, of this city, were struck by a train near here Friday and instantly killed. Their bodies were frightfully mangled.

Crushed With Nothing.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—George H. Page, lessee of the Langham hotel, 1907 Washington street, was crushed. Liability was \$100,000. He had absolutely nothing to pay to his creditors.

Overcoat Proof overcoatings at Swank & Clark's, the reasonable tailors.

SHORT SPECIALS.

Grandall's whitening and chalk factory at Maspeth, N. Y., was burned Monday. Loss, \$30,000; partly insured.

Business on the Indiana Midland railroad has been practically suspended on account of financial difficulties.

William J. Scanlan, the actor, Monday was more violent in his raving. Physicians said that he would die soon.

Bertie Cecil, postmaster general of Honduras, died at Tegucigalpa Sunday. He was a native of the United States.

Emmet Freeland, of Normal, Ill., was killed at Bloomington, being thrown from a vehicle by a runaway team.

In taking out a pump at Elvina mine, Butte, Mont., Michael Blake fell to the bottom, a distance of 150 feet, and was instantly killed.

At Kansas City, Mo., Monday representatives of the state universities of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri met and formed the Western Interstate University Football association.

Charles Kimball, of Little Rock, Ark., Sunday disobeyed his refractory 3-year-old child, placed it in a tub of ice-cold water, and afterward whipped it until fatal results are likely to follow.

Charles Hodge was detected in the act of stealing corn at Mankato, Minn., Sunday night and was shot and mortally wounded by an officer while trying to avoid arrest.

Diphtheria has broken out at Kittanning, Pa. Over a dozen cases of a malignant type have been reported and the residents are badly frightened. The schools have been closed on account of the epidemic.

Cotton from Egypt.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The British steamer Southgate arrived here Monday from Alexandria, Egypt, with 4,900 bales of Egyptian cotton. This is the first large importation. It is considered superior to the American cotton and will be mixed with it.

Florida's New Treasurer.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Dec. 29.—Gov. Fleming has appointed Edward J. Tracy state treasurer, vice Francis J. Pond, who is dead. Tracy has been the governor's private secretary since 1892. He is a native of Cuba, but was educated at St. Augustine.

Broke His Neck.

LILLY, Pa., Dec. 29.—George M. Nyeely, fireman on the Chicago limited, was instantly killed here Monday morning. He was leaning out of the cab window when he was struck by the mail crane and his neck was broken and his skull crushed.

Will Not Pardon Dunlap.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Gov. Russell has refused to pardon Rank Robert Dunlap on the ground that the council failed to recommend such action unanimously. The whole matter will probably come up again before the next council in January.

Liquor at the Fair.

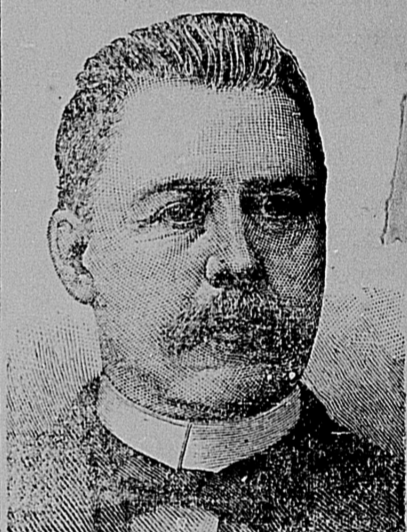
CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—It has been decided, according to good authority, to allow the sale of liquor at the world's fair, the exposition company to receive for the privilege of their sale a percentage of the gross receipts.

Mud Causes Business Depression.

CARTHAGE, Ill., Dec. 29.—It is estimated that the recent mud blockade has cost the merchants of Hancock county \$50,000, although trade has been phenomenal during the holidays despite the terrible roads.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—At the world's fair grounds Monday two men employed on the Electricity building were killed by being caught under a falling trolley.

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