

MAYOR JEWETT HOST NEWSBOYS OF CITY AT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Most Wonderful Tree in All Indianapolis Deals Delight to Hundreds of Shouting Lads.

FIREPLACE AND KRISS KRINGLE, TOO

The City Hall was transformed today into a Christmas fairyland, ruled by His Highness, Old Saint Nicholas, with more than 400 downtown newsboys and girls as his willing and adoring subjects. Responsibility for the creation of the delightful little monarchy rested on the shoulders of Mayor Charles W. Jewett, who was giving his annual Christmas party for the youthful but important cogs in the city's news distribution system, and R. Walter Jarvis, director of recreation, and his assistants who planned the program.

There was a Christmas tree the like of which well it was the most wonderful in all the city.

In addition to the tree there was a huge fireplace built around the entrance to one of the elevator shafts so that Santa Claus, who, through his supernatural powers, got to an upper floor of the city hall without being detected, came down in an elevator instead of through a chimney. He was an immaculate Santa Claus. Throughout the party his name was Joseph Swain and his job is plumbing inspector for the board of public health. Today, however, he was not only a Santa Claus, but a Santa Claus of candy and Christmas mail, which Mayor Jewett himself distributed to each of the happy young hopefuls. The mail consisted of a personal letter from the mayor to each of his little friends.

The letter read as follows:

"My Dear Friend,

"One of the great blessings of life is friendship. There is nothing that I prize greater than the friendship of the boys and girls of Indianapolis.

"I want you to know that you have my sincere good wishes for a full and happy year and happiness this Christmas time. May you mold your life each day with a fixed purpose. Work for something—work hard—play hard. Never do anything half way. Success will come to you if you are true, honest, and honest and keep everlastingly at it.

"With every good wish, I am,

"Your friend,

"CHARLES W. JEWETT.

"Mayor."

Jole Plitz, a newsboy who has a "beat" around the Union Station, sang several songs and was cheered lustily. Jesse Miller, a blind newsboy, brought a little speech in which he told how much the newsboys appreciate this annual event. Much affected the mayor responded. He declared that the newsboys of Indianapolis have the spirit of "go-getters" right through with things they start. "I'm proud of you all and I want to tell you that this is the biggest and best part of my Christmas; I expect more so than of yours."

"PAGEANT OF TOYS"

"IS PROVIDED."

While the main issues were the gifts and Santa Claus, Mr. Jarvis and his assistants took care of the program.

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For Beauty's Sake Ruth Gordon Has Both Legs Broken

Actress, After Seeing Marilyn Miller's Limbs, Decides to Have Hers Straightened.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Legs should not be allowed to interfere with one's career, according to Miss Ruth Gordon, actress. Bowlegs were the bane of Mark Gordon's existence, so she had 'em straightened. She is in a hospital today with both legs in plaster casts, not through accident, but because she wanted them broken.

"Three years ago," Miss Gordon said, "I was walking down an aisle in a Chicago department store and I saw a pair of legs waiting toward me that I thought were mine. They were funny. I discovered that the legs were mine."

"I wanted to have something done right then, but I didn't have time. Then I saw Marilyn Miller's legs in a show at Atlantic City and that decided me. She's got the straightest legs."

So for beauty's sake Miss Gordon had a Chicago surgeon break both her legs. She will not be able to walk for at least three months, but she thinks it will be worth it.

In private life Miss Gordon is Mrs. Gregory Kelly. She was the "bad lady" in Booth because they were funny, and recently starred in "Clarence." Her husband is Gregory Kelly, who was the boy in "Seventeen."

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COURT PERMITS WOMAN SLAYER TO PUT UP BAIL

Judge Collins Hears Petition of Mrs. Myers for Freedom.

FIXES BOND AT \$25,000

Mrs. Ida Myers, indicted for first degree murder for the killing of her husband, Frederick A. Myers, in their photographic studio at 1306 North Alabama street, today was admitted to bond by Judge James A. Collins in Criminal Court.

The judge fixed bail at \$25,000 after holding a hearing on the petition of the woman to be released from jail where she has been ever since the fatal shooting on the night of Dec. 10.

Arrangements were made at once to deposit the necessary security by Mrs. Myers' father, Alonzo Salder, her brother, John Salder, and his wife.

When the judge announced his decision Arthur Myers, 12, the youngest son of the slain man, rushed into his stepmother's arms while tears of gladness streamed down his face.

The two stepsons jumped from their seats and began kissing their stepmother.

"Oh, mamma, mamma, you can be at our Christmas tree now,"

The other boy, Byron, 14, also hastened to Mrs. Myers' side.

AS JUDGE READS ORDER.

Judge Collins dictated the following to the clerk of the court: "This court is convinced that the defendant is entitled to bail pending trial and now fixes bond at \$25,000."

Mrs. Myers, realizing that the first stage of her battle for freedom was won, fell against the counsel table, sobbing softly.

The two stepsons jumped from their seats and began kissing their stepmother.

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