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ROOSEVELT CELEBRATES

PRESIDENT AND HIS FAMILY HAVE BIG FAMILY DINNER PARTY AT WHITE HOUSE—WASHINGTON GAY.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 26.—The Christmas events for President-elect Taft were his participation in the annual handicap golf tournament of the Country club, in which he won from Maj. J. B. Cumming, president of the club, without a distinguishing score; he rode a dozen miles on horseback in the afternoon and with his family dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Langdon Thomas in the evening.

offered with hearty good wishes and received in the same spirit. "The people down here are just as genuinely cordial as they could be," was the appreciative remark of Mr. Taft in recalling the holiday greetings he had received.

Trolley Ride Today.

A trolley ride to Aiken, S. C., in which the Taft and the John Hays Hammond families were principal guests of James U. Jackson of the railroad management, took place yesterday. In the evening Mr. Taft dined with Mr. Maxwell, an old Cincinnati friend, and a number of Southern federal officeholders.

PRESIDENT MAKES MERRY.

Was "Dee-lighted" Over His Christmas Cheer.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Official and private business gave way Friday to the time-honored observances of Christmas. The city was covered with a mantle of snow and the jingle of sleighbells was heard everywhere.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt gave a large family lunch with a few intimate friends and in the evening they dined with Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cowles.

Most of the cabinet folks were here, the only absentees being Secretary of War and Mrs. Wright, who celebrated the day at their home in Memphis; Attorney General and Mrs. Bonaparte, who are at their home in Baltimore; Secretary Newberry, who was the guest of the Detroit club in

USES TELEPHONE TO STOP ELOPEMENT

Paur's Dash of Twenty Miles Is Futile.

Selingsgrove, Pa., Dec. 26.—Driving twenty miles in a sleigh at breakneck speed, to outwit a pursuing father, Miss Lottie Gable and Jay Wendt, both of Freeport, this county, were frustrated here late tonight in their attempt to elope.

Ministers here would not wed them because both are minors.

They decided to take a trolley car to Sunbury, with the hope of having the ceremony solemnized there, but in their haste they had not supplied themselves with money.

They were about to sell the horse when a telephone message from the pursuer to a constable led to their detention here. The father was outdistanced, but his clever idea of using the telephone, when five miles behind the runaways, stopped the elopement.

his native city and Postmaster General Meyer, who has gone on a hunting trip.

Vice President Participates.

The vice president, his daughter, Mrs. John Timmons and the sons of the household remained here to participate in the day's festivities, while Mrs. Fairbanks is visiting friends in Atlantic City.

An event of some moment to 600 children of the officials and employees of the postoffice department occurred at Masonic temple, where Mrs. Meyer was the hostess at an entertainment of music, pantomime, moving pictures, etc. There was a large Christmas tree and presents for all were distributed.

All the churches conducted religious services and in some of them special music was provided.

The poor and needy were not overlooked. From known and unknown sources many a home, chilled by wintry blasts and made desolate by

sting, was brightened by generous supplies of fuel, food and raiment. Associated charities in most instances had charge of the work of distribution, although the Elks, Mystic Shriner and other fraternal orders, business firms and private individuals extended independent help.

Tong Shao Yi, the ambassador for China on a special mission, is entertaining a merry gathering of Chinese students during Christmas week. They include a number of those sent here by the Chinese government for education in American institutions, as well as others sent here by their parents, to the number of more than eighty. The boys come from as far west as Atlanta. Every opportunity will be afforded them to see the sights of the city and to enjoy their visit to the national capital.

THROAT WAS CUT

Man, Mortally Wounded, Falls At Foot of Christmas Tree.

CROWD WAS IN A PANIC

Whiteside, Mo., Dec. 26.—George Rider, his throat cut, and mortally wounded by Edgar Parrish in a fight in the Christian church at Louisville, a small town ten miles west of here, staggered to the Christmas tree and fell dead at the feet of "Santa Claus."

The celebration was thrown into a panic as Rider staggered around, women and children screaming and fainting at the sight of blood streaming through his fingers held to his wound.

Parrish fled from the church during the excitement. An unconfirmed report states he committed suicide on a country road with the same knife he used fatally on Rider.

Trouble between the men is said to have started at a supper in a country church near Louisville a few nights ago, when Parrish defended a number of women from insult after Rider is said to have broken up the supper.

The Christian church was packed when Rider, reported to be still in an ugly mood, entered. He spied Parrish and started toward him. Men in the crowd attempted to quiet him, but failed, and he attacked Parrish, who wielded his knife.

Baby Killed in Parents' Fight.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 26.—Alfred Turner, aged 10 weeks, was killed during a fight between the infants' parents. William Turner, the father, according to the report made to the police, attacked his wife because she did not have breakfast ready when he came downstairs. Mrs. Turner had the child in her arms and in the fight she dropped it to the floor. She was subsequently knocked down or fell upon the infant, crushing it to death. Both parents were arrested.

Fatal Christmas Festival Row.

Pryor Creek, Okla., Dec. 26.—Deputy Sheriff Nicholas Mitchell was shot and killed at Hogan institute, fifteen miles south of here, when he attempted to quiet a disturbance at a Christmas celebration. Sam and Henry Frye are under arrest and a posse is seeking George Frye. The Fryes are of Cherokee descent, wealthy and prominent.

Polo, Elwood vs. Richmond, Monday, Dec. 28.

WOMAN WITH \$3,500 STARVES TO DEATH

Denied Self Food and Fire to Give to Charity.

Taunton, Mass., Dec. 26.—Denying herself food, fire and light, Mary Cryan, aged 32, starved herself in the attic of a house she owned. She willed \$3,500 to church and charity.

Miss Cryan rented her house for \$20 a month, had \$1,000 in the savings banks and after death about \$100 in bills was found under her pillow.

She regarded fire and light as luxuries and no glimmer save that from the street lights entered her room at night. By day she wandered among dumps picking up odds and ends.

Edward Cassidy, from whose house she was buried, was a cousin, but she left him nothing. He will contest the will.

She was a high school graduate and until recently attended night school, where tuition is free. She was formerly something of a belle, but this ended when her craze for money set in.

HOW INDIAN TRAPS THE CHUCKWALLA

Elusive Reptile Considered a Toothsome Dainty.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26.—The chuckwalla is an interesting and elusive denizen of Southern California's great desert, where he has admirers who covet him with mouth watering ardor.

According to George Wharton James, the chuckwalla is as alluring to desert Indians as a yellow-legged chicken to a circuit riding Methodist parson. The chuckwalla's method of escape is to crawl into a crevice so narrow that it seems impossible to get him out. But the Indian is too clever for him.

He takes a piece of strong wire or a bent twig, and, poking it into the crevice, he taps the chuckwalla on the end of the nose. In a moment the angered reptile exhales a kind of hiss, the noise being made by a rapid expulsion of the breath. As he thus exhales he loses his hold on the rocks and in a moment the Indian pulls on his tail.

As speedily as a flash of lightning the chuckwalla inhales again and tightens himself in his recess. Another tap on his nose and then exhalation; another pull, another exhalation—so it goes—until at last the Indian secures his prize.

BIG BANKING FIRM GOES TO THE WALL

Henry W. Poor Company Makes Assignment.

New York, Dec. 26.—Henry W. Poor, head of the firm of H. W. Poor & Co., bankers and brokers, of 333 Wall street, today made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, to Mark T. Cox. The nature of the business troubles was not made known in the papers of the assignment.

The banking firm was recently sued for \$200,000 by Howard Willetts, who charged false representation in the sale of 243,000 railroad bonds. In November last, Mr. Poor, the head of the firm sold his \$250,000 library. Mr. Poor is well known in banking circles, having been connected with Wall street trading for many years. He resides at 10 Lexington avenue. Hawkins & Delafield, attorneys of No. 1 Nassau street, are the attorneys for the assignee.

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