800 U. S. SAILORMEN CAPTURE OLD SANTA

Taken Aboard Battleships New York and Pennsylvania With His Gigantic Pack.

600 CHILDREN SEE HIM

Men Trained to Fight Force Him to Disgorge Wearing Apparel and Toys.

Kris Kringle, alias Santa Claus, the philanthropic housebreaker of the reindeer team and toy laden sleigh, whose annual invasion of the homes of good little boys and girls is winked at by the police of every village, town and city in the wide, wide world, paid his usual visit to New York on Christmas eve and—now comes the news of it—was captured by some 800 sailormen of the battleships New York and Pennsylvania, now at Brooklyn navy yard.

It wasn't exactly an honest to goodness capture, for the bluejackets, out of regard for the venerable old St. Nicholas and the many children still to be served in other localities, permitted him to complete his annual joy ride on his solemn promise to stop off at the navy yard for an hour or two on his way back. And Santa did. That is how the battleships New York and Pennsylvania happened to be cradles of joy yesterday afternoon for some 500 or 600 small boys and girls whose home addresses, through some unfortunate oversight, failed to appear on Kris Kringle's original visiting list.

Was Too Late for Dinner.

Due to lack of snow in many parts, the jolly, rotund old fellow was a trifle late for the turkey dinner which the children gobbled on the crews' mess decks. He arrived in good time for the distribution of gifts, however. The children were delighted, the sailors gratified. It was the second time in the history of the yard that Kris Kringle had boarded any of Uncle Sam's scientific engines of destruction, but his supremacy was established in two shakes of his jolly old head. There was nothing to it. Right away he had Mars, the ill natured god of strife, backed overboard.

The smiles of the blue jacketed sailormen, the shrill yells of delight as some youngster's dream came true, the squeal of the little girl with her first real "store" doll took the place of the smudge and grime, the clatter and roar of battle practice.

From noon until 4:30 the children overran the big fighting ships, raced and played games on decks which some day conceivably may run blood. When the small boys weren't playing they were hobnobbing with the big guns and investigating the machinery that moves them.

In the meantime Kris Kringle was making tracks for home. The last report of him was from the chief operator of the wireless station at the navy yard, who says he wirelessed Mrs. Kringle in her home somewhere north of Peary's pole that her husband had been delayed but would be home in time for supper—and please not to be hard on him. This assurance should dispel the rumor that the Kris Kringles who officiated yesterday were the chief master boatswains of the New York and the Pennsylvania respectively.

How the Plot Was Hatched.

The true story of how the sailors happened to hold up Santa Claus was told by one of these boatswains. A sailor learned that Santa had overlooked the families of some dead sailor men in making out his Christmas list, the inadvertence being due perhaps to the frequency with which seafaring men change their addresses. The sailors of the New York and the Pennsylvania decided to help Kris Kringle and the youngsters at one stroke.

A collection was taken up, for the crews knew that many toy factories are now turning out guns instead of toys and that Santa, though working night and day himself, scarcely had toys enough to go round. They were willing to provide the toys and the children too if he would distribute the toys.

To that end teams on furlough had been working for several weeks, on their own hook and through charitable institutions, in an effort to find out all the children of seafaring men whom Santa Claus had overlooked.

That the success of their search and the end to be gained warranted them in their arbitrary handling of Kris Kringle is generally conceded, even by Kris Kringle himself. Most of the young guests yesterday were the poor children of sailormen who had died. Besides their toys each boy and girl received a brand new outfit of wearing apparel, from shoes to hat.

AISACE HAS RENEWED HOPE.

French Inhabitants Celebrate Change in Form of Government.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Never in the history of Alsace has Christmas been celebrated with such fervor and hopefulness as this year. Every village church and chapel was filled to overflowing for midnight mass. The clergy in some instances offered public prayers that the national counsellors might be guided aright in considering the situation.

The religious exercises were preceded and followed by Sabbath school and family gatherings around Christmas trees, which local custom this year carried out apparently with a feeling of growing security in the changed form of government, now that a large part of the province is again in French hands. Everywhere expressions of highest confidence in the future were heard.

FARO, SHIP, STEAMS IN CIRCLE.

Portuguese Liner Twice Crosses Bows of Sucrosa and Disappears.

The eccentric navigation of the Portuguese steamship Faro, formerly the German freighter Galata, puzzled Capt. Crowley and officers of the American tank steamship Sucrosa, in last night from Tuxpan, Mexico.

The Faro steamed across the bows of the tank on Saturday night off Cape Hatteras and after making a circle vanished in the darkness. At noon yesterday the Faro again crossed the Sucrosa's bows and headed to the southeast, making no signals.

The Faro sailed from New Orleans for Newport News on December 18, whence she was scheduled to depart for Gibraltar. The Yankee skipper said he wondered if the Portuguese commander, Capt. Azinedo, had lost his way, or just did not know much about the art of navigation off the American coast.

Takes Cyanide and Dies.

Emil Novatny, a metal spinner of [illegible] East Seventy-third street, went for a walk with his wife on Sunday night. He returned home after midnight. Novatny told his wife to go to bed; [illegible] minutes after she had obeyed she went downstairs and found her husband on the bathroom floor in agony. He had swallowed some cyanide of potassium. He died before a doctor could arrive.

YOUNG ARTISTS' WORK SHOWN.

200 Drawings by Children on View at Wanamaker Store.

Two hundred of the drawings submitted by children from 4 to 15 years of age in the competition instituted by the John Wanamaker store will be on exhibition on the fourth gallery of the new building all this week, beginning this morning.

Many thousand drawings were submitted in the contest. A jury of school teachers selected from the mass those worthy of prizes. The exhibition will be instructive from many angles, and Wanamaker's is preparing to receive not only the children and their parents, but many art students and teachers of drawing.

20,000,000 PIECES IN XMAS MAIL HANDLED

Manhattan and Bronx Post Offices Made Cleanup by Noon.

By noon yesterday every one of the millions of pieces of Christmas mail handled in Manhattan and The Bronx had been put in the hands of the carriers, who had left the post offices to deliver them.

The bulk of Christmas mail this year was at least 25 per cent. greater than last year.

This cleanup, of course, does not mean that all mail was delivered at the usual hours, for the carriers, laden down with huge armfuls of packages, postcards and letters, worked more slowly than usual. In some districts where the mail was too heavy for the regular man to deliver alone a wagon and one or two helpers were assigned to help him.

In the holiday season in these two boroughs 20,000,000 pieces of parcel post have been handled, according to the estimate of Postmaster Morgan. In the last week the main Post Office has handled 200,000 pieces of insured parcel post matter sent and more than 500,000 insured parcels received for local delivery. The postcards have run far up into the millions, and fully an equal number of letters have been sent.

Mail from out of town points has been delayed because of the inability of the railroads to furnish enough cars to transport it with the usual expedition. Mail sent to out of town points has also suffered, Mr. Morgan said, because after the postal authorities had done their work and carried the mail to the station they found that cars, ordered long in advance, were not at hand to carry away the mail.

The Christmas rush began this year much earlier than usual because of the crusade to induce people to lighten the strain on the Post Office as much as possible. Then, too, Christmas cards and presents sent early gave the recipients opportunity to buy presents for the senders when they had not planned to, and this increased the amount of the mail.

"I have never encountered anything like the task set for us this year by the holidays," said Mr. Morgan. "One thing that caused us extra work was the cheapness of insurance on parcel post packages, which has led many persons to take advantage of it."

He said that the only overtime work done by the carriers was on Sunday, when they delivered all the perishable goods and then returned to the offices and arranged the remainder of their mail for delivery yesteday. The regular 2,400 carriers were augmented by 600 substitutes. Three hundred and fifty extra wagons were hired to assist in collecting and delivering mail. In all the Post Office had delivered more than 2,000,000 parcel post packages in the past few days.

BIG DELAY IN MAIL.

Thousands of Sacks Held Up at Chicago—Cars Lacking.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Thousands of sacks of first class and parcel post mail are blockaded in the railroad terminals here. Coming from every direction, the Christmas mail overwhelmed the railroads and deliveries are said to be four or five days behind. Outgoing mail also is delayed. Every train running out of Chicago has four or five extra mail cars. Hundreds of sacks were piled in the open sheds of the railroad stations to-day.

"Mail will be from two to ten days late throughout the country," said Le Roy Stewart, head of the city delivery division of the Post Office. "One of the reasons for the great delay is that nearly everybody mailed Christmas cards in sealed envelopes this year. These envelopes are delaying the delivery of package mail.

"It will take at least a week for the Chicago Post Office and the railroad terminals to dispose of the mail that is coming here. There are fifty wagons delivering parcel post, and it will take the carriers all day to deliver the one trip scheduled for to-day."

"The mail now in Chicago terminals does not belong here," said E. L. West, superintendent of the middle West railway mail service division. "It is being transferred from one railroad to another to be taken to the different sections of the country. I have called for more cars from the railroads, but they were unable to supply them."

DRYS SEE GAINS IN CONGRESS.

They Expect Better Showing Than Heretofore From Five States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Advocates of the constitutional amendment for nationwide prohibition express the opinion that they will show more strength when a vote is taken in the two houses of Congress this session on the resolution to submit the amendment to the States for ratification than on the test votes in Congress heretofore.

In a statement made public to-night the Anti-Saloon League points out that since the vote was taken on the Hobson amendment in 1914 five States, whose vote in Congress was divided at the time on the merits of the resolution, have since gone dry—Virginia, Alabama, Iowa, Nebraska and Michigan. The league directs attention to the significant fact that if the membership in Congress from the five States mentioned vote solidly for the amendment, as they are expected to do, the prohibition amendment will gain five votes in Alabama, three from Iowa, two from Michigan, three from Nebraska and two from Virginia.

On the vote taken December 22, 1914, on the Hobson resolution 197 declared in favor of it and 189 against it, and the resolution failed for want of the necessary two-thirds vote.

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SANTA IN BLUE IS JOY TO YOUNGSTERS

Thousands of Poor Children Are Recipients of Christmas Cheer in Police Stations.

SUITS ARE GIVEN TO MANY

Toys, Candies, Musical Entertainments Included in Commissioner's Plan.

Little Vito Marino, two feet and one inch high, staggered down the steps of the Mercer street police station yesterday afternoon carrying the following articles: One suit of clothes, a paper bag with oranges and nuts, a box of candy and a ticket entitling him to a pair of shoes at John Wanamaker's. But Vito's dark eyes were filled with tears and he shivered in the sharp wind, his trousers of summer material being in rents. Whereupon a kindly stranger stopped and asked Vito what was the trouble:

"Why, de cops are playing Santa Claus," answered Vito, trying to hold all his packages in one hand and rub his eyes with the other, "and I ain't never had nobody do nothing like this to me before."

And Vito toddled on to his home at 108 West Eighth street as fast as he could, while scores of other youngsters, some as small as Vito, who clutched bundles frantically, and bigger ones who were shouting with glee, tumbled merrily out of the police station.

Santa in Blue Brings Joy.

"Gee, fellows, a Santa Claus in blue. What t'ell d'yuh think of that. Just think of the way we teased the cops all last summer."

More than 400 children from poor homes in the Sixteenth precinct and also from a part of the Bowery were looked after, for Capt. William H. Scoble, in command of the Mercer street station, found he had enough good things not only to go around among the needy in his precinct but also to help some of the youngsters over on the Bowery. So Capt. Scoble played Santa just as did police captains in many other precincts throughout the city yesterday. Everywhere the police on patrol duty, who have unusual opportunities for ascertaining what children are in need, cooperated with Police Commissioner Woods in his aim of providing a little bit of happiness for the children.

Capt. Scoble and his men worked overtime for several days preparing for the celebration. After an investigation by the police, tickets were sent to all the children in the precinct whose parents were known to be poor. Those tickets entitled the children to admission to the police station, where Capt. Scoble had worked a great change over night. There were Christmas trees, hundreds of Christmas bells, yards of bunting. There were two orchestras, a phonograph and a bunch of entertainers for the boys and girls.

A Charlie Chaplin There.

Capt. Scoble produced a Charlie Chaplin for the boys. His real name is Dominick Riley, but he made up to look like the movie comedian and he kept the boys howling with laughter for more than an hour by his antics. Several women sang to the girls. While the entertainment was at its height Mrs. Cadwalader Jones, who had contributed liberally to the fund for the entertainment of the children, dropped in to get a glimpse at the gayety and to wish the captain a merry Christmas.

The hour set for the party was 2 o'clock, and by 3 the fun was going merrily on. The police station was jammed, and then Capt. Scoble began to hand out the presents to the boys and girls. Each youngster had a card. By investigation the patrolman had found out the child's measurements and just whether a suit of clothes or a sweater or an overcoat would do most good. The particular article was ready when the card was presented. Then each child received a card which John Wanamaker will honor with a pair of shoes. There were candies, oranges, apples and nuts neatly packed for every child.

Gifts for Little Mother.

One of the happiest of the children was Rosa Lunzo, 14 years old, of 206 Wooster street. She has charge of five brothers and sisters, all younger, her father being dead and her mother being in an insane asylum. Rosa makes flowers and earns a little money. However, there would have been no Santa Claus this year had it not been for Police Commissioner Woods. There were six Lunzos at the police station, and the Lunzo flat never saw so much candy and good things as were heaped up in it last night.

At the East Twenty-second street station more than 2,700 children enjoyed Christmas in company with Mr. and Mrs. Woods, received gifts and lugged home lots of candy. There were moving pictures, songs, recitations and a Christmas tree. In the morning L. K. Herzog of 602 West 137th street called at the station and carried away twelve children to his home for a Christmas dinner. Capt. Sexton, at the direction of Police Commissioner Woods, had picked out a dozen of the poorest children in the precinct for the party. They received not only a big dinner but toys, clothes and fruit.

In the West Twentieth street station 2,200 received presents costing about $5,500. Capt. Edward J. Burns and his men had their hands full caring for the children, and they had an equally difficult time getting out a lot of children who wanted to be in on the fun but who were not poor enough. Lieut. Harry Mers of the Seventy-first Regiment sent 900 pairs of stockings for the children.

Patrolman Ruehl recited "The Face on the Barroom Floor" for the boys and then led them in singing "America."

DOWN AND OUTS FED AT BOWERY MISSION

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somebody sang a hymn, "He Turned My Life Around"; a vigorous and soul searching hymn it was.

The large room of the mission was decorated with Christmas greens, which were supplied by Mrs. Jordan L. Mott, who takes an active interest in the work of the mission. Several of the trustees, including Benjamin de F. Curtis, who has not missed a McAuley Christmas celebration in thirty-five years, assisted Supt. Wyburn and the mission staff.

After dinner there was a music service conducted by James H. Falconer, and Albert Fisher, who used to hobo it with Jeff Davis, founder of the Hotel de Gink, played the piano with a smashing touch. Probably the happiest man present was Clarence Caterer, an Australian, who drifted into "The Dry Dock of a Thousand Wrecks" not long ago and who was converted just in time for the word to reach his mother before she died.

Tree for Children.

After the music service the women folk, wives or relatives of the reclaimed men, brought their children and most everybody went to the basement to watch the lighting up of the little tree and to enjoy the pleasure of the children. The tree was only about two feet high, and its only decoration, except for candies, was an American flag, but it was a real tree and meant as much to the little people of Jerry McAuley's Mission as a tree ten feet high would have meant.

Last night they held their customary Christmas night service, mostly testimony from men that had been thieves or drunkards or worse as to how they had been able to climb back up the hill.

There was no Christmas dinner for the poor whom Big Tim Sullivan used to remember when in the heydey of his power he held the high justice, the middle and the low south of Fourteenth street. For Big Tim Sullivan is dead and gone, and so are Little Tim and Florrie, and the Sullivans are a broken clan who are becoming little more than a name in the great districts where once they were masterful and prodigal.

It used to be that every Christmas as many men as could be fed in the course of a whole day crowded into the Sullivan clubrooms at 207 Bowery and there was a big time, with a lot of important persons who owed allegiance to the Sullivans coming to the Bowery from uptown and helping with the celebration.

However, the T. D. Sullivan Association distributed 1,200 Christmas baskets at its headquarters 161 Bowery. These were the gift of Representative George W. Loft, and Harry Perry, now leader of the Third Assembly district, where Big Tim once ruled, had charge of the distribution. Mr. Perry gave money to about 200 men who had been pensioners of Big Tim. All of the forenoon there was a long line of poorly clad men, women and children filing in and out of the clubhouse and receiving their baskets of chicken, canned soup, coffee, macaroni, vegetables, fruit and candy. In each basket there was food enough to fed six persons.

More Papers Increase Price.

OWENSBORO, Ky., Dec. 25.—Subscription rates of the Owensboro *Messenger* and Owensboro *Inquirer*, morning and afternoon newspapers respectively, will be increased, their publishers announced to-day, due to advanced cost of news print paper.

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ENGLAND'S CHRISTMAS QUIETEST IN HISTORY

Even the Upper Classes Were Economical in Their Holiday Celebration.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Except in the camps and hospitals, this Christmas was the quietest Great Britain has even known. Economy was the watchword among the upper classes generally. Travel was small because the newspapers and the Government appealed to civilians to stay home and give up the trains for the soldiers on leave. The majority of the civilian travellers appeared to be munition workers and their families.

Soldiers everywhere were entertained liberally. The hospitals were decorated and supplied with dinners and presents for the patients. Private soldiers really received more attention than officers in the hospitals. Theatrical and music hall artists gave their services for various kinds of entertainments.

The day in London was like Sunday in its quiet, although the principal streets were full of khaki clad men and many sailors were about. The restricted hours for public houses reduced the merrymaking which usually attends English holidays. The hotels and restaurants were filled with patrons, but the new regulations barred elaborate dinners.

AMUSEMENTS. AMUSEMENTS.

NEW YORK'S LEADING THEATRES AND SUCCESSES

EMPIRE B'way & 40 St. Evgs. 8:20. Mats. To-morrow, Sat. & New Year's. FIRST MATINEE TO-MORROW. MAUDE ADAMS In J. M. BARRIE'S New Comedy. A KISS FOR CINDERELLA

HUDSON Theatre, W. 44 St. Evs. 8:15. Mats. To-m'w & Sat. 2:15. KLAW & ERLANGER Present Elsie Ferguson IN "Shirley Kaye"

GEO. COHAN'S THEATRE, Bway, 43 St. Sd. Evs. 8:30. Tel. 202 Bryant. Mats. To-morrow, Sat. & New Year's, 2:30. Ruth Chatterton and company, incl. BRUCE McRAE, in Come Out of the Kitchen "One of the most delightful evenings of the year."—Sun.

Laurette Taylor "One of the great ladies of our time."—Times. in J. Hartley Manners' play The Harp of Life Globe B'way, 46 St. Evs. 8:30. Mts. To-m'w, Sat. & Mon.

Laugh and Fool the Doctor. CAPTAIN KIDD JR. COHAN & HARRIS Seats Six Weeks Ahead. Evs. 8:20. Mats. Wed., Sat. & New Year's D. 2:20. HOLIDAY MATINEES FOR CHILDREN. "Merry Christmas, Daddy," "Editha's Burglar," & "The Traveling Man," To-day, Dec. 26-29, Jan. 2, 4 & 5, at 2:45; Dec. 30, Jan. 6, at 10:45.

Turn to the Right! GAIETY Theatre, B'way, 46 St. Evs. 8:20. Mats. To-morrow & Sat. 2:20. EXTRA MATINEE FRIDAY.

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BELASCO W. 44 St. Evs. 8:30. Mats. Thur., Fri. & Sat., 2:20. 3 MATINEES THIS WEEK THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY "MISS STARR CHARMS."—Times. FRANCES STARR in the Comedy Little Lady in Blue

KNICKERBOCKER B'way, 38th St. Evs. at 8:15. Matinee To-morrow & Sat. 2:15. DAVID BELASCO presents DAVID WARFIELD in THE MUSIC MASTER Seats on Sale 6 Weeks Ahead.

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Carnegie Hall, Tues. Nig ht, Jan. 9, at 8:15. FIRST APPEARANCE IN NEW YORK. CINCINNATI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA DR. ERNST KUNWALD Conductor. Seats 75c to $2. Boxes $12 & $15, at Box Office of C. L. Wagner, 1451 B'way. Tel. 3287 Bryant.

METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE. Wed., at 8:15. Tosca. Muzio, Perini; Botta, Scotti, Malatesta, Rossi, Cond., Polacco. Thurs., at 8. Francesca da Rimini. Alda, Martinelli, Amato, Rada, Cond., Polacco. Fri., at 8:15. Iphigenia. Kurt, Sundelius, Sembach, Weil, Braun, Cond., Bodanzky. Sat., at 2. L'Elisir d'Amore. Hempel, Sparkes; Caruso, Scotti, Didur, Cond., Papi. Sat., 8:45 (75c to $5). Lohengrin. Rappold, Ober; Urlus, Weil, Ruysdael, Cond. Bodanzky. New Year's Day, Mon., Mat. at 1. Parsifal. Kurt; Urlus, Braun, Weil, Goritz, Ruysdael, Cond., Bodanzky. Eve., at 8:15. Madama Butterfly. Farrar, Fornis; Martinelli, Scotti, Rada, Cond. Polacco. HARDMAN PIANO USED.

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