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BLIZZARD COMING FROM WEST

SEVEREST STORM AND COOL WEATHER OF THE WINTER HAVE SEIZED THE SOUTHWEST.

TEMPERATURE FALLS THIRTY-FIVE DEGREES IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS' TIME.

Terrible Conditions Prevail in New York Also Because of the Storm - Rain, Sleet and Snow Interfere With Transportation Service.

By Associated Press. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 27--This portion of the southwest today is in the grasp of a genuine blizzard with the most severe cold weather of the winter. It extended through Missouri into Nebraska and Iowa, over the whole of Kansas and into Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27--The blizzard from the west reached St. Louis today with a fall of 20 degrees in temperature in two hours. Zero is expected by tonight.

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 27--Rain and sleet followed the heavy snow storm. Transportation and telegraph service is much disturbed. Ice pavements make New York a great skating park.

By Associated Press. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27--Traffic of every sort was badly hampered during the early hours today by a dense fog. Train service is irregular.

By Associated Press. SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Dec. 27--A blizzard is raging here today. The thermometer was seven below zero this morning.

By Associated Press. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 27--The south in the past thirty-six hours received the first soaking rain in six months. Rain is general in Kentucky and a fall of forty degrees in the temperature is predicted.

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27--The weather bureau says the storm in the last 24 hours increased greatly in intensity and now runs the most severe rain and wind storm of the season.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 27--There is a blizzard here today. Street railway traffic is suspended and wires are down. All trains are late. The temperature is at zero.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 27--Three inches of snow have fallen and it is drifting badly. All trains are delayed.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Dec. 27--There is a blizzard here today. The drifts of snow are five and six feet high.

By Associated Press. OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 27--A forty mile wind drove before it blinding snow in western Nebraska and Iowa today. It is four degrees below zero.

By Associated Press. CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 27--The weather conditions, as stated by the weather bureau today, show a great storm over all central Illinois, covering the lake region. There are heavy rains in all sections east of the Mississippi and general rain is still falling. Snow prevails west of the Mississippi, and colder weather, while in the northwest it is more than twenty degrees below zero.

The Ohio and its tributaries are rising. The rainfall in Cincinnati is 2.16; Indianapolis, 2.52; Columbus, 1.56; Pittsburg, 1.4; Parkersburg, .60; Hinton, 22;

Charleston, 22; Point Pleasant, .62; Portsmouth, 1.32; Maysville, 1.20; Louisville, 1.94; Evansville, 1.78. The Ohio river has risen 1.7 feet at Parkersburg, two feet at Point Pleasant and 6 feet at Cincinnati.

AGED LADY WAS HURT

By Falling in Cow Pasture and It Was Thought She Had Been Struck By Train.

Mrs. Margaret Cottingham, an aged lady, sustained an accident Saturday evening, which, was at first reported, as of a serious nature. She was out in the field near the railroad looking after her cows, when the evening accommodation came along. She fell and bruised one of her arms. When she was found it was thought the train had struck her but such proved not the case. The injury amounts to but little and she already has use of the arm.

Baptist Annual Election. The first annual election of officers in many years will take place at the Baptist church tomorrow night. All officers are to be elected at this meeting, except the Sunday school officers. It is announced that they will be elected next Sunday. These elections are the result of resolutions passed last spring by the church.

CHRISTMAS WEDDING

Was Celebrated At the Home of Rev. Mason in Presence of Many Friends of Interested Parties.

Mr. Nathan Love, of Berryburg, Barbour county, and Miss Callie Mason, were married at the home of the bride's parents on Christmas day in the presence of a large number of friends. Rev. J. F. Mason, the bride's father, performed the ceremony. An elaborate wedding dinner was served.

National Fraternity Meeting. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 27--Many delegates are here to attend the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity general convention. Reports from national officers were heard and standing committees appointed.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS

Given in the Churches At Adamston By the Two Sunday Schools in That Town.

There was a very interesting Christmas entertainment at the Adamston Methodist church Saturday night by the Sunday school children. There was also a large Christmas tree loaded with nice presents. The attendance was large and the evening was enjoyable. At the United Brethren church here Sunday afternoon the junior society also held an entertainment, the program consisting of recitations, music and so forth. Sunday morning the pupils of the Sunday school were given a bounteous treat of candies, nuts and the like.

WARRANT

Is Issued For Bridgeporter For Assaulting Colored Man Named Meade.

Justice Samuel W. Gordon has issued a warrant for the arrest of Phil Harman, at Bridgeport, for alleged assault on J. R. Meade, colored. The assault was in the nature of a fist fight. The warrant has not yet been executed, the magistrate being busy with other matters and not having time to devote to the case.

Death at Pinnickinick. Mrs. Charley Younce died at Pinnickinick Monday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock from heavy consumption. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock and interment took place at Holy Cross cemetery. The husband and three children survive.

MARRIED

At the Deison Hotel Were Two Young People From the Country By Dr. Arbutnot.

Mr. Charles T. Morris, of Big Isaac, and Miss Nellie Gardner, of Benson, were married at the Deison hotel here at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in the presence of a few friends. The ceremony was performed by Dr. S. K. Arbutnot, pastor of Goff Methodist church. They will reside at Big Isaac.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Takes Place With the Masonic Lodge--Will Be Installed at First Meeting in January.

Heron Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M., held its annual election Monday night in Masonic hall. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. Horner Davis, worshipful master; F. E. Delbridge, senior warden; W. E. Trimble, junior warden; James N. Hess, secretary; Charles W. Lynch, treasurer; A. M. T. Cunningham and Stuart F. Reed, stewards. The newly elected officers will be installed the second Monday in January at the regular meeting of the lodge.

OFFICER SUICIDES

Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Despondent From Illness, Kills Himself By Shooting.

By Associated Press. CHILLICOTHE, O., Dec. 27--John C. Entekin, Jr., 28 years of age, despondent from illness, committed suicide today by shooting. He was found dead in his room this morning. He was deputy collector under his father, Col. John C. Entekin, collector of the 11th Ohio International Revenue district.

ENTERTAINMENT

Of Very Pretty Character Was Held By Goff Methodist Sunday School.

The Sunday school at Goff chapel held Christmas exercises of very pretty character Sunday night in the church. The program was mostly by the smaller members of the school and consisted of music, prayer, class exercises and recitation by individuals. The treat was a nice feast of ice cream, cake and oranges. Nearly four hundred covers were laid and the turnout was immense. The affair was interesting and entertaining. The holiday church decorations under the supervision of Miss Naina Rapp are attracting much attention. Large festoons hang from the walls to the pulpit. Some holly wreaths are conspicuous and a large electric star is quite emblematic.

FIRE-BUG CAPTURED

In the State of Arizona and Will Be Brought Back to the State of Ohio.

By Associated Press. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 27--State Fire Marshal Davis has a telegram from Detective Fox, at Flagstaff, Arizona, saying he has captured George E. Lecher, wanted in Bryan, O., on the charge of arson. Lecher was arrested some time ago in San Francisco, but being wanted for being sent to Ohio. He is accused of being at the head of a gang of incendiaries at Bryan for the past fifteen years.

ELECTROCUT ED

Was Wealthy Operator in His Bath Room Receiving Heavy Voltage of Electricity.

By Associated Press. LIMA, O., Dec. 27--J. W. Griffen, one of the wealthiest operators in this city and vice president of the Lima Trust Company, was electrocuted in his bath room today. He received a heavy voltage by the contact of an iron register and electric wire to a chandelier. His fingers were burned and the gas fixtures were broken as he fell to the floor.

JUDGE RESIGNS

Wing, of Ohio, Says He Can Make More Money Off Federal Bench Than On It.

By Associated Press. CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 27--Judge Wing stated today that he had forwarded his resignation to the president as judge of the Northern District United States Court to take effect February 1st next. He will resume his practice. He says he can find larger opportunities in his profession. He was appointed four years ago.

Fred Dye, of Wallace spent Tuesday afternoon here on business matters. Clay Bennett, of Brown, was in the city Tuesday on business.

UNION CHRISTMAS SERVICE

UNDER AUSPICES OF YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION AT OPERA HOUSE.

SECRET ORDERS, CHURCH MEMBERS AND OTHERS TURN OUT IN LARGE NUMBERS. Fine Program Rendered and Able Sermons Preached By Rev. Moore, the Acting Principal of Broadus Classical and Scientific Institute.

In spite of the doubtful weather, the clouds and rain, which came as a Christmas present to offset the long drawn out drought, a large crowd gathered at the opera house Sunday to unite in Divine worship in the union Christmas service, held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. The entire meeting went off smoothly and pleasantly, laden bounteously with the Christmas spirit, and will, no doubt, be productive of much good, both for the association and for the people who attended. The best complement which could be awarded the religious work committee was the large attendance and the deep interest shown in the meeting. Not only were the three largest societies, the Odd Fellows, the Masons and the Knight Templars, well represented, but members of the other large orders of this city were to be seen scattered throughout the house. The fact that the meeting was thrown open to both men and women brought out a good representation of our ladies of our city, notwithstanding the stormy weather. In addition to the complement by the large attendance, the large Christmas offering given to the association shows that the noble work that the Y. M. C. A. is doing in this city has the largest interest of our citizens. Proceeding the address, Mrs. F. B. Haymaker rendered the Christmas solo "White Sephardus Watched Their Flocks" which was so laden with the Christmas spirit that it prepared the way for the Christmas message. Dr. Moore's address, which followed, was a strong stirring address, full of rich, spiritual lessons. His main presentation of the Christmas theme was received by the large audience with close attention. Christmas, coming as it did on Sunday, gave the association the opportunity which all seemed glad to have appropriated in the manner of a union Christmas service. These Sunday afternoon meetings are being made the center of concentrated thought and much prayer on the part of the secretary and the committee having them in charge, who are trying to enlist fifty of our leading business and professional men, a committee which will have in charge this special phase of the association life and by their concerted effort reach out and bring more men within the hearing of the great truths of the Christian religion. Men are coming forward and offering their means and what is better, their time, to the development of the religious work of the Clarksburg Y. M. C. A. and the association's purpose, that of the extension of the Kingdom of Christ among men may be more fully realized as the winter progresses. We bespeak for them the most hearty cooperation of every well meaning citizen of Clarksburg. Drop in at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and give the secretary your name, and let him know he can count on you.

BANK PROFITS

At the Empire Amount to \$2,000 For the Year--Placed in the Surplus Fund.

The directors of the Empire National Bank met in regular business session in their banking rooms Tuesday afternoon. They found the bank in very prosperous condition but decided not to declare a dividend. Instead they placed the \$21,000 net profits for the year in the surplus and undivided profits fund. This amount of net profits shows that the bank has been most efficiently run and that its patronage is large.

NEW THEATER BURNED

By Associated Press. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 27--The newly built Majestic theatre burned out at six o'clock this morning. The loss is \$35,000, with \$5 per cent insurance. The fire started by an explosion in the engine room.

WORKMEN ARE KILLED

By An Explosion in a Furnace of the Thompson Blast Furnaces At Braddock.

By Associated Press. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 27--An explosion in a furnace of the Edgar Thompson blast furnaces at Braddock, occurred today and five workmen were killed and injured. It is said several workmen were killed and injured.

FACTORIES CLOSE DOWN

Because of Break in Water Main and Two Thousand Employees Are Out of Work.

By Associated Press. CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 27--By a break in the large water main in the alley east of Main street, between 8th and 9th, water from large manufacturing is shut off and fully two thousand employees will be idle until the damage can be repaired.

OVERCOAT THIEF RE-ARRESTED

James Riley who stole Hiram Blackwell's overcoat from the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association a few days ago and was arrested for it, is again in the city prison. He was arrested Monday night in bad condition with a good overcoat on. It is believed he also stole that one. The fellow's condition is such that he can not walk and as the consequence has not yet been given a trial.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

By Mrs. Crummit, Sons and Daughters, At Her Home--Many Fine Presents Received.

The sons and daughters of Mrs. Hulda J. Crummit were guests at her home on Jackson street Sunday at a Christmas dinner. The affair was in honor of her 77th birthday anniversary. The children were from Toronto, Cincinnati, Weston, Parkersburg, Wheeling and Clarksburg. Of the many presents she received the finest was a large vase full of cut flowers, made by the A. Radford Pottery Company, with the inscription: "A Merry Christmas to Mother Hulda Jane Crummit in honor of her 77th birthday, A. D. 1904, from sons and daughters."

PULMAN

Got Beyond Control and Sideswiped Engine--Tramway Save Lives By Jumping.

The Pullman car of the Pittsburgh Flyer lies over the bank just below the water tower at the depot here. After the train came in shortly before midnight Monday the night car man after the car had been sidetracked and detached from the train undertook to run it down the switch so as to make connections for steam heat. The brakes refused to operate and the car got beyond his control. It ran down at good speed past the watch tower and sideswiped engine 227 and then rolled down the bank. The collision resulted in much damage to the engine and Pullman. There came near being loss of life, but the fireman on the freight engine jumped and saved himself, as did also Conductor Lusk, who was not to be in the car. Only their timely action in jumping saved them both from a horrible death.

VALUBLE

Are Holdings of the Buena Oil and Gas Company in the Lower End of the State. The Cabell Record, published at Milton, this state, has the following very favorable comment on the holdings of an oil company, most of whose members live in Clarksburg: "The Buena Oil & Gas Company of Clarksburg has secured large and valuable holdings in the Milton field and is getting ready to start its No. 1 on the John White land. The company is one of the strongest now in this section and will put down at least three test wells as rapidly as the work can be accomplished. Mr. E. O. Twigg, an energetic and experienced gentleman, is superintendent of the company here, and is handling matters along very lively. The company is negotiating the purchase of the Swan Oil Company's No. 1 T. A. Swan, with a view of drilling it to the Berea grit. Mr. Swan was in consultation with officers of the company last evening regarding the matter, and no doubt the deal will be consummated, which is an indication that there are good prospects of a strike yet being made on the Swan farm. Mr. Twigg is making a good impression among our people, and is highly pleased with the prospect in the Cabell oil fields."

CRAZY

From the Use of Cocaine is Magistrate Gordon's Decision Concerning Cline Jackson. Cline Jackson, aged 22 years, son of Calvin Jackson, was examined before Squire Samuel W. Gordon Tuesday as to his sanity. Two physicians made the examination. While he is not altogether crazy yet his mind is in deplorable condition resulting from the use of cocaine. The papers were filled out and will be sent to the authorities at the asylum at Weston to be passed on. In the meantime Cline will be kept in jail here.

ASSAULTED

Was Samuel Ruckman By Unidentified Man, But Ruckman Gave Him An Awful Beating.

Samuel Ruckman, of the Reed & Co. feed store in Traders alley, was assaulted Sunday night at 9:00 o'clock near the store by an unidentified man, one of a crowd of four. He first shoved Ruckman off the sidewalk and then struck him on the head with a club, but Ruckman took a turn at him and practically put him out of business. It was an awful beating he gave him. No arrests have been made.

SEN. COLE IS BOOSTED

By Ex-Senator Stuart F. Reed For the Presidency of the West Virginia State Senate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27--Hon. Stuart F. Reed, chairman of the Harrison County Republican Committee, has been in Washington telling the story of the battles the valiant Harrison county Republicans waged in the late campaign. Mr. Reed says his section of the State has no candidate, so far as he knows, for speaker of the next House of Delegates, but that it is likely that Senator George C. Cole, from his Senatorial district, will be a candidate for president of the Senate, and if a candidate that he will have strong support throughout the state. He thinks there will be no legislation at the next session of the Legislature looking toward a general change in the tax laws, but that some of the cruelties of the laws may be remedied. He cited as an example the section requiring county assessors to mail blanks to all the taxpayers, suggesting that there is no way for the assessor to find out the addresses of the taxpayers, unless he should travel all over the county, and then afterward mail the blanks also, suggesting that the law makes no provision for postage, which in large counties would amount to a considerable sum. He says he finds very little sentiment in favor of a primary election law, the people, generally, appearing to be in favor of fighting out the question of who should be their candidates in any way that suits them locally. He reports the financial feeling consequent upon the late fight in the state for nominations as having, so far as Harrison county is concerned, died completely out. He reports business good in Harrison and that the coal people can not get in sight of cars enough to supply the demand.

SHOVED A GUN IN FACES

GEORGE PENN, COLORED, STARTS OUT TO MURDER TWO OTHER COLORED FELLOWS.

Arrested and Jailed Later Given a Ninety Day Sentence By Magistrate Samuel W. Gordon and Fined Fifty Dollars. George Penn, colored, was fined fifty dollars and sentenced to serve a jail sentence of 90 days by Magistrate Samuel W. Gordon Tuesday afternoon and Penn is now behind the prison bars with the fine yet unpaid and without prospect of its being paid. Saturday night Penn got tanked up on whiskey and soon had murder on the brain, if his actions indicate. The surprise was that he had a gun instead of the customary razor, but firearms are favorite weapons with George as a year or so ago he tried to plug "Soorty" Harris on the street. With the gun in his possession and whiskey working on his mind and heart he quarreled with two of his own nationality Saturday night and suddenly shoved a thirty-eight caliber revolver in their faces and would doubtless have pulled the trigger had it not been for the timely action of Policeman James Simms, who grabbed his arm and pulled the back. The officer took him off to jail and as stated Squire Gordon did the rest Tuesday afternoon.

WEDDED

At the Walker House Christmas Afternoon Were Young Couple From Marshallville.

Mr. James Ralston and Miss Freno Sundry, both of Marshallville, were united in marriage at the Walker hotel at four o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. S. K. Arbutnot officiating in the presence of a number of wedding guests in his customary beautiful manner.

FOR GRINDER

May Have Sausage Agent's Reason For Shooting Himself, Thus Sparring One Dog.

By Associated Press. COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 27--Charles Wilkman, who recently acted as agent for the Cincinnati Sausage Company, today shot himself in a field near the baseball grounds. No cause for the act is known.

WRECK

Of Freight Train at Smithburg Delays Other Trains and Results in Damage.

A freight wreck occurred at Smithburg, west of Salem, in the early part of Monday night. Four cars were derailed and the tracks were blocked many hours. No. 2 from the west did not arrive here until 7 o'clock Tuesday morning fully three hours late because of the wreck. Beyond the property damage and the blockade there was nothing serious about the wreck.

BANK PRESIDENT BANKRUPT

By Associated Press. CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 27--Charles M. Truver, president of the closed First National Bank of Conneaut, O., filed a petition in bankruptcy in United States Court today. His liabilities are \$29,000 and assets \$25,000.

CANTATA

At First Presbyterian Church Was Very Much Appreciated.

A Christmas cantata was given in the First Presbyterian church Monday night. The program was very entertaining and the representative audience present enjoyed it very much. It was, indeed, one of the prettiest given this season.

YOUNG MAN DIES AT O'NEIL

Edward Rader is dead at O'Neil, west of Wilkesburg. The end came at 1:00 o'clock Tuesday morning and was the result of nasty consumption. He was 29 years of age. The funeral occurs Wednesday forenoon at 10 o'clock with interment in the Fittro burial grounds near O'Neil.