



## NEGRO MURDERER IS LYNCHED BY WHITES

### Birth of Prince of Peace Cele- brated by Bloodshed and Death in Florida.

## BLACK ROWDY KILLS OFFICER

### Christmas Drunk Ends in Tragic Manner—Policeman Stabbed by Man He Sought to Arrest—Crowd of Enraged Citizens Killed the Prisoner in Jail.

(By Associated Press.)  
TAMPA, FLA., Dec. 25.—A negro man, while on a Christmas drunk at St. Petersburg, Fla., this afternoon, fatally stabbed Captain J. J. Mitchell, a special police officer, who died in a few minutes from the injuries. The negro was placed in jail, but in thirty minutes a mob congregated and one of the crowd shot through the window of the jail, killing the negro.

The story told by an eye-witness of the affair is that the negro was boisterous on the streets, defying the officers and loudly proclaiming that no "d-d white man should arrest him."

When Mitchell appeared to take him into custody, the negro whipped out a knife and cut a gash in the officer's neck, death soon ensuing.

A crowd of enraged citizens soon gathered and, going to the jail, one of them fired through the jail window, killing the prisoner.

## CARD GAME TRAGEDY.

### Death Follows a Christmas Eve Gamble on Long Island.

(By Associated Press.)  
MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 25.—After a Christmas Eve card game, Rocco Tapparo was today found dead in the house of Angelo Giniello, here, and Philip Nari was found a short distance away mortally wounded.

The latter had crawled a hundred feet from the card table and fainted. The police charge that Giniello shot the other two men.

Nari was taken to a hospital, but refused when revived to tell how the quarrel started.

## Santa Claus Badly Burned.

HOUSTON, TEX., Dec. 25.—Christmas was productive of several accidents in this city. A toy lamp exploded and Thelma Cupper, aged three, was burned to death. A. A. Anderson was playing Santa Claus when his clothing caught fire and there is little hope for his recovery.

## CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.

### Hoar Runs Buggy Into Pennsylvania Flyer—Two Are Killed.

(By Associated Press.)  
FORT WAYNE, IND., Dec. 25.—A horse attached to a buggy ran into the Pennsylvania 18-hour flyer at Del Phos, O., this morning and Henry Honhorst and daughter Rose were instantly killed.

Mrs. Barney Wabomkoff, also a daughter of Mr. Honhorst, was severely injured.

## COLLINS IS KILLED UNDER MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES

### Shot Through Forehead While at Work in a Water Main—An- other Case.

(By Associated Press.)  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., Dec. 25.—W. E. Collins, an employe of the Tallahassee Light and Water Works Company, was killed in a mysterious manner here last night. He was at work in a water main with a negro helper when an unknown voice from the darkness ordered them to come out.

Collins replied that he did not have time and instantly a pistol bullet crashed through his forehead. Another Peculiar Case.

A short time after the shooting

Robert German, a young man prominently connected, staggered into a residence in the same neighborhood, with blood spattered over him and with his coat on fire from a bullet wound in his left breast.

German is said to have been drifting. He could not explain how he happened to be wounded. Collins came here recently from Wrightsville, Ga.

### The Oldest Member Dies.

MILFORD, MASS., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Elmita Pierce Johnson, one of the oldest members of the Women's Relief committee in the country and of the Daughters of the American Revolution, died here today at the age of 101 years and six months.

### Strike in Warsaw at an End.

WARSAW, RUSSIAN POLAND, Dec. 25.—1:30 p. m.—The strike of the post and telegraph employes is at an end. The strikers have accepted the conditions of the government. The telegraphers resumed work today.

The military governor has issued an order prohibiting the street sales of newspapers, the singing of revolutionary songs, the holding of meetings and the gathering of processions. Persons who violate the order are subject to imprisonment for three months each and to a fine of \$1,000.

The railroad men today resolved to resume work unless their comrades in St. Petersburg should join the strike.

## RECOGNITION OF UNION

### Principle Involved in One of the Demands of Miners.

## MITCHELL WRITES TO BOSSES

### Great Leader of Mine Workers Tells the Operators What Demands of the Union Men Will Be When Present Contract Expires.

## PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 25.

The Press tomorrow will say: "President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers' Union, has communicated with the presidents of the anthracite coal producing companies in regard to the demands the miners will make for the continuance of work in the hard coal fields.

"It is understood that the letter is in regard to holding a conference between the committees representing the union workers and operators. As to what the operators will do it has not definitely been decided upon.

### Recognition of the Union.

"Besides asking for an eight-hour day there are also to be presented other demands. The most important one and one which if adopted will mean the complete recognition of the union, is the request that an entire new board be formed, that will always be in session and which will go from place to place to settle disputes.

"The proposed new board is to be composed of three members representing the miners and the same number representing the operators—a seventh member to be chosen by the other six.

### Mr. G. W. Blick Ordained.

At the Twenty-fourth street Christian church Sunday morning Mr. G. W. Blick was ordained as an evangelist, the ordination service being conducted by Rev. Mr. Henkel, pastor of the church, and Rev. W. E. Powell. A large congregation listened to the candidate's sermon and was unanimous in its approval when an expression was called for. Rev. Mr. Blick will enter the field of evangelistic work in the near future.

# 5,000 KILLED; 14,000 ARE HURT; STILL FIGHTING

## That is the Bloody Story Which Comes From Moscow—Famine is Threatened, Inno- cent Persons Are Being Killed and Residents are Forbidden to Leave Their Dwellings.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Dec. 25.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at St. Petersburg in a dispatch dated at 6:46 p. m., December 25, says: "At an early hour this morning the casualties at Moscow were estimated at 5,000 killed and 14,000 wounded, with the fighting still proceeding.

"The inhabitants of Moscow have been forbidden to leave their dwellings at 7 o'clock in the evening.

"Impossible to move about the city in consequence of the frequency of stray bullets.

### Innocent Bystander Gets It.

"Many innocent persons have been accidentally killed.

"A scarcity of provisions is threatened."

The same correspondent, telegraphing at 10:38 p. m., says:

"Your Moscow correspondent's telegrams have not been accepted because all private messages were refused this afternoon.

"It is learned, however, that cannon firing is proceeding in various parts of the city, where tonight very near the railroad stations the barricades erected by the revolutionaries are being desperately defended.

"The Kerkis terminals at Moscow is being pillaged and many wagons laden with provisions are being looted.

"The Emperor reviews daily at Tsarkoe-Selo the regiments of the St. Petersburg district. The spirit of the troops is decidedly loyal.

### Barricades Spring Up.

"For every barricade destroyed Sunday two or three appeared in other places. Orders were given by the revolutionaries to shoot only when there was good hope of bringing a man down, but otherwise to fire out the troops until they lost patience.

"An intelligent group of St. Petersburg revolutionists declared to me that in the event of the failure of their cause they would have recourse to terrorism, choosing their victims from all classes of society."

### Telegraph Lines Cut.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—1:10 p. m.—Direct telegraphic communication with Moscow was cut last night but the government succeeded in restoring communication by a roundabout way this morning. All reports agree that the fighting yesterday, which continued until midnight, assumed the character of butchery by use of the machine guns of the artillery, grape and canister being employed mercilessly against the ill-armed insurgents.

Atrocious tales are told of the Cossacks, who plied with vodka until drunk, fired down the streets, sometimes charging with lances. The insurgents displayed great stubbornness in holding barricades and when advancing in mass to the slaughter. At the same time bombs were thrown from the windows of houses near the barricades occupied by the revolutionists.

### Battered Houses to Pieces.

The artillery was summoned and

battered the houses to pieces. The plan of the insurgents, it is stated, is to hold the outskirts and gradually enclose the troops in the center of the city.

Leaders announce that an army of 20,000 is concentrating at Orechhoff snuff, northeast of Moscow, and will on Monday march to the city's assistance.

### To Support Their Countrymen.

"In the face of the news sent to us from our native land, where the Polish people are massing themselves in support of their natural right to a political existence as a nation—where our people are falling as martyrs to a cause—where the prisons are being filled with innocent people—we, Poles now living in America, do not only sympathize with our countrymen in Poland and do not only unanimously approve the demands made by them of the Russian government, but obligate ourselves to support, according to our means, the cause of our countrymen in Poland."

### Strike in Baltic Provinces.

RIGA, Dec. 23.—via EYDTKUIINEN—The railroad employes throughout the Baltic Provinces went out on strike last night.

The revolutionaries continue a program of agitation, hold daily meetings and today posted an order to partisans to disarm soldiers. At Libau the cruiser Okean and the torpedo boat Protechny have arrived. The town is in full control of the troops and the agitators are quiet and holding few meetings.

### To Fly National Colors.

At a meeting of the foreign consuls it was decided to fly the national color over the consulates. While the town is regarded as sufficiently protected by Russian warships foreigners in case of necessity could find refuge on the foreign ships in the harbor, although it is uncertain if the revolutionists would respect foreign flags. Doplein is in the hands of the revolutionists who have established a provincial government.

The public affairs of Coldingen for nine days have been in the hands of an administrative committee. An anarchist committee has organized a police service, the policemen wearing red ribbons on their sleeves. The regular police laid down their arms and took off their uniforms after one of their number was executed.

### Gold Scare.

The revolutionist administration has declared paper money valueless and gold is scarce. The committee meets daily at the university, where 2,178 students are registered for the academic period of six months.

All lectures, however, have been suspended.

Tukum and Talsen have been in mourning since the fighting began. There are daily funeral processions and the towns are almost deserted.

## RUSSIAN BUREAUCRACY SEVERELY CONDEMNED

### Sympathy Expressed For the People of the Russian Empire Seek- ing a Constitution.

(By Associated Press.)  
BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 25.—The Russian bureaucracy is condemned in resolutions passed at a meeting of the local branch of the Polish National Alliance.

thy for the people of the Russian empire, "who are seeking in a constitution a defense against the autocracy and bureaucracy, the cause of their misfortunes," and then proceed as follows:

### Murders Condemned.

"We condemn the murders and bloody assaults of a defenseless people, committed at the instigation of the minions of the czar's bureaucracy.

"Actuated by a feeling of righteous indignation at the commission of such cruelties as are unheard of in the history of the world, realizing the gravity of the present situation in Russian Poland, we appeal to the free of America, who at all times have expressed sympathy to those oppressed and struggling for freedom, that they will not forget our beloved people, who sent forth to the assistance of the struggling new American republic Kosciusko and Pulaski, which furnished hundreds of volunteers in the ranks of the army that struggled for the freedom of Poland, and whose sons in hundreds enlisted under the latest war for the independence of Cuba.

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### ACCIDENTS ON ROAD

### Twelve Passengers Seriously In- jured in Wreck.

### CAR ROLLS DOWN EMBANKMENT

### Locomotive Boiler Explodes, Terribly Scalding Two Members of Train Crew Who Were Trying to Find Out Why Engine Stopped.

(By Associated Press.)  
DURANGO, COL., Dec. 25.—The eastbound Denver & Rio Grande passenger train from Silverton, well loaded with passengers, was wrecked three miles from this city yesterday, and while no one was killed, a large number of passengers were injured, twelve of them quite seriously.

The chair car rolled down an embankment, dragging the other cars on their sides for over forty feet. When the engine and train were brought to a stop the engine tender nearly tipped over.

Owing to the intense cold which prevailed the injured passengers suffered greatly.

### Locomotive Boiler Explodes.

(By Associated Press.)  
PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 25.—A railroad locomotive was partly blown to pieces and two members of the train's crew were badly injured here today, by the explosion of the engine's boiler.

Charles Debarr, of Stroudsburg, Pa. fireman, and Conductor Mable, of Butler N. J., were terribly scalded. Debarr is expected to die.

The train which was a freight on the Susquehanna railroad, came to a sudden stop when near this city.

The entire crew gathered around the local to ascertain the trouble with the engine.

During the examination the boiler exploded. The men on the ground were thrown down with a rush of scalding steam and the lower part of the engine was wrecked.

The engineer was uninjured.

### Morales Files the Coop.

(By Associated Press.)  
SANTO DOMINGO, Dec. 25.—President Morales has left the city and his destination is unknown. The city and surrounding country is quiet, but considerable unrest and excitement is shown at the unexpected departure of the President.

### Sultan of Morocco "Balks."

(By Associated Press.)  
TANGIER, MOROCCO, Dec. 25.—The Sultan of Morocco refused to agree to the holding of the international conference on Moroccan reforms at Madrid instead of at Algiers.

## IN UPPER WINDOW OF TENEMENT HOUSE

### Two Men Engaged in Thrilling Struggle Which Made Spec- tators Forget Fire Below.

## HE WANTED TO JUMP TO DEATH

### Hundreds of Babies and Their Toy- Laden Christmas Trees Carried Into the Street—Six-story Factory Completely Gutted by a Stub- born Blaze.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Hundreds of tenement house babies and their toy-laden Christmas trees were carried into the street before daylight today during a fire which threatened to obliterate several blocks of the city in the vicinity of Fifty-eighth street and Eleventh avenue. A six-story factory building at 534 and 536 West Fifty-eighth street, was completely destroyed with a loss of \$100,000.

With the tenement of three sides and with the gas tanks of the Consolidated Gas Company within reach of the showers of sparks, the water pressure partially failed when the fire was hottest.

### Fine Work of Bold Firemen.

Fire engines were hastily coupled together, pumping in pairs and this device, together with the bold work of the firemen, who advanced almost into the zone of the flames in order to play on the fire with their weak streams, finally saved hundreds of surrounding homes.

The fire was discovered when flames burst from the third story windows and belched completely across Fifty-eighth street, with a roar like a discharging cannon.

The rooms of the Roosevelt hospital, some distance away, were lighted as if by daylight. There was great alarm among both patients and their attendants.

### Spectacular Struggle.

At the height of the fire thousands of spectators momentarily forgot the burning building in watching a struggle in the upper window of a tenement house in Fifty-eighth street.

A man started climbing over the window sill, preparing to drop to the street in his night clothes.

Another man reached out to save him.

The two fought in the window above the sidewalk, while the crowd had cleared a semi-circle with a blanket outstretched to save him.

The half-crazed man, however, was drawn back through his window by main strength.

One fireman was injured by falling glass.

## THE SIX STORY FACTORY WAS COMPLETELY GUTTED BY FIRE

### Stubborn Blaze in Wooster Street, New York, Does \$300,000 Worth of Damage.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Fire alarms, summoning thirty-two companies and the reserves from nine police precincts were sent out tonight for a blaze which completely gutted the six-story factory building, Nos. 12, 104 and 106 Wooster street, entailing damage estimated at \$300,000.

Five firemen sustained injuries, but were able to continue at work. No one was in the building when the fire originated and its origin is unknown.

The occupants of the building were: E. Damsky paper boxes; Choen & Muhlendorff, shirt waists; Goldschmidt and Knapp, cloaks; L. Mondelzohn & Co., silk belts; Joseph Brandt & Bro., and J. Jentz, fur.

## Miss Wingfield Returns Thanks

I desire to express through the medium of the Daily Press my hearty appreciation of the support given me by my many friends during the recent contest.

The result of the contest is highly flattering, but I shall attribute much of my success to the established popularity of the paper.

In conclusion, I wish the editor and staff, the various contestants, my constituents, and my loving little co-workers a joyous Yuletide and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,  
ANNIE L. WINGFIELD.