

White House were open to all. There were old and young, white and colored, men and women.

Music was furnished by the United States Marine band under command of Lieut. W. H. Santeleman. The plan of floral decorations was simple, the desire being to give as much room as possible for the free movement of the large number of guests.

In the great vestibule and corridor adjoining the hall, the floral work was shown to splendid advantage. Ornamental potted foliage was tastefully grouped in various places.

The two immense jardinières made in the form of sarcophagi formed a conspicuous object of interest in the vestibule showed up splendidly with a gorgeous display of the poinsettia. In the great east room and in the Red, Blue and Green rooms the mantels were covered with roses in which reposed cut flowers which waited fragrance. The general effect was heightened by the soft glow emitted by hundreds of electric lights in the great chandeliers and standard post lights throughout the house.

Better weather for the occasion could not have been desired. The sun shone brightly and its warmth dispelled the dampness rising from the ground as a result of the recent rains. To the thousands who stood in line for hours this weather was most agreeable and made their wait less uncomfortable than usual on a winter morning.

MARK TWAIN ATTENDS A MERRY FUNERAL.

New York, Jan. 1.—Mark Twain gave 100 what he termed a merry funeral at his Fifth Avenue home. The gathering that attended the obsequies was made up of a group of relatives and about a score of literary contemporaries. There was a large number of guests, and the funeral was a most interesting affair.

Mark Twain appeared. Attired in grotesque costume, securely tied to a person in satanic garb, Mark Twain explained that he and his friend were Siamese twins and that they represented his double personality. He said that when he was Mark Twain his original self, he was proper company for any body, but when the other part of him got the upper hand, there was no accounting for what might happen.

The humorist told of a long list of reactions he had decided upon, but added that he was afraid the little bad man would upset his calculations.

While Mr. Clemens was talking, a wagon was drawn on the stage. It set a bewildered old gentleman whom Mark Twain immediately recognized as the year 1906. "There he comes butting in," said Twain. "He does not know when to quit."

The old man was seized and hurriedly escorted from the stage.

USUAL HIGH JINKS.

University Club Indulged in All the Seasonable Festivities.

The University club enjoyed the usual New Year's "High Jinks" last night. After the concert, theater and New Year's eve dinners and parties were over, members of the club attending these functions went around to the University club house, where there was an orchestra furnishing excellent music, and a midnight spread had been provided. College singing, pool and billiard and card playing were indulged in, and the old year was ushered out, and the new year escorted in, to the general entertainment of the occasion. Over 100 clubmen were present.

LONG AND HARD RUN.

Barn and Carpenter Shop Burns While Department Flounders in Mud.

A barn and carpenter shop, owned by J. P. Marker, 418 east Eighth South street, was destroyed by fire this morning, entailing a loss of between \$400 and \$500. The cause of the blaze was defective electric wiring.

House No. 1, with the assistant chief responded to the alarm and the department would have saved the place but for the almost impassable condition of the roads. The run was a long one and the horses were nearly exhausted by the time it was ended. The mud was in some places up to the hubs of the wagons. Mr. Marker left home on a hunting trip this morning and accordingly knows nothing of the loss that has come to him so early in the new year.

CONFESSED FORGERY.

Montana Boy Cashed Small Money Orders in Salt Lake.

A dispatch from New Orleans chronicles the arrest of Alfred Burga, said to be the son of the postmaster at



Livingston, Mont. The young man voluntarily surrendered himself, stating he had forged and cashed small postage money orders in San Francisco and Salt Lake City. The post-office inspectors have been trying for a month to find clues to these forgeries. Inquiry at the Salt Lake office today develops nothing further than that this office in no wise responsible in cashing the orders, as young Burga must have had access to the blanks and could not be expected to be able to detect forged signatures.

NEW SCHEDULE O. K.

Changes on the Streetcar Lines Giving Good Satisfaction.

The new street railway schedules which went into effect this morning are reported as working to the satisfaction of the management, and cars are making better time than during similar weather heretofore. The South Temple street cars bear the legend, "South Temple Street, and City and County Buildings," and the cars running between the depot and "O. S. L. and R. O. W. Depots." The company has put in two new curves at North Temple and Main streets, greatly facilitating the movement of cars at that point, and facilitating the ease of such switchback operations as have obtained in the past.

"IN TRUE SOUTHERN STYLE."

Hospitality the Reigning Goddess at The Commercial Club Today.

There is an epicurean repast and a luxurious one at the Commercial club this afternoon and evening, a spread that must have been suggested by the southern hospitality that warms the valves of Fisher Harrie's heart towards all mankind, and which finds substantial expression in the elegant New Year's collation that always marks the glad season at the Commercial club.

The spread this year is different in its general ensemble from last year's; but it is just as attractive in appearance and toothsome in its appeals to the inner man. That the management of the club provided amply is evidenced from the fact that 1,000 pounds of choice provender have been provided, including 24 capon-like turkeys, a dozen large geese, six dozen Mallard duck, eight dozen lobsters, eight large and choice hams, 2 large ox tongues, one immense steel head salmon decorated with fancy potato cuts and small vegetables, and rows of delicately boiled smelt, two huge Mackinaw trout, similarly decorated, eight platters of chow mein, a large platter of fruit jellies, a large platter of fruit jellies, two huge platters of assorted cakes, six large layer cakes, a jellied beef, and other and delicious edibles. There are also two punch bowls. The decorations are in smiles and carnations, and the table is arranged on a "U" shaped table, Roman style. The men who had the immediate charge of this splendid display, are Chief John Gutz, Baker and Confectioner William Pfisterer, and Head Waiter Robert Hill. The entire arrangement is highly creditable to the ingenuity and skill of the culinary department of the Commercial club.

The hours for reception are from noon until midnight, and the members of the club and invited friends are making the most of the situation.

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ATTY. NEWTON BEHIND THE BARS

Police Court Lawyer Finds Himself Occupying a Cell at County Jail.

MYSTERY OF A \$300 CHECK.

Some New Developments in the Case Of Olsen, the Man Who Lost His Money.

The episode of the alleged theft of an endorsed check for \$300 from an Idaho man named Peter Olsen, like a certain ghost, will not dawn. Many conflicting stories have been told with reference to the affair, and before the matter is finally straightened out, some interesting disclosures may develop.

One important feature became known this morning when it was learned, through a tearful voice over the telephone, that Atty. William Newton, who, with S. W. Sears, was arrested on the charge of grand larceny, is an inmate of the county jail. He is not, or was not, "outside" but is "inside," locked up, pending the furnishing of bonds in the sum of \$2,000, fixed by Justice Dana T. Smith.

Gilson's story has already been told and published in the daily papers, but there are some features to the transaction to which sufficient attention has not been paid.

SOME CONTRADICTIONS.

It now develops that he first stated that the check was stolen from him by a negro woman, but later he is said to have stated that he was not sure about that point, and that if the woman in question were arrested he would be unable to identify her.

Early this morning, hearing that a warrant for his arrest had been issued, Newton went to the police station and surrendered. Sears had already been placed under arrest and released on \$2,000 bonds, furnished by his mother and Joseph S. Wells, an uncle. Newton did not fare so well in that he has not been able to secure his release.

WHERE ARE HIS BONDSMEN?

This morning he telephoned to Atty. Soren J. Christensen to call at the county jail for consultation. The latter is now trying to secure bonds for Newton, and it is not improbable that, before the day is through, the bond will be reduced to half the amount fixed, and that it will be furnished.

NEWTON'S STORY.

Newton comes forth with a story to the effect that he was employed by Olsen to recover the money and a written agreement was drawn up to the effect that Newton was to receive \$100 if he recovered the total amount, \$300. Newton has the agreement with Olsen's signature attached thereto. After making the agreement with Olsen, Newton loaned the man \$50 cents with which to get a bed. The next day Olsen refused to recognize Newton and went to Atty. P. J. Daley. The latter says that, when he learned that Newton had been retained, refused to have anything whatever to do with the case.

SEARS' VERSION.

Next comes the statement of Sears. He said that he cashed the check for Olsen and that the latter endorsed it. He claims to have given the man \$300 in cash and at a meeting in the presence of Olsen he is reported to have said: "I gave you \$300 and you endorsed the check and wrote your Idaho address on it." Upon investigation this was found to be correct, and the signature appeared the same as that attached to the agreement with Newton. Newton declares he knows nothing at all about the check, and that if Olsen lost \$300 he must have lost it in cash.

WINNING NUMBERS

At the grand drawing last night, at the PEOPLES CASH STORE, the following are the winning numbers: 9278, 1481, 8050, 12135, 14981, 12480.

COMMENCE NOW TO COUNT TIES

Rate Bill in Force and Railroads Cut Out Free Transportation.

CHANGES EFFECTIVE TODAY.

Party Rates Are no More—Ministers, Sisters of Charity and a Few Others May Ride.

The issuance of transportation by railroads is covered by a multitude of provisions and regulations from now on. Railroads throughout the country have announced that they intend obeying the various measures of the interstate commerce act. Hence today sounds the death knell of the much treasured slip of paste-board known to the traveling world as "a pass." Since the rate bill was enacted into law, every railroad throughout the country has its legal departments studying each sentence to assure an absolutely correct interpretation. Conflicting between various lines, in the east and west have been held to discuss the new law. A meeting of traffic men in Chicago has just been closed. Other meetings are to be held in the future as there are many points in the bill, upon which railroads cannot agree and in not agreeing refuse to get together.

THE FAVORED ONES.

Circular No. 267, issued Dec. 15, defines very clearly the Rio Grande's attitude in regard to passenger matters affected by the rate bill. Under a strict interpretation of the law, reduced rates can be made only in certain cases," says the circular, which goes on to describe the persons entitled to free transportation under the law. Regularly ordained ministers of religion, properly certified to, are entitled to passes. Sisters of charity in the garb of their order, inmates of soldiers' homes, state or national, bona fide railroad employees and members of their family wholly dependent upon them, are also entitled to free transportation. This list is probably not the one which will hold good during the year as the interpretation of certain measures is still in doubt.

The Rio Grande and other western lines today cut out a long list of reduced rates, which after today would be in direct violation of the law. Party rates for all traveling organizations are now things of the past. Reduced interstate rates on immigration account, either for agent in charge or party accompanying him, are now a thing of the memory, only. Interstate rates can not be made now for any kind of advertising, for the movement of laborers, for teachers, students or employees of Indian schools; for members of clergymen's families; for officers of the United States army and navy or members of their families; for employees of coal mines and no interstate transportation can be issued on account of the United States reclamation service. These rulings will be observed by all railroads.

NO TICKET EXTENSION.

Tickets will not be extended hereafter. Sickness of the coupon holder is not made an exception reason. The return portion of a ticket cannot be executed or validated at any point other than the one named as destination. Any connection or discrimination in baggage charges or handling is held by the Rio Grande as a direct violation of the interstate commerce act. Baggage will not be checked short of destination hereafter except when holder is traveling on through ticket sold at tariff rates and good for stop-

over privileges. Further rulings may be expected from time to time as the railroads are getting together gradually and in time, hope to arrive at a general understanding of the new law. Any person not entitled to free transportation caught traveling upon a pass from one state to another will be held as guilty of violating the interstate act as the railroad which issued the transportation.

CAVE-IN STOPS TRAFFIC.

Salt Lake Route Trains Are Twenty Hours Late.

A big cave-in in a tunnel just this side of Caliente has held up all train movements on the Salt Lake Route since last night. Little can be learned about the cave-in but the delayed trains are expected to reach Salt Lake some time tonight. No train has reached Salt Lake from the west since yesterday evening and all trains which left the city yesterday were held at the tunnel. As the tie-up occurred but a short distance from Caliente, men were put to work clearing out the tunnel at once. The damage was reported repaired this afternoon and train service resumed.

MAJ. GILLEAS RESIGNS.

Third Vice President of Illinois Central Retires Today.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 31.—After 18 years' active service with the Illinois Central Maj. Michael Gillespie, third vice president, has resigned and at midnight will sever his relations with that company.

Maj. Gillespie with his family, will leave here immediately for Los Angeles, where he will reside in the future.

H. B. MERRICAM RESIGNS.

Assistant Engineer Leaves the Oregon Short Line for Northern Pacific.

H. B. Merricam, assistant engineer of the Oregon Short Line under Chief Engineer Ashton, has resigned to accept a position with the Union Pacific on its Missoula division. His resignation is in and will be effective upon the appointment of some one to fill the vacancy made by Mr. Merricam's departure.

JAMES MCCREA SLATED.

Believed That He Will Be Elected President of Pennsylvania R. R.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—A meeting of the board of directors of the Pennsylvania railroad was held today at which the election of a successor to the late President Cassatt was considered. The members of the board would make no statement as to what action, if any, was taken. All of the directors except one were present. It was stated, by a person who is in a position to know, that James McCrea of Pittsburgh will probably be elected to fill the vacancy at a meeting of the board to be held Wednesday.

NORTHERN ADDS TO STOCK.

Files Notice of Action—\$60,000,000 Is The Amount Named.

St. Paul, Jan. 1.—The Great Northern Railroad company filed yesterday with the secretary of state a notice of action taken by the board of directors in ordering an issue of \$60,000,000 additional stock. The certificate is signed by President James J. Hill and Secy. Edward T. Nichols. The notice also states the purpose for which the stock is to be issued.

The certificate has no connection with the suit brought by Atty. Gen. Young. Mr. Young said today that this notice in no way affected the action he had brought to compel the Great Northern to make application for public hearing before the state railroad commission on the necessity for the increase of the capital stock, as the part of the law was separate from the law requiring notice to be filed with the secretary of state.

BIG ROCK SLIDE.

Coeur d'Alene Branch of Northern Pacific Is Tied Up.

Missoula, Mont., Dec. 31.—The Coeur d'Alene branch of the Northern Pacific railway is completely tied up today by one of the worst rock slides in the history of the road, just west of Fish

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Creek, and will probably remain so until tonight or tomorrow morning. The slide, which is chiefly of great blocks of granite, occurred yesterday afternoon and was of such dimensions that it covered over 100 feet of the track with between 15 and 20 feet of loose rock. Freight train No. 142 was caught on the west side of it, as was the returning passenger from Wallace. Last night about 200 workmen of the extra gangs in this city went out to the scene of the disaster and today the Northern Pacific officials are shipping out every available man to the place. The slide is so largely of rock that steam shovels are useless in clearing the track and dynamite is to be used to a great extent. The Coeur d'Alene passenger left this morning as usual and will transfer its passengers for the west at the point where the track is covered.

NEVADA NORTHERN TUNNELS.

The Nevada Northern is to timber its tunnels near Ely, L. G. Cannon, general manager of the road, inspected two tunnels between Ely and the mines recently and after his trip announced that timber portals are needed in both bords. This will necessitate the removal of 100 tons of dirt. Tunnel work is being pushed ahead hurriedly to carry the line to the mines.

B. & O. ACCIDENT.

Interstate Commerce Commission to Investigate the Block System.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The interstate commerce commission today reached an agreement to investigate the block signal system on both the Southern and the Baltimore & Ohio railways in view of the recent disastrous collisions and derailments on these roads attended by serious injury and loss of life.

The first hearing which will be public will occur in this city Friday, the 4th inst.

The commission will make its investigation under a resolution of Congress approved June 29, 1906, empowering the interstate commerce commission to report the use and necessity of block signal systems and appliances for automatic control of railway trains in the United States.

WEATHER REPORT

Record of the local office of the weather bureau for the 24 hours ending at 6 a. m. today:

Temperature at 8 a. m., 20; maximum, 45; minimum 28, mean 37, which is 13 degrees above normal.

Relative humidity, 92 per cent.

R. J. HYATT, Section Director.

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SPIKE AND RAIL.

The Santa Fe has offered employment to every "buck" in the Utah band of Indians of southern Utah. Each redskin accepting this offer will receive \$1.30 per day for grading.

J. B. Higgins, a Western Pacific grader, is running a cut and fill in the Spanish creek region, Nevada, by hydraulic power. The scheme of using water is new to western railroad engineering.

The Salt Lake Route and Las Vegas & Tonopah Railroad companies are thinking of running a through sleeper between Rhyolite and Los Angeles. This

Let Us Talk a Little About 1906.

We have had a very prosperous year in this good clothes shop. Some credit may be due to our methods of doing business, one is—the fact that goods which have cotton in them are labelled: "Contains Cotton"—sort of a pure food law adapted to the clothing business; then the fact that you can always get your money back if the goods we sell you are not satisfactory. These things we'll leave to your own judgment. But there are certain things that are absolutely essential to a legitimate and healthy growth, such as ours has been. Quality of merchandise comes first. Quality is made up of three things: Workmanship, excellence of fabric and prices.

Hart Schaffner and Marx clothes may be used as an illustration of what standard prevails throughout the whole store.

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