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Was Made as Result of Understanding.

### Associated Press.]

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Dec. 23.—The police order of Mayor Jeffries, a low "Whit Girls Leave show" Street Theater after closing all week. The Mayor objects to the house scene. Manager to other city in the county, except Springfield.

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At 10 o'clock it seemed that the crowds were rather increasing than decreasing. This was partially due to the fact that trains on all the railroads were from fifteen minutes to three hours late, and that many of the out-of-town shoppers, after learning of the fact, returned downtown and spent the time watching those who had not been fortunate enough to get out during the afternoon.

The snow that had been but a flurry earlier in the evening returned in greater volume and created greater excitement than before. Everybody strutted about in fine defiance of the storm king, with unbuttoned coats and faces uptuned to catch the refreshing flakes. Only when the bare show cases and counters could afford no more tempting lures, and the increasing number of the street cars warned them it was time to think of getting home, did the people give over their unprecedented display of the prosperity they have enjoyed during the last year.

### HOLIDAY TRAVEL HEAVY.

Steam Trains and Interurban Cars Have Extensive Patronage.

Christmas prosperity was enjoyed by the railroads and interurban lines yesterday in a remarkable degree. Every train and car brought in all the passengers they could carry, for the day was the beginning of the Christmas home going as well as the last of the Christmas shopping, and reduced rates for the holidays were taken advantage of by thousands.

However many people may have left town, it seemed at the Union Depot and at the Traction Terminal Station that for every one leaving two came in, and both stations were thronged all day. Every traveler was laden with bundles and traveling gear of all descriptions and the baggage men were overrun with the luggage they were required to handle. All trains on the steam roads and many of the trains on the interurban lines were much delayed last evening, partially by the heavy travel and partially by the weather. Trains from the North and East and some from the West came into the sheds covered with snow and reported heavy running. In some cases the regular trains were three hours late and extra sections were made up here to replace them.

### GREAT DEMAND FOR HOLLY.

Craze for Decorating Homes With Green Stuff Prevails.

Seldom has the fancy for decorating the home with holly and green stuff generally for the holiday season taken such a hold on Indianapolis as this year. The craze seemed to "take" from the more elaborate store-front decorations of the season, and so brisk did the demand become that every man who could find a packing case and empty curb space along the sidewalks set up in business.



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[By Star Special Service.]

BAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Robert Fitzsimmons today is a man broken, not only in spirit, but also in heart, and the once grand old man of the ring is not weeping so much over the fight he lost on Wednesday night, but over the alleged desertion of his wife, Julia Gifford Fitzsimmons, who is preparing to leave for Europe and it is understood that she is planning to marry just as soon as she can secure a divorce from the well-known prize fighter.

For hours, yes, days after the fight the grief of Fitz was inconsolable and by all it was thought that it was due to the fact that he had been defeated by O'Brien, but because he had been made aware of the fact that his wife was to leave him and go abroad. For hours at a time Fitz has been sitting with his head in his hands, the tears streaming down his battle-scarred cheeks. Friends tried to offer sympathy but their efforts were in vain. The blow that struck the lanky Bob was not in the stomach, but had gone a little higher and his heart had received the tap that worked havoc with the Cornishman.

### MAY HAVE CAUSED DEFEAT.

Now that the real truth of the affair is out many are pointing out the real cause for the defeat of "Bob." It was known that he did not train diligently toward the last of the fight as he did when he first reached the coast. When Fitz went into the ring the night of the battle his heart was not in the fight, because it was pursuing an unfaithful wife in her endeavor to get away. This may or may not have been the cause of his defeat, but it is certain that it had some effect on the outcome of the mill.

The story of Fitz's marriage to his last wife is one of a stage romance, and by all of his friends it was thought that his home was one of the happiest in the land, but from all accounts it is seen that Mrs. Fitzsimmons has been contemplating the step for some time, and Bob must have been aware of it, as he did not hear from her for days and days before his fight with O'Brien.

### STEP LONG CONTEMPLATED.

Fitzsimmons is here at the Adams House, and his manager, Leon Feldmann, has telegraphed to New York to try to prevent the woman's leaving.

The last telegram she sent Feldmann, which was received this morning from New York, said:

"I am leaving New York forever. Took step week ago; long contemplated, am determined. My attorney's letter should reach Bob today. JULIA."

Julia Gifford Fitzsimmons has entry to Fitzsimmons's bank account, which was kept with the Second National Bank in New York. He had in the neighborhood of \$32,000 on deposit there. In addition to that all he has in the money he made in his fight with Jack O'Brien Wednesday night, about \$3,000.

## EARTHQUAKE IN MARYLAND.

Rumbling Sound Precedes Wave That Causes Great Alarm.

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## Hoosier Poet Correspondent at Fairbanks

## PRESIDENT M

### Selections Re "Touch Roos

### BY LOUI WASHINGTON.

Club sang songs to combs Riley, and Mr. for the Gridiron Fairbanks, who idea of bringing them together, told the King with Mr. Riley. Twenty-five year-old said, when he in Indianapolis he Richmond on law he he was perusing th when his attention a haired young man w to a group of friends. He listened and the extremely beautiful, heard it before he man was merely rethor for whom he h. At Greenfield the full of somebody o train. Afterward M introduced to James proved to be none o naired fellow passed Richmond and the Mr. Fairbanks had

### FEAST OF SONG

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# INDIANAPOLIS SUNDAY

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## When the Day Is New.

Frequent furies of snow during the night with colder and clear weather this morning give promise of a white Christmas.

While at work in the Norwood yards, Frank M. Brady, 1128 Southeastern avenue, a brakeman, fell between two cars. His right arm was crushed and he was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, where he was reported in a critical condition.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—A special dispatch from Pachuca says that the famous Santa Gertrudis mine is burning and that thirty miners were suffocated. The damage is liable to reach hundreds of thousands of dollars.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 24.—The Alaska Commercial Company's steamer Portland is ashore on Spire, nine miles south of Ketchikan. The steamer is leaking badly and may be a total loss. Dispatches say that the water is now above the boilers and that the passengers have been taken to Ketchikan in small boats.

PERUGIA, Italy, Dec. 24.—Excitement has been caused here over the alleged discovery that an attempt was recently made to steal the cope of Pope Marcellus II from Gubbio, near here. The cope is five centuries old.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Times this morning says: "J. P. Morgan & Co., H. H. Rogers of the Standard Oil Company, and several other financiers not heretofore identified with the local traction situation, it is learned, have become associated with August Belmont in the merger of all the city's traction lines."

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## SHOPPING SEASON ENDS IN A RUSH

Stores Remain Open Until Late and Business Regarded as Unprecedented.

### ZEST ADDED BY SNOWFALL

Harbinger of "White Christmas" Is Received With Joy.

"Unprecedented" is the only adequate word for the close of the Christmas shopping season in Indianapolis last night and yesterday afternoon. Unprecedented were displays of goods of all kinds; unprecedented crowds of buyers and buying, unprecedented freedom from shoplifters, pickpockets and those who merely shopped without buying. Never in their experience, say the merchants, has the business of yesterday been equaled or even approached.

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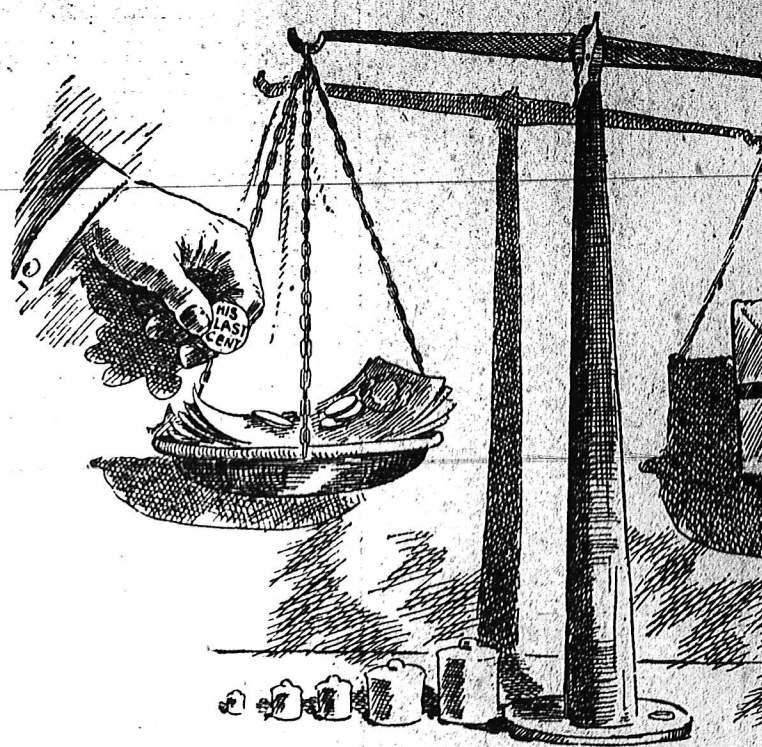
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