

THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy and slightly colder, possibly snow flurries in mountains tonight; Thursday partly cloudy.

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BRITAIN ACTS TO MEET NAZI MINE MENACE

Extends Its Own Mile Charted Field

DESIGNED SERVE AS INNER SCREEN

Overlapping of Rival Mine Fields in North Sea Considered By Observers As Probable

London, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Great Britain's answer to the plague of German mines off the British coast is a 500-mile charted mine field extending from Orkney islands to the Strait of Dover.

The Admiralty announced that mines would be laid in a strip 30 to 40 miles wide and about eight miles off shore to guard coastal shipping from mines "laid by the Germans without notice in the North Sea outside territorial waters off the British coast."

The British mine belt thus would be an inner screen behind which ships could move in relative safety. A neutral naval attitude said it also would protect British warships in port from submarine attack.

Presumably the British mines would prevent the laying of German mines by submarines or surface craft between the British belt and the coast.

The Admiralty did not indicate the number or type of mines to be used, but naval sources estimated that more than 200,000 would be required.

A British mine field also extends along the German coast from Denmark to The Netherlands, covering entrances to the German sea and bays.

The Admiralty said it believed Germany had mined an area in the North Sea. Overlapping of the rival mine fields was considered probable.

Two Pitt Citizens Will Take Census

D. W. Lupton, district supervisor of the Census of the first census or congressional district announced today that his office had completed preparations for the taking of the business census in January. The Bureau of the Census only allotted 12 people to do this work in the entire district and selections have been made as follows:

Pitt—Frank Brooks, Greenville and Mrs. John Andrews, Avenet; Beaufort—Ruffin O'Neal, Washington and R. H. Paul, Jr., Edward; Martin—Claude T. Smith, Robertsville; Pasquotank—J. Hughes, Elizabeth City; Hyde—W. W. Watson, Lake Landing; Dare—Mrs. Vivian Ryder, Manteo; Camden and Currituck—James A. Taylor, Maple; Washington and Tyrrell—Delbert Allen, Plymouth; Hertford and Gates—W. A. McGlothin, Murrefreesboro, and Chowan and Perquimans—R. T. Brinn, Hertford.

These enumerators will be in conference during the week with Mr. Lupton and the assistant supervisor, W. A. Everett, of Edenton.

Mr. Lupton stated that the farm and population census would not be taken until April and that enumerators for that work would not be selected until the latter part of March. No information has yet been given him as to how many enumerators will be assigned to each county and those who do the work must successfully pass a test.

Enumerators do not receive any salary nor traveling expenses and are paid fees for their work.

Ski Troops Push On

Copenhagen, Dec. 27.—(AP)—A picked battalion of Finnish ski troops today was reported driving through Russia about 115 miles north of Lake Ladoga in an attempt to cut Russia's vital Murmansk railroad.

Russian forces on the Arctic Ocean front and other northern sectors received most of their supplies over this railroad which runs from 50 to 150 miles east of the border.

From the Finnish-Norwegian border came reports that advancing Finnish troops in far northern Finland were collecting large quantities of war materials abandoned by retreating Russians. Included were many Russian tanks stalled in the snow.

In all sectors the Finns were said to be preparing for the new Russian thrust they expect will come in an attempt to regain some of the prestige the Russians have lost in recent weeks.

Held In Slaying



Mrs. Stella H. Jaques, 42, was held at Forrester, Mass., in \$30,000 bond after pleading not guilty on three charges of assault with intent to kill. She is charged with breaking up a Christmas party by shooting her husband and another man as the two sat at Christmas dinner.

DISAGREEMENT IN DIES CIRCLE

Axe Brought Down On Preliminary Provisions

Washington, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Members of the Dies committee were said today to be in disagreement over the report of their investigations of un-American activities which must be presented to the House next Wednesday.

Authoritative sources said the preliminary draft submitted to the committee by Chairman Dies, "D-Tex" was being altered drastically by one member who objected to emphasis placed on certain references to communism.

An argument was reported brewing over the question of whether the committee should include recommendations for legislation to curb subversive activities.

A year ago Dies prepared a similar report containing proposals for registering aliens and a public recording of members and activities of such organizations as the Communist party. They were dropped at the last minute, however, when some committee members suggested that their inclusion might influence some House members to oppose continuation of the committee on the theory that the investigation had been completed.

The committee will expire January 3, but Dies already has introduced legislation which would extend it for at least one more year.

Clerk Experiences Another Birthday

J. Frank Harrington, clerk of Pitt Superior Court, today celebrated his 67th birthday by going to his office and working.

Mr. Harrington is completing his 21st year as clerk of court in Pitt county and the same wholesome smile and good nature that were his chief characteristics 21 years ago prevailed today.

Because of his modesty, Mr. Harrington would not have mentioned his birthday to anyone had he not become engaged in a conversation about Christmas with a member of the press.

"I was born two days after Christmas in 1872," said Mr. Harrington. "So Santa Claus didn't come to see me during that year. In years that followed, Christmas was such a big day that my birthday appeared to be just another day."

Commenting on the extent of his Yuletide festivities, Mr. Harrington merely stated that "I spent a quiet day at home. I have never touched a drop of whiskey and feel that I have waited too late to begin drinking."

City And Not County Sending Off \$14,000

A story in yesterday's Reflector stated that the county was sending off checks totalling \$14,353.75 representing principal and interest payments on its obligations.

It should have stated that the payments were made by the city and not the county. All of the amount was interest payments except a \$1,000 principal payment on a school bond.

Rock wool is made from natural rock or from different combinations of natural minerals.

Red Air Attack Renewed; New Land Drive Expected

Fresh Legions Under Command of Personal Friends of Stalin Declared To Be Marching Into Central and Arctic Sectors for New Offensives Against Stubborn Finns

Copenhagen, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Fresh Soviet Russian legions under the command of Joseph Stalin's personal friends were reported by the Finnish military command today to be marching into the central and Arctic fronts for new smashes against the stubborn Finns.

Coming on the heels of reported Finnish drives, as much as 50 miles in some sectors, the Finnish northern army headquarters said 300,000 picked Red army soldiers were being massed to counter attack recent retreats.

The Russians have lost 4,000 men in the sub-zero cold of the Arctic fighting in the last three days, dispatches from the Finnish headquarters said.

Russian strategy was foreseen by military observers to be a renewed drive to cut Finland in half.

Although outnumbered, the Finnish command counted on the bitter Arctic weather as well as military strategy to withstand the expected attack.

General Kurt M. Valenius, northern forces commander, was quoted as saying the Finns generally faced a Russian division of about 15,000 men with a battalion of about 600.

ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS SET

Chamber Commerce To Name Five to Board

Official ballots for the election of five directors of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce were mailed to members of the organization this afternoon with the request the ballots be checked and returned on or before January 6. Voting will be secret as members are not requested to sign their name.

The ballots contain the names of ten members chosen by the nominating committee. Should a person desire to vote for some one not nominated he can do so by writing in the name of his choice. Terms will be for three years each.

The ten members chosen by the nominating committee are: Guy V. Smith, of Smith and Sugg warehouse; D. J. Whitchard, Jr., publisher of the Daily Reflector; David A. W. secretary of Harris-Evans Lumber Co.; Dr. K. B. Pace, local physician; John G. Clark, distributor Sinclair Refining Co.; Louis C. Skinner, attorney and president of the Lion's club; G. C. Honeycutt, partner Honeycutt's grocery; Roy M. Campbell, operations manager Carolina Sales; T. I. Wagner, sales manager Flanagan Buggy Co.; and W. B. Cozart, Economy Auto Supply Co.

Under the by-laws of the organization five of the 15 directors are named each year for terms of three years each. Old directors whose terms will expire in December, 1940, are J. D. Aman, J. A. Blount, H. L. Ormond, J. M. Taft, J. J. White. Those whose terms expire December, 1941, are W. W. Aycock, W. Howard, H. L. Hodges, J. Nat Harrison and J. B. Kittrell.

The official ticket contains the names of ten nominees selected by the nominating committee appointed by the board at the December meeting in accordance with the by-law provisions governing elections.

Members are to vote for five—and if they choose to vote for others than those listed on the ballot they may do so by writing in the name of the member of their choice, voting for only five in all, however. Voting will close Saturday, January 6, and all members are urged to exercise their privilege and duty by participating in the control of the policies of the organization by voting in the election. Ballots may be mailed or carried to the Chamber of Commerce offices.

GIVEN REPRIEVE

Fairleigh, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Shepree Holland, 50-year-old Duplin county man under sentence to be executed Friday for the murder of his stepson, got a 30-day reprieve today from Governor Hoyer.

Paroles Commissioner Edwin Gill said the stay was granted to permit further investigation of the case. Under state law Holland's death date was set for February 16.

Hitler Spends Christmas Eve At Front



Adolf Hitler joined his old regiment at the Western Front near Saarbrücken for a Christmas Eve celebration. Hitler (second from right) is seen dining against a backdrop dominated by a Christmas tree and a swastika banner. Hitler was reported to have walked across the frontier into France on Christmas Day. (This picture by radio from Berlin).

SNOW, COLD WEATHER WHIRLING EASTWARD

By The Associated Press

Snow storms and zero weather whirled eastward today, leaving a white blanket nine to 18 inches deep over the old "dust bowl."

The snow was passing over Missouri, Iowa and northern Arkansas, and was due to hit Ohio by nightfall.

But as the mid-west and south-west shivered, two of winter's ironclad reprieves "heat waves" and "thaw waves" were in the making in the Michigan and the lakes. For December in the 66 year history of the Detroit bureau and a ski season.

MAY REGULATE EXPORT TRADE U.S. INSURANCE GAINS IN U. S.

Federal Government Considers Possible Methods

Washington, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Members of the Federal Monetary committee disclosed today that they have been considering informally several possible methods for government regulation of life insurance companies.

They have not agreed on any recommendation, but the committee has been studying the matter for some time. The committee has been studying the matter for some time. The committee has been studying the matter for some time.

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Banks Of North Carolina Actively Serving Needs

New York, Dec. 27.—That banks in North Carolina are actively serving the credit needs of their communities is evidenced by the results of a survey of bank lending activity announced by the American Bankers Association indicating that the commercial banks of the state made more than 226,000 new loans totaling \$109,000,000 to business firms and individuals during the first six months of 1939, and renewed 215,000 outstanding loans totalling \$245,000,000 during the same period.

The survey also reveals that business firms in the state are using only one-half of the "open lines of credit" maintained for their use on the books of the banks.

These estimated figures are based on reports received from 45 banks in North Carolina, or 29 per cent of the 225 commercial banks in the state, and make allowance for the concentration of lending activity in Winston-Salem and other large cities. The 45 banks reported that they

Soviets Rain Bombs On Vital Finnish Munitions Center and Other Cities; Official Reports Declare Some Dwellings Destroyed; Helsinki Is Visited by Lone Enemy Plane

Helsinki, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The Russian air force today struck repeatedly and vigorously at Tammerfors, vital Finnish munitions center, and other cities in a series of bombing raids.

Twelve bombers appeared over Tammerfors, first at 9:58 a. m. (2:58 a. m. EST) and dropped only a few bombs, but returned two hours later to shower at least 50 bombs on the city.

Official reports said the result was "destruction of some dwellings, one dead and one injured."

The important seaport of Turku on the southwest coast was bombed, first by two planes and then by a quadron of 15. Most of the 50 bombs dropped there fell into the water harmlessly.

Helsinki was visited by a lone enemy plane, but apparently no bombs were dropped.

Viipturi, Hemenlinna and other cities also sighted Russian bombers during the new wave of raids.

Army officials said the Russians were continuing their land attacks on all fronts, but making no progress.

SOVIET AGENTS ADMIT CHARGE

Fined \$2,500 for Violating State Department Act

Washington, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Two Russian agents and a Soviet corporation pleaded guilty today to violating the Foreign Agent registration act and were fined a total of \$2,500.

Boris Nikolsky, president of Bookniga, Inc., and I. A. Ilyin, secretary-treasurer, admitted a charge of withholding material information in registering themselves and the corporation with the State Department. They pleaded guilty before Justice Jennings Bailey about an hour after indictment by a federal grand jury.

Nikolsky was assessed a \$1,000 fine and said he would return to Soviet Russia on the next available boat.

It was agreed that Bookniga, Inc., which was fined \$1,000 would be dissolved and that a book shop in New York through which Russian literature had been disseminated would be closed.

Ilyin was fined \$500. The fines were the maximum under the statute.

The justice department said that Nikolsky was the president of Bookniga and was formerly chief of the export division of the official Soviet propaganda agency.

Orthopedic Clinic Be Held Next Week

Dr. Hugh A. Thompson of Raleigh will conduct the regular State orthopedic clinic in Greenville at the health department offices Friday afternoon, January 5, from 12:30 to 4 o'clock, according to announcement made today by Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, Pitt County health officer.

Dr. Ennett explained that this clinic takes all types of cripples, both white and colored, free of charge who are unable to afford private treatment. He said also that it is desired, but not required, that patients be referred by a physician or the welfare officer, and that the patient bring such note to the clinic.

The clinic serves Beaufort, Carteret, Pamlico, Pitt and Tyrrell counties, though patients from other counties may attend. The clinic has been conducted over three years and is now serving a large number of cripples, adults and children, in this area.

Heart Disease Fatal To Tobacco Importer

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Funeral services will be held tomorrow at Buchanan, Va., for Alexander Henry Cary, 68, New York tobacco importer, who died of heart disease here yesterday.

Cary was stricken while spending Christmas holidays with his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Pannell. He formerly lived at Richmond, Va., and Henderson, N. C., before moving to New York.

Three ships were sunk off the coast of North Carolina by submarines in the last World war.

Dog Saves Lives



Daisy, a Spaniel, earned a right to wear a heroes mantle when her barks saved the lives of two children. The dog started barking when smoke poured forth from a New York flat. Her warning brought firemen to revive Pat Hickey, 2, shown in bed and two brothers. The smoke was fatal to another infant brother.

HUNDREDS DIE DURING 'QUAKE

Whole Villages Are Wiped Out in Shocks In Turkey

Ankara, Turkey, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Hundreds were reported killed and whole villages destroyed in an earthquake which shook Anatolia early today.

Four shocks were felt in Ankara between 2 a. m. and 5 a. m. today (between 7 p. m. and 10 p. m. EST Tuesday).

Accurate information of the damage caused was not immediately available because communications were disrupted.

Officials by late afternoon said, however, that reports indicated a major catastrophe.

The quake's center apparently was along the Black sea coast of Turkey in Asia.

Thousands were reported to have abandoned towns for fields, fearing additional shocks.

The government and relief agencies rushed aid to the affected area, which is from 100 to 250 miles east and northeast of Ankara.

Speedy Preacher Is Facing Charge

An apparent attempt to reach church in time to keep the congregation from waiting caused a charge of operating a motor vehicle in a careless and reckless manner to be brought against the Rev. Robert Joyner, Negro minister of Reidsville last night.

Highway Patrolman W. W. Massensell said that Joyner made a short left turn without giving proper signal near Belvoir last night and his automobile was struck by another motor vehicle driven by Miss Elizabeth Hyman, Greenville school teacher.

The patrolman said that neither of the drivers was injured, but both cars were badly damaged. The Negro minister continued his journey relative to completing his preaching engagement, but delivered his sermon with a reckless driving charge hanging over his head.

Patrolman J.W. Evans Is Working In City

Highway Patrolman J. W. Evans has been stationed in Greenville for this afternoon that Leslie Smith of Greenville had been arrested on a charge of allowing a drunk to operate his automobile.

Smith was arrested by Highway Patrolman J. S. Hackett stationed in the Farmville community. Bond was set at \$100.

Negro Convicted

Magistrate H. L. Jenkins said today that Robert Johnson, Negro, was given a 30-day sentence after being convicted of being drunk on the highway. It was understood previously that he had been convicted of larceny.

CONGRESS MAY BE ASKED FOR RECORD FUNDS

Defense Appropriation of \$2,000,000,000 Talked

MAY GRANT SUM WITHOUT FIGHT

Both Democrats And Republicans Have Shown Little Disposition To Quibble Over Amount

Washington, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Congress will be asked to approve another record-breaking fund for national defense at the coming session and indications today are that it will accede without much of a fight.

Congressmen with military ideas of their own, however, may provoke greater controversy than the outlay of more than \$2,000,000,000 which President Roosevelt has said he would recommend to finance the army and navy for the year starting July 1.

Before the new session is a week old, two House committees will study proposals designed to make the navy the mightiest arm of the world has ever seen. Both are likely to provide for super battleships, possibly twice as big as any now afloat.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) set January 8 tentatively for the House Naval Committee to begin public hearings on a proposed \$1,300,000,000 expansion of the navy. This would provide for 45 new warships, 31 auxiliary vessels and 2,395 additional airplanes.

Although Mr. Roosevelt was reported authoritatively to have slashed about \$700,000,000 from the estimates of both the army and navy, there were indications that the total would be at least \$300,000,000 and possible \$500,000,000 above the current year's peace-time record of about \$1,800,000,000. Nevertheless, democrats and republicans have shown little disposition to quibble over money spent for defense.

Hanrahan Citizen Claimed by Death

A. L. Baker, 57, died at his home near Hanrahan this morning at 4:30 o'clock following a brief illness.

Funeral services will be conducted from the late home tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. Walter Nobles, Free Will Baptist minister of Winterville. Burial will be in the Baker family cemetery in Greene county.

Besides his widow, surviving are one son, Frank Baker of near Grimsland, three daughters, Mrs. Ben Klinton of Greenville, Mrs. George Moxingo and Mrs. Oscar Tyndall, both of Kingston; two brothers, Sam N. and Offie Baker, both of near Greenville, and four sisters, Mrs. Richard Tyndall of near Greenville, Mrs. Luther Baker of LaGrange, Mrs. Kate Moore and Mrs. Emma Johnston, both of Maury.

Farmville Citizen Is Facing Charges

Farmville, Dec. 27.—A warrant charging B. Streeter Sheppard of Farmville of inflicting serious injuries in an assault on James Wilson, young son of the Rev. H. M. Wilson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, has been issued here by Farmville authorities.

Sheppard allegedly assaulted the youth with the butt of a gun after the boy and several companions persisted in shooting fireworks near the Sheppard home, which is in the neighborhood of the Wilson home.

Young Wilson was beaten about the head and shoulders. The warrant was brought against Sheppard at the instigation of the father of the boy. The incident occurred on Christmas night.

Weather Report

J. A. CLARK (Always Observer)

TEMPERATURES
High yesterday 48
Low yesterday 30
At 1:30 p. m. 48

PRECIPITATION (in inches)
For 24 hrs. ending 1:30 p. m. 1.17
Total for month 1.50

BAROMETER (Pressure)
7:30 this morning 29.96
7:30 p. m. 29.98

Prevailing Winds and Velocity
7:30 a. m. NW 7
1:30 p. m. NW 7

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. James Britt of Birmingham, Ala., are visiting Mrs. Britt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Whitehurst.

R. D. Thigpen of Ocoila, Ark., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. N. H. Whitehurst and Mr. Whitehurst.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Barnes and family of Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Morrow of Burlington, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Johnson have returned to their home in Charlotte after spending Christmas here with Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Brown.

Miss Kay Vail of Stamford, Conn., will arrive on Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Moseley.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson French, of East Orange, N. J., will arrive Saturday morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Moseley. Mrs. French was formerly Miss Frances Moseley.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Merrill of Washington City, have returned home after spending Christmas with Mrs. Merrill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Greene, of Washington, N. C., spent Christmas with Mrs. Greene's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Little are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Little on the Ayden highway.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Tunstall returned home last night from Suffolk, Va., where they spent Christmas.

Mrs. M. J. Moye and children, Anne and Milton, Jr., of Tarboro, and Misses Mary Anne and Carolyn Westbrook, of Dunn, are the guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. C. M. Jones.

Mrs. J. H. Rose is visiting relatives in Greenville, Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wilson have returned from Roxboro, where they spent Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Whitehurst, Jr., of Houston, Texas, are expected today to visit Mr. Whitehurst's parents.

Miss Gertrude May is spending the holidays with her grandmother, Mrs. A. F. May in Spring Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Harrison have returned after having spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Simmons of Henderson, formerly of this city, and Christmas day with Mrs. T. N. Harrison, of Littleton, mother of Mr. Harrison.

Harold Sumrell returned to Marion, S. C., after spending Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. Maude Sumrell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bunch spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in New Bern.

Evans-Yelverton
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Yelverton of Goldsboro, N. C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sara Hall to Mr. Plato Harris Evans of Greenville, N. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Evans. The wedding will take place in the Spring.

In Hospital
Mr. J. C. Gaskins is in Duke Hospital for examination and treatment.

Dance Tonight
Spence Hatley and his "Deans of Music" will play for the Yuletide season dance to be held tonight at 10 o'clock under the sponsorship of the Monogram Club of Greenville High School. The dance will be held in the local high school auditorium.

Hatley, majoring in music at East Carolina Teachers College, and a popular trumpet player of Rudy Walters' orchestra, has succeeded Walters as leader of the band. The band has played for several dances at the college and its members have been with other popular North Carolina music makers.

Members of the Monogram Club are selling tickets for the dance, which is the second to be sponsored by the club during the Christmas holiday season. The dance will be concluded when the band stops playing, according to sponsors of the occasion.

Social Calendar

WEDNESDAY
7:30 p. m.—The choir of the Methodist church meets for practice.

THURSDAY
7:30 p. m.—The Knights of Pythias will meet.

7:30 p. m.—The Memorial Baptist choir meets.

7:30 p. m.—The choir of the Immanuel Baptist church meets.

FRIDAY
4:00 p. m.—6:00 p. m.—Towne club tea dance at the high school gymnasium.

10:30 p. m.—2:30 a. m.—Towne club dance in high school gymnasium.

SATURDAY
10:00 a. m.—3:00 p. m.—Hookerton Union meets at the Christian church.

7:00 p. m.—Choir rehearsal at Christian church.

SUNDAY
6:30 p. m.—8:00 p. m.—Young Peoples Interest group of Christian church meets at the parsonage.

No Services at St. Paul's
Due to the furnace being out of order, there will be no services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Thursday or Friday.

There will be regular services on Sunday.

Prayer Meeting.
Cottage prayer meeting Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. M. D. Adams, 400 E. 14th St., conducted by Rev. Chester Pelt. The public is cordially invited.

Miss Duncan Ill.
Miss Ruby Duncan is very ill at her home on Pitt Street.

Magazines
Subscriptions to The Southern Garden magazine, published by the club women of the state, are being solicited by members of the Greenville Garden Club. The club will retain 75 cents of the subscription price, \$1.50 if ordered before January 1st. Interested persons call Mrs. Helene Higgs Kirkpatrick.

CORRECTION
Yesterday's paper carried an ad of Lautares Brothers, which stated in part that much of the stock was reduced 33 1-3 per cent during their Pre-Inventory sale. The ad should have read: 33 1-3% reductions on all of their stock excepting the items cited in the ad.

Memorial Prayer Service
The Prayer Service at Memorial Baptist Church will be held at 8:00 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend this service. "The Last Christ" will be the theme of meditation.

RED OAK NEWS

Close to one hundred and fifty people from nine months old to about seventy gathered in the Red Oak Community Center last Thursday night to welcome Santa Claus and to sing Christmas carols.

All the young children played old-fashioned games such as "Drop the Handkerchief," "King William," "Crows and Cranes" and "Here We Go Round the Christmas Tree." While the older ones watched them, for this was Children's Night. One woman said thoughts of her own childhood came to her as she saw these old games revived.

After the games the children stood near the large silver Christmas tree with its red berries and sang Christmas Carols led by Howard James. The older people joined in the singing. As the last notes died away there was Santa Claus

in all his red and white glory standing in the door. He shook hands with all the little ones and one could see the older ones putting their heads together and whispering to each other, "Who is he?" But Santa came and went and only three or four knew him by any other name other than "Santa Claus."

Gifts, which had been placed on the tree and under the tree, and around the tree were then distributed and fruit was served to all present.

A family whose father has been ill most of the year and whose baby is now ill, was remembered by the Sunshine Class of Red Oak Sunday School with a box laden with toys, wearing apparel and food.

It was a happy occasion. It was made doubly so by the presence of a loved one who had not been with us for a long time.

Our next club meeting will be the first Wednesday in January and we hope that every club woman will be present as we want to plan our year's work.

Mr. N. W. Tyson is still confined to his home.

Mrs. Frank Elks' condition is not very much improved. The sympathy of the neighborhood is extended to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pollard, Mrs. James Allen, Mrs. J. J. Jenkins went to Raleigh Thursday. Miss Pattie Jenkins accompanied them home to spend the holidays.

Man About Manhattan

By George Tucker

New York—Sometimes on winter afternoons I like to go to St. Thomas Episcopal Church, on Fifth avenue at 53rd street, and, from the vestibule, gaze at the high, far off altar with its marvelous sculptured stone reredos, its carved wood-work, and its gorgeous stained glass. When you come upon this in the light of a late wintry afternoon, the beauty of it gets in your eyes. It makes you think that some high-souled Da Vinci must have had a hand in it. St. Thomas is one of the older, wealthier, more influential churches of New York. It was founded well over a hundred years ago. One of the first things you notice on entering the vestibule is a plaque from Shrewsbury Abbey, England, which says:

"Friend, there is welcome in this Church for thee; Come in, and rest, and think, and kneel, and pray; What men have builded for God's glory, see— Give thanks, and go in Peace go on thy way."

There is, too, this quiet manifestation of warmth and welcome, exemplified in the visitor's register. People from all lands and of all faiths find their way past the statue of Our Savior, through the great arched entrance, and leave their names on their way, taking perhaps some of the soft, deep-toned beauty of St. Thomas away in their hearts.

I could not help but glance at the names of some of those who had preceded me, and so in this way I knew that Lois Hunt Styles, of Charleston, S. C., had been here today. Under her name was the neatly printed signature of Mrs. E. W. Sparks, of Palm Beach, Fla. . . . A Mr. R. W. McIntyre, of Lexington, Ky., had been there, too, as had Suzanne McGowan, of Ashley, Pa.

There were literally scores of signatures, and after each one the signer had indicated his faith. . . . One was a Huguenot; another was a Catholic; another was a Christian Scientist. . . . There were many Methodists and Baptists. . . . There was even the signature of a Chinese, and after it he had written, "I am a Christian."

Should you chance to pass St. Thomas on some future visit to New York, and enter, let me commend to you the little rack of special prayers, which is also in the vestibule, and which is there for visitors such as you. These are little pocket-size cards on which are printed prayers that are appropriate for all occasions. Perhaps the most appropriate at this time is the one "In Time of War." There is another "For the Sick" and another "For Those in Trouble." There are others, and all are free. You should take these, and place them in your pocket, and carry them away with you.

While I was there I heard a slight rustle behind me, and, turning, I found myself staring at a slight, spry, little old woman whose hair was gray, but whose eyes were the merriest I have ever seen. Her name is Mary Kohler and she has been there 29 years. "I didn't see you," I apologized. "I thought I was alone." "I'm not very large," she said, adjusting her blue cap that matched

her little blue smock. Quite bluntly I asked her who she was and what she did. "Oh, I take care of things," she said proudly. "I dust and scrub and take care of anything that has to do with dirt." She said all this very proudly, and with a sweep of her tiny arm she indicated all the whole vast gorgeous interior of St. Thomas, as if to say, "All this is mine." Later, as I went out, she called, "Come and see us some time." She was the most cheerful little bantam I had ever seen.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Having qualified as administrators c.t.a. on the estate of Theophilus Carson, deceased, late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of December 1940, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 22nd day of Dec., 1939. T. Z. and W. T. CARSON, Admsrs. C. T. A. Estate of Theophilus Carson. Wm. J. Bundy, Atty. Dec. 22-11w-6wk.

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed and delivered by Calvin James and wife, Esie James, to S. J. Everett, Trustee for W. A. Cleave and D. W. Cleave under date of November 12, 1926, of record in Book O-16, page 477 of the Public Registry of Pitt County, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby and other stipulations in said instrument violated, and the holder of the notes having requested this foreclosure, the undersigned will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction before the courthouse door in Greenville on Friday, January 26th, 1940 at 12 O'clock Noon the following described real estate: A tract of land in Swift Creek Township, Pitt County, beginning at an iron stake a corner of the Marshall Smith land and runs with said line S. 7 1-2 E. 27 poles to a

stake; thence N. 74 E. 73 1-5 poles to a stake in the Clark back line; thence N. 15 W. to the J. H. Clark corner in said line; thence S. 74 W. 59 3-5 poles to a stake in the Leon A. Clark line; thence with his line S. 7 1-2 E. 10 3-5 poles to a stake thence S. 82 1-2 W. 8 poles to a stake; thence S. 7 1-2 E. 12 poles to the beginning, containing twenty-one acres.

Beginning at a stake in C. J. James line and runs N. with his line to a stake in J. H. Clark's line; thence with his line to Marshall Smith's line; thence with Marshall Smith's line to the W. W. Lewis corner; thence with his line to the be-

ginning, containing twenty-one acres and being the same lands drawn by Emily Lewis in the division of the lands of James H. Clark, subject to a life estate held by Mrs. Mollie Clark.

This the 26th day of December, 1939. S. J. EVERETT, Trustee By Margaret S. Everett, Executrix of estate of S. J. Everett. Dink James, Attorney.

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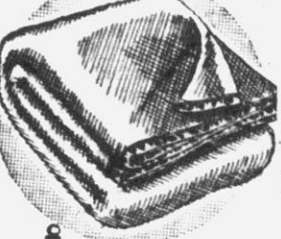
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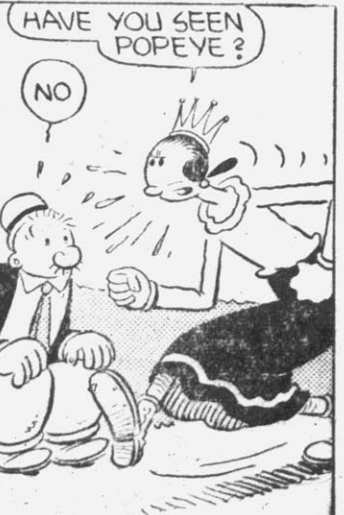
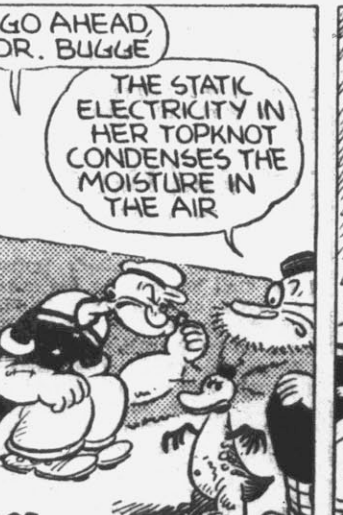
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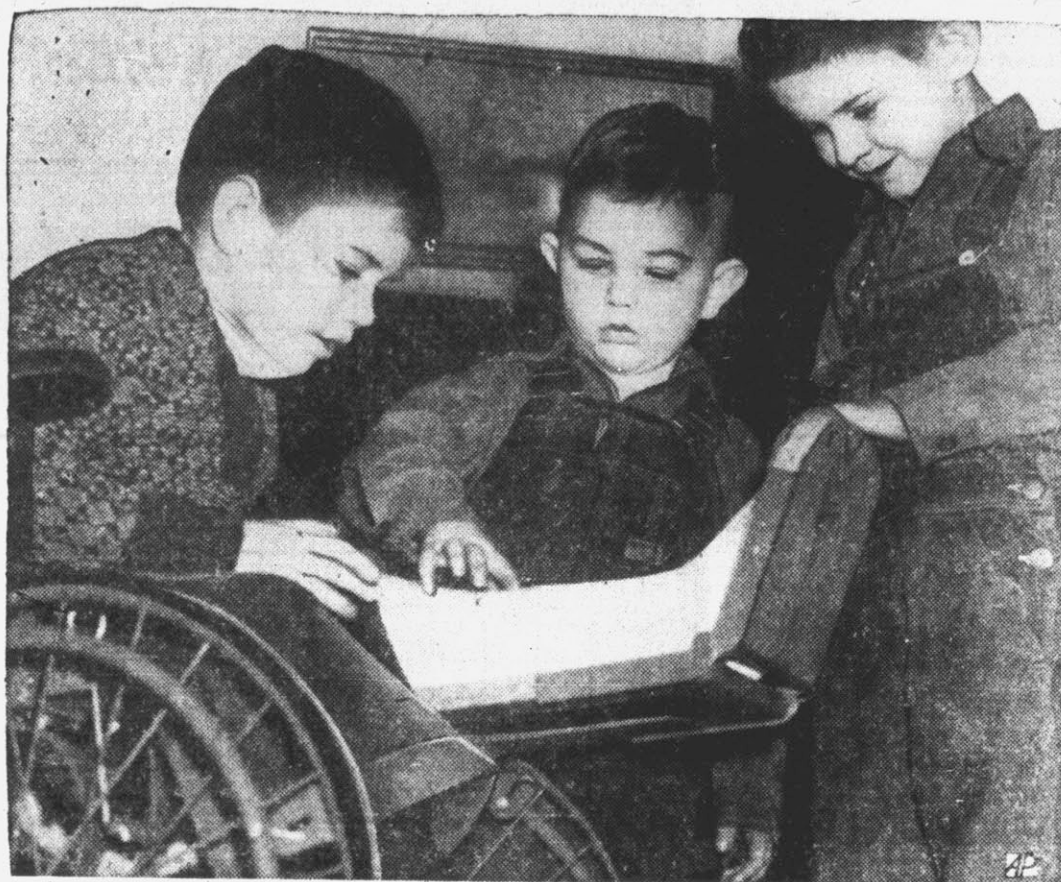
THIMBLE THEATRE (Starring Popeye)

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DAY WITH A 'DOODLER'—These may not be exact portraits of the gentlemen named, but to Rep. Abe Murdock, Utah Democrat, they're likenesses of the late Woodrow Wilson and the late William Jennings Bryan (lower). Murdock drew these "doodles" (symbols or figures drawn absent-mindedly) during a day's session of House committee probing the N.L.R.B.

ASSOCIATED PRESS PICTURE NEWS



TWO LEGS: HIS PRESENT—Homecoming on the farm near Liberty, Mo., was quite an event for Alfred Leon Miller, Jr., 7, who spent nine weeks in a Kansas City hospital after catching his leg in a feed grinder. His game smile led physicians to decide against amputation; eventually, doctors say, he'll regain use of leg. Brothers are Frank (center) and Phillip.



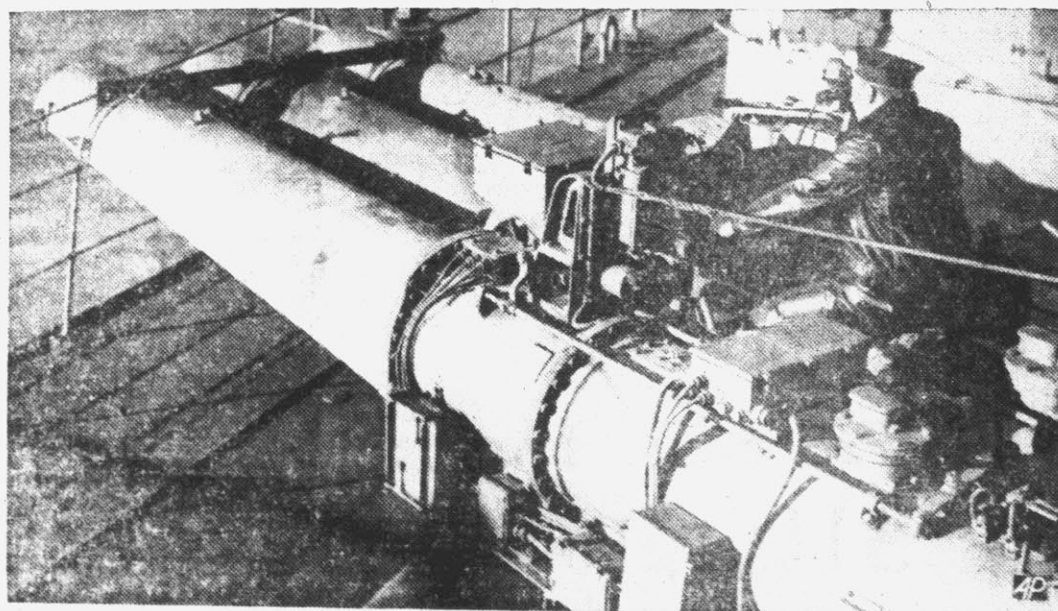
'NO MORE OF THAT, PLEASE!'—Wagging his finger solemnly, two-year-old Walter Newman of Philadelphia admonishes his baby sister, Barbara, three months old, to mind her P's and Q's, especially at this time of the year, but it looks like Barbara doesn't believe a word of that brotherly advice. Maybe Walter's tired and wants to sleep.



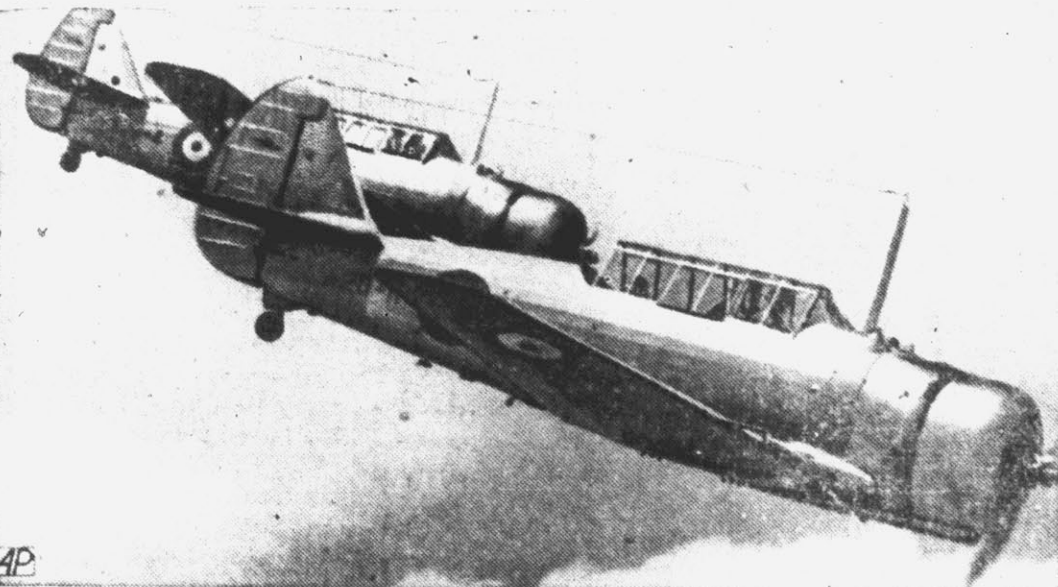
NEW YEAR FORECAST—Once 1940 gets around the bend, New Yorkers will prepare for the Jan. 26 Beaux-Arts ball, traditional frolic featured by elaborate or exotic costumes. Miss Haldis Prince will wear a bespangled white gown, jewels, and this head-dress inspired by Britanny. The late Mrs. Stanwood Menken always soared to costume heights at these balls.



FIRST LADY—In her dual role as White House hostess and grandmother to a large brood of young Roosevelts, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt (above) faces busy holiday season.



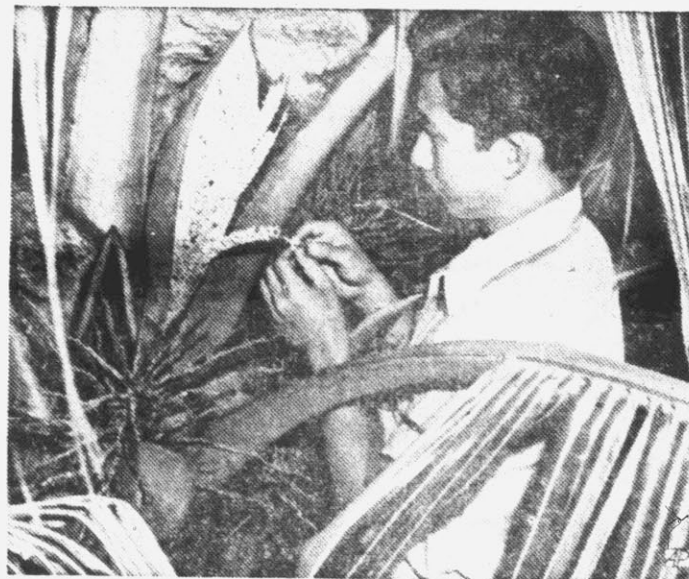
FOES STILL FIGHT NAZIS—Now operating with British fleet, two Polish destroyers, Grom and Blyskawica, carry torpedo tubes like these, pictured aboard one vessel.



WHITHER AWAY, WIRRAWAYS?—Australia makes her claim for a place in aviation's sun with these Wirraways over Sydney. The country "down under" has stepped up defenses.



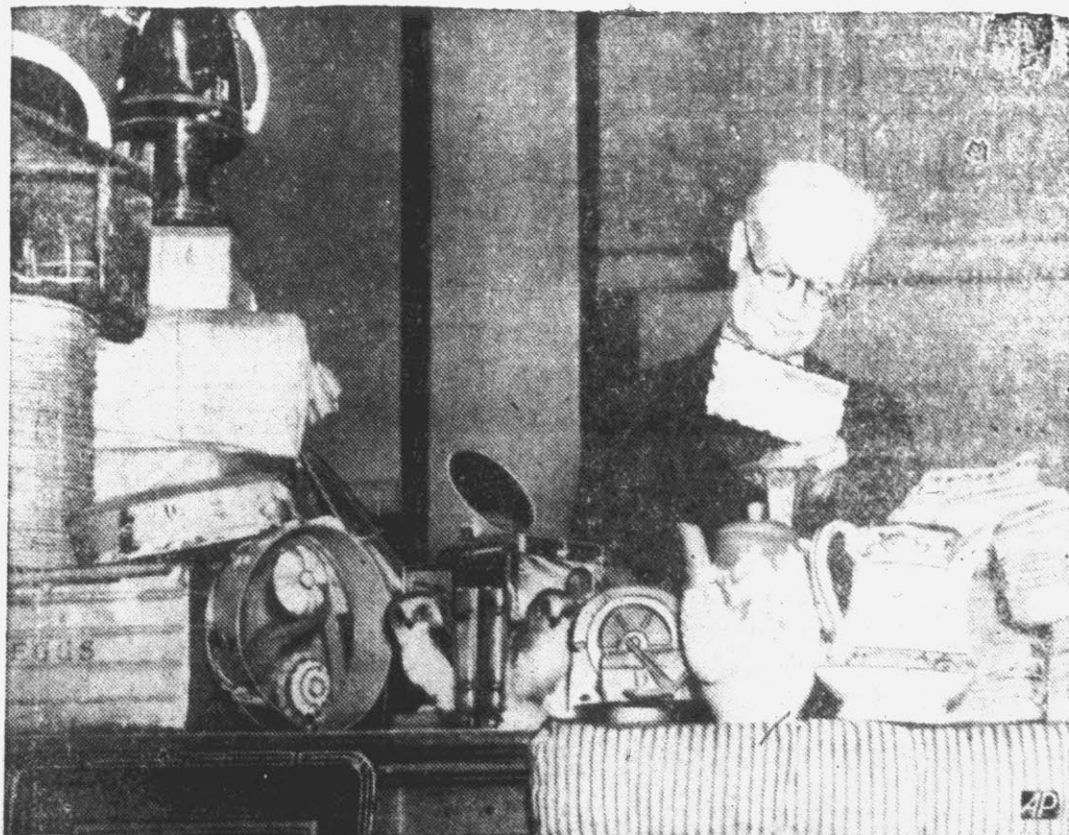
RECESS—Investigation of the National Labor Relations Board will be resumed Jan. 5 by House committee of which Rep. Howard W. Smith, Virginia Democrat, is chairman.



HAYFEVER SLEUTH—Even a coconut blossom must give its pollen to Lin Tung Chun, premedical student at the University of Hawaii, who's studying plants and trees that possibly cause hayfever. The college is at Honolulu.



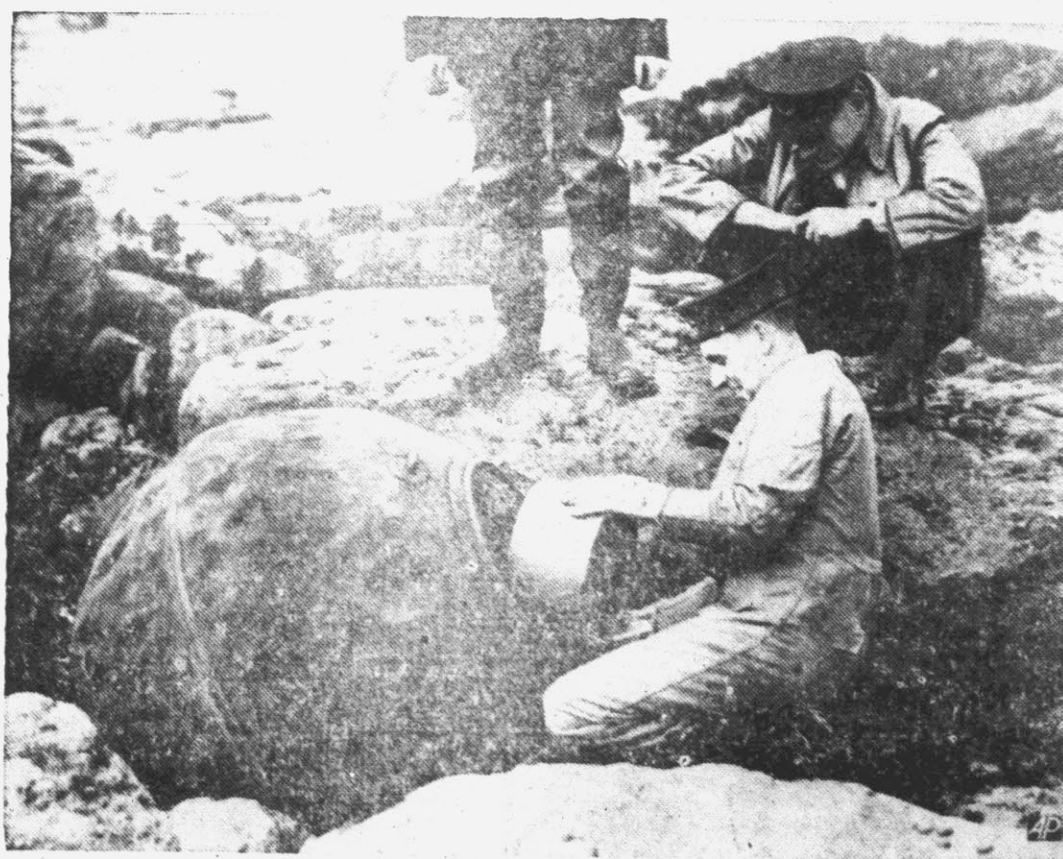
SOCIAL SPOTLIGHT—The rigors of winter's ice and snow don't bother socially-important Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt of New York. They're paying their usual visit to the south, being shown at Palm Beach, Fla. A keen yachtsman, Commodore Vanderbilt spends much time at sea.



DO YOU RECOGNIZE ANYTHING?—"To err is human" might well be a motto for desk of Bertram G. Cowles (above), who's chief of that clearing-house for postal mistakes, the "dead letter" office in Washington, D. C. But letters aren't the only things mis-sent, says Mr. Cowles, indicating assortment that on this day included even eggs and owl book-ends.



TESTIMONY—Now secretary of the N.L.R.B., which he once served as assistant general counsel, Nathan Witt (above) testified at House committee hearing on labor act.



A VILLAIN IS FOILED AGAIN—From a mine washed up on the English coast, a member of Britain's mine patrol takes out 16 lumps of explosive, which are then thrown among the rocks to be later burned. The patrols are having a busy time of it, dismantling the scores of mines washed up weekly. The job requires the utmost caution and skill.



PROTEST—Action by the American republics to protest their neutrality from violation by war belligerents is forced by Sumner Welles (above), undersecretary of state.

The Thirties Head For History In Swing Time

By PAUL ROSS
AP Feature Service Writer
 Millions of Americans were—and are—outraged, puzzled or exhilarated by a phenomenon called swing which seemed to spring to life in the 30's. Actually swing was not born in this decade but re-born, or re-recognized. The name "swing" itself is merely a new name for the negro music first brought into the white world under the name of "jazz."

Despite the fact that the 20's have been labeled "The Jazz Age," very little genuine jazz was played by the important, popular dance bands of the era. These groups concentrated on music that was flashy, "tricky, strappy"—and financially successful. To Negroes, and a few white men influenced by them, was left

the privilege of playing jazz—an indelibly negro music which combines pulsating tempo with subtle rhythms, provocative harmony, eloquent improvisations, and talented musicianship.

Then, at the end of the 20's, jazz was reintroduced to the general public. Swing experts say it was done by the Casa Loma band, which interspersed its regular slick stuff with some real jazz. An audience for it developed speedily. Meanwhile, the Negro bands of Duke Ellington, Fletcher Henderson and Louis Armstrong had been gaining adherents, too. Then Benny Goodman came along to symbolize and sum up the growing trend. Overnight, it appeared, swing struck America.

Bands that wouldn't touch swing with a stick claimed they played it. Bands that started out in earnest

to play it found themselves in lucrative spots where they couldn't. Press agents picked up or fabricated "swing" terms. "Jitterbugs" began to jabber in strange language. Places where swing bands played loud, fast and flashy stuff (but not, necessarily, jazz) became centers where jittering youths howled and stamped.

Jazzmen, such as "Bix" Beiderbecke, whose work and existence had been largely ignored, became invested with a kind of sainthood. Publications were filled with learned and misinformed treatises predicting a quick end for swing.

At the end of the decade real jazz—or swing if you will—can still be heard where it was heard at the beginning—at the private "jam sessions" of musicians; in obscure lit-reprints of old records; occasional dives in bad neighborhoods; only on the radio and on new records.



GOODMAN: Summed up trend.

N. C. CONTROLS ALL HIGHWAYS

Stuck Its Finger In Road Pie Only 25 Years Ago

By HENRY AVERILL
 Raleigh, Dec. 27.—A quarter of a century ago the State of North Carolina stuck its finger into the highway pie for the first time. Now it has it all. Up to the General Assembly of 1915 the building and maintenance of roads had been almost completely a county matter; but the legislators of that year passed a bill setting up a state Highway Board consisting of seven members with the governor as ex-officio chairman.

It was the universally prevailing idea at that time that the counties and not the state were responsible agents for the development of a highway system and the state activity was at most only educational and persuasive.

Now, 25 years later, the State Highway and Public Works commission has full and complete control of a system totalling 59,134 miles, a mileage sufficient to reach approximately two and a half times around the world. This is the greatest road mileage maintained by any state in the Union.

Thus the State, which thought maybe to stick in a thumb and pull out a plum, has wound up by taking full charge of the whole pie, crust, filling and all.

Naturally such an extension took place gradually and did not come all of a sudden or in one big jump. In 1919 the General Assembly set up a Highway Commission with an all-time chairman, and for the first time it became a real factor in the development of a state, as distinguished from a county system of roads.

In 1921, at Governor Morrison's recommendation, the legislature voted a \$50,000,000 bond issue.

Since then the state has issued in all \$1,500,000,000 of road bonds of which \$79,000,000 is now outstanding, with \$500,000 in the sinking fund; all these figures in round numbers.

From 1921 through June 30, 1939 (and for the last fiscal year and the last period for which figures are available) the Commission had expended more than \$252,000,000 for the construction of roads and bridges and more than \$133,000,000 for the maintenance of roads and bridges.

The total of paved highways had grown to 10,563 miles of which 9,008 are on the primary state system and 1,555 on the county system.

The full control of roads passed to the State under laws passed by the 1931 General Assembly and it is noticeable that there has never been a bill even introduced calling for return to the old system of part-state, part-county responsibility and control.

"I believe it would be conservative to state that at least 95 per cent of the citizens of the state at the present time are thoroughly sold on his plan of upkeep and maintenance of the public roads," Chairman Frank Dunlap of the Highway Commission was quoted in a recent magazine article as saying of the existing setup.

Present agitation with regard to the roads of North Carolina concerns itself with bringing the primary system up to date and, to a lesser degree, with making the system of control more nearly statewide than exists under the present commission of eleven members and under which control of affairs in each district has been largely given over to the commissioner from each of these districts.

NOTICE OF RE-SALE OF LAND BY COMMISSIONER

By virtue of an order or decree of the Superior Court of Pitt County in Special Proceeding entitled, "Bettie Bullock Keel et als. vs. Jesse Butler et als." and a further order of re-sale made on the 23rd day of December, 1939, the undersigned Commissioner will on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon, before the Court House door in Greenville, N. C., expose to public sale for cash the following described tract of land:

Lying and being in Bethel Township, Pitt County, North Carolina, and bounded on the North by the land of the home place of the late J. H. Wynn, now owned by W. C. Whitehurst; bounded on the East by the land of the heirs of W. E. Barnhill; bounded on the South by the lands of the heirs of J. H. Whitehurst; and on the west by the land of Charlie James and containing 16 1-2 acres more or less, and being the home place of the late William Butler and wife, Emily A. Butler. Said land being about one half mile North of Hickory Grove Church.

Terms of sale cash and sale made for division among the heirs.
 This the 23rd day of December, 1939.
JULIUS BROWN,
 Commissioner.

Costumes of 1939 Without Benefit Of Corsets



SPIKED
 The basis of this unnamed get-up is Elaine Fried; the rest of it is a water-and-snake-spouting hydrant, some spikes, smudges, and black shoes, briefs and gloves.



SPOTTED
 This what-is-it was rigged up to lure (or scare off) a "strange beast" that had terrified the Connecticut countryside, attacking and mauling several dogs.



SWATHED
 Just a statue in its swaddling clothes. It's Carl Milles' figure symbolizing the Mississippi, on its way to unveiling in front of the St. Louis union station.



SWINGING
 A modern Sir Launcelot in ancient dress tries to mount ye pale palfrey via ye olde block and tackle for the Cavalcade of the Horse, near Santa Monica, Calif.

Your Screen Test



1. What actress (shown in the picture) thrived on the reputation of being "Hollywood's dumbest blonde," proved she wasn't so dumb after all, and traveled east recently to score a hit in the summer theater revivals of the Anita Loos play, "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes"?
2. Who was the soldier star in each of the following pictures: (a) "The Big Parade"; (b) "Farewell To Arms"; (c) "Shoulder Arms"; (d) "Seventh Heaven"; (e) "Journey's End"?
3. What actor or actress gained stardom as result of work in the following pictures: (a) "Hell's Angels"; (b) "Street Cheer"; (c) "All Quiet On the Western Front"; (d) "Stand Up And Count"; (e) "A Bill of Divorcement"?
4. Only four movie stars ever danced their ways into the upper brackets of film favoritism. Can you name them? Here are the clues: (a) She formerly was a ballerina; (b) He's a Yale man with an Irish name; (c) Her specialty is tap and she soon will be teamed with (d), who achieved stage stardom dancing with his sister, but never appeared with her in pictures.
5. James Stephenson is slated to appear as the next Philo Vance. Name the four other actors who have played this detective role.

Count 20 points for each question correctly answered. A score of 60 is good, 80 is excellent, and 90 or above is colossal.

Screen Test Answers

1. Marie Wilson.
2. (a) John Gilbert; (b) Gary Cooper; (c) Charles Chaplin; (d) Charles Farrell; (e) Cain Clive.
3. (a) Jean Harlow; (b) Sylvia Sydney; (c) Lew Ayres; (d) Shirley Temple; (e) Katharine Hepburn.
4. (a) Zorina; (b) George Murphy; (c) Eleanor Powell; (d) Fred Astaire.
5. William Powell, Warren William, Basil Rathbone, Edmund Lowe.

LIGHTS COSTLY AT GOLDSBORO

Greenville Spends \$617 Annually for Christmas Lights

Reflector Bureau.
 Raleigh, December 27.—Practically every impartial observer who has seen any number of them agrees that Goldsboro has the prettiest Christmas decorations of any North Carolina city.

According to a North Carolina League of Municipalities survey there ought to be no mystery about this—Goldsboro, as a city, pays for them, pays more than any city except Kinston.

The survey conducted by the League reveals that 40 of the 58 municipalities of more than 3,000 population go in for some form of Christmas decoration, and that of these 35 contribute in one way or another to the costs, which range from electricity and labor to a cash outlay of \$1,100.

Only six cities, however, sponsor and bear the entire cost. In 26 the decorations are handled entirely by the chamber of commerce, merchants' association or other civic organizations, with the city usually contributing in cash or services. In eight cities the sponsorship and direction is shared between the city and one or more civic groups.

Oddly, perhaps, the greatest expenses are in the smaller cities. Goldsboro pays out about \$1,000 a year, Edenton \$500, Greenville \$617, New Bern \$300, Statesville \$500, Tarboro \$250, and Kinston the most of all, \$1,100.

Charlotte assesses the entire cost against merchants on a front foot basis, including the cost of lighting. Merchants pay all costs in Durham, although Greensboro and Raleigh contribute \$300 and \$200 respectively. Five cities make no contribution in any form whatsoever. Cities that own power manufacturing plants generally contribute electricity.

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Richmond Livestock

(Courtesy J. N. and J. L. Williams)
Richmond, Dec. 27.—Hogs, receipts moderate, prices 10 cents higher quoting good and choice 160 to 250 lbs. \$5.60 to \$6.10, the top, 120-140 lbs. \$4.75-\$5.20; 140-160 lbs. \$5.20-\$5.50; 250-300 lbs. \$5.25-\$5.75; over 300 lbs. \$4.75-\$5.50. Sows under 350 lbs. \$4.50 to \$5.00, over 350 lbs. \$4.00-\$4.50. Cattle—market strong to shade higher—prices about same steers—strictly good fat butcher steers \$3.00-\$3.50; medium steers \$2.50-\$3.00; common \$2.00-\$2.50. Heifers—average run nearby medium heifers \$5.50-\$6.50; good beef breed heifers \$7.50-\$8.00; poor quality as to value. Cows—strictly good fat butcher cows \$5.00-\$5.50; medium around \$4.00-\$4.50; common and canners \$3.00-\$4.00. Vealers, good vealers mostly \$10.00 to \$10.75, choice \$10.50 to \$11.00 top, poor quality as to value bulls—good fat butcher bulls \$5.25-\$6.00; lights around \$5.00-\$5.25.

Chicago Grain Market

(Courtesy Vernon Parrish)
WHEAT—Open Close Pr. Cl.
May 103 1/2 102 1/2 101 1/2
July 101 100 1/4 101
Sept. 100 1/4 99 1/4 100 1/4
CORN—
May 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2
July 59 1/2 59 1/2 59 1/2
Sept. 59 1/2 59 1/2 59 1/2
OATS—
May 38 1/2 38 1/2 38 1/2
July 34 1/2 34 1/2 34 1/2
Sept. 32 1/2 32 1/2 32 1/2
RYE—
May 77 1/2 76 1/2 77 1/2
July 75 1/2 74 1/2 75 1/2

N. Y. Stock Market

New York, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The stock market slid lower in moderate active trading today.
Losses of fractions to two or more points ruled the list as brokers reported year-end selling for the evening up of accounts. Bulk of the day's decline were rolled up in the forenoon.
Steels and rails failed to respond

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to favorable statistically in financial circles.

Rubbers, mail orders, farm implements, aircrafts, utilities, metals and some oils gave ground.

New York Cotton

New York, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened five higher to three lower.

Prices showed losses of two to 11 points around the end of the first hour. March sold at 10.82; July at 10.82 and December 9.52.

Prices recovered somewhat from morning lows, ranging two to eight lower around midday. March sold at 10.86; July 10.16.

	Open	Close	Pr. Cl.
Jan.	11.05	11.03	11.00
Mar.	10.89	10.90	10.87
May	10.54	10.54	10.57
July	10.01	10.11	10.14
Oct.	9.65	9.66	9.63
Dec.	9.57	9.60	9.53

N. Y. STOCK LIST

Courtesy E. A. Pierce and Co.
Phone 3161—Wilson, N. C.

A. C. L.	22
Anacosta	22 1/2
American Radiator	9 1/2
Behlheim Steel	79 1/2
Chrysler	83 1/2
C. I. T.	51 1/2
Coca Cola	117 1/2
Commercial Credit	45 1/2
Commercial Solvent	13
Consolidated Oil	7
Continental Can	41 1/2
Electric Bond and Share	7
General Motors	54 1/2
Gillette	5 1/2
International Telephone	4
Lorillard	24
Nash-Kelvinator	6 1/2
National Dairy	16 1/2
Otis Steel	11
Packard	31 1/2
Pullman	30 1/2
Pure Oil	7
Radio	5 1/2
Reynolds	38 1/2
Sims	21 1/2
Southern Railway	19 1/2
Standard Brands	45 1/2
Sperry Corporation	45 1/2
Texas Corporation	43 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur	32 1/2
United Aircraft	46 1/2
United Corporation	24
United Drug	5
U. S. Steel	63 1/2
Warner Pictures	3 1/2
Western Union	25 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	81 1/2
N. Y. Central	17 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	40 1/2
American Tobacco	85
U. S. Alcohol	24
Aviation Corporation	10 1/2
Curtis Wright	10 1/2
American Telephone	170 1/2

Holiday Death Toll In State Now At 35

Charlotte, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The violent death toll of the Christmas holiday season rose to 35 today in North Carolina.
Fifteen persons died in highway traffic mishaps; fire claimed eight lives and other causes were: train, one; exposure, one; suffocation, one; falling tree, one; suicides, three; and homicide by firearms, five.

BUCK PAROLE
Raleigh, Dec. 27.—(AP)—James E. Buck, given 12 months in Pitt county in September for driving drunk after a license revocation, was paroled today by Governor Hoey.

NOTICE OF ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LAND FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES
North Carolina, Pitt County
In the Superior Court
Town of Greenville, vs.
Charlie Woodard, Charlie Bell, Heber Johnson and Beulah Johnson, the last named being a minor and appearing herein by her guardian ad litem, Heber Johnson.

By virtue of writ in pursuance of a decree of the Superior Court made in the above entitled cause on August 14, 1939, the undersigned, a Commissioner appointed for the purposes therein named it being a suit to foreclose the lien on the hereinafter described lands held by the Plaintiff for the non-payment of taxes) will expose for sale to the highest bidder, at public auction for cash, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1940, at the Court House door in the City of Greenville, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock M., the following lots of land situated in the County of Pitt, State of North Carolina, described as follows:

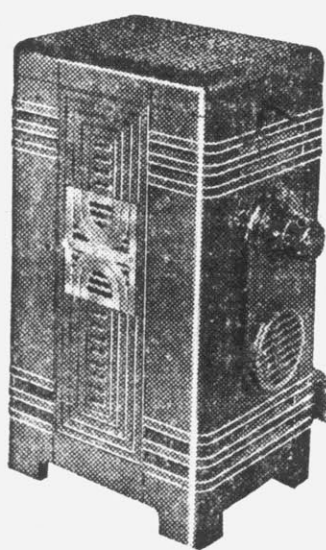
That certain real property located in West Greenville, N. C., on the North side of H. Alley and East side of Sheppard Lane, and beginning at the northeast corner of the intersection of H. Alley and Sheppard Lane, thence northerly with Sheppard Lane 85 feet, thence eastwardly 111 feet; thence southwardly 85 feet to H. Alley; thence with H. Alley westwardly 109 feet and 6 inches to the beginning. Reference to Book P-7 page 212 and M-8 page 297.

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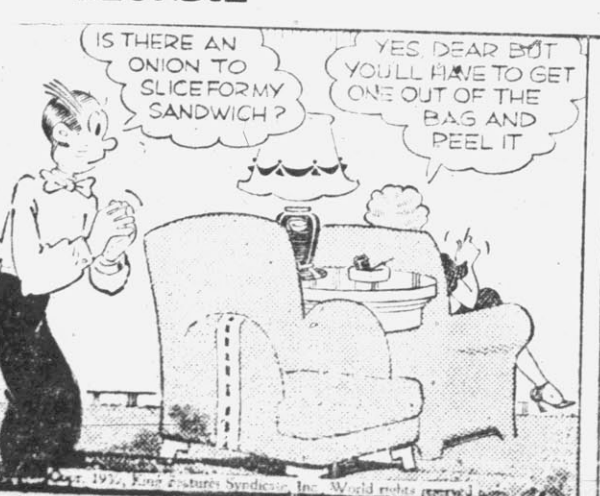
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