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Nazis Fighting Fiercely In The Streets Of Ortona

Tank And Infantry Battle For Adriatic Port Enters Third Day; Americans and French Inch Ahead On Central Front; Pitt County Man Downs Nazi Planes

By WES GALLAGHER
Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Eighty army tanks and infantry fought bitterly in the streets of Ortona for the third straight day with German forces who were turning the tiny Adriatic port into a miniature Stalingrad.

Allied headquarters announcement said today.

On the fifth army front to the west, American troops captured snow-covered 3,000-foot Mt. Cavallo, three and a half miles northwest of Venafro and near Vitulano, and French forces advanced in a mountain pass where a struggle had raged for several days.

Other American infantry attacking in the rain seized a hill near Monna Casale.

Swarming up the slopes of Mt. Cavallo in a drenching rain, the Americans now overlooked the village of Vitulano, eight miles east of Cassino and placed in a shell and mortar fire. The Germans tried to recapture the mountain, but failed.

The systematic cleanup of pillboxes around San Vittore, a heavily fortified village six miles south of Cassino, continued, but there was no indication that a full-scale attack had been launched on this strong position guarding the road to Rome.

The heaviest fighting surged back and forth in Ortona where Canadians have been fighting the Germans in the streets for three days.

The German Tenth Army threw new parachute troops, fighting as infantry, into the battle in a desperate effort to retain its hold on the main roads leading north to Pescara, and its capture by the Allies would cut the Germans' main supply line to troops inland as well as along the coast.

Canadian tanks and infantry advanced from house to house, and everywhere were met by fierce opposition, the Germans dying on the spot rather than retreating.

Further inland troops of the Eighth Army continued to push north of the Ortona-Orsogna road toward the next lateral highway six miles away, coming up against the strongly fortified village of Anella.

Here another house-to-house battle appeared in prospect.

Nazi troops also launched a small night attack on the Eighth Army positions at St. Angelo in the central mountains, but were repulsed.

Although air activity in western Italy was greatly reduced by the weather, fighters patrolled the Adriatic.

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Thermometer Drops 27 Degrees In City

The sky was cloudy today, the wind from the north and the thermometer at the Greenville Weather Bureau at 2 o'clock this afternoon had fallen to 33.6 degrees, a precipitous drop of 27 degrees from 60 at the same time Wednesday.

The official thermometer recordings for the two days were: Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock it was 40.2 degrees and at 2 p. m. yesterday it was 60.

This morning at 8 o'clock it was 32 degrees (freezing) and at 2 o'clock this afternoon it was 33.6 degrees (just right for snow and a white Christmas).

Order Yugoslav Monarch Deprived Of All Rights

London, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Declaring the "hostile attitude" and acts of King Peter's Yugoslav government-in-exile, Marshal Broz (Tito's) Council of Liberation has ordered the king's regime deprived of all its rights and has "forbidden" the young king to return home until after Yugoslavia is entirely liberated.

Rail Wage Talks End In Deadlock

Saw Mother Shot



Standing before a gaily-decorated Christmas tree, Susie Leahy, (above), was wounded, and her mother was shot to death in the Los Angeles home. Police booked the latter, Gregory Leahy, 36, on suspicion of murder in the death of his wife, Louise, 33, and said a housekeeper told them the couple had been arguing for weeks over management of a pie route they jointly owned. (AP Wirephoto).

JAP BOMBERS RAID ARAWE

American Positions of New Britain Consolidated

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Japanese have lost 16 more planes in their heaviest attacks so far on advancing American forces at Arawe, New Britain.

Field commanders of troops which Gen. Douglas MacArthur said today were extending, and consolidating positions at the beachhead seized Dec. 15 reported nearly 100 enemy divebombers and fighters in three attacks Tuesday caused only slight damage.

American Lightning and Thunderbolt fighters downed 12 divebombers and four fighters, and probably destroyed another divebomber and two fighters, MacArthur's communique said.

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President Offers To Arbitrate If Both Sides Will Abide By His Decision

By JOSEPH A. LOFTUS

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen accepted President Roosevelt's offer to decide their wage dispute with the other operating brotherhoods temporarily withheld their decision.

A. P. Whitney, chief of the trainmen, said that he had given the President his answer on the spot when the offer was made in the White House conference earlier in the day.

Subsequently all five brotherhood chiefs convened with their executive committees at a local hotel. A half hour later, Whitney and his committee left the general meeting and announced he had given the President his acceptance.

"The war cannot wait," the President told both sides when they reported their inability to reach an agreement, "and I cannot wait."

Both sides held prompt separate meetings to see whether they could agree upon the President as the final judge in settling the dispute.

Earlier, after negotiations lasting little more than a half hour, the management and employee representatives broke up and headed for the White House to report their inability to agree.

When they left the White House, President's Secretary Stephen Early read this statement to the press:

"The President offered his good offices. In doing so he said: 'The war cannot wait and I cannot wait. American lives and American victory are at stake.'

"I want to know whether you object to my deciding this controversy immediately and whether you will abide by my decision, which of course must be within the law of the land."

The carriers are understood to be willing to concede something under the heading of vacations but it falls short of the brotherhoods' demands. The carriers' first offer was 4 cents an hour in addition to the 4 cents recommended by an emergency board, but the second 4 cents would be labeled either as overtime or away-from-home expenses.

The brotherhoods are unwilling to sacrifice their claims to these concessions at that price and want the second 4 cents as a flat, basic rate increase, and the overtime, expense and vacations as well.

The carriers contend the stabilization policy limits basic rate increases to the 4 cents recommended by the emergency board.

The five brotherhoods which represent about 350,000 engineers, conductors, firemen, trainmen and (Continued On Page Four)

Confers With Gen. Marshall

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—President Roosevelt conferred today with Gen. George C. Marshall, army chief of staff, just back from a circuitous return trip from the Cairo and Teheran conferences by way of Australia, the Solomons, and Hawaii.

Admiral William D. Leahy, chief of staff, and Marshall in the chief executive's White House study, and later Secretary of War Stimson came over to sit in on the conference.

Marshall made a swing around the world in returning from the Middle East conferences, stopping over for a meeting with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, commander of the Mediterranean operations, might be chosen to direct the invasion of western Europe.

The War Department confined itself to a terse announcement that the chief of staff had returned. There was no official comment on speculation that plans for Marshall to become field commander of Anglo-American forces for a second front in Europe had been changed.

Talk in London has veered in recent days to the idea that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, commander of the Mediterranean operations, might be chosen to direct the invasion of western Europe.

Christmas Reception
Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—President and Mrs. Roosevelt held a Christmas reception for the White House office staff today and presented each employee with a combined paper weight and magnifying glass.

A four-inch square glass, the gift was inscribed "Christmas 1943" at the top and in one corner the notation "from F. D. R."

Publishes 9-Column Newspaper



James M. Cox (above), former governor of Ohio, publisher of the Miami Daily News, examines the first edition of the paper printed with nine columns instead of the total eight to the standard-width page. (AP Wirephoto).

Allied Bombers Smash At 'Rocket Gun Coast'

Daylight Raids Enter Fourth Day Following RAF Night Attacks On French Coast And Germany

By E. B. SULLIVAN

London, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Both British and American bomber forces have been thrown into attacks against the "rocket gun coast" of France, it was disclosed today, with the RAF's heavy bomber fleet for the first time diverted from such targets as Berlin for smashes at targets in northern France.

An RAF strike at this coast last night made it evident that targets of great importance had been spotted and marked for destruction in northern France and along the coast. Today a big force of high-flying bombers streaked across the British southeast coast apparently bound for daylight blows at the same targets.

The Pas de Calais area, the part of the French coast nearest England, has been battered incessantly since Monday and the daylight force evidently were stretching the offensive into a four-day affair.

The RAF's armadas hit targets in western Germany last night, as well as in northern France, and suffered no loss.

The air ministry did not identify the objectives of the night raiders that lashed out after a three-day hammering of the fortification-studded French coast and a powerful American heavy bomber blow by daylight yesterday into northwest Germany.

Mines also were laid in enemy waters.

All this week Allied planes have been hammering Nazi installations in northern France in practically day-long assaults, but apparently this was the first time the RAF heavy bombers had turned from great Nazi targets such as Berlin to join in this drive.

Some quarters in London believe the boasted German rocket gun emplacements in France are the objective of these concentrated raids.

The great forays by day and night yesterday raised to perhaps 4,000 or more planes the attacking force that has battered Nazi targets in the last three days.

The Fortresses and Liberators—striking an undisclosed location in northwest Germany—shot down 38 German fighters while losing 21 heavy bombers and four fighters. Crewmen said they had the objective.

Fire Alarm Today
The fire department was called today to John Waters' apartment at 1302 Myrtle Avenue when escaping oil from a stove caught fire. Slight damage was done.

The WAR TODAY

AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By WILLIAM FRYE

(Associated Press War Analyst)
The complex structure of the Allied war command is showing up again, pointedly so in the case of Gen. George C. Marshall, who was—but now is not—to take the field command of European invasion forces.

Instead, he seems destined to remain as chief of staff, possibly to assume even greater responsibilities in some Allied "super staff" assignment.

It is no secret in Washington that Marshall's amazing capacity for responsibility and his great personal qualities—forthrightness, common sense, an encyclopedic memory, unassuming manner, an ability to use great skill such instruments, human or material, as are at hand—have made him the dominant figure in staff councils.

The men working with him in the U. S. joint chiefs of state and the Anglo-American combined

Germans Launch Heaviest Tank Assault On Russians

Formal Report On Tax Measure

Committee Says Cuts In Budget Estimates Justified Smaller Tax Bill

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Senate Finance Committee said today its decision to seek less than one-fourth of the additional revenue demanded by the treasury in the new tax bill was "influenced" by the Budget Bureau's action in cutting \$11,000,000,000 of estimates of the current year's deficit.

Formally reporting the \$2,275,600,000 measure during Congress' holiday recess, the committee asserted that the widely discussed "inflationary gap" is likely to be reduced by a tapering off in war material orders and increased production for civilian use.

Discussing the treasury's request for a bill that would bring in \$10,500,000,000 additional, the report declared:

"Your committee was not convinced that sum as great as proposed by the treasury could equitably be raised at this time in the manner suggested by the treasury—that is, in the main, by higher rates of individual income taxes."

In his testimony before your committee, Secretary Morgenthau indicated that the Treasury Department preferred a bill raising only about two to three billion dollars to one which would include more by resort to a general retail sales tax.

"Aside from its merits, about which there was some difference of opinion, the treasury's position in this matter weighed heavily in the minds of committee members."

Even before the committee completed work on the measure, Morgenthau labeled it worse than no bill at all and asserted its amendments to the war contract renegotiation law "hold the seed of a national scandal."

The committee report acknowledged that its amendments, coupled with those previously voted by the House, had "reduced the area of renegotiation" under which the government recaptured excessive profits on war contracts.

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In Bolivia Upset



The pro-Allied government of President Enrique Penaranda (top) of Bolivia was overthrown in a coup d'etat led by the Bolivian revolutionary leader, Victor Paz Estensoro (bottom). Penaranda is shown here as he visited the United States last May. (AP Wirephoto).

Soviet Baltic Army Pouring Through Breach In Nazi Defense Before Vitebsk; Important German Stronghold Now Within Artillery Range; Other Red Gains

By EDDIE GILMORE

Moscow, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Gen. Ivan C. Bagration's Baltic army is fighting its way through thick barbed wire entanglements forming the northernmost defenses of Vitebsk and at the same time is reaching westward for a stronghold on the Vitebsk-Polotsk railway. Soviet dispatches from the front said today.

Cutting of the railway to Polotsk would sever Vitebsk's main communications to the west.

To the south, however, massed Russian heavy artillery and mobile gun blazed against a gigantic German tank offensive, one of the greatest of the war.

The large-scale enemy attack was sprung yesterday on a 400-mile front stretching from White Russia to the Dnieper bend, but front reports said Red army forces were holding firm on all sectors and that concentrated artillery fire had destroyed at least 148 of the attacking tanks during the day.

The new enemy counterattack came as an 11th hour effort as Russian pressure increased on the Nazi Vitebsk-Polotsk defense wall further north where Gen. Ivan Bagration's first Baltic army was said to be driving steadily ahead.

The Germans massed their heaviest assaults in the Korosten sector of the Kiev bulge, where for weeks Marshal Fritz von Manstein has been trying to break Russian defenses before the Ukrainian capital city. Despite the fury of the Nazi onslaught, troops of Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's First Tank Army are firm and actually improved their positions, dispatches said.

In the Zhitomir sector of White Russia, 115 miles south of Vitebsk and 50 miles northwest of Gomel, where Gen. Constantine Rokossovsky's army threatens to close an important German escape exit, a tank drive of equal ferocity was launched by the enemy. Here, too, the Soviet lines refused to yield.

Ninety-five German tanks were destroyed and nearly 3,000 Germans killed in the fierce tank-artillery duels which raged throughout yesterday in these two sectors, dispatches reported.

In the drive toward the Latvian border Bagration's veterans closed in on Gorodok, a lake town on the Nevel-Vitebsk railway and an important stronghold in Vitebsk's (Continued On Page Four)

President Signs Extension Bills

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today signed legislation freezing social security taxes at the present rate of one per cent for 60 days starting January 1 and permitting the duty-free importation for 90 days of grains to be used for feed.

The legislation originally dealt only with the grain imports—designed to ease a shortage of feed for livestock—but a rider attached in the Senate to prevent the scheduled doubling of social security taxes on January 1, the idea being to give Congress time to dispose of the new revenue bill before deciding about the social security rates.

Under the social security act contributions of both employees and employers automatically would have increased to two per cent the first of the year.

Postoffice Workers Given Public Praise

Greenville people responded in a fine way to the request of Postmaster J. Knott Proctor a month ago to mail Christmas packages and cards earlier and as a result the faithful employees at the postoffice have had a breathing spell on the outgoing mail. Yesterday afternoon was the first time in many years that there was no line of people at the parcel post and stamp windows three days before Christmas.

The draft took a number of postoffice employees. Special workers were employed for inside and outside work for Christmas. The general office lobby is that the postoffice is doing a bang-up job of handling the Christmas mail.

Incoming mail is exceptionally heavy and coming in all the time but the veteran postoffice workers are giving a type of service that is eliciting much praise.

LAND FIGHTING IN BURMA AREA

Widespread Air Activity Is Also Reported

New Delhi, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Spontaneous clashes of land patrols from the Sumpabun area of northern Burma to the Middle Chindwin hills, and widespread air fighting in which both American and British forces participated were announced by the Southeast Asia command today.

Japanese ground forces launched a surprise dawn attack against a famous British regiment of the line on the Arakham front in eastern Burma where RAF formations have been strafing enemy villages for the past two days. The attack was repulsed, the Japanese leaving 21 (Continued on Page Two)

Missing Airmen Prisoners of War

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The War Department announced today that of 581 air crew members reported missing when 60 Flying Fortress were lost in the heavy bombing of industrial plants at Schweinfurt, Germany, 346 are alive as prisoners of war.

Eighteen crew members, at first listed as missing, now are reported officially to have been killed. Their names were not disclosed pending notification of next of kin.

Unaccounted for as yet are 217 men. The War Department said, however, that reports still are being received and that it is expected more of them may be listed as war prisoners.

Loss of 60 Flying Fortresses set a record for losses by U. S. air forces in any one mission.

Huge Casualties Within Next 90 Days Predicted

Washington, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Official Washington was jarred on its heels today by a warning from a highly-placed though anonymous source that tremendous American battle casualties might be expected in the next 90 days.

The warning was tossed into an off-the-record conversation with newspapermen by an official whose position makes him privy to many state secrets but who stipulated that he was not to be quoted by name. He predicted that total United States war losses will mount threefold in the next three months. That would boost the present 132,000 casualty toll well past the half-million mark.

The statement, coming as it did in the midst of a wide variety of rumors springing from the Tehran and Cairo conferences, caused an excited flurry in government quarters.

Hours after the remark was issued, the statement was made to be less its impact by persons who pointed out that it came from a civilian and had no military substantiation.

When the remark was relayed to Director Elmer Davis of the Office of War Information for his comment he said:

"Only God knows what American battle casualties will be—in the next 90 days or any other time."

The statement itself—openly intended as a jolt to civilian complacency—did not necessarily imply an immediate invasion of Europe or any other large-scale military undertaking. But it recalled recent disclosures that a high-pressure building program had been set on foot to turn out landing craft of the type used for invasions. It also underscored the lack of any definite official clarification of the rumor-befoged high command setup.

The 90-day period would leave obvious possibilities: A winter rise in the pace of battle, or a springtime invasion with the Allies prepared to suffer terrific losses in the first sufferer's strokes. Spring will be lightning strokes. Spring will be lightning strokes. Spring will be lightning strokes.

Some of President's closest associates discourage any thought of impending internal collapse within Germany. They are convinced it will take a major military defeat to fold the Nazi. And they are confident (Continued On Page Four)

RATION DEADLINES

Meats: DEF, Jan. 20.
Meats: LMNPG, Jan. 1.
Sugar: "Sugar": 29; 5 lbs. Jan. 1.
Gasoline: No. 8-A coupons, Feb. 8.
Fuel Oil—No. 1 coupons, Jan. 8.

1 SHOPPING DAY LEFT... AND I HAVEN'T GOTTEN A THING FOR THE REMINDER OF THE NEW SLEIGH!

Buy Christmas Seals

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Tyson and M. E. Tyson, Jr., of Elkin, N. C. are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tyson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gornito of Wilmington, are guests of Mrs. Gornito's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tyson.

George Gornito, Jr., Miss Vashu Gornito and Lt. L. G. Custer of Wilmington, will arrive tomorrow evening to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tyson.

Miss Nettie Broden of Jacksonville, Fla., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Clark.

Mrs. Fred Lloyd and son, Fred, Jr., Mrs. C. E. Broughton and sons, Charles and Ray Briley, have returned to Durham after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Briley. Mrs. Briley has the flu and is confined at home.

Miss Ariete Cox, who is employed in the Bethlehem Fairfield shipyard as an assistant department clerk in Baltimore, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cox of Greenville.

Sgt. John Bullock, U. S. Marine Corps, who has been in service in the Mediterranean area, is spending Christmas with his wife and mother here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Myers of Atlanta, Ga., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hicks.

Miss Jean Fleischmann of Raleigh, is the guest of Miss Rachel Fleming.

Dr. and Mrs. John Cotten Tayloe of Washington, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Everett yesterday. Mr. Everett is ill in Pitt General Hospital.

Mrs. A. W. Fleischmann and Miss Betty Fleischmann of Richmond, are here to spend Christmas with Mrs. W. H. Woolard.

Cadet Jack Edwards, Jr., of Raleigh, will arrive tonight to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Vance Perkins and family of Blackstone, Va., will arrive tonight to spend the holidays with Mr. Perkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Perkins of Stokes.

Sgt. Paul Fife of Camp Atterbury, Ind., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Fife, on West Third street.

Kenneth A. Woolard, who is stationed at the Naval Training Unit, 142, South Street, Missouri State Teachers College, Cape Girardeau, Mo., is expected to arrive in Greenville to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Woolard.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Bagwell of Durham will arrive tomorrow to spend the holidays with Mrs. Nannie D. Holloman.

Mrs. J. B. Fearington of Chapel Hill and Mrs. J. E. Owen of Raleigh, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Fitzgerald yesterday.

Share Your Christmas.
Share your Christmas with the boys at the service center in a plate of cookies, cakes or candy for the sugar plums.
If you cannot go to the club Friday afternoon with your sweets, call 282 and a canteen worker will call at your home for your contribution.

Graduates.
Kingman, A. J., 22—Recent graduate of the Kingman Army Air Field, North Carolina, school, situated a few miles outside of Kingman, was 20-year-old John R. Hardy, son of Mr. Claude P. Hardy of 106 Wade street, Greenville, N. C.
Cadet Hardy entered the army at Raleigh on Nov. 12, 1942. He attended the University of North Carolina.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
December 23, 1903

The devil can take a good nap the next few days without troubling himself over what is going on. There will be plenty of people doing just what he wants done.

Don't nogg the egg too much for Christmas.

The officers of the Presbyterian Church met last night and decided not to have the Christmas entertainment Friday night. The children will be disappointed but the unseasonable in town caused by diphtheria is a sufficient reason.

Choir To Meet.
The choir of the Christian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Knott Proctor tonight at 7:30.

Funeral J. F. King Held This Afternoon

Funeral services for J. F. King, 71, retired business man and farmer who died at his home, 621 Dickinson Avenue, at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning, were conducted from the home this afternoon at 4 o'clock by his pastor, Rev. John D. Simons, pastor of Memorial Baptist church. Burial was in Cherry Hill cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Hubert Moring, Clarence Moring, Allen Mills, William Mills, Robert Mills and Gus Flake.

Local Boys Named For Appointments

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner has announced the following nominations for appointment to the United States Naval Academy and the United States Military Academy:

For Principal to Annapolis: William Westfall Lee, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lee of Greenville. As alternates to this appointment, William A. Gravely, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gravely of Washington, N. C.; John Burton Hines, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hines of Belhaven; and Charles Laughinghouse Stokes, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Stokes, Jr., of Greenville.

For Principal to Annapolis: Charles Bailey Davenport, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl E. Forbey of Greenville and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Swanson Graves of Washington, N. C. As alternates to this appointment, Joseph Alton Mayo, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mayo of Plymouth; Howard E. Davenport, Jr., nephew of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Davenport of Columbia; and Sidney W. Dunn, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dunn of Greenville.

For Principal to Annapolis: Edmond Taylor Buckman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Buckman of Washington, N. C. As alternates to this appointment, James Emerson Davenport, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davenport of Plymouth; Henry Leland Andrews, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Andrews of Greenville; and Robert P. Harrell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Harrell of Laure.

For Principal to West Point: William Cadet Whitehurst, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whitehurst of Bethel. As alternates to this appointment, John Glenn, Jr., son of Mrs. John M. Glenn of Gatesville; Herman Augustus Waters of Washington, N. C.; and Swan Charles Ives, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ives of Bethel.

For Principal to West Point: Leighton Ray Stallings, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Stallings of Jamesville. As alternates to this appointment, John Clark Barber, son of Dr. and Mrs. Yates M. Barber of Moxley; Herman Wrenn, Jr., son of Mrs. Herman Wrenn of Washington, N. C.; and Leslie Venters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ledrew James Grimesland.

Soldier Visits Santa Claus Land

Little Jimmie and Susan Harvey have received the following letter from their uncle Sgt. C. Wesley Harvey, who is now stationed in Alaska in which he tells them of a recent visit to the home of Santa Claus.

Dec. 7, 1943
Dear Jimmie and Susan:
I had a letter from your Daddy a few days ago and he was telling me how good you have been for the past year and how proud of you he was. Since I am so near to where Santa Claus lives, I decided to pay him a visit the other day, and I would like to tell you something

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CHAT—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt (right), and Screen Actress Greer Garson chat as they sit side by side at a forum meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel in New York City.

about the trip.

I made the trip to his home in a plane and we flew over ice and snow all the way. He really lives in a cold place. In fact his castle or factory sits on a huge ice berg, and it really is a big place. He took me all through his place and I saw that he and all his helpers were quite busy getting presents ready to deliver to all the good little boys and girls of the world. He showed me the many letters that he had received from the little boys and girls and he showed me how he found out if they had been good or not. He even showed me the letters that you had written him, and he told me that he had had a good report on both of you, so you can depend on him paying you a visit Christmas Eve, but he told me that he wanted everyone asleep when he came for he had no time to waste. It was quite an experience to see and meet Santa Claus and see the way he handles Christmas for so many children. When I have more time, and if you want to hear about it, I will tell you more about his place and the way he does things.

I wish you both and your mother and father a very merry Christmas and you can be sure that Santa Claus will be by your house on Christmas Eve, for I told him exactly where you lived.

Love,
UNCLE WESLEY.

Land Fighting . . .

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dead on the field.
Native levies carried out a number of successful raids in the Palam



THIS CHRISTMAS

HELP TO RESTORE PEACE ON EARTH—

Give War Bonds!

THIS year our memories of other happier Christmases are more vivid than ever. The stockings, the trees, the carols, the family reunions—memories of all of these make us yearn more strongly than ever for the safe return of our husbands, brothers, sons and daughters who are far from home.

So the foremost hope of all of us is that peace shall once more return to this earth—and soon.

You can help to speed the day of victory and peace by giving War Bonds and Stamps this Christmas.

Every War Bond, every Stamp, you buy and give helps moulder more bullets—load more shells—launch more ships—lift more planes into the skies!

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So give U. S. War Bonds and Stamps to everyone on your Christmas list. Give and give generously!

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7:00—Early Risers Club.
7:15—Yawn Patrol.
7:40—Lost and Found.
7:45—News, TN.
8:00—Musical Clock.
8:15—Magic Lamp of Melody.
8:30—Morning Meditations.
8:45—Spotlight on Rhythm.
9:00—News.
9:05—Design For War Time Living.
9:10—According to Record.
9:15—Morning Melodies.
9:30—Organ Moods.
9:45—Names in the News.
9:50—Musical Interlude.
9:55—Canning for Victory.
10:00—Obituary Column.
10:05—Women in the News.
10:10—Musical Interlude.
10:15—Farmville on the Air.
10:30—Shady Valley Folks, MBS.

Court of Honor. Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, new pastor of Jarvis Memorial Methodist church, is acting district commissioner for the Boy Scouts.

First and second class, star and life badges of merit will be awarded Scouts. Mayor Bruce Sugg will be the speaker.

Did Good Job After Heavy Snow Storm

Last Wednesday's blizzard with its four inches of snow and ice seriously handicapped the city street department in garbage disposal and sweeping the streets and removing trash. The department sanded intersections of downtown streets to prevent accidents and was right on the job. When the streets became fairly passable for stopping and starting motor vehicles the street department made a blitzkrieg attack on the trash and garbage and did good work. A heavy rain would have helped to clear the streets, but forecasts today were for more snow and colder weather.

There was little disposition on the part of business places to clear sidewalks or sweep them after the snow melted. The street sweeper was busy on the streets today, according to schedule.

Boy Scout Court Of Honor Monday Night

A Court of Honor for Boy Scouts of America will be held at Jarvis Memorial Methodist church, Monday night, December 27 at 8 o'clock. All Boy Scouts in uniform and their parents and the public are invited to attend.
Sherman Parks is chairman of the

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DEATH of a Saboteur

By Hulbert Footner

Chapter 13

Loasby pondered Mappin's statement. "Well, if it wasn't the girl, perhaps one of Lenkoran's friends was an agent of the Russian government."

"That is more likely," said Lee. "Or the waiter, Elias, may have been a spy. Perhaps this Prince was plotting against the Russian government. If they have proof of it, that would justify his killing in wartime."

Lee shook his head. "If they had proof, they should have come to you or to the F. B. I."

"Sure!" agreed Loasby. "But I don't know how the Russian mind works. He added helplessly. 'What do you know about this woman?'"

"What does one ever know about the attractive women one runs into here and there?" parried Lee. "She says we met for the first time at the World's Fair. Maybe we did, but I have no recollection of it."

"Mr. Mappin, will you work with me on this case? I certainly would appreciate it! I know you don't like to work in the field; your place is in your kind of a case. Especially if it involves international intrigue."

"Certainly I'll work with you," said Lee.

Loasby's face had cleared. "I'll be glad to have your help! We'll have to take care not to stir up an international hornet's nest."

"What are those papers you have?" asked Lee.

"Statements I have taken from the two suspects. Here, read what the girl said." He shoved the papers along the bar.

When Lee put down the sheets, Loasby asked eagerly: "What do you think of her story?"

"How can I tell?" said Lee. "Sounds true on the face of it. A hysterical woman could hardly have invented so circumstantial a story on the spot."

Loasby did not agree. "She wasn't at all hysterical when she dictated it. She was a little too self-possessed. If you ask me, I am convinced she is lying somewhere."

"What does the waiter say?" Loasby handed him another paper and Lee skimmed over it. Elias, so far as he went, corroborated Jocelyn. He and Vassily had been dismissed for the evening about 9 o'clock and went downstairs together. He saw Vassily leave the building.

It was about eleven o'clock when

Miss D'Arcy telephoned for a high-lall; the restaurant was almost empty because people had not yet started to come from the theater. He, Elias, had reached the top of the first flight of stairs when he heard the shot. The sound was muffled. All he could say was, that it seemed to come from somewhere above. Two of the private dining rooms on the second floor were occupied but none of those people were alarmed by the shot. All the windows in the house were open, including those of Prince Lenkoran's apartment. He didn't like to give an alarm in the restaurant because he wasn't sure; he thought maybe the shot had been fired somewhere outside the building.

He heard the door of the apartment overhead burst open and the three Russians came plunging down the stairs. They looked frightened. As they brushed past him he asked what had happened, but nobody answered him. He was very frightened then and he started down the stairs to give an alarm. But he remembered the young lady upstairs and felt he ought to go to her. So he went upstairs.

From this point, his story followed that of Jocelyn. He said that she was unconscious for a long time, or so it seemed. Perhaps ten or fifteen minutes. He dared not leave her to give an alarm. When she came to, she would not let him give the alarm in the restaurant but telephoned directly to the police. Neither he nor Miss D'Arcy had left the apartment while waiting for the police. She had made no explanation to him of what had happened.

Said she didn't know. "The man is certainly lying," said Loasby when Lee finished reading. "The police were not notified until 11:25. What were they doing all that time?"

"He said he was trying to bring the girl to."

"That's not reasonable. He had only to telephone downstairs for help."

"Who knows?" said Lee. "It is possible that Elias was hoping to get out of the house before the police came, so she wouldn't be implicated."

"And leave him to take the rap?" said Loasby. "That is even less reasonable. I smell it!"

"You have a keen sense of smell," said Lee dryly. "Of course, you will check their stories. Lenkoran once told me that he rented the top

floor also. Have you been up there?" "Sure," said Loasby. "Two little empty flats. Absolutely empty."

"No run?" queried Lee. "If it is true the girl hasn't been out of the apartment, maybe she handed it to one of the Russians."

"Has the bullet been extracted?" "It passed clean through him," said Loasby. "No trace of it. Nor any mark on walls or ceiling or floor where it could have struck."

"Have you found blood in any of the other rooms or in the hall outside?"

"Only in the foyer. That's another point that casts a doubt on the girl's story."

"If he was still on his feet, his clothes would soak up a lot of blood before it began to drip," Lee pointed out. "I noticed his clothes were drenched with it."

"That's right. Won't you question the two suspects and see if you can't break them down?"

Lee shook his head vigorously. "Not my line at all! We won't solve this case until we can lay our hands on the three Russians. Why not assign me to the job of rounding them up?"

"Very well, if that's what you want to do. I have already sent out a general alarm."

Lee went home. A few minutes later, Welby joined him there.

"Okay?" asked Lee.

"Okay, Mr. Mappin," said Welby. As a result of their consultation, Welby spent the rest of the night at the telephone organizing his little force of operatives and setting them in motion in New York, in Brooklyn, in Cleveland, in San Francisco.

Chapter 14

The papers next day were full of the Lenkoran murder. Among other things a new witness had come forward, a young insurance adjuster called Algernon Evans, who occupied a rear apartment on the south side of East 54th street. Mr. Evans stated that he was preparing for bed the night before, he happened to look out of the window and his attention was attracted by a woman in a white dress who came to a window facing his across the back yards and threw something out. The time was 11:27. He had just wound his watch. It had been established that the window was one in the rear of Prince Lenkoran's apartment. The police immediately searched the yard back of the Tsarkoe Selo restaurant and found a .25 caliber automatic under the shrubbery. Four shots had been fired from it. Mr. Evans, upon being brought to

headquarters, had positively identified Jocelyn D'Arcy as the woman he saw at the window and had described the dress she was wearing.

In the same edition was the story of a waitress at the Tsarkoe Selo who said that it was known around the establishment that Elias had one reason for hating Prince Lenkoran; that he had been heard to make threats against the Prince.

From the moment that these stories appeared, the press, without of course making any charges, tacitly assumed that Jocelyn D'Arcy had shot Prince Lenkoran, with the assistance of Elias the waiter. The public went along with them and Jocelyn became a highly romantic figure in the popular imagination.

For the present Jocelyn was detained at police headquarters. Lee had no difficulty in obtaining an interview with her.

"Lee, I did not do it!" she murmured.

"I have already said that I believe you, my dear. If you had shot the man I wouldn't consider it a crime. He was an enemy and a traitor."

"What a fool trick it was for me to throw the gun out of the window! I lost my head!"

"Oh, well," said Lee. "If you hadn't thrown it away, the police would presently have found it on you and you would be just as badly off."

"I forgot all about the damn gun until I hung up after calling the police. I had noticed the shrubbery in the yard of the restaurant and I ran to the back window in a panic and threw the gun out. I hoped to be able to retrieve it before anybody else found it. It hadn't occurred to me that I might be arrested."

"What about the four shots that had been fired from it?"

"Oh, I did that one day practicing, when Lenkoran took me to the country—but he can't corroborate that now, can he? I suppose the police think they've got a strong case against me now."

"Of course they think so. I'm afraid it will take a little longer to get you out. I hope you can stand it."

"I suppose it was one of the Russians," she went on. "But I have no idea what the motive could have been. Why would Lenkoran's stooges turn on him suddenly?"

"How should I know, my dear?"

"Of course, it could have been Elias. I have seen Elias looking at Alexis when he thought he was unobserved. I am free to admit I am delighted there is no suggestion of international complications in this crime. It was only the rash act of an infuriated woman."



SKATER — Young Canadian skating star Norah McCarthy (above) is currently appearing in New York City.

ed?"

"Well, nobody wants to be mixed up in a murder. However, I expect them to turn up at any moment. Anyhow we shall relax no effort to find them. But you must admit that it is not of the same importance now that we know we have the murderer."

"Sure," said Lee blandly. "If you have the murderer."

Loasby shook his head with an ir- observed with pure hatred in his eyes. Perhaps he had good cause.

Alexis could be a brute."

Lee proceeded to Inspector Loasby's office. Loasby had plenty of "news" for him—news about the backgrounds of the three Russians, which Lee already knew.

"They seem to be solid sort of men," said Loasby.

"On the face of it, yes," said Lee. "But why have they all disappeared?"

"What infuriated her?"

"I don't know yet. I'll find out. And here's another development in the case," Loasby went on, "but it

doesn't seem to be of any particular importance. Round Armiger, a lawyer with an office at 40 Wall Street, called me up to say he was Prince Lenkoran's attorney; that he had his will and an inventory of his securities if the police had any object in seeing them."

"Who is Lenkoran's heir?"

"His cousin," said Loasby. "Count Deduchin, now a resident of Philadelphia. The will was very brief; it bequeathed all property to his cousin without any restriction. The cousin was appointed sole executor and was not to be required to give an accounting."

The moment Lee left Loasby's office he called up Welby and transmitted the information to him.

"This is a rare piece of luck," said Lee. "Send a dependable man to Philadelphia at once to learn all he can about this Count Deduchin. The Count very likely will lose no time in claiming his inheritance."

Lee remained at home all afternoon to receive the reports of Welby's agents which were coming in at frequent intervals.

At five Jermyn came to report to Lee that there was a man on the telephone. "Says he is secretary to Count something or other. I couldn't just get the name, sir."

"Let me talk to him," said Lee, eagerly reaching for the telephone.

A voice with a slight foreign accent, having made certain that he was speaking to Mr. Mappin himself, said: "This is Count Deduchin's secretary. The Count presents his compliments to Mr. Mappin and begs Mr. Mappin to excuse him for calling in this summary manner. Could Mr. Mappin find it convenient to come and see the Count im-

mediately on a matter of pressing importance in connection with the death of the Count's cousin, Prince Lenkoran?"

"I should be delighted to wait on the Count immediately," said Lee. "Thank you very much, sir. We are occupying Mr. Winstanley's residence on East Sixty-seventh Street."

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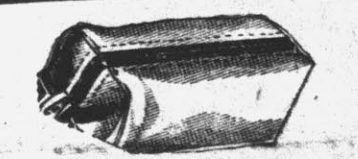


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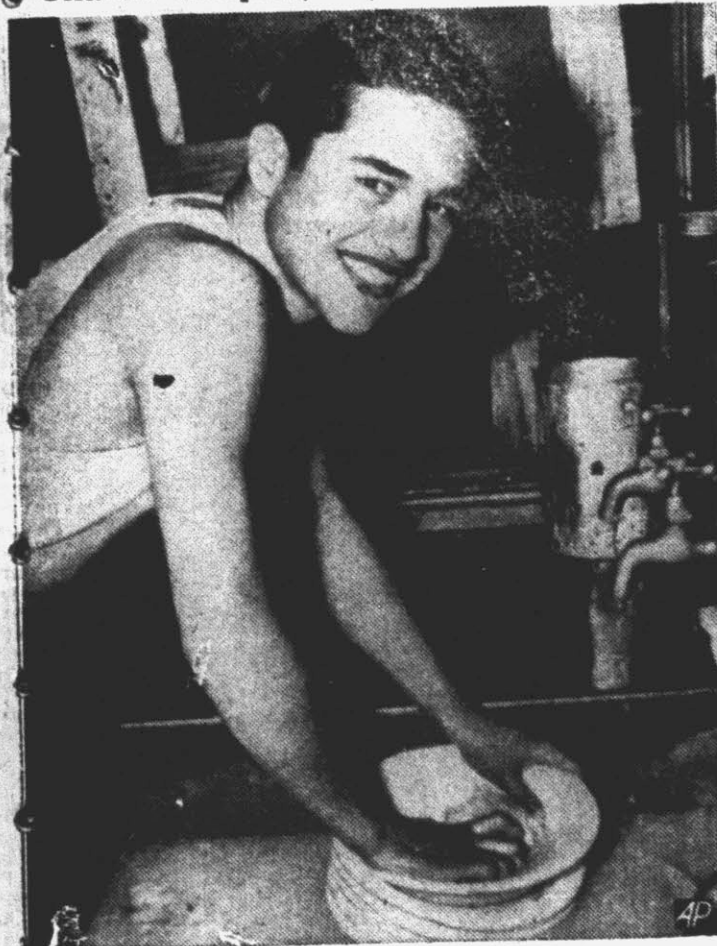
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Charlie Chaplin, Jr., Does K. P. Duty



A serious hard-working private, quite in contrast to the soldier portrayed by his father in the silent-screen comedy "Shoulder Arms," is Charlie Chaplin, Jr., (above), 18, who's doing his share of K. P. duty at Camp Haan (Calif.). Army anti-aircraft training center. Chaplin spent eight years in a military academy and says he found the Army "just like school, only more so." (AP Wire-Photo.)

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Life is a pilgrimage. Many mod-
ern writers like to call it an ad-
venture, but all the dictates of re-
ligious faith lead us to regard it as
a pilgrimage. We pitch our tents
somewhere today, and tomorrow
we strike them and move on. A modern
writer a few years ago expressed the
direction of our lives in the words,
"Heaven's my destination."

Or to change the figure, life is
like a great stream coming out of a
mysterious past and plunging into
the unknowable future. Whether
we like it or not, we have to accept
the fact that much of our life is
arranged for us. We have to take
it as it is and make the best of it.
One of the most fundamental real-
ities of life is that there is a transi-
tory aspect to our daily living
which neither man's remembrance
nor his energetic opposition can
change.

Accordingly we have to have
something in our life which gives
us solidarity and purpose in the
midst of this great universal flow.
Writing to his fellow Christians
from the bleak isle of Patmos, John
the apostle had said to him, "I am
Alpha and Omega, the beginning and
the end." If the revelation had been
made in English it would have been,
"I am A and Z, the beginning and
the end."

The transitory nature of life
shows one into the air unless he
believes in a God who is omnipotent,
omniscient, and omnipresent. Such
a faith alone can sustain us in the
midst of a life which by its very
nature constantly changes.

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WASHINGTON IN WARTIME

By JACK STINNETT

Washington—Well, anyway, they
are not "floating eggshells."

After months of hoots and hails
for the aircraft carrier, military ex-
perts, on the sudden Pacific
campaign, are convinced the air-
craft carrier has arrived.

In the last 60 days in the Pacific,
the flat-tops dealt the Japs some
of the most damaging blows they've
felt. Last summer carrier-based
planes blasted far-flung Marcus Is-
land. A little later they "neutralized"
the strong base the Nips have
rebuilt on Wake Island, and 61 en-
emy planes were destroyed to our
loss of 13.

Carrier critics still held out, de-
claring that these "surprise" suc-
cesses proved nothing. In some cir-
cles here, there was hooting when
Secretary of the Navy Knox an-
nounced we were starting construc-
tion of three super-carriers. Oppo-
nents pointed out that we had lost
four of our seven pre-war carriers,
and called them "floating eggshells,"
so vulnerable to attack that they
never could prove effective.

But all the time the navy men
were developing a new technique
building task forces around carriers,
with perhaps a battleship and 15
or 20 other fighting ships protect-
ing a couple of flat-tops.

Early in November a task force
struck Rabaul. Carrier-based de-
stroyers, torpedo planes and fight-
ers knocked out six cruisers. Japan
was supposed to have had less than
three times that number in its en-
tire navy when war started. Two
high cruisers and two destroyers.
A week later in another raid on Ra-
boul, one light cruiser and two de-
stroyers were sunk and 11 other de-
stroyers damaged. In both instances,
land-based bombers from General
MacArthur's forces on New Guinea
followed up the raids or joined in, but
correspondents at MacArthur's
headquarters described both as pri-
marily "Navy shows."

In these two raids, 114 Jap planes
were shot down with a U. S. loss
of less than one-seventh that num-
ber. In the first, the Nip air forces
couldn't even find our task force.
In the second, they did, but not one
single ship was damaged in a fight
that cost the attackers more than
60 planes.

At Makin and Tarawa it probably
was the bombing from carriers
that made the bloody successes on
these flat-tops possible. The

Pop Goes The Weasel



Jap Bombers ...

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It was the first return in force
by Japanese aircraft since the early
days of the Sixth army invasion,
in which 28 planes were destroyed.
The United States Fifth air force,
returned the Japanese Arawe visit
with another pounding of the en-
emy's Cape Gloucester airdrome and
supply base on New Britain 60 miles
northeast of Arawe. Nearly 100
heavy and medium bombers, dive-
bombers and fighter planes dropped
205 tons of explosives and strafed
the area, starting many fires and
damaging two coastal vessels.

American destroyers demolished
buildings and set fires in the Tin-
ian harbor area on the northeast
coast of Bougainville island, in the
Solomons, in the first announced
surface action against this supply
base located in supposedly enemy-
controlled waters.

Huge Casualties ...

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vinced that defeat can come only at
the cost of heavy Allied losses.

The official prediction of com-
ing war casualties was intended pri-
marily for home-front consumption.
It came at a time when top admin-
istrators appear concerned over the
ability of civilians to take the worst
in war news. Some officials feel a
tremendous shock at home is need-
ed to jerk the country out of a
feeling that the war is about won.

Other steps may be taken to pre-
pare the stay-at-homes for the
bloodiest news of the war.

Official motion pictures of the
Marine fighting at Tarawa may be
released to the public soon, supple-
menting the carefully expurgated
newsreels already out. Efforts may
be made to induce the army and
navy to turn loose, without editing,
the battle pictures of the future.

The idea is that the visual shock
of war might stimulate civilian mo-
rale and give new vigor to home-
front war production.

A single transport plane can car-
ry sufficient dehydrated vegetables
to feed a battalion for a week.

Rail Wage ...

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yardmen have come down in their
demands from about \$3 a day to 64
cents and extra concessions. The
overtime they propose for yardmen
would be worth from \$3.50 to \$3.91
a week. The roadmen, instead of
a change in overtime conditions,
would get their expenses at termi-
nals away from home. They esti-
mate these run as high as \$25 a
month.

The National Mediation Board,
headed by Chairman William M.
Leiserson, reported it had consulted
the White House about the non-
operating wage dispute and would
not take jurisdiction until the Pres-
ident or his stabilization aides au-
thorized mediation. The non-oper-
ating unions, whose members per-
form the police, shop and track
work, signed an agreement with the
carriers last August for an increase
of 8 cents an hour but Stabilization
Director Fred M. Vinson refuses to
approve it. He has a 4-hour grad-
uated increases of 4 to 10 cents
which the group of 15 unions have
rejected.

The Tennessee Valley Authority
in 10 years has relocated 875 miles
of highway and 97 miles of railway.

Nazis Fighting ...

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ate and shot up a schooner and
radio station near Zara on the
Yugoslav coast and bombers sup-
ported the attack near Orsogna.

American and British fighter-
bombers destroyed three trains near
Tortoreto and Vivitanova along
the Adriatic.

Two Allied planes were lost.
Meanwhile the northwest African
air forces announced the names of
liberator gunners who participated
in shooting down German planes
over Augsburg, Germany, and Sofia,
Bulgaria, in the raids of Dec. 19
and 20.

These included Sergeant Gun-
nits R. Stokes, Route 2, Ayden, N. C.

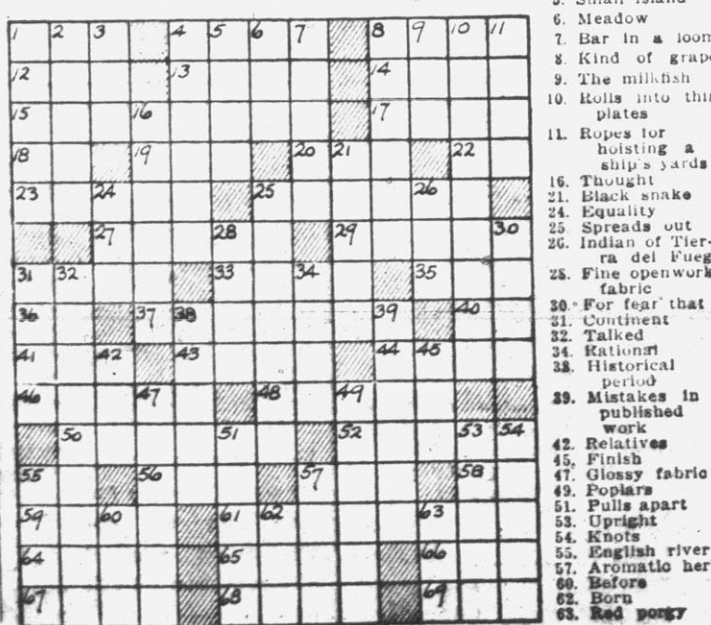
A "rubbish court" to try property
owners and tenants who allow their
premises to become littered has
been established in Philadelphia.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Watch acces-
sory
4. Measure of
distance
8. Artificially
sprouted
12. Constellation
13. On the ocean
14. Re-
fuge
15. Parts of
flowers
17. Hail
18. Type measure
19. Crusted dish
20. Epoch
21. Exotic
22. Theme
23. Imaginary
monster
27. Amount
29. Artificial
way-way
31. Land measure

DOWN
33. Part of a
church
35. Deceased
36. Thus
37. Averb
40. Plural ending
41. Writing fluid
42. Mexican
grain
44. Repose
46. Dispatch boat
48. Long
50. Legislator
52. Burdened
55. Conjunction
56. Article
57. Entangle
58. Artificial
language
59. One for whose
use a thing is
67. Paradise
done of given
68. Pronoun
69. Down
70. City in Nevada
71. Face of a
gem

Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle



Germans Launch ...

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northern defenses. The Russians
forced their way across a strongly-
defended water barrier, killing sev-
eral thousand Germans and over-
running 20 more villages despite re-
inforced enemy resistance.

The Germans launched 16 coun-
terattacks in one sector alone in
vain attempts to stop the Russians,
who succeeded in bringing their big
guns within range of Vitebsk, less
than 15 miles away. In one engage-
ment the Germans lost 1,000 troops,
the Russian communique said, add-
ing that another 1,000 were slain as
Red army columns fanned westward
to within 20 miles of Polotsk, an-
other key point in the German Baltic
defense system.

(A Moscow radio commentator
heard in London said the main de-
fense line before Vitebsk—probably
the most strongly-fortified German
base on the entire front—had been
cracked by Bagration's army and
that tanks and guns were pouring
through the breach "like an avan-
anche.")

German tank attacks of lesser in-
tensity south of Kirovograd in the
Dnieper bend area were beaten off
by the guns of Gen. Ivan Konev's
Second Ukraine army which has al-
ready partly encircled that indus-
trial city, the communique reported.

Despite a drop of 20 per cent in
gasoline tax revenues, state tax re-
venues for 1943 are estimated to be
five billion dollars.

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Administratrix of the Estate of
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Dink James, Atty.
Nov. 17-tw-6wk.

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Helen Morgan Sutton
-vs.-
Willie Gray Sutton

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ton, will take notice that an action
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menced in the Superior Court of
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fendant will further take notice

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perior Court of said County in the
court house in Greenville, N. C., not
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answer or demur to the complaint
in said action, or the plaintiff will
apply to the Court for the relief
demanded in said complaint.

This 3rd day of December, 1943.
E. F. TUCKER, Asst. Clerk
Superior Court of Pitt County,
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Jack Edwards, Atty for Plt.
Dec. 8-11w-4wk.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having this day qualified as Ad-
ministrator of the Estate of Dr. W.
I. Wooten, deceased, this is to notify
all persons holding claims against
the said Estate to file the same with
the undersigned on or before the
22nd day of December, 1944, or this
Notice will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate
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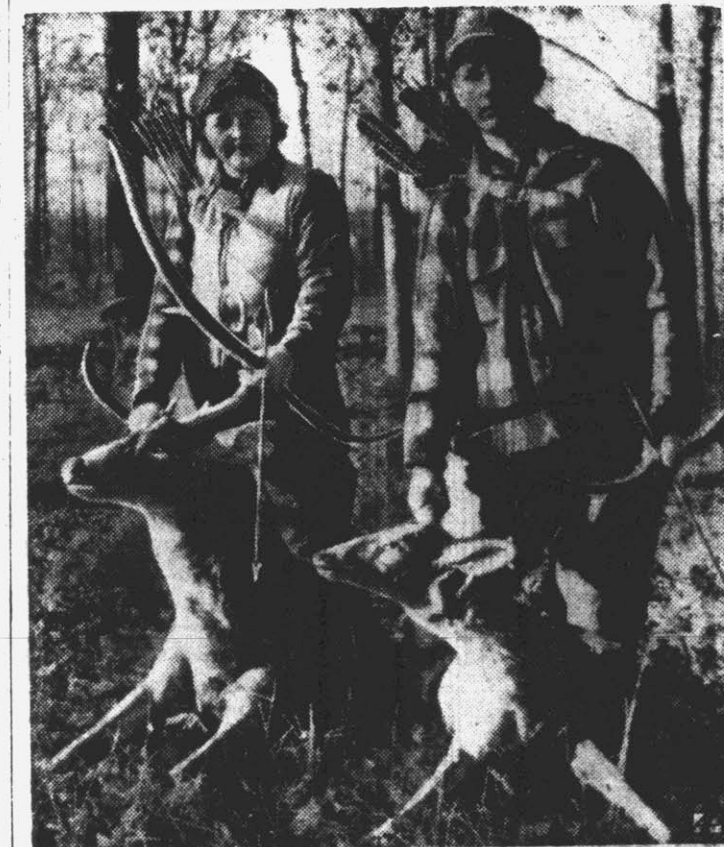
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YORK LEADS IN SCORING RUNS

Detroit Tiger Sent 118 Runners Across Home Plate

Chicago, Dec. 23—(AP)—Rudy York of the Detroit Tigers, a fellow who annually boasts his R. B. I. quota by sending himself across home plate with a liberal portion of home runs, won the 1943 American league runs-batted-in title with 118, official averages showed today.

Hitting 19 less than Boston's Ted Williams did in taking the 1942 "kick 'em in" crown, York nevertheless was 11 ahead of Nick Etten of the New York Yankees, who grabbed runnerup honors with 107 R. B. I.'s. Those two players, incidentally, were the only ones to top the 100 level. Five did so last year.

York, who also won the home run championship with 34, marked this down as the fifth time in his eight major league seasons that he had topped the 100 R. B. I. level. This was Etten's first time in five seasons.

Other substantial runs-batted-in

totals were compiled by the Yankees' rookie third baseman, Bill Johnson, with 94; Vern Stephens of Washington with 88; Charley Keller of New York with 86; and Jim Tabor of Boston and Chet Laabs of St. Louis with 85 apiece.

Keller was top man in drawing bases on balls with 100—again far below the 1942 high set by Williams of 148. Joe Gordon of the Yanks walked 86 times and Roy Cullenbine of Cleveland 86.

Credit for being hit the most times by pitched balls went to Mickey Vernon of Washington with 10. Frank Crosetti of New York tied with Joe Kuhel of Chicago with seven.

Only two players topped the 100 mark in strikeouts, Laabs' fanning 105 times and Joe Mauer of Detroit 101. Jim Bloodworth of the Tigers grounded into 29 twin killings, six more than the old mark, and Tony Lupien of Boston hit into only three for a new low.

Detroit players grounded into a record total of 159 infield double plays and Washington tied the all-time low of 94.

Prisoners in 49 states are full-filling contracts for shoes and shoe repair, clothing, assault boats, demolition chests, tools, cooking utensils, crates and boxes, identification tags, tarpaulins, tent pegs, rope and twine, blankets, soap and many other articles.

GREAT LAKES BIG SURPRISE

Defeat of Notre Dame Year's Biggest Upset

By HAROLD CLAASEN
New York, Dec. 23—(AP)—With all the unanimity of a pre-war Nazi election, the sports editors of the country have selected Great Lakes' last minute triumph over Notre Dame's football team as the biggest athletic surprise of the year.

Only six of the 80 scribes participating in the annual Associated Press poll failed to include the sailors' 19 to 14 triumph on either ballot and 63 of them decided that it was the major eye-brow lifter of 1943.

While the writers were agreed on the main surprise they showed little agreement the rest of the way and offered 47 other shockers that ranged all the way from the New York Yankees' easy victory over the St. Louis Cardinals in the World Series to Max Baer's lectures on training.

The Yanks' triumph—or the car-

Miami Opens Winners Happy



Steve Waga, Jr. (center), winner of the Miami Open Golf tournament, holds his \$1,000 Wan Bort prize as he receives congratulations from Johnny Bells (left), who tied for third; and Sam Byrd, who was runner-up. (AP Wirephoto).

Bears Average 30.3 Pts. A Game

Chicago, Dec. 23—(AP)—The mighty Chicago Bears are magnanimous fellows on the football field. They'll gladly give the opposition one touchdown, supremely confident of their ability to come back with two—or more.

That's why their national professional league title game Sunday against the Washington Redskins may develop into a high scoring battle.

With the Redskin line functioning as it did last week against the New York Giants, opening holes for Andy Parks and affording protection for the aerials of Sammy Baugh, Washington would be virtually a cinch to roll up a respectable collection of points.

The Bears, despite their offensive prowess, are no great shakes in defense, but the Chicagoans evidently proceed on the theory that it doesn't make much difference how many points the opposition makes, providing they make more.

The Bears' concentration on offense, besides bringing them the western division championship, has produced a league-leading figure of 30.3 points per game. The Redskins rated third in the circuit, registering an average of 22.7 points. The Bears also dominated the league in most offensive departments.

Factors pointing to a scoring free-for-all include Sid Uckman's passing accuracy, which has produced 2,194 yards and 28 touchdowns this year, and Baugh's league leading aerial proficiency, together with his knack of intercepting passes. He nabbed 11 in 10 games to lead the league.

Tantalum, a rare metal, melts at 3,162 degrees Fahrenheit, more than 2,300 degrees above the melting point of iron, a hard or cold-rolled steel, but can be worked easily.

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Use of chemicals in warfare was known as early as the fifth century B. C., when they were employed in the siege of the Greek cities of Megara and Plataea.

British India consists of the 11 provinces of Assam, Bengal, Bihar, Bombay, Central Provinces and Berar, Madras, North-West Frontier, Orissa, Punjab, Sind and the United Provinces, plus the chief commissionerships of British Baluchistan, Delhi, Ajmerwara, Coorg, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Panth Piploda.

Hippocrates, father of medicine, was born on the island of Cos about 460 B. C.



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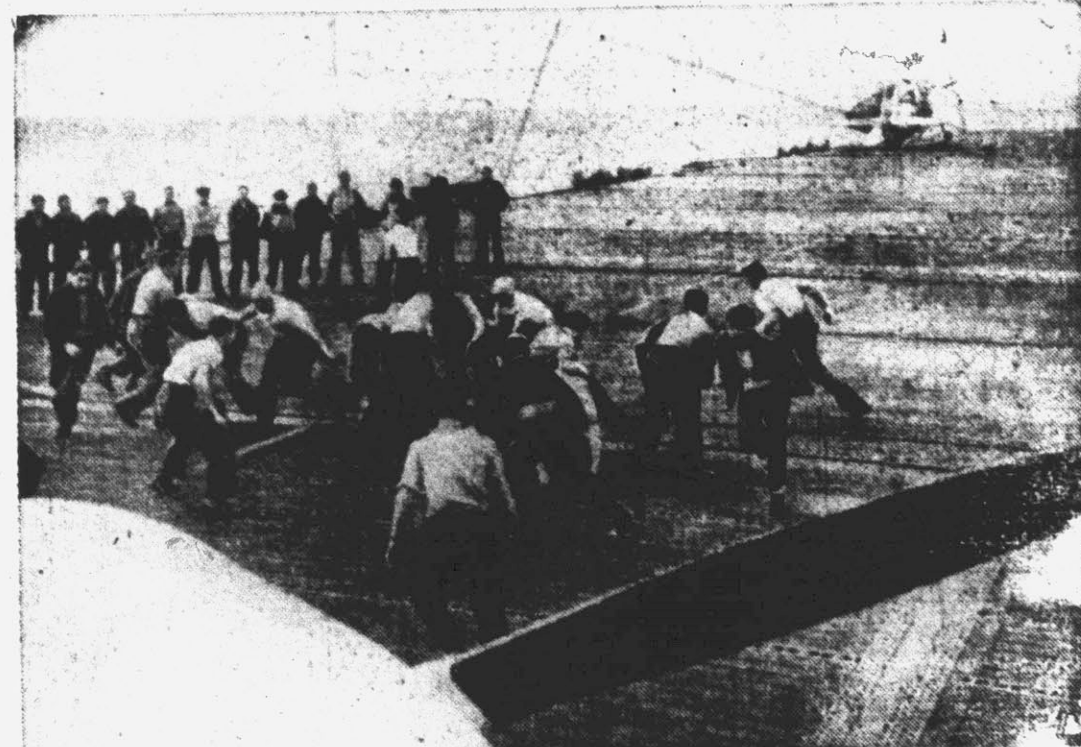
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Service Men Get Free Tickets To Sugar Bowl Game



Service men, crowding into the office of the young men's business club in New Orleans, gather around Ed Morris (left), Tulsa University publicity director, and Bill Burbank, New Orleans, YMBC member, to receive free tickets to the New Year's Day Sugar Bowl game between Tulsa and Georgia Tech. Tickets are purchased at reduced rates with contributions from fans. (AP Wirephoto).



RELAXATION AT SEA—Somewhere in the Atlantic the plane handling crew of the USS Card plays a game of football for relaxation on the flight deck of the baby flat top.



PRESIDENT AT 28 — Robert E. M. Carpenter, Jr., 28, new president of the Philadelphia Phillies, holds his son, Robert, Jr., three, as Mrs. Carpenter holds daughter Mary, one.

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, Jr.

New York, Dec. 23—(AP)—Look for Kansas and Indiana... for concentrated basketball talent its going to be hard to top the mid-south service camps this season. Besides the orfolk avar Training Station (tops in the sector last season and just about as good now), there's the Norfolk Naval Air Station with John Barr, Penn State; Belus Smawley, Eddie Shokes, Duke; Bob Carpenter, East Texas, and a flock of other good ones. The North Carolina Pre-flight cloudbusters have Bud Palmer, Princeton; Whitey Myers and Stan Skaun Dartmouth; Lippy Dye, Ohio State, and Don Elser, Notre Dame. The Port Bragg, N. C. Army team is led by Bones McKinney, former North Carolina State ace, and the Cherry Point Marines, who beat the Cloud-busters, feature Lieut. Bob Rose, twice All-Southern forward at North Carolina, and Corp. Neil Mosser from St. Joseph's (Ind.) whom Rose calls the smoothest all-around player he's ever seen.

One-Minute Sports Page
Charley Jones, Sammy Angott's manager, and his partner, Mike Hogan, plan to campaign a dozen race hoppers next spring. In non-title races? Chang Johnson, who admits to 46 years, is playing hockey again on the Pacific coast and believe it or not scored a goal the other night on a solo "dash." Among other places, the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association has shipped supplies of tennis balls to a prison camp in Germany. Bob Lewis, the Cubs' return traveling secretary, has shaved about 40 of his 300 pounds and has 60 more to go. Seeing Eye, Inc., which trains dogs to lead the blind, is one of the beneficiaries of the United Hunts Charity Day at Belmont Park last fall. And no doubt some disgruntled bettors will claim it's because the placing judges need that kind of aid.

Today's Guest Star
Reese Hart, Raleigh, N. C. Times: "By now Buck Newsom should qualify for an extra gas allotment as baseball's leading traveler and most-traded pitcher."

Something Fishy
Tub-thumper W. Henry Johnston of Lawrence College, admits there's nothing new in the fact that his basketball team always carries a jug of water on trips—but the reason is something else. Seems that Dick Davis, sports editor of the Ap-

Mushrooms contain 90 per cent water, four per cent protein, some calcium, phosphorus, potassium, riboflavin, nicotine and phenolic acids, vitamins B1, C and K.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as executor of the estate of Mrs. Bettie S. McGowan, late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Greenville, N. C., on or before the 23rd day of December, 1944, 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., 1943.
FLOYD MCGOWAN and
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Executors of Mrs. Bettie S. McGowan.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, at my home, one mile south of Cox Mill on Highway No. 43, the H. J. Williams Home Place on

TUESDAY, THE 28th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1943 at 10 o'clock A. M. the following personal property: One pair of mules, one cart, plows, wire fencing, tobacco trucks, corn and all farm implements and small tools.
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Grain Market

Chicago, Dec. 23—(AP)—An advance in grain prices, which at one time had carried rye up about a cent from the previous close today, led to a higher, May 1.24 1/2-5/8, and barley was 1/4 lower to 1/4 higher, May \$1.22 1/2.

Hog Market

Raleigh, Dec. 23—(AP)—(NCDA) Richmond hog market steady with top of 13.85; Rocky Mount closed.

Poultry and Eggs

Raleigh, Dec. 23—(AP)—(NCDA) Egg and poultry markets steady to firm.

New York Cotton

New York, Dec. 23—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 5 to 20 cents a bale lower.

	Open	Close	Prv. Cl.
Nov	19.46	19.55	19.50
May	19.23	19.30	19.25
July	18.99	19.08	19.00
Oct	18.72	18.82	18.74
Dec		18.72	18.66

N. Y. Stock Market

New York, Dec. 23—(AP)—Firm spots among aircrafts, chemicals and specialties persisted in today's stock market.

Dealings were relatively slow from the start but sizable blocks of low-priced stocks helped put turnover at around 600,000 shares.

FINAL STOCKS	
Al Chem and Dye	149
Allegheny	24
Allis Chalmers	37 1/2
Am Can	83 1/2
Am Car Fdy	34 1/2
Am Roll Mill	12 1/2
Am Smelt and Ref	36 1/2
A T and T	155 1/2
Am Tob B	58 1/2
A O L	26
Atl Ref	28 1/2
Aviat Corp	19 1/2
Baldwin	19 1/2
B and O	5 1/2
Bendix Aviat	33 1/2
Beth Stl	55 1/2
Boeing Airpl	125 1/2
Borden	23 1/2
Budd Mfg	57 1/2
Burl Mills	28 1/2
Bur Add Mach	11 1/2
Chrysler	80 1/2
Coca Cola	113 1/2
Com Credit	37 1/2
Coml Solv	14 1/2
Cont Can	34 1/2
Curless Wright	5 1/2
Doug Air	48 1/2
Dupont	140 1/2
Eastman Kod	36 1/2
Gen Elec	36 1/2
Gen Foods	42 1/2
Gen Mot	51 1/2
Goodyear	37 1/2
Int Tel and Tel	124 1/2
Ligg Myers B	66 1/2
Loews	58 1/2
Lorillard	17 1/2
Mont Ward	43 1/2
Nash Kev	115 1/2
Nat Biscuit	20 1/2
Nat Cash Reg	29 1/2
N Y Cent	15 1/2
No Am Aviat	81 1/2
Packard	31 1/2
Param Pix	23 1/2
Penn B R	98 1/2
Pepsi Cola	25 1/2
Pullman	37 1/2
Pure Oil	16 1/2
Radio	9 1/2
Rep Stl	16 1/2
Reynolds B	27 1/2
Sou Ry	20 1/2
Std Brands	30 1/2
Std Oil N J	54 1/2
Stewart Warner	11 1/2
Swift	27 1/2
Tex Co	49 1/2

Governor Recommends His Pardon



Robert Elliott Burns, the "Fugitive From a Georgia Chain Gang," and his wife, hear the news at their home in Union township, N. J., that Gov. Ellis Arnall of Georgia has recommended a pardon for Burns, according to the Atlanta Constitution. The newspaper said the governor took the action as a private citizen, not in his official capacity. The pardon board has decided that it is without power to take action unless Burns returns to the state and gives himself up. (AP Wirephoto).



SINGER—Georgia Carroll, songstress with Kay Kyser, wears shorts made of a new, wrinkle-resistant cloth and rayon blouse.

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World-Wide Radio To Carry Message

Washington, Dec. 23—(AP)—President Roosevelt's address tomorrow afternoon to the nation and to American fighting forces throughout the world will be carried by a world-wide radio hookup.

In addition to all American networks, the entire system of the British Broadcasting Corporation, Australian and New Zealand networks and stations in Algiers, Palermo, Bari, Naples and India will broadcast the address.

Mr. Roosevelt speaks at 8 p. m. eastern war time from his Hyde Park, N. Y., home. He set aside most of today to complete his text.

Describe Bremen As 'New Hamburg'

Stockholm, Dec. 23—(AP)—Crewmen of the Swedish steamship Granada, sunk at Bremen in an American air attack December 16, said today that the northwest German port "is a new Hamburg."

Six large boats and many smaller craft were sunk by the attacks of 300 to 400 planes December 13 and 16, the seamen said at Malmoe. Some of the boats were loaded with sections of prefabricated wooden houses from Sweden and Finland which Germany had ordered to house residents bombed out in previous attacks.

Red Parachutists Land In Baltics

Stockholm, Dec. 23—(AP)—A great many Russian parachutists have landed in the Baltic states and leaflets have been dropped asking the population to take up arms against the Germans, the newspaper Afton-Tidningen said today.

The dispatch quoted newspapers in the Latvian capital of Riga that a number of parachutists had been seized, including 20 who had mingled with a church crowd. Intense air activity over the Baltic states also was disclosed.

Formal Report...

(Continued from Page One)

The report estimated that the bill, in conjunction with existing tax laws, would produce total federal revenue of \$43,599,000,000 over a full year's operation.

In explaining its decision to freeze social security taxes at the present rate of one per cent each on employers and employees, instead of permitting an automatic statutory increase to two per cent January 1, the committee expressed belief that "the present and prospective revenues from this tax will protect the full and complete solvency of the old age and survivors benefits fund."

The report said the committee "gave special attention to the factors pending toward inflation, to the mounting federal debt and to the burden of present taxes imposed upon the American people."

"In arriving at its conclusions

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Here's Deanna Durbin with Pat O'Brien starring in "His Butler's Sister" at the Pitt today and Christmas Day.



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not to seek more than a fourth of the \$10,500,000,000 requested by the treasury, your committee was influenced by the fact that, between the time the treasury representatives testified before the House Ways and Means Committee and their appearance before your committee, the Bureau of the Budget lowered by \$11,000,000,000 its previous estimate of the current year's deficit.

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Christmas Greetings

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This store and its employees wish to express to you and yours our cordial and friendly Christmas Greetings. As this year draws to a close, we look back with pride and appreciation to your fine patronage during the past 31 years, during which time this store has been under the same management.

It has been a genuine pleasure to have served you, and we look forward to the New Year, 1944, the 32nd year under the same continuous management, with the hope that we may serve you even better.

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