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Italian Radio Reports Americans Have Taken Village of San Vittore

**Fifth Army Makes
Leap-Frog Landing
On Coast Above Ga-
rigliano River; Con-
tinue Push Toward
Cassino; Eighth Ar-
my Advances Anoth-
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tor**

New York, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Italian Bari radio said today that the Allied Fifth army had captured the fortified village of San Vittore near Cassino on the road to Rome. A broadcast to Italy recorded by the OWI said that the village, the last fortified town in the valley leading to strategic Cassino, was captured after a stubborn German defense.

The Bari radio is controlled by the Badoglio government.

By WES GALLAGHER
Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Fifth army troops carried out a large scale raid along the west coast of Italy north of the Garigliano river yesterday, and seized the initiative from the Germans along the long stalemated and water-logged front in that sector. Allied headquarters announced today.

The announcement confirmed at least in part German broadcasts that the Allies had made an amphibious leapfrog attack in that area and had established a bridgehead.

The German communique, as broadcast from Berlin, said today that an Allied battalion had landed from the sea in the German rear north of the Garigliano river in Italy but was thrown back.

The Allies, it was admitted, had gained a height northwest of Venafro in the push westward toward Cassino.

Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's headquarters gave no details of the raid but it apparently was aimed at junctions controlling the coastal road to Rome over the Pontine marshes—a highway that for centuries has been known as the Appian Way.

Berlin broadcasts yesterday said that the Allies had been prevented from reaching the Appian Way and that the fighting had been localized on the beaches with heavy casualties for the landing forces. The key city in this battle area is Minturno, slightly inland from the coast.

The attack by the Allies countered a heavy two-day offensive by the German Tenth army in the Garigliano sector aimed at the town of Ponte Fiume at the mouth of the river.

Headquarters gave no additional information about the drive of American troops to take San Vittore, last fortified village in the valley leading to Cassino. Bitter.

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Liquor Coupons Worth Half Pint

Raleigh, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Whisky ration coupons valid in January will be worth one half pint in North Carolina's wet counties. This is the same ration value in effect during November.

Announcement of the ration value was made last night by Chairman Carl Williamson of the State ABC Board. All four coupons valid in January may be used at any time during the month.

Registration for the new coupon books will be resumed in wet counties on January 4 under a plan which will permit registration only on Tuesdays.

America Prepared For Crucial Fight In 1944

By STERLING GREEN

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—America is armed and ready for the supreme battle test of 1944. Behind history's greatest sustained production achievement.

After outproducing all the Axis countries combined by the margin of 3 to 2 during 1943, the United States has, for the new year ahead, a production schedule 25 per cent greater.

Seventy-five billion dollars worth of armaments are on the unannounced blueprints for 1944, as against 50 billion dollars worth in the closing year.

Aircraft alone accounts for the bulk of the upturn. On the ground and on the seas, the arms program is at its peak or near it.

Many War Production Board and manpower officials, along with leaders in management and labor, expect drastic cutbacks in production even while American troops advance into the bloodiest fighting of the war.

Thus the turn of the year brings production into a new phase—some think the next-to-last phase, the prolonged pull before victory and demobilization.

The cutbacks may start 6 to 10

REJECT OFFER TO ARBITRATE

**Railway Unions Turn
Down President's
Offer Today**

By JOSEPH A. LOFTUS
Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Presidential attempts to arbitrate the railroad wage dispute met with rebuff again today, pushing even farther into the future any prospects for return of the government-seized lines to private management.

Insisting they were entitled to a ruling on overtime, independent of every other consideration, the 15 non-operating unions rejected President Roosevelt's proposed basis for arbitrating their wage demands.

A letter in reply to one from the President yesterday said "we do not agree to arbitration on the basis you propose."

They said the sliding scale of increases of four to ten cents which they have accepted was allowed to correct sub-standard conditions and to preserve wage rate relationships and asserted:

"Certainly sub-standard wages do not depend on rates paid for overtime. To now suggest the possibility that the non-operating employees should directly or indirectly purchase time and one-half after 40 hours by giving up part of the overtime or reducing the meager wage rate adjustments granted by Stabilization Director Vinson would in our opinion be a gross injustice and do violence to the prevailing wage determination policies."

The President had outlined to them the scope of the dispute as he saw it. He lumped together the sliding scale increases and the overtime, but the unions contend the adjustments have been made by their acceptance of them.

The President said in his letter yesterday the 4 to 10 cents would not be disturbed but there was no assurance that overtime compensation would not thereby be reduced.

The unions feel they are entitled to six cents an hour in lieu of overtime and one-half after 40 hours a week. This would make total increases graduating from 10 to 16 cents an hour, instead of four to 10.

The President had advised the unions he planned to proceed to a decision on the basis he outlined unless he heard objections from the unions or the carriers by 10 a. m. today.

It was understood the President's terms for arbitration were acceptable to the carriers.

With continued darkened prospects for any early settlement of the wage dispute, army control of the government-seized railroads for an indefinite time appeared likely.

President Ill With The Grippe

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's cold had turned into the grippe today and the White House said he had half a degree of fever.

Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntire, the President's physician, ordered him to remain in bed today and said he probably would have to stay in bed tomorrow.

The regular Friday afternoon cabinet meeting was cancelled, along with the morning news conference. The illness will prevent the President's participating formally in any observance of new year's day, which he has proclaimed a day of prayer.

Billions of dollars from the 1944 schedule, it is forecast, and may leave 1,000,000 workers temporarily idle. However, if the invasion of Europe runs into tough going, WPB's top men say, the schedules may go up instead of down.

In a few highlights, this is the record to date:

A warplane is delivered every five minutes, night and day. A heavy bomber comes off the line every 40 minutes. Mass production is under way on the new B-29 super-bomber; it will roar into action early in the new year.

The navy has more than 800 warships—half of them, including 40 aircraft carriers, were built this year. This doesn't include the thousands of auxiliary vessels, nor the program for 80,000 invasion craft which are now one-third built.

The Merchant Marine has been doubled in two years. The 25 million tons of ships built in 1942 and 1943 exceed President Roosevelt's "blueprint for victory" goal by a million tons.

By last fall, the army had enough rifle and submachine gun bullets to fire 2,000 rounds at every Axis soldier; enough army artillery ammuni-

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Americans Inspect Jap Gun Captured On New Britain



American troops examine a Japanese field gun which was captured when Sixth Army units landed on New Britain island in their current offensive. (AP Wirephoto from Sig nal Corps Radiophoto).

URGES BALLOT FOR SOLDIERS

**Would Include Right
To Vote In Pri-
maries**

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Cooperation between congress and the state legislatures to open the way for service men and women to vote in primaries as well as the November general election was urged today by Senator George D-U-Ga.

The Georgia senator, one of the leaders in the senate fight which resulted in the substitution of a "states rights" measure for an administration-supported federal ballot bill, told a reporter he believes the men and women of the fighting forces are as interested in voting for sheriff and governor in their home states as they are in the presidential election.

Pointing out that in several southern states nomination in the Democratic primary is tantamount to election, George said the provision of the original federal ballot bill limiting such absentee voting to the November contest constituted little more than a "gesture" as far as uniformed personnel from those states is concerned.

Instead, he said he believed it entirely feasible for governors to call special sessions of legislatures where necessary to arrange for the printing of primary and later general election ballots for their states.

"I have no objection," he said "to these ballots being distributed and

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Claim Sinking U. S. Submarines

By The Associated Press
The Japanese high command declared today that 14 Allied submarines had been sunk "in waters near Japan proper and other operational areas" from October through December 30 by Japanese warships and army and navy planes.

The Tokyo press, was not confirmed by any Allied source.

Renewed Faith And Hope In New Year

By CHESTER WALSH

"The passing of the old year and the coming of the new year tomorrow will take place without outward celebration in Greenville and Pitt County. The past year has been an eventful period in the life of the community and there is a predominant feeling that 1944 will be the crucial year in World War II, a time calling for greater efforts on the battlefronts and more sacrifices on the home front." Mayor Bruce Sugg said today.

"This section was blessed with bountiful crops and growers received good prices for the products of the soil. The health of the community has been good. Business has prospered under wartime conditions. Our people have nobly responded in buying over the War Bond quotas and in every field of activity they have kept the faith with the sons, brothers and fathers in the armed forces. There have been remarkable few casualties among the Pitt Countyans in uniform."

The Red Cross Civilian Defense organization, State Guard, law enforcement officers, the churches and schools and the various civic, fraternal and commercial organizations are in tune with wartime needs for service and they are functioning harmoniously in the wartime activities.

"We are entering the new year with renewed faith and confidence in our government and a stronger hope that 1944 will bring peace and safety and a return to normal activity in the every-day life of the

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Cape Gloucester Falls Before Marine Assaults

**Possession Of Airdrome Will Extend Ameri-
can Operations Against Stra-
tegic Jap Positions**

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Strewing the jungle with hundreds of dead Japanese, United States Marines captured and savagely defended Cape Gloucester and its airdrome four days and a few hours after a seaborne force from New Guinea invaded that northwest New Britain strong point. Today the surviving Japanese are being evacuated.

On the last day of 1943, Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, of the U. S. Sixth army, proudly announced "I have the honor to present the Gloucester airdrome to the commander in chief as a new year's present."

General Douglas MacArthur heard Krueger's report at the together with word that 700 Japanese were killed on Cape Gloucester Wednesday and Thursday alone. American losses, said Krueger, were "unbelievably light."

MacArthur thereafter made an aerial reconnaissance flight over Finschhafen, the Ramu and Markham valleys and along the Huon coast near Bluecher Point, all in New Guinea where Australian soldiers are driving northward.

The irresistible manner in which the Marines burned their way through pillbox defenses with flame throwers, brilliantly supported by artillery and bombing planes, to complete the occupation Thursday of the base's two airstrips won praise from Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

He was "particularly pleased with the speed and efficiency of the operation."

The Leathernecks, who are attached to General Krueger's army, landed unopposed Sunday at Borogen Bay, on the east side of the

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The WAR TODAY

AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By WILLIAM FRYE

(Associated Press War Analyst)
The spectacular surge of the Red army west of Kiev, now beginning to swing in flanking movements north and south, and the apparent collapse of the German line may imply a Nazi disaster of staggering proportions.

They have not yet produced such a disaster, and it would be a little premature to assume that the war will be over next week because of the brilliant success of General Vatutin's Ukrainian army. It may yet develop that the line he has smashed was not the main German force.

What appears to have happened is that the Russian offensive came before the Germans were entirely prepared for it, in greater force than they expected, and before the withdrawal of the bulk of German troops from the Dnieper bend could be completed.

That withdrawal may never be completed now, since the capture of Kazatin and the encirclement of Berdichev broke one of the two main rail lines out of the area; but there is every reason to believe that the withdrawal was well started, and an estimate of the number of German troops left there would be strictly a guess.

At one time, the Germans had around 500,000 wounded soldiers in hospitals there, and huge numbers of combat troops. One guess is that, if the Red army offensive carries below Berdichev through Zhmerinka to the Bessarabian border, the Germans might lose as many as 20 divisions by that flank-

ing envelopment, would be lucky to lose as few as 100,000 combat men. The size of the transportation problem involved in a withdrawal is indicated by the estimate that it would take 75 trains of 50 cars each a week to take out the wounded alone.

The Nazi counterattacks in the Kiev region have been called a counteroffensive and termed one of the worst tactical blunders the German high command has made in the course of the war. If they had been a counter-offensive aimed at recapture of Kiev, blunder would be the proper term. There has been repeated evidence, however, that they were limited counter-attacks, aimed at keeping the railroads open through Kazatin-Berdichev-Korosten to facilitate the withdrawal from the Dnieper bend, and as such they made the best kind of tactical sense.

The blunder was in ever trying to hold the Dnieper as a winter line, and Hitler and his generals are reported to have disagreed sharply over that. In recent weeks the generals have enlarged their control over military operations, and begun what they wanted to do in the first place—withdraw to the Riga-Odessa line.

Russian Forces Pounding Routed German Divisions

U. S. Planes Hit At Paris Suburbs

**Other Points In Ger-
many And France
Blasted In Year-End
Aerial Offensive**

By W. W. HERCHER
London, Dec. 31.—(AP)—American heavy bombers supported by American and RAF fighters smashed at targets in France today. It was announced, and the Paris radio said the bombers rained in the suburbs of Paris.

Exact nature of the objectives of the daylight assault were not announced by American headquarters as the year-end aerial offensive—which had sent more than 3,000 planes thundering against enemy targets in the previous 24 hours—raced on to a climactic finish.

American planes last bombarded Paris on September 15, striking at the Cam Ballbearing Works and the Hispano-Suiza and Caudron-Renault Airplane and Motor Works.

Other American raids on the Paris region this year were on April 4 when the Renault Works was hit, September 3 when the Messier-Schmitt repair factory was smashed and September 9 when an aircraft engine factory was the target.

Paris was among 36 French towns warned in a BBC broadcast on November 17 of impending Allied air attacks.

Later announcement that American Marauders and RAF medium, light and fighter-bombers escorted by swarms of fighters were slamming at the French coast indicated that the great formations hammering the so-called "rocket gun coast" and other French targets might equal yesterday's record assault.

The Allied medium and lighter craft attacked unspecified military objectives in northern France, the brief announcement said.

A later Paris radio broadcast said 200 persons were killed and 2,000 injured at Paris.

Paris administration center for German occupation authorities, also is a Nazi war production center. The Renault Works on Seine island at Billancourt is reported to be producing transport vehicles, tanks and airplane engines. Nearby is the Gnome-Rhone Works, which turns out airplane engines for the Germans.

Today's attacks were in the wake of an assault on an objective—which may have been the chemical and poison gas works of the Germans at Ludwigshafen deep in southwestern Germany—yesterday by the greatest fleet of U. S. bombers and fighters, perhaps 1,500 strong, ever sent against the Reich. Twenty-two bombers and 12 fighters were lost in the weighty operation.

The closing raids of 1943 today followed fresh blows last night by RAF Mosquitos which hit targets in western Germany and northern France, and new minelaying operations, in which not a single Allied plane was lost.

The targets on an estimated 500 United States medium and RAF and Allied medium bombers and fighter-bombers yesterday—announced by the officials only as "military objectives in northern France"—possibly were the "rocket-gun" emplacements of the Nazis in the Pas de Calais area.

The daylight operations today were launched in calm fine weather by flocks of medium bombers which

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Shifting British Force To Pacific

London, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The British navy, which fought through 1943 without losing a capital ship or aircraft carrier and highlighted the year by sinking the 36,000-ton Nazi battleship Scharnhorst and three destroyers, is being moved into the Pacific in growing strength.

Increasing use of the Royal Navy against the Japanese was attributed to the turn in the Atlantic war in a review of the year by the admiralty.

The review said the number of Allied cargo carriers being sunk by U-boats was below German losses in U-boats.

Losses of the Royal navy, which took part in the 3,266-ship armada carrying invasion forces to Sicily, were "high" in 1943 but "not so high as in the earlier war years," casualties, it said, were one cruiser and an unspecified number of destroyers, corvettes, submarines, minesweepers and trawlers.

Bethel Soldier Reported Missing

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The War Department made public today the names of 500 U. S. soldiers missing in action. Of the group, 19 are from North Carolina including:

Missing in the Pacific area—Pvt. Elmo Cromwell, mother, Mrs. Febe Cromwell, Bethel.

Disinherited



Mrs. Madge Wilson, (above), of Los Angeles, who identifies herself as the daughter of Nicholas Ziegler of Mt. Orab, O., who specified in his will that she be cut out from his estate unless she attended his funeral, held this week, says she may contest the will. She said she had not heard from her father since she was adopted at the age of three. (AP Wirephoto)

STEEL MEN TO STAY ON JOBS

**To Continue Work
While Negotiating
New Contract**

Pittsburgh, Dec. 31.—(AP)—With many collective bargaining contracts expiring next week in the steel industry, President Philip Murray of the United Steelworkers union today reiterated instructions to the men of the mills to continue at their jobs while the leaders of the union negotiate new contracts.

In telegrams sent to district directors and local union leaders throughout the country, Murray declared:

"Our country faces its gravest challenge in approaching the all-important invasion of Europe. The United Steelworkers do not intend to fail its nation."

Expiration of contracts with 214 companies on December 24 started a strike which spread to 170,000 workers before it was ended December 28 by a guarantee of pay retroactivity by the War Labor Board in newly negotiated contracts.

Next Monday contracts expire with 150 more companies, including subsidiaries of the U. S. Steel Corporation. About a half million steelworkers then will be without contracts until new ones are negotiated.

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1943 Was A Dizzy Year For Average American

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—For our home front man of the year we nominated that bewildered little guy—any ordinary guy—how strictly numb above the chum for 365 days of trying to get straight in his head the news and events of the U. S. A. in 1943.

Bouncing homeward in the bus this New Year's Eve, part of it comes back to him now, words, arguments, double-talk. He grins a little remembering some of it. And some of it saddens him.

He learned to pronounce "penicillin," the new wonder drug; "carrels" and "subsidies" and the "little steel" formula left him cold; he still wasn't sure his stamps were for "rayshuns" or "rashuns," and he ducked into the dictionary when the President said "pitycune" to a question about a fourth term.

He was glad to get cuffs back on his pants and, without stamps, coffee in his cup although he couldn't recall exactly why the increase in wool and beverage.

He never could explain to himself why, when the first ration coupon on shoes expired last June, he joined the greatest shoe-rush in history.

And what ever happened to all that beefing about absenteeism and

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Reds Smashing To ward Polish And Ru- manian Borders; Im- portant Rail Line Cut; Germans Suffer Staggering Losses In Men and Equipment

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
Moscow, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Russian forces streaming through the greatest hole yet torn in Nazi defenses in a driving offensive that has split the routed remnants of Nazi Gen. Von Manstein's legion and carried to within 30 miles of the river itself, front line dispatch said today.

The Russian column sweeping toward the Bug, Germany's next line of defense along the south-central front west of the Dnieper river thrust down the Kiev-Zhmernik

London, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Zhmernik, important railway center in the Ukraine which had been outflanked by Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukrainian army, reaching toward the old Polish and Rumanian borders, has fallen, Moscow announced tonight.

railway to open a deep wedge in the reeling Nazi army.

Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's vanguard were reported to be within 43 miles of the old Polish border and with 90 miles of the Dniester river which forms Rumania's old eastern boundary.

With the Warsaw-Smele railway severed at captured Kazatin, one supply line remained open, the retreating Nazis before the Odessa-Lwow line itself is endangered. That one supply line from Poland winds southeastward through the Ukraine and the Red army advance has carried to within 20 miles of the supply link. Cutting of the line would mean that all supplies for the Nazis in the Dnieper bend west of Kiev would have to move over the Odessa-Lwow railway.

The advance column sweeps southwestward toward the old borders of Poland and Rumania, but 30 miles from the province center of Vinnytsa on the upper Dniester. Vinnytsa lies only 60 miles from the Dniester.

The Friday German communique also indicated that the Russians were on the offensive again north of Kirovograd in the Dnieper where German forces were reported to have been counter-attacking yesterday.

"A gap in the German line north of Kirovograd has been closed," the announcement said, adding that numerous prisoners and extensive booty were taken.

"It said only that 'heavy fighting was continuing' in the Zhitomir area west of Kiev and near Vinnytsa (farther to the north)."

Another arm of Gen. Vatutin's first Ukrainian army was striking westward in a hard-driving advance outflanking Zhitomir.

This arm was reaching for Zhitomir, 70 miles west of Zhitomir, and the biggest railway junction in the Ukraine, and Novograd Volynsk, a junction for two main highways about 45 miles northwest of Zhitomir.

The Russians were about 20 miles west of Zhitomir and Korosten, several points, and the great breakthrough, now almost 200 miles west, was affording the Red army a

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Weather Forecast
Forecast from 7:30 p. m. Friday, December 31, to 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, January 5.

Slowly rising trend until middle and much colder end. Frequent rains early middle.

manpower shortages cutting down production only a few more back? Weren't some plants shut down now, throwing workers out jobs? That was a little complicated. He was sorry he thought of it.

Living in a country that is fighting abroad for peace for the world he was mystified when white negro Americans shot and smothered another to death in riots here at home.

War-time strikes but there were plenty and Congress passed a law to stop them but there were more. Vaguely worried, he shivered to hear juvenile delinquency increasing and he hoped he was keeping his own kids contented.

Happy.

All year his brain did flip-flop on the treasury-congress tax fight with the former saying taxes should be higher because too much money was loose and congress saying it shouldn't because too much money was loose.

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RATION DEADLINES
Foods: DEF, Jan. 20.
Meats: LMPND, Jan. 2.
Sugar: "Sugar" 30; 3 lbs. a bag.
Gasoline: No. 6-A coupons, Jan. 5.
Fuel Oil—No. 2 coupons, Jan. 5.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

THE CERTAIN TRUMPET

Certainty is the sine qua non of religion. This does not mean that a man does not have sound faith until he is perfectly sure about everything religious, but it does mean that he has to be absolutely sure about certain spiritual truths before he can have comfort and joy. "If the trumpet gives an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?"

By the same token, unless there is a directing force in the universe upon which a man can rely, how shall he prepare himself for the battle of life? How can he remain confident before its contradictions, endure its disappointments, surmount its sorrows? Men go into battle because the bugle calls them to strife. When the bugle sounds the advance, the soldier knows that behind this command lies an authority and wisdom superior to his own. In like manner men must in spiritual things have a trust in something higher than themselves. They must have their confidence supported by a spiritual authority which is above mere opinion.

The problem of authority is the greatest problem in religion. When we get that settled in our mind, we walk with certain step. Men stumble when they have nothing but their own poor powers of reason to depend upon. They walk with certainty when they can hear above the turmoil of life the blast of a certain trumpet in which they can have confidence.

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1943 Was A...

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And how could a little guy like him tell who was right when congress split on the soldier vote. It'll work. It won't. It will. It won't. He figured he'd get the answer election day in 1944.

Here were the Democrats still in power but some of them wanted to out the party wide open and form two Democratic parties, and he begged down trying to keep track of the operating and non-operating railroad workers and what they wanted in the way of pay.

Capital said labor was trying to use the war to get rich in a hurry and labor said capital was getting at as a goat out of the war and the little guy scratched his head and asked himself:

"Does it always have to be like this, group against group, class against class? Can't people ever work like neighbors?" Then he told himself "Don't kid yourself, bub. Then he thought maybe he got that, but when he thought of the money place and he tried to forget it.

It was congress which kept him in mental knots all year. Congress killed the National Resources Planning Board, the only agency the government had for post-war planning. Then congress got interested and sprouted a dozen separate committees of its own to plan post-war planning.

The house worked out a pretty 75-word resolution on foreign relations and asked the senate to approve it. The senate got huffy at the junior member and wrote its own debating a week to change a few words.

The little guy got a headache when the White House sent congress a long-lease report, supposed to be signed by the President, saying the U. S. didn't want its money back and then the President said he hadn't signed it at all.

And, finally the little guy, tired, got off the bus and went home and told his wife "It's been a dizzy year and I need a highball."

"A highball?" his wife looked at him. "Don't you know there's a drink shortage?"

"But—" The little guy tried to think back. "Didn't I read some place the warehouses have plenty of whisky? They're loaded."

"Maybe so," his wife said. "But this is one New Year's eve when you won't be."

Reminders



America Prepared ... Cape Gloucester ...

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nition to fire 17 shells at every Axis soldier.

Total outlays for war, including soldiers' food and pay, had climbed last month to 146 billion dollars since the defense program started in June, 1940; 53 per cent of it was spent in 1943.

Aircraft will amount to 45 per cent of the whole 1944 munitions program. Already America is out-producing the Axis in warplanes 2 to 1; and more than matching the output of enemies and allies put together.

December production is estimated at 9,000 planes, more than the army air forces possessed at the time of Pearl Harbor. In all 1943, well over 85,000 planes were built; since Pearl Harbor, 133,000; since the start of the defense effort, about 153,000.

In many types of equipment, the ground forces are about to go on a replacement basis. Only in artillery ammunition and signal equipment are increases planned.

If the cutbacks come in the predicted severity, WPB foresees that even while total production is pushing down, some elements will be going down, some plants will stand idle, some communities suffer payroll declines.

For civilians, 1944 may be the leanest year of the war, although pressure for increased civilian production is mounting daily and some restoration is planned. The plans are not only limited in scope but will be slow in fruition. It's as hard to retol for peace as for war.

In dubbing the new production era the "next-to-last" stage of the production effort, officials warn that this lap may be the longest one.

In the 20 years preceding World War II, Canada did not produce a single seagoing merchant ship.

Cape Gloucester ...

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Rabaul, now is being visited daily from the Solomons by American fighter planes. Today a spokesman for Adm. William F. Halsey, in announcing the downing of 26 out of 60 enemy interceptors there Tuesday, said 113 Japanese planes have been bagged at Rabaul since December 23.

The enemy's crumbling position on Bougainville in the northern Solomons is adding swiftly to Rabaul's peril. Admiral Halsey's spokesman reported multiple actions on Bougainville, including para-troop seizure of a strong point near the American invasion beach-head on the west-central coast, the spreading of fires among Japanese installations by fighter planes dropping belly tanks of gasoline and a destroyer bombardment of an enemy west coast position.

More than 1,400 miles to the northeast, in the Japanese-held Marshalls, army and navy bombers pushed their air offensive into the 21st straight day Tuesday despite increasing resistance. Attacks on Maloelap and Mili and air action near Kwalein cost the Americans three big bombers but five Zeros were shot down for certain and 10 others probably were destroyed.

Urges Ballot ...

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collected by any federal agency congress might see fit to designate. Everyone wants to see the service men and women vote and it is difficult to imagine why that can not be done through the preparation of ballots by the states and their transmission to and from the service personnel by federal agencies.

"We must not open an opportunity for wholesale frauds in elections," he declared. "The officials in the states charged with holding

Steel Man To ...

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Murray told the unionists: "It has been the firm resolve of the officers and members of this organization to do nothing that would impede the nation's war effort, or that would in any way tend to impair the efficiency of our armed forces."

Murray made public the telegram as union officials and representatives of U. S. Steel Corp. recessed contract negotiation conferences for the week-end. The conferences will be resumed next Tuesday. The contracts with "big steel" are expected to form the basis for those throughout the industry.

Italian Radio ...

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fighting has been raging there and the town has been reduced to rubble by Allied artillery, advices from the front said, but the Germans were dug into wire entanglements underlying the town where it was difficult to reach them with artillery fire.

The communique said that action elsewhere on the Fifth army front was confined to patrol activity except for German shelling of Mignano.

On the Eighth army front the hard-fighting troops of the Canadian first division plunged another mile northward from Ortona, putting their lines at about two miles from the city, and front line units patches said they had established advanced positions within about

U. S. Planes ...

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returned in an hour.

Another great force went out between Folkestone and Dungeness, heading toward the French coast with numerous squadrons of fighters flying top cover.

The Fortresses and Liberators with their fighting escorts shot down 23 Nazi planes in their daylight forays yesterday which followed the RAF's 2,240-ton blockbusting of Berlin on Wednesday night.

In return the Germans stabbed only lightly at southeast England last night, causing slight damage at one place but no casualties.

Later, the Berlin radio confirmed reports that Ludfshafen, and Mannheim, her twin industrial city across the Rhine river, were the targets of yesterday's heavy American assault.

Berlin's report, which termed the operation a "terror attack," claimed 39 aircraft were shot down.

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on the Zhitomir front, near the center of the broken wall.

The German debacle came just six weeks after von Manstein's army had been ordered into a counter-offensive seeking vainly to recapture Kiev and regain control of the Dnieper river basin at all costs.

The "route of von Manstein's army—so labeled by Premier Stalin in a triumphant order of the day—was hailed as comparable only to the victory of Stalingrad, and was saluted in Moscow with 20 salvoes from 224 guns, a tribute only for major successes.

Juvenile Offender Given Road Term

By CHESTER WALSH

In Police Court today Amos Barrett, 17-year-old Negro boy, a juvenile offender ever since he has been in his teens, was convicted of larceny and Judge J. W. H. Roberts sentenced him to two years on the roads. Barrett was charged with highway robbery in forcibly taking a \$5 bill from William Scott, Negro boy, but Judge Roberts changed the warrant to larceny.

The court continued prayer for judgment in the case in which L. W. Parrish, middle-aged white man, was charged with being drunk and disorderly.

"This is your last chance," Judge Roberts said. "I will pass judgment on you in a month, but during that time I want you to change the company you keep, make some contact with a church and associate with people who don't get drunk. You have been a regular offender in this court and it is time for you to mend your ways. Be back here on February 4 and we'll see how you are doing," the judge warned.

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We keenly appreciate the trust our clients place in us and we make every conscientious effort to keep faith with them. Every detail, from first to last, is given careful supervision. Nothing is too small, too unimportant to do — if by so doing we can console or be of service to the family.

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Greenville, N. C.

Russian Forces ...

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Cavalry and motorized infantry, strong units of which were pushing forward, were far behind the shattered German front in some places and drawing close to the lowest Pripiet marshes. Hundreds of German tanks lay abandoned behind the fast moving troops, Soviet dispatches said.

The Russian spearheads knifed through the remnants of Marshal Fritz von Manstein's 22 defeated divisions—perhaps 300,000 troops—on the eighth day of this greatest Soviet offensive of the winter that already has swept up a total of 1,300 communities.

On the northern end of the biggest breach ever made in German lines, Red army troops were plunging west of Korosten toward Poland.

At the southern end, Soviet units were driving on the Dniester across the steppe country southwest of Kazatin. Fall of Kazatin, yesterday further weakened the faltering German supply network in the southern Ukraine.

A Berlin broadcast heard by Reuters said the Germans had announced withdrawal of the Nazi line

Drunk and disorderly: John Moore, Jr., John Williams and Barney and John B. Mills, 30 days in jail or \$20 fine, costs deducted, fine to be divided among the four; Jim Freeman, 30 days or \$15, costs deducted.

Drunk: J. H. Taylor, 30 days or costs.

Speeding: Harold Lloyd Mills, 30 days or costs and lose license five days.

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12-oz.

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pound

SYRUP

5-pound, 49c
Crystal

1 1-2 pound, 18c
Blue Label

5-pound, 47c
Blue Label

Honey, 78c
3-lb. jar

VEGETABLES

Green Cabbage, Collards, Snaps, Kale, Spinach, Lettuce, Celery, Tomatoes, Rutabagas, New Red Potatoes

FRUITS

Apples, Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines

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Beef, Pork, Lamb and Veal

Picnics, 29c
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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Clusters
2. Mineral springs
3. High mountain
4. Lopsided
5. Part of a comet
6. Born
7. Part played
8. Containing a reference
9. Repair shoes
10. Compass
11. Clears above
12. Sea eagle
13. Imply secondarily
14. Lazon native
15. City in Montana
16. Piece of baked clay

DOWN
17. Pronoun
18. Adorn with stars
19. Pillage
20. Exist
21. Norway's patron saint
22. Hawaiian scene
23. Occupied a chair
24. Joins
25. Thing; law
26. High musical
27. Chinese pagoda
28. Scatter
29. Pungent condiment
30. In whatever place
31. River mussel
32. High musical
33. Cover the inside
34. Porry
35. Secondary

TAB TROPE TED
AWA RAVEN EXE
MAT OPERA APE
PSALM RUBS ER
AH ABET LORN
IDOL REMISS
PRO NAPE EDIT
EEL ETAPE EVE
AMID EWER REP
RETARD ARES
MERE SLAG RA
AB TACT NOSES
RED MOULT OAT
ERI ELMER ATE
ASP REPAY PAR

Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle

1. Not so much
2. Command: archaic
3. Sharp points
4. A drug

5. Gathers
6. Hastened
7. Part of a flower
8. Trouble
9. Slighting remark
10. Character in Gyn't
11. Twilled silk fabric
12. Looking shyly
13. Understand
14. Temper
15. Move
16. Oil of rose petals; variant
17. Throat; poello
18. The sweet sop
19. Children's napkins
20. Ward
21. Fencing sword
22. Debased Irish coins
23. Case
24. Roman priests
25. Cylindrical
26. Hardens
27. East Indian weight
28. Early theologian
29. Take for one's own
30. Cleaning implement
31. Source of water
32. Exclamation
33. Contend

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DAN DUNN — SECRET OPERATIVE 48

GOOD NIGHT, MR. HAWK! IT HAS BEEN A VERY INTERESTING EVENING!

THANKS, MR. DUNN! MISS BLAIR AND I HOPE TO SEE MORE OF YOU!

JOAN, MY SWEET! I DO NOT APPROVE OF YOUR NEW FRIENDS!

I—I'M SORRY IVAN!

WE MUST BE MORE CAREFUL, MUSTN'T WE?—YOUR—AH—WELL BEING IS VERY PRECIOUS TO ME!

YES, IVAN!

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Social and Personal

Miss Sybil Gurganus and Miss Maxine Hall who have been spending the Christmas holidays with their mother and sister, Mrs. O. T. White of Elizabeth City, have returned to their home on Ayden, Route one. They have as their guest Miss Carolyn White to Elizabeth City.

Sgt. Elmer M. Cox of Camp Atterbury, Ind., has been spending the holidays with his wife and little daughter, Brenda Carol, and parents. He will report to duty January 4.

Miss Lena Mildred Boyd and Miss Lewellyn Mills have returned to Washington, D. C., after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Mills. Miss Mary Elizabeth Clark accompanied them to Washington for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Angstadt who have been visiting Mrs. Virginia Perkins, have returned to their home in Rahoboth, Del.

Earl Bright, seaman first class of the Coast Guard, and Mrs. Bright have returned to Portland, Maine, after spending the holidays with their parents, Mrs. S. N. Baker of Route 2, Greenville, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Spear of Washington, D. C.

Miss Evelyn D. Cox, who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Uran Cox, Route 3, Greenville, will return to Montreat College, Asheville, January 5.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cheatham and children have returned from Wilson and Raleigh, where they spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Brown and children, Mary Jane and Jimmie, who have been spending the holidays with Rev. Brown's mother, Mrs. Wiley Brown, have returned to their home in Parkton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed E. Rawl have returned from Jacksonville, Fla., where they spent the Christmas holidays with their son, seaman second class Ed E. Rawl, Jr., who is stationed at the naval base there.

Ensign Wiley Brown, who recently received his commission at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., left this morning after spending the holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Wiley Brown.

Mrs. Sherman Parks and daughter, Joan, are ill with influenza at their home on Pitt street.

Pfc. W. M. Swindell, manager of Five Points Food Store, who is stationed at Camp Lee, Va., spent yesterday and today in the city with his family.

Pvt. Adrian E. Brown of Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif., who has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Wiley Brown, left for Parkton this morning, where he is spending the remainder of his furlough with his parents.

Mrs. Laura Caton of Winterville, Route one, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Hall, Ayden, Route one.

The "Twelve Belles" entertained at a Christmas dance given Tuesday night, December 28, from 10 to 12 o'clock, at the Greenville Country Club. Approximately two hundred guests, including a large number of out-of-town people, attended the dance.

The club house was gaily decorated with bells, symbolic of the club, and Christmas greens. Delicious refreshments consisting of punch, cakes, sandwiches, and hors d'oeuvres were served.

The "Twelve Belles" are Peggy Rose Smith, Shirley Savage, Mary Ann Duncan, Sara Frances Williams, Betsy Heilen, Helen Aman, Joyce Corbett, Charlotte Robertson, Ruby Moye, Lib Kittrell, Peggy Mitchell and Betsy Nobles.

Mrs. Harris Improving. Friends of Mrs. W. C. Harris will be glad to learn that she is improving following a recent attack of influenza.

Library Closes Tomorrow. Sheppard Memorial Library will be closed on Saturday, January 1.

Inter Se Club To Meet. The Inter Se Club will meet on Tuesday at 3:30 with Mrs. William Taft.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
December 31, 1903

W. J. Turnage is sick.
E. B. Higgs left this morning for Baltimore.
Last day of the year.
Be ready for the bill collector.
Don't get alarmed if the bells ring at midnight.

Of course farmers will decrease the acreage of tobacco, but the price of cotton will have more to do with it than the price of tobacco.

Kiwanians Meet Tonight. New officers will be installed at the Kiwanis Club's weekly supper meeting at the Olde Towne Inn this evening at 6:30. W. J. Bundy succeeds Joe Taft as president. Don H. Conley, lieutenant-governor of Division 7 of the Carolinas Kiwanis District, will preside over the installation exercises.

To Preach At Holiness Church. Rev. Henry Speight, Jr., will preach at the Pentecostal Holiness Church on the Washington highway, Sunday night at 8 o'clock. The public is invited.

Promoted. Port Jackson, S. C., Dec. 31.—The promotion of 22 enlisted men of the 95th General Hospital from private to private first class was announced today at Port Jackson.

BELL ARTHUR NEWS

Misses Marjorie Jones and Josie Crawford of Washington, D. C., spent Tuesday with their grandmother, Mrs. Verna Crawford.

Mrs. Gilbert Davis and son, Gilbert, Jr., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Koger and children of Portsmouth, Va., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Bessie McArthur and Mr. and Mrs. Mack G. Smith.

Mrs. Nelson Hunsucker of Winterville, visited her mother, Mrs. Verna Crawford, Tuesday.

Miss Lucy Blanche Strickland of Greenville, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McArthur and family spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Dilda near Fountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and son of Kelly, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Strickland.

Miss Helen Willoughby of E. C. T. C. Misses Edith Tyson and Beulah Rasberry and Gilbert Davis, Jr., of A. C. C., are home for the holidays.

Price Increase. Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The OPA announced today that cotton warehousemen in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia may increase their maximum charges 10 per cent for the period through July 31, 1944, for services in the storage and handling of cotton.

SOMEWHERE IN ITALY ON GUARD

A thousand stars to guide my path
A moon of silver light.
My thoughts are with you darling
As I walk my post at night.

My shoulder bears a rifle
My helmet domes my head.
I think of joys we've shared together
With every step I tread.

Now my post is over
With time for little sleep.
A prayer or two and then
Into my dreams you creep.

Written by Pvt. Cecil E. Daniels.
A.S.N. 14018342, Co. H, 15th Inf.
A.P.O. No. 3, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Pvt. Daniels would like to hear from friends in Greenville. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daniels, 1405 Broad St., Greenville, N. C.

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TONIGHT

7:00—News.
7:15—The Johnson Family, MBS.
7:30—To Be Announced.
7:45—To Be Announced.
8:00—Dr. Ennett.
8:15—Waltz Time.
8:30—Music You Love.
8:55—You and Uncle Sam.
9:00—Gabriel Heatter, MBS.
9:15—Grace Fields, MBS.
9:30—Double or Nothing, MBS.
10:00—News.
10:15—1100 Club.
10:30—1100 Club.
10:45—To Be Announced.
11:00—News.
11:05—Sign Off.

BLONDIE — By Chic Young

She Should Also Do That To His Shoes.



Hitler Delivers New Year Speech

London, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler grimly told the German people in a new year's message today that "in this year there will be no victors and losers but merely survivors and annihilated."

"We realize that this is a merciless struggle in which the question is to be, or not to be, and therefore must and unfortunately will be countered by us in the same merciless manner," said the message as broadcast from Berlin.

Hitler's cheerless greeting to the home front began with the familiar charge that Germany had the war thrust upon her, and then turned into a hymn of hate against England with this new twist: Britain has lost her balance of power position and is at the mercy of her allies. He said the British had forgotten that only Bolshevism could profit from the war.

Peru is constructing a steel plant with an annual capacity of 140,000 tons of steel ingots and 110,000 tons of pig iron.

HERE'S QUICK RELIEF IF NOSE CLOGS TONIGHT
Try 3-purposes V-a-tro-nol. It (1) shrinks swollen membranes, (2) soothes irritation, (3) relieves transient nasal congestion... And brings greater breathing comfort. VICKS-V-A-TRO-NOL. You'll like it! Follow directions in folder. V-A-TRO-NOL.

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MACARONI 8-oz. pkg. **5c**

1 Brown Point per Tall Can—White House
Evap. Milk 4 tall cans **35c**

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MARVEL Bread lge. 1 1-2 lb. loaf **11c**

MILD and MELLOW COFFEE
8 O'CLOCK 3 1-lb. bags **59c**

GRADE A VEAL

Ground Beef, 6 points lb. 27c
Round Steak, 10 points lb. 42c
Rib Veal Chops, 7 points lb. 38c
Loin Veal Chops, 8 points lb. 40c
Shoulder Veal Chops, 5 points lb. 27c

FRESH PORK

Center Cut Pork Chops, 7 points lb. 37c
Fresh Pork Ham, 4 points lb. 31c
Fresh Pork Side Meat, 2 points lb. 26c
Boston Butts, 3 points lb. 34c

CURED MEATS

Armour's Star Ham, skinned, whole, 5 points lb. 35c
Smoked Picnic Shoulders, 2 points lb. 30c
Thick White Fat Back, 1 point lb. 18c

NO POINTS

Fresh Neckbones lb. 9c
Pork Brains lb. 21c
Fryers, Dressed and Drawn lb. 53c
Hens, Dressed and Drawn lb. 46c

Celery, extra fancy, stalk 19c

Green Beans, tender, lb. 15c

Lettuce, large size, head 15c

Tomatoes, firm ripe, ctn. 25c

Oranges, nice size, doz. 29c

Cabbage, fresh green, lb. 5c

Irish Potatoes, U.S. No. 1, 10 lbs. 39c

Lemons, nice size, doz. 28c

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FOR SALE—ONE MAN'S AND one lady's pre-war bicycle. Reasonably priced. One large size Frigil oil heater, in good condition. Reasonably priced. Phone 2776. 30-21

WANTED—ONE CHILD'S OUT-door playhouse. Call Reflector office. 30-21

WANTED—USED OIL HEATER in good condition. Phone 2691. 30-31

FOR RENT—DOWNSTAIRS apartment. Located 1106 Dickinson Ave. See J. W. Higgs. 30-11

NO CERTIFICATE REQUIRED FOR RECAPING TRUCK TIRES
SUTTON TIRE RE-TRADING COMPANY
Wade St. Dial 3834

FOR SALE—BIG COAL ENTERPRISE circulator, used very little. Old Forbes, Stokes, N. C. 30-31

SEED RYE, \$2.00 PER BU. SEED oats, barley, rye grass, Austrian winter peas, vetch. Can supply a feed for your poultry, dairy and livestock. Dial's Hatchery, Ayden, N. C. 23-11

CASH FOR CORN—WOODROW Worthington will buy your corn or shell it, also grind your feeds all kinds—hay, beans, corn, etc. Woodrow Worthington, Cor. an. Hammett Mill, east of city limits of Winterville, N. C. Residence phone 3624-6. 3-11

SEE KEEL SUPPLY CO. FOR your Priddy Fertilizers needs, at Keel's Warehouse, Dial 4046. 10-11

FOR QUICK SALE—272 ACRES of woods land, with 10 acres cleared. Priced at \$2,000 now in order to move immediately. Dial 3728. J. B. Oakley & Son. 18-11

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Grain Market

Chicago, Dec. 31—(AP)—A heavy buying movement upon the part of mills pushed all wheat contracts into new seasonal high territory today, gains extending to more than three cents a bushel in the September delivery at one time. It was the sharpest daily advance in many months.

Final prices were about a cent under the day's highs. Wheat closed 1 1/2-2 1/2 higher. May \$1.89 1/4-1/2, oats were up 1/4-1/2. May 78 1/2-1/2, rye was ahead 9-11. May \$1.27 1/2-1/2, and barley was up 1 cent. May \$1.22 1/2-1/2.

Hog Market

Raleigh, Dec. 31—(AP)—(NCDA)—Hog markets steady with tops of 13.85 at Richmond and 13.55 at Rocky Mount.

Poultry and Eggs

Raleigh, Dec. 31—(AP)—(NCDA)—Egg and poultry markets steady to weak.
Raleigh—U. S. grade A large 42¢ hews, all weights, 23 to 25.
Washington—U. S. grade A large 47¢ broilers and fryers 28 1/2 to 30.

New York Cotton

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 5 cents a bale lower to 15 cents higher.
Noon values were 20 to 30 cents a bale lower, Mch. 19.71, May 19.40, July 19.14.

Futures closed 35 to 60 cents a bale lower.

	Open	Close	Prv. Cl.
Mch.	19.75	19.08	19.75
May	19.44	19.35	19.45
July	19.19	19.07	19.19
Oct. (new)	18.92	18.83	18.91
Dec. (new)	18.81	18.71	18.78

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N. Y. Stock Market

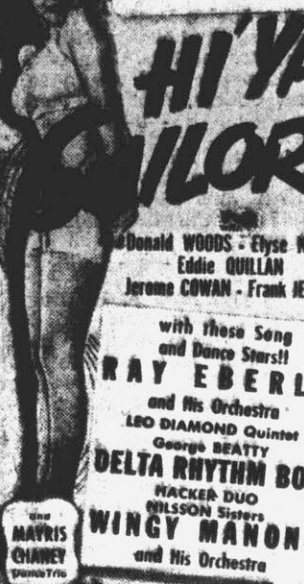
New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—The stock market today stepped out of its best year since 1928 with slightly mixed tendencies due to profit taking on Thursday's broad rally. Volume was around 1,000,000 shares.

FINAL STOCKS	
Al Chem and Dye	148
Allegany	2 1/4
Adis Chal Mig	38 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	186 1/2
Am Tob B	57 1/2
Anacosta	24 1/2
A C L	25 1/2
All Ref	25 1/2
Aviat Corp	3 1/2
Baldwin	20 1/4
B and O	6 1/2
Bendix Aviat	34 1/2
Beth Stl	56 1/2
Boeing Airpl	29
Borden	6
Buda Mig	29 1/4
Burl Mills	12 1/2
Bur Add Mach	12 1/2
Chrysler	81 1/2
Coca-Cola	113 1/2
Coml Credit	38
Coml Solv	14 1/2
Cont Can	3 1/2
Curtiss Wright	43 1/2
Doug Air	139 1/2
Dupont	39 1/2
Firestone	36 1/2
Gen Elec	41 1/2
Gen Foods	52 1/2
Gen Mot	42 1/2
Goodrich	38 1/2
Goodyear	72
Int Harvest	12 1/2
Int Tel and Tel	84 1/2
Johns Man	87 1/2
Ligg and Myers B	87 1/2
Loews	88 1/2
Lorillard	17 1/2
Mont Ward	45 1/2
Nash Kelv	12 1/2

Nat Bts 20 1/2
Nat Cash Reg 20 1/2
N Y Cent 10 1/2
No Am Aviat 8 1/2
Packard 3 1/2
Pafain Pix 23 1/2

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Penn RR	26 1/2
Pepsi Cola	61 1/2
Pullman	37 1/2
Pure Oil	16 1/2
Radio	9 1/2
Rep Stl	17 1/2
Reynolds B	28
Sears	20 1/2
Sou Ry	20 1/2
Std Brands	29 1/2
Std Oil N J	54 1/2
Stewart Warner	17 1/2
Swift	27 1/2
Tex Co	48
Un Carb	79 1/2
Unit Air	27
Unit Corp	1 1/4
Unit Drug	14
US Rub	43 1/2
US Smelt and Ref	54
US Steel	51
Vanadium	18 1/2
Vick Chem	21 1/2
Va Cato Chem	12 1/2
Warner Pic	12 1/2
Western Un A	42 1/2
West El and Mig	94 1/2
Woolworth	36 1/2

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