

Hitler's V-Weapons No Joke To Boys At Front

They Want To Know When Our Superior 'Doodle' Will Be Put Into Use; Want To Hear Sound Of Rockets Traveling In Direction Of Enemy.

By WES GALLAGHER With the American Ninth Army, Dec. 21—(Delayed)—(AP)—American troops being pounded by Adolf Hitler's V-weapons want to know when we are going to start tossing a few flying bombs back at the Germans.

"If we build better flying bombs than the Nazis why aren't we using them?" is the way one soldier put it after reading a story in the Yank newspaper "Stars and Stripes" to the effect that the American "doodle" is better than the Germans' V-bomb.

American fighting men know the German secret weapons are no toys and cannot be dismissed with a shrug. Arguments that the weapons are indiscriminate do not impress the man in a foxhole, who may stop anything from a machinegun slug to a 14-ton rocket.

To him it is all a question of accuracy. The rifle is more accurate than artillery, and artillery is more accurate than the flying bomb. But all have their place.

During recent weeks American and British troops in rear areas have been attacked by V-1's, V-2's and the latest V-weapon—which has been likened to heavy artillery. American troops who hear them droning overhead toward rear areas would like very much to hear them going the other way.

It is now no secret that flying bombs attacked upon London came close to disrupting that great city's life than the 1940 air blitz ever did. The German attempt failed only because the Nazis did not have the air force to protect their bases and eventually had them over-run.

One of the main objectives of the American air forces is to choke Germany by death by parachute. As a result of the Ruhr campaign, the Ruhr certainly is no closer to our ground forces than it was three months ago. (Continued on page four)

Our Sincere Best Wishes

With this issue we suspend publication until Tuesday afternoon.

Before taking this holiday, however, we wish to acknowledge with thanks the support we have received from the people of this community during the year that is now drawing to a close. We wish for each and every one of you as happy a Christmas season as is possible under present world conditions, when so many of our young men and women are far from home carrying on the struggle to rid the world of the evil of aggression and make it a better place in which to live.

In extending greetings we hope that in the days to come your faith in Him, whose birthday we are about to celebrate, will give you strength for every duty, courage to face every trial, and comfort in whatever sorrow that may fall your lot.

SAYS CHARTER STILL VALID

Roosevelt Declares Objectives of Document Still Stand.

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—President Roosevelt asserted today he thought "the objectives of the Atlantic charter are as valid as when they were announced in 1941."

He permitted direct quotation on that point during a news conference discussion of the charter—which he said Tuesday never existed as a formal document.

A reporter had remarked that some people thought the charter was losing its purposes or was slipping away and that he would "like to hear what the President thinks."

The President would have preferred to think it over for a while, Mr. Roosevelt replied, but he said that through the years certain documents had seemed to maintain a good deal of importance, some affecting public thinking on objectives of a better world.

The objectives of the Atlantic (Continued on Page Four)

WAR IS BACK IN BELGIUM

Natives Follow Trend of Battle With Mixed Emotions.

By HAL BOYLE In American Occupied Belgium, Dec. 20—(Delayed)—(AP)—This is Belgium today, with her tidy industrial towns and rolling hills once again threatened by German attack.

You can see the fear of the Teuton in almost every eye. Women, young girls and old men cheer and wave to each troop truck and tank moving toward the front. When a convoy is headed the other way they glance at each other with mute, questioning looks that seem to ask without words, "have the Germans broken through?"

Belgian civilians cluster together on every street corner in a village near the fighting zone. Where the lone combat columns halt momentarily, someone calls out in broken English, "Zee battle! How goes it? Better, yes?"

In most cases the troops just shake their heads silently without answering. They have been warned of spies and enemy agents who might be trying to pick up information this way.

Yet the one thing that amazes you is how speedily word of a German advance gets around. Each group of gossippers has a hundred unconfirmed rumors—but on the other hand, sometimes they chat with astonishing knowledge of military events which are taking place 75 miles away. It makes you wonder how any battle secret can be kept. All Belgium is an ear—and a voice spreading rumors.

The troops have lost much of the boyish exuberance with which they chased the Germans across Belgium three months ago. They ride to battle now with grim and serious faces. There is little talk now of how soon the war will end, and jests about "home by Christmas" bring only tired smiles.

Children still stand by the roadside shouting "Allo," but the showers of chewing gum and candy are few now. The troops are too preoccupied. At one intersection a small Belgian boy playing soldier struts past carrying a wooden sword and wearing the inner lining of an American helmet.

The roads are grimy and muddy and filled with endless traffic. They are lined again with groups of frightened refugees. Everyone curses the weather because it keeps Allied air power from smashing at enemy transport and troop concentrations. Many shopkeepers board up their windows and close shop. Some soldiers snatch kisses from Belgian girl friends before their unit pulls out. They kiss openly and no one (Continued on page four)

U. S. Building An Economic Empire

London, Dec. 22—(AP)—The New Statesman and Nation today accused the United States of adopting an uncooperative attitude in such world matters as civil aviation and "marking out for itself a sphere of influence as alarming to other nations as any past colonial frontiers."

The article is a parallel with Britain in the 19th century, the weekly said. "The United States is building an economic empire while denouncing on the highest principles all the vices of imperialism."

Businesses Will Observe Holiday

By CHESTER WALSH With Christmas coming on Monday this year the banks, county and city offices and many business places will be closed Tuesday after Christmas, providing a three-day Yuletide holiday.

The county offices at the courthouse closed last night and will reopen next Wednesday morning. The city offices will close at noon today and reopen Wednesday morning. The Water and Light Commission offices will be open Tuesday for the convenience of the public.

The Guaranty Bank and Trust Company and its Dickinson Avenue branch and the State Bank and Trust Company will be closed Monday and Tuesday for a state banking holiday.

The postoffice will be open all day today. It will be closed Monday—Christmas Day. Only special delivery and box mail will be handled Monday.

The County Agriculture Department and Health Department offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday. The War Price and Rationing Board will close at noon today and will be closed all day Monday—Christmas day. It will reopen Tuesday morning.

Christmas 1944

Dear Folks: I see the sparkling Christmas tree at home, The decorations hung with wistful care, And know that as you fastened each in place, You wished (as much as I) that I was there.

But as the family is gathering To celebrate this holy Christmastide, I, too, will be engrossed in contemplation Of the Star, still serving as a guide.

For duty's call has brought me overseas And I will stay until the job is done; But we who serve a road have come to know Preserving our traditions can be fun.

And so you bravely trim the tree at home, And I can see it, though we're far apart, For through improvisations over here I feel its warm reflection in my heart.

T-4 Alice E. Hesse, Allied Forces Headquarters, Italy.

Local Legion Post Is Looking To The Future

Approves Military Training Program; Asks Public Aid In Erection Of Permanent Legion Home.

Pitt County Post No. 39 of the American Legion held its regular monthly meeting at the Third Street Club House, Tuesday night.

The meeting was presided over by the Commander James R. Worsley. After a fine steak supper, which received consuming attention from the legionnaires present, the meeting was called to order. The post adopted a resolution calling upon the county board of health to provide for the erection of a permanent legion home.

The meeting also took up the matter of a Legion home here in Greenville, expressing the sentiment that something should be done now that our returning service men should have a home or club where they can go and feel that it is their own. The post has accumulated some funds for this purpose, but realizing that it would take considerably more money than such funds afforded, it was decided to call upon the general public for any contributions that might be offered.

The post was advised by a tax expert present, that such contributions could be deducted from income tax returns. With the foregoing in view, the Commander appointed a committee consisting of J. Hicks Corey, chairman, and Paul A. Scott and S. A. Whitehurst, to get busy and receive all contributions possible. Any one desiring to make such a contribution need not wait to be called upon, but may take or send contributions to the offices of J. Hicks Corey, Paul A. Scott and James R. Worsley. It is but to remind the folk of Pitt county, that the service men and women, come from just a chosen few—do your duty by them.

SALES MAKE JOBS

Quizzes CIO's Demand For More "Shops"

Babson Park, Mass., Dec. 22—When Vice President Wallace spoke to the CIO convention in Chicago he gave "small business" a big hand. This drew another big hand from the conventioners. Said by in substance: "After the war, this country eventually must provide 60,000,000 jobs. To promote employment, I urge that a man of ambition and ideas find a shack in an alley, start up a business, and hire workers."

Mr. Wallace further asked for tax relief for the little man with the big idea. Although constructive in intent, Mr. Wallace's talk stopped for short of the core of the trouble. When the unemployment crisis emerges—three years, say after war ends—why more "shops"? The need will be not for more inside shops but for more outside salesmen. Small businesses rent stores but they do not make jobs.

Shortage of salesmen will be the reef on which some of Mr. Wallace's cleverest mechanics may fall apart. Apparently some of the employment analysts invite disillusionment if they believe that every expert tool-maker can take his patent or project and shoeing it into a fast-growing, heavily-pay-rolled industry. The mechanical genius normally is an indifferent business man or silver. He can hold to the thousandth of an inch more readily than the hundredth of a dollar. My friend Thomas A. Edison was somewhat of an inventor. He used to tell me: "Babson, it takes more to get an idea rolling than to get the idea."

Bumper Harvests Grow From Seed-Corn I would be the last to disparage humble beginners. My own business activities originated 40 years ago in the kitchen of a cottage on a narrow street in a quiet village; but the growth was very slow. Most business employers of labor today treasure faded photographs of the modest buildings where the enterprise began. But the men who created these industries spent their time outside selling on the road, not inside waiting for customers. Also, may we remember what U. S. failure statistics show.

With all goodwill toward aspiring founders, the evidence compiled by the credit reporting agencies proves the frailty of lone-man ventures. There are long years of battling before the corner is reached and the enterprise can provide employment for others. Backed by resources and reserves, well-placed salesmen with a free-swinging career—and a breadth of accomplishment—impossible for the average hand-to-mouth, cased proprietor. Ostensibly the proprietor is his own boss and working for himself. In truth, he may be the unregistered employee of his creditors. He may be paying a ceiling price for his tin badge of independence.

Hats off to every ambitious auto repair shop and newsstand. We need such. Nonetheless, employment stems from sales and more sales and still more sales. This is true whether the enterprise is a hole-in-the-wall or a Willow Run. Tax relief will aid. Less interference, you recall that failures were high even back when tax levies were low. Moreover, the first essential of taxation is to have something to tax. That something originates from outside salesmen—who also have their "big idea," namely, the power and inspiration of teamwork.

Mechanics Vs. Economies Therefore, as a statistician grounded in the records, I insist that a step-up of merchandising efficiency is the most hopeful answer to the question of how a man can help most to create 60,000,000 jobs. Furthermore, this likewise answers the query: What is the best preparation for those who want to have a business of their own? It is to become an outside salesman for an established concern.

German Winter Offensive Penetrates Forty Miles

URGES ALL TO STICK TO JOBS

President Says Production Is Best Way To Help Armed Forces.

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today the best way fighting men could be assisted on the home front is by people sticking to jobs which maintain the steady output of needed supplies.

Mr. Roosevelt began a news conference by declaring that several persons had asked him to say how Americans at home in this Christmas season can most help the fighting forces.

Then he read this brief statement: "We can best help the Christmas season of our fighting men if we carry on our respective tasks, doing the things which will contribute to winning the war at the earliest possible moment."

"Therefore, I urge that each of us resolve to keep on the job and maintain the steady output of supplies needed by our men on the fighting fronts."

The President also asserted that his financial budget for the 1946 fiscal year was coming along toward completion, but he said the new Nazi offensive in Belgium had not caused changes in it.

The budget, Mr. Roosevelt declared, has to be based on assumptions that the war will last a certain time and that is being worked out now. He added parenthetically that he was one of the few persons that had not made a prediction as to when the war would end.

Mr. Roosevelt had nothing to add on plans for another Roosevelt-Churchill-Stalin meeting. He said Tuesday that time of a get-together was highly speculative.

A reporter said that a congressman back from the front had said American forces twice had been so shy of ammunition that it gave the enemy a chance to build up the drive against them in Europe.

It depends, the President commented, on which congressman you talk to and which paper you write for.

Mr. Roosevelt was asked whether there was anything at all he could tell the press about the war situation. He didn't think so. It would be only the expression of one individual's opinion, he said, who does not know much more than the press about conditions. He indicated his latest dispatches from Paris carried through only Tuesday or Wednesday.

Secretary Of State Presents His Aides Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—Top men in the State Department dug into their own pockets to put on the rally yesterday at which Secretary Stettinius introduced his new "team" of assistants to department employees.

Stettinius himself underwrote the check for about \$500 to hire Constitution Hall for the gathering, first of its kind in State Department history.

Officials said a collection will be taken up among Stettinius' highest aides to help share the bill.

Phone Operators Threaten Strike New York, Dec. 22—(AP)—Formal notice of the strike vote of long distance telephone operators here was approved today by the executive board of the Federation of Long Lines Telephone Workers (LTL), which will forward the notice to Washington. These operators are employees of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

C. T. Deats, vice president of the federation, said the notice was sent by its New York City local, 98.3 per cent of whose members voted in favor of a strike to obtain a \$5 weekly wage increase.

Under the terms of the Smith-Connally act, the local must wait 30 days from the day government agencies receive the strike notice, and then vote again with balloting arranged by the labor board.

The local claims 3,700 members among the 6,000 long distance operators in the New York City area. Meanwhile, a strike vote among 12,000 employees of the New York Telephone Company, including long distance operators, has been ordered by the general executive committee of the Traffic Employees Association (T.E.A.).

WEATHER

Extended forecast for the Carolinas through Monday: Cold through the period, quite cold Saturday and Sunday. Some light snow in mountains about Monday.

To Be Honored

Lt. Preston C. Clark, U. S. Army Field Artillery, who was killed in action in Germany on November 17 will be honored at memorial services at Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church, Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

Lt. Clark was the son of Mrs. Georgia Clark and the late G. A. Clark of this city.



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YANKS POUND JAP FORCES

Japan Alerted For New Possible Allied Thrusts.

By The Associated Press American forces hammered the last escape port of the Japanese on Leyte Island, took another Superfortress crack at Nagoya and sent the enemy on the alert for possible Allied action deeper in the Philippines and on the China coast, Pacific war dispatches reported yesterday.

Palompon, west coast Leyte port through which defeated Japanese on that island must pass to escape Yank arms was brought under U. S. artillery fire Thursday, General Douglas MacArthur announced.

Japanese fighters attacked U. S. positions on Mindoro Island, possible jumping-off place for a drive on Manila, 150 miles to the north, or on the China coast, 900 miles to the west. Nine of the fighters were shot down. Liberators, possibly operating from Mindoro, raided Japanese airbases on Panay, Negros, Cebu and Masbate Islands.

B-29s from Saipan bombed the Japanese aircraft manufacturing city yesterday (Friday Japanese time) through an overcast and ran into heavy anti-aircraft as well as heavy fighter opposition.

It was Nagoya's third raid in the last 10 days. The Japanese radio said the Superfortress did little damage, that about 100 of the big planes appeared and 10 of them were shot down. (Continued on page eight)

Von Rundstedt's Forces Burst Through Luxembourg And Swing South; Important Belgium Road Center Of Bastogne By-passed; Drive Apparently Slowing.

Paris, Dec. 22—(AP)—Supreme headquarters disclosed tonight that the German winter offensive burst through Luxembourg Wednesday while a field dispatch reported that fighting was spreading far south through Belgium to the area of Arlon, only 10 miles from the French border and 40 miles due east of historic Sedan.

(Late German broadcasts said for the first time that a fierce attack from the south by Lt. Gen. Patton's Third Army today "succeeded in slowing the advance and that the brunt of the fighting had shifted to the flank.")

Associated Press correspondent Edward D. Ball disclosed for the first time that the Belgium road center of Bastogne had been by-passed and that fighting was raging near Arlon 22 miles south.

Main roads leading north, south and east from Bastogne were cut and one force stabbed 10 miles northwest to La Roche, on the Ourthe river.

(Ball's dispatches filed at 2:30 p. m. (EWT) today—referred to much the same territory as that covered in the Supreme Headquarters' announcement and it was not clear whether his developments were later than those released in Paris.)

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Belgians Told To Flee From Homes

London, Dec. 22—(AP)—An enemy radio station began broadcasting to Belgians today, urging them to leave their homes.

Obviously intended to complicate the Allies' military task by jamming the roads with civilians, as in 1940, the announcer told the Belgians: "Leave your homes and flee. German armies are using horrifying new weapons. Not a single human being will remain alive in sectors where these weapons will be used."

Goebbels To Speak London, Dec. 22—(AP)—A Berlin broadcast said today that Joseph Goebbels, Reich Plenipotentiary for Mobilization, would speak by radio to the German people at 8 p. m. Christmas eve (4 p. m. Eastern War Time).

Secretary State Makes Report On Activities

By THAD EURE Secretary of State (Written for the Associated Press) Raleigh, Dec. 22—(AP)—The federal absentee war ballot act occasioned the greatest volume of work in the secretary of state's office for the year 1944. The secretary of state is charged with the responsibility of administering the federal war ballot law in North Carolina and in this connection that office handled more than 130,000 pieces of mail. We communicated with more than 60,000 North Carolinians in service stationed in all parts of the world, advising them of their rights and privileges with reference to voting under both federal and state laws.

It is believed that no member of the armed services from North Carolina, possessing voting qualifications, can truthfully say that he or she did not have full and ample opportunity and privilege to participate in elections in this state during 1944. The department is especially pleased with the part it played in making this picture possible.

During the year the department has checked the legal requirements for filing and has accepted, recorded and issued certificates to more than 1,000 corporations in connection with their being organized, amended or dissolved. Innumerable record certificates have been issued to these and other corporations for the purpose of meeting various requirements imposed by wartime regulations.

Foreign corporations have domesticated during the year with an aggregate capital stock structure of more than \$240,000,000, while withdrawals have been negligible.

During the year, trademark registrations, land grants and occupational work as well as publications activity have all maintained their status quo. Notwithstanding the shortage of labor and materials, the department is proceeding with the issuance of the most comprehensive state manual in its entire history. It may be referred to as an encyclopedia for the state. The demand for current manuals is greater than that for any other publication of the state government, completely justifying its gradual general enlargement.

In administering the state securities law during the year, an aggregate of \$2,000,000 in securities has met the requirements of law and the rules of the department and been registered for sale in North Carolina. The total sales of registered and exempt securities made during the year by dealers and salesmen registered by the department exceeds \$100,000,000. Stringent rules and regulations have been promulgated to safeguard and check the ever-present temptation and fraudulent plans in the minds of unscrupulous promoters, and full cooperation on the part of the state's dealers and salesmen is evidenced.

Fewer violations are recorded and it is believed that less fraud is perpetrated upon the investing public in North Carolina than in any other state in the nation.

War Casts Somber Note Over Christmas Season

By CHESTER WALSH Christmas is a prelude to the end of another year. The approach of the holiday season inspires a review of events of the passing year. Christmas is a time of good cheer—a period for reminiscing over the things that have been done and the many things left undone in the every-day life of the average individual.

This Christmas will be the third Yuletide season since the country went to war in December, 1941. "Peace on earth and good will to all men" and "I bring you tidings of great joy" messages that came from that first Christmas in Bethlehem nearly 2,000 years ago, are but a faint echo now over a war-ravaged world while millions of people are being killed and wounded and starved.

"Merry Christmas" to the millions of men on the battlefronts is a hollow sound. And likewise it has little emphasis for those at home, and those who have been wounded in battle. Nearly 10,000,000 Americans are in uniform and away from home this Christmas. Many will not return; many will come back crippled for life.

Aside from war's tragedies and sorrows our people have much to be thankful for at this Yuletide season. The farmers of this country were blessed with bumper crops the past season and they received more money for the harvest than ever before. Business and industry, in spite of rationing and attempted

price regulation, has had one of its most prosperous years. As income tax returns will show next March, wage earners have been better paid for their services and they are enjoying unusual prosperity. Generally speaking, money is more abundant than merchandise. The banks have had the best year in a generation. All kinds of investments have been profitable. The people have oversubscribed the Sixth War Loan, including the "E" bond quota. State, county and city authorities report better tax collections than in years. There have been very few business failures. The health of the people of this country is excellent and contagious diseases have been at a minimum.

The people of Pitt County have been generous in sharing their prosperity with worthy community enterprises. The USO, Red Cross, Salvation Army, and other agencies have received ample funds to carry on the good work. The various civic, fraternal and other organizations have "gone down the Jericho road" in the role of the Good Samaritan and bestowed their benevolences here and there to provide comfort and good cheer. The churches and schools have cooperated harmoniously with other agencies in looking after the welfare of the unfortunate and underprivileged.

The approach of the end of this one of the most profitable years of our history, should inspire us all to (Continued on Page Four)

Social and Personal

Miss Joyce Corbett, who is a student at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Va., is spending the holidays at her home in Greenville.

Miss Ann Smith, a student at W. C. U. N. C., Greensboro, is home to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Ivey Smith, near Greenville.

Mrs. Jesse Stocks, 1400 Dickinson avenue, is confined to her home with influenza and laryngitis.

Mr. Joe Parkerson and family arrived in Greenville yesterday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mattie Parkerson, 1511 Dickinson avenue.

Phil Moore will arrive from Duke University today to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Doris H. Brown of New York City, is spending the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Brown.

Mr. Ben H. Sumner and son, Michael, of Charlotte, are spending the Christmas holidays with friends in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Walsh will spend the holidays in Kinston with Mrs. Walsh's mother, Mrs. H. V. Hill.

Mr. Reagan Jones will spend the holidays with his family in Lumberton.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bagwell and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Bagwell are spending the holidays with Mrs. Nannie B. Holloman.

Mrs. Mary Moore Dunn will leave tonight to spend Christmas at her home in Pinetops.

Mrs. Leona Manning has accepted a position in Robersonville.

Mrs. Ernest Ramsey will leave Sunday for Martinsville, Va., to make her home.

Mr. John Blair of Atlanta, is spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Puerifoy, J. R. of Concord, will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blair.

Mr. Bob Moffett of Yorktown, Va., will arrive today to join Mrs. Moffett and children, who are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hill Horne.

Mrs. B. E. Pittman will leave today to spend Christmas with her sister in Gatesville.

Miss Maggie Ellis will spend the holidays with her mother in Gatesville.

Capt. Lee Folger, Mrs. Folger and children of Camp Shelby, Miss., are here to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Garrett.

Capt. Fred Haar of Tucson, Ariz., is spending Christmas here with his family.

Brown-Mills.
The marriage of Miss Margaret Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. A. Mills of Greenville, and Mr. Clyde Kimbal Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thomas Brown of Wilmette, Illinois, was solemnized on Tuesday, December 12, at Newport, Arkansas, at 5 o'clock, at the chapel, with Robert J. Calhoun, chaplain, performing the double ring ceremony.

The chapel was beautifully decorated with white chrysanthemums and lavender heather-white tapers were used throughout the chapel. The ushers were Lt. E. W. Turcotte of Irwin River, Mich., Lt. A. G. Gillis of Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia, and Lt. Richard Cartwright of Long Island, N. Y.

Mrs. E. W. Turcotte, formerly Miss Janet Gowen of Greenville, was matron of honor. Her dress was green and she carried an arm bouquet of pink roses.

Mrs. W. C. Hasler was bridesmaid. She wore pink with black accessories and carried an arm bouquet of pink roses.

The bride wore a blue wool dress with gold sequins, with black accessories. Her bouquet was of gardenias.

Lt. W. C. Hasler gave the bride in marriage.

Lt. Brown was attended by Lt. Milton Hall of Hopkinsville, Ky., as best man.

Mrs. Brown is a graduate of the Greenville High School and attended East Carolina Teachers College.

Lt. Brown is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thomas Brown of Wilmette, Illinois. He is a graduate of Wilmette High School and attended Tulane University before entering the Marine Corps. He will be well remembered in Greenville. While stationed here he lived at the home of Mr. Charlie James.

Immediately following the ceremony, Lt. and Mrs. Brown were entertained at a reception at the officers' club in Newport.

After a short wedding trip, the bride and groom will be at home at Newport, Arkansas.

SHARE YOUR SWEETS WITH THE BOYS AT THE USO

Take a plate of fruit, cookies, cake or nuts to the USO to help make the holiday season complete for the boys who are spending Christmas in Greenville.

Forty Years Ago Today

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Merry Christmas to all.
Do not drain the dispensary. That is a poor way to spend Christmas. After Christmas and New Year are over thought will turn to the legislature and its prospective doings.

Leon Pender came home Friday from Trinity College in Durham. A. J. Moore and J. B. James are home from the University at Chapel Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Entertain
Grifton, Dec. 22—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley entertained at a lovely dinner party on Wednesday night at their home here and announced the engagement of their sister, Elizabeth Edwards, to Edward Fleming, the wedding to take place soon. Decorations throughout the home were of green and red, the table where places for twelve were laid was centered with an arrangement of green and red in a silver bowl with candles in silver holders.

A delightful three course dinner was served the following guests: Miss Edwards, Mr. Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Daniel of Kinston, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Miss Grace Humbles, Miss Esther Hardee, Miss Frances Taylor and Mr. R. P. Hendry.

Bridge Shower
Grifton, Dec. 22—Mrs. Joe Hatem and Mrs. Ben G. Tucker entertained at a bridge shower on Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Tucker honoring Miss Audrey Burney whose marriage to M-Sgt. Clarence Hart of Ayden will take place in January.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the home where eight tables were placed for the games. The guests were received by the hostesses and presented to the honoree. Bridge was played progressively with the high scores being held by Mrs. Ned McGlohon, Jr., Miss Burney and the Chinese checker prize went to Miss Peggy Burney.

The guest of honor was also given a corsage and silver and crystal from the hostesses. A shower of lovely gifts from those present were presented also.

Bridal ices, salted nuts and individual cakes were served at the conclusion of the games and during play iced drinks were served.

Guests included Miss Burney, Mrs. McGlohon, Miss Peggy Burney, Mrs. Sam Nelson of Crestview, Fla., Mrs. Clay Burney, Mrs. A. D. Wall, Mrs. Robert McCotter, Mrs. Ivan Bissette, Mrs. L. D. McCotter, Mrs. Robert Mewborn, Mrs. Wiley Gaskins, Mrs. Julius Chauncey, Mrs. Vance Wall, Mrs. George Sugg, Mrs. Cecil Cobb, Mrs. Josh Worthington, Mrs. Elmo Smith, Mrs. Jack Chapman, Mrs. Milton Hart, Mrs. R. A. Nelson, Mrs. Ed Hart, Mrs. Sam Cox, Mrs. H. P. Quinerly.

Mrs. Carey Garris, Mrs. Norwood Lockhart, Mrs. T. J. Williams, Mrs. Toy Jackson, Mrs. Sallie McCotter, Miss Louise Mewborn, Miss Dorothy Glenn Sugg, Miss Betsy Judges, and Miss Audrey Worthington.

Christmas Party
Grifton, Dec. 22—On Thursday night at the teacherage an informal get together was had by members of the faculty, their husbands and wives. A beautiful lighted Christmas tree from which characteristic gifts were drawn caused much merriment. A delicious chicken salad plate with coffee, nuts and candies was served.

Enjoying the affair were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Abbott, Mrs. Adele Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Raspberry, Mrs. Earl Hardison, Miss Grace Humbles, Miss Esther Hardee, Miss Frances Taylor, Miss Bert Johnson, Miss Alice Waller.

Fire Alarm Friday
The fire department responded to three alarms Friday. The first call came from Box 15, Greenville Tobacco Company, when a sprinkler system caused a false alarm. The second alarm was turned in at Box 66 when a spark ignited shingles on Larry James house. There was no damage. The last alarm was from Box 51 for a small blaze in the high school cafeteria which was put out before the firemen arrived.

Whitfield-Wilkerson
Miss Annie Laura Wilkerson of Burlington and Bailey became the bride of Technical Sergeant James Lawrence Whitfield of Greenville and Fort Bragg, on Thursday evening, December 21, at six o'clock in a candlelight ceremony at the home of Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Larkin of Burlington. The double ring ceremony was performed by Mr. Larkin, the bride's pastor.

The bride wore a dress of heavenly blue crepe with sweetheart neckline accented by self-colored lace.

Her hat was of black felt trimmed with blue ostrich tips. She wore a white orchid and her only ornament was a single strand of pearls. Miss Edith Wilkerson of Jonesboro was her sister's only attendant. Her dress was of pale gold crepe identical to that of the bride. She wore a matching hat, and at her shoulder was pinned a natural orchid.

The bridegroom was attended by Vester M. Mulholland of Durham and Chapel Hill, as best man. The bride is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin V. Wilkerson of Bailey. She is a graduate of East Carolina Teachers College and for the past two years has been a member of the faculty of the Burlington City Schools.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Whitfield of Greenville, received his education at East Carolina Teachers College. He served with the Army in Panama for twenty-seven months and since his return to the States has been stationed at Fort Bragg.

For traveling the bride changed to a dressmaker suit of black wool trimmed in silk braid and matching buttons. She wore accessories of winter-white and added a black topcoat on which she pinned her orchid.

After January first, Mrs. Whitfield will resume her position in Burlington and Sergeant Whitfield will return to Fort Bragg.

W. P. Dorn Rites Sunday Afternoon
W. P. (Shorty) Dorn, died Friday morning at the home of Mrs. Ella B. Pate where he and Mrs. Dorn had made their home since October 1.

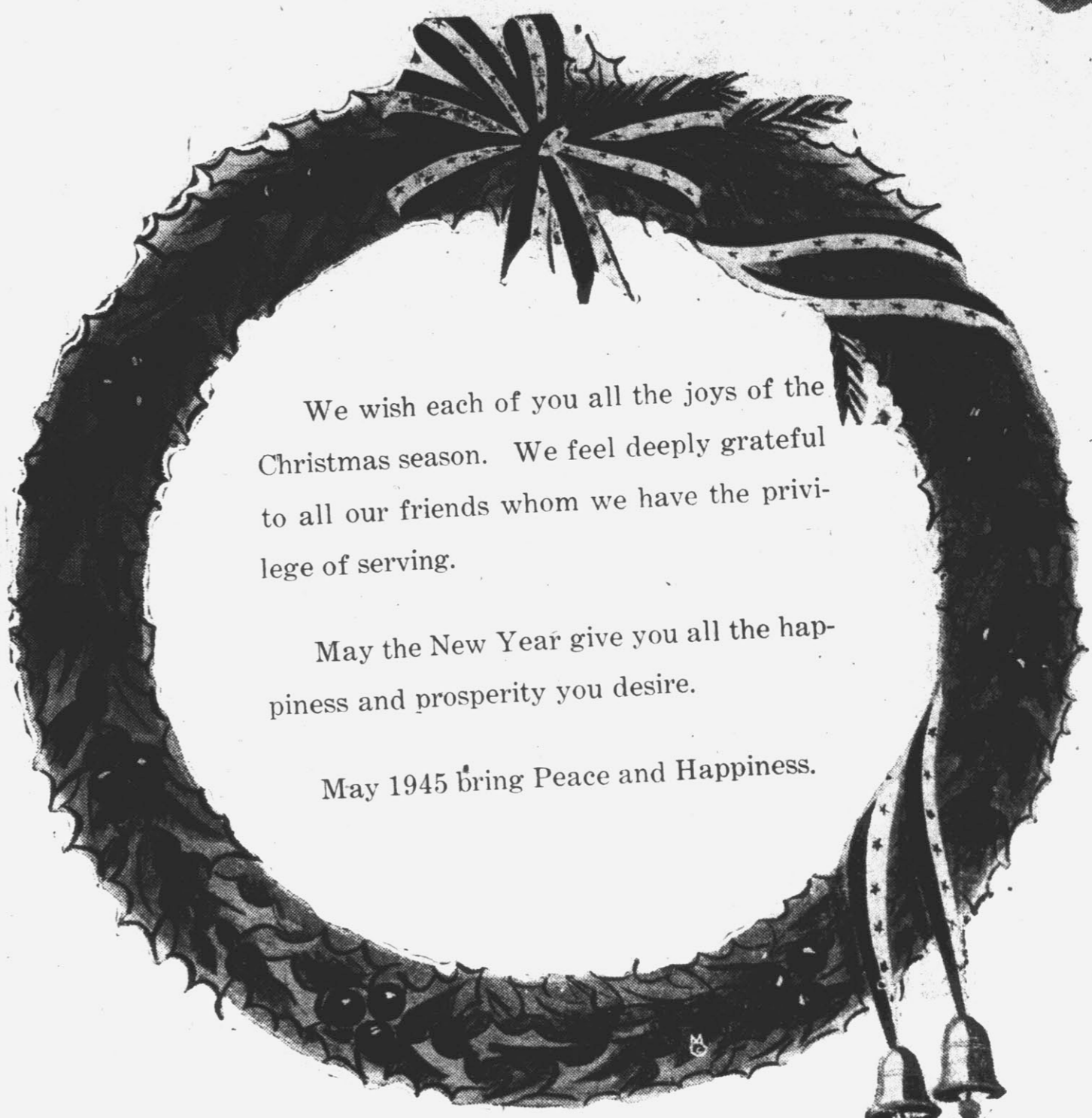
Mr. Dorn was born February 28, 1905 in Jesup, Ga. He was the son of the late F. M. and Emma Dorn. He was a tobacconist and had been in the Greenville market since 1924.

He was married to Miss Elizabeth Sutton of Hookerton, October 24, 1936.

Surviving are his widow, two brothers, Henry and Cecil Dorn of Columbia, S. C., one sister, Mrs. Dorothea Wood, his step mother, Mrs. P. M. Dorn, Staunton, Va.

His body will remain at the Greenville Funeral Home. Service will be conducted at the Funeral Home Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. W. R. Harris, Methodist minister of Grimesland, and Rev. A. Hartwell Campbell, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church will officiate. Interment will be in Greenwood cemetery, Greenville.

Just Like Chow Mein
Santa Rosa, Calif.—(AP)—Home from Italy where he served as gunner on a B-24 bomber, Sergeant Willie Wong, Chinese-American, says not to go to Italy for "real" Italian spaghetti because it doesn't hold a candle to what you can get in California.



We wish each of you all the joys of the Christmas season. We feel deeply grateful to all our friends whom we have the privilege of serving.

May the New Year give you all the happiness and prosperity you desire.

May 1945 bring Peace and Happiness.

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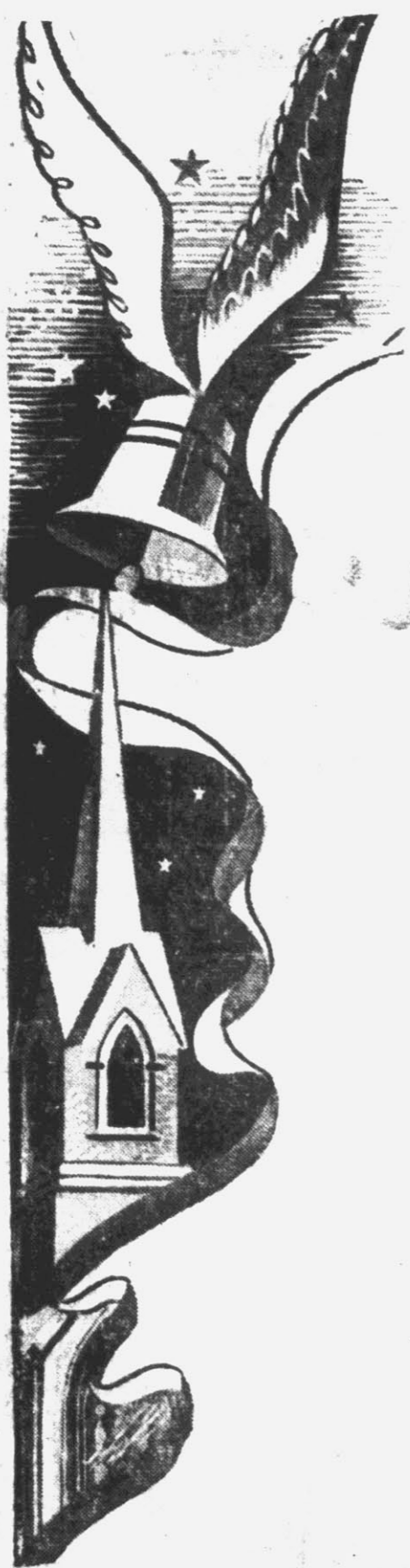


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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

OUR LORD WAS A MAN

"She brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger."

Since November 2, 1921, "Ham" Fish, then 32 years old, a former All-American football star at Harvard, and recently mastered out as a well-decorated hero and a major in World War I, has been a member of Congress.

THE KING COMES

"The sky can still remember The earliest Christmas morn, When in the cold December The Saviour Christ was born."

"O never-failing splendor! O never-silent song! Still keep the green earth tender, Still keep the gray earth strug."

"O angels sweet and splendid, Through in our hearts and sing The wonders which attended The coming of the King; Till we too, boldly pressing Where once the shepherds trod, Climb Bethlehem's Hill of Blessing, And find the Son of God."

AMERICA IN WARTIME

Washington—The closing days of the 78th Congress are generously peppered with "farewell addresses."

That Man Again



red warrior from the Hudson to take his defeat mildly, but there have been few times when Fish has come closer to tossing everything, including the kitchen sink, at his opponents.

War Casts . . .

(Continued from page one) look about us and find out what we can do for our fellow-men, for our institutions and our men and women in the armed forces."

Says Charter . . .

(Continued from page one) charter still stand, the President said, just as do objectives of documents which go back many centuries.

Hitler's Weapons . . .

(Continued from page one) Many more months of hard fighting are in prospect before it feels the weight of Allied guns.

War Is Back . . .

(Continued from page one) Tank and truck retriever vehicles roar past, with their red lights flashing "keep over" as they lurch back vehicles which have been knocked out in battle or in road accidents.

things stirring me that were fine.

Workers Fail To Heed Strike Call

Baltimore, Dec. 22—(AP)—An official of Montgomery Ward and Company's Baltimore mail order house and retail store said today that a full complement of workers reported for duty despite a strike called by a CIO union in sympathy with the Detroit walkout.

Snakes have a protective storm window over their eyes—a transparent membrane which saves the organ from scratches and injuries.

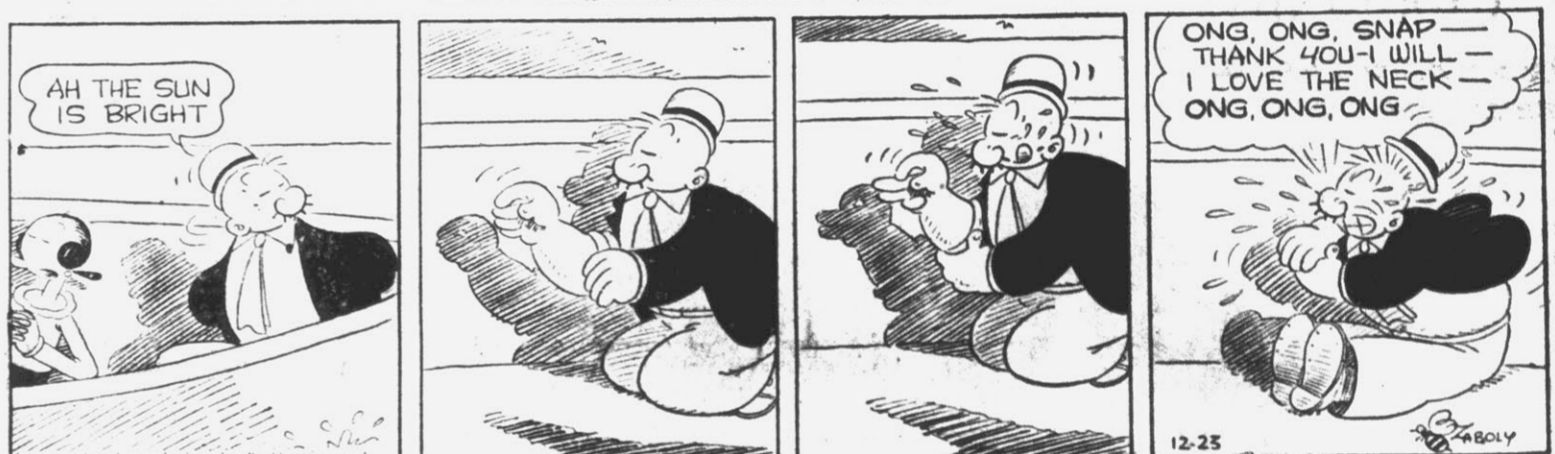
NOTICE

To All Water, Light and Gas Consumers

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Office Hours: 9:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. For service call telephone 3124. Night, Sundays and holidays call telephone 3137.

Greenville Utilities Commission



Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS 1. Pacific vehicle 2. Rich brown 3. Water 4. Involuntary 5. Musical of food 6. Bustle 7. Deline 8. Gripe 9. Fruit 10. Musical instrument 11. Gripe 12. Solid water 13. Animal 14. Musical instrument 15. Musical instrument 16. Musical instrument 17. Musical instrument 18. Musical instrument 19. Musical instrument 20. Musical instrument 21. Musical instrument 22. Musical instrument 23. Musical instrument 24. Musical instrument 25. Musical instrument 26. Musical instrument 27. Musical instrument 28. Musical instrument 29. Musical instrument 30. Musical instrument 31. Musical instrument 32. Musical instrument 33. Musical instrument 34. Musical instrument 35. Musical instrument 36. Musical instrument 37. Musical instrument 38. Musical instrument 39. Musical instrument 40. Musical instrument 41. Musical instrument 42. Musical instrument 43. Musical instrument 44. Musical instrument 45. Musical instrument 46. Musical instrument 47. Musical instrument 48. Musical instrument 49. Musical instrument 50. Musical instrument 51. Musical instrument 52. Musical instrument 53. Musical instrument 54. Musical instrument 55. Musical instrument

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Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle DOWN 1. Explosive device 2. Two-toed sloth 3. Bondage 4. Young cods 5. Olfiditate 6. Month of the Hindu calendar 7. Demons 8. Geometrical reference for a point 9. Flags 10. Prepare for the press 11. Pats growing above ground 12. Old French word 13. Restored to normal position 14. Short supply 15. Late information 16. Bird 17. Poetic title 18. Seaweed 19. Large masses of floating ice 20. Ancient Jewish sect 21. Cooking vessel 22. Weight 23. Disturb 24. Prone or arched 25. Variant 26. Mexican Indian 27. Earth 28. Assent 29. Female sheep 30. White yam

State College Gets Mineral Allotment

Raleigh, Dec. 22—(AP)—N. C. State College's minerals and textiles divisions were \$65,000 richer today. Yesterday the Council of State allocated \$40,000 for the college to construct a mineral resources laboratory in Asheville and granted another \$25,000 for equipment for the textile school.

Chaplin Trial Takes Holiday

Los Angeles, Dec. 22—(AP)—Joan Berry has a four-day court-free holiday in which to celebrate Christmas with the boy she is suing to establish as Charlie Chaplin's.

Would-Be Kings Are Waiting For The Call

By JOHN A. PARRIS, JR.
 AP Newscasters

London—A handful of royal pretenders to Europe's disputed thrones are hoping that the downfall of the dictators and the liberation of their countries will mean a call for them. The odds are 100-to-1 against the men who would be kings, but as the war has lengthened their chances of ascending long-discarded thrones have improved. Now in neutral capitals they are nursing their hopes, while in Allied capitals their agents work night and day to convince the "proper" people that monarchies should be restored.

The would-be guests at this royal picnic are Archduke Otto of Hapsburg; Prince Henri de Guise, the Comte de Paris; Don Juan, son of the late King Alfonso of Spain, and Granddukes Wladimir and Gabriel "last of the Romanoffs" and pretenders to the throne of all the Russias.

Money's On Don Juan
 The best bet in the monarchy stakes at the moment appears to be Don Juan, 31, head of the royal house of Spain, but a resident temporarily of Lausanne, Switzerland. Generalissimo Franco has said that he would not oppose restoration of the monarchy, but that the time was not yet ripe for that move.

While Don Juan has been sitting out the war in neutral Switzerland, a dozen other members of the royal family have been living in Spain,



ARCTIC PATROL — Coast Guard Commodore Earl G. Rose of Muncy, Pa., on patrol duty, drives a team of huskies over the snowbound country of the far north.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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and five are officers in the Spanish army. One young Infante (as members in the line of succession to the Spanish throne are known) was killed in action with the Carlist forces supporting Franco in the civil war.

Dean of those resident in Spain is the Prince Don Carlos de Bourbon, who married into the Spanish line by taking the hand of Maria de las Mercedes, elder sister of the late King Alfonso.

Another on the anxious seat is Archduke Otto, 31, pretender to the thrones of Austria and Hungary, who fled secretly to Lisbon from the United States some months ago when the Russian armies crossed the Hungarian frontier and headed toward Vienna.

Persons close to Otto disclose that he has high hopes of being called to Vienna and placed in a position of leadership.

His chances of returning as ruler seem open to question, but many observers believe that if Otto had the support of the Russians he could do so.

It is conceivable that the Russians, being realists, might consent to a king in Austria if he were likely to provide settled government and

showed a friendly attitude toward the Soviet and a hostile one to the Germans.

In Official Family
 It was an obscure customs official in the regime of Otto's grandfather, Emperor Franz Josef, who fired a backward, sickly child later to achieve fame as Adolf Hitler.

Another hardworking pretender who has been trying for years to convince the world that France should return to monarchy is the Comte de Paris, Prince Henri de Guise. This 37-year-old dark, slim heir of the Bourbons was reported wounded only a few weeks ago when he crossed the Spanish border into France.

The French government immediately ordered his arrest, but he apparently was spirited safely back to Spain to await another 100-to-1 chance. From the best available information, it appears he has little chance to achieve his life's ambition.

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Kennedys To Hold Christmas Reunion

By CHESTER WALSH
 Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kennedy, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last year, will have their 51st annual Yuletide, family reunion Christmas day at their home, Sandy Knoll farm, in the Mount Pleasant community. They have eight children, one of whom lives in Missouri, who will gather about the Christmas tree at the home fireside again this Christmas. At the Kennedys' first Christmas family gathering there was one child. The fireside meetings have been held annually for half a century. The eight children and numerous grandchildren make up quite a gathering. Mr. Kennedy leads a brief devotional period, gifts are distributed and the day is spent in feasting and reminiscing over the days gone by. Members of the Kennedy family have always taken an active part in community affairs. One of the daughters, Mrs. B. Leon Tyson, takes a leading part in farm women's activities.

Spare The Rod
 Harwich, England—(AP)—A Harwich medical officer blames reluctance of parents to make children eat things they dislike for "widespread dietary deficiency" among school children.

Non-Support
 London—(AP)—A pair of braces killed 71-year-old James Huby. They broke and his trousers fell and tripped him. He fell over a balcony and died of a fractured skull.

GI HOME LOANS

FULL INFORMATION on home loans to Veterans of World War 2. NO OBLIGATION

Tears Like A Surplus
 Seattle, Wash.—(AP)—Maybe the address has something to do with it but Mrs. Helen Olsen's backyard Bartlett pear tree which produced its regular crop in September came out with another load of Bartletts the other day and bore blossoms for a third crop. She lives at 11038 Bartlett avenue, N. E.

Dean of Santa Clauses
 Clinton, Ill.—(AP)—Very few, if any, men can compete against Roy Lane for the title of dean of the Santa Claus corps. This was the 27th consecutive year that he dusted off his red velvet suit and combed his false whiskers to appear as Kris Kringle at school, club and family gatherings.

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Lost By Gestapo
 The fate of Grandduke Wladimir, 27, cousin of the late Czar Nicholas, of Russia is shrouded by war. Wladimir, a resident of Paris, was collared by the Gestapo and deported to the Reich last summer a few days before the Germans evacuated the French capital. No word of his whereabouts has been received from the Reich.

But Paris is not without the "last of the Romanoffs" in the tall, elegant person of Grandduke Gabriel, also a cousin—albeit a more distant one than Wladimir—of the Czar.

Like many Romanoffs in Paris before them, Gabriel and his wife, Princess Anna, are living a frugal hand-to-mouth existence. They lived in enforced idleness during the German occupation and with the aid of the White Russian colony managed to evade both the Gestapo and the wolf at their Parisian door.

Memoirs Are Bulky
 Before the war, Gabriel's wife ran a swank Parisian fashion house but when the Germans came she closed up. Textiles were hard to get, she said, and besides she didn't want to attract attention to the Romanoff name.

The grandduke, who used to be a social secretary for an American woman in Paris, Miss Denise Clover, is busy working on his memoirs. They already fill 1,000 pages and he's still going strong.

But Gabriel, a former member of the Czar's Imperial Guards and still strikingly handsome at 61, is worried about their legal status, since their only papers are old League of Nations passports for persons without nationality.

"This means, in fact, we are prisoners and cannot leave Paris," he said bitterly. "My uncle, King Gustav of Sweden would be pleased to see us but we can't accept an invitation from him."

Princess Anna tried to console the grandduke with the observation: "It doesn't make any difference—even if we could leave Paris, we could not afford to make the trip."

Actually, however, the invitation from King Gustav is only hypothetical. None of the Romanoffs have heard from him in years.



A Merry Christmas

It would be nice if, on Christmas morning, we could gather all our friends around a big tree in the lobby of the Bank. We would like to shake your hands and wish each one a merry Christmas personally, but since that's not practical, we are taking this opportunity to extend

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FOR SALE
House and Four Lots
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Closing Notice!

The State Automobile License Bureau, located at B and N Motor Sales, East Fifth Street, will close at 12 o'clock, noon, Saturday, December 23, and reopen at 9 o'clock Wednesday, December 27.

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BRUCE FRASER
BIG GUN MAN

Will Help Flush Japanese In The Pacific.

By JOHN A. MOROSO 3rd
AP Newsfeatures
New York, Dec. 22.—Adm. Sir Bruce Austin Fraser, who recently was placed in command of British naval forces being assembled in the Pacific to help America fight the Japanese, is a pleasant bachelor whose interests range from hard-hitting, long range gunnery to gardening, riding and golf.

He might have been a general had he followed the career of his late father, Gen. Sir Alexander Fraser. This ever-smiling 55-year-old dapper but quiet-spoken man is well qualified for his new job. He went into the Royal Navy in 1902 as a midshipman at the age of 14 and his career since then and particularly during World War II has been a series of brilliant successes. Fit, stocky and of medium height, he is an excellent conversationalist who revels in salty tales and battle stories. Fellow officers and ratings worship and respect him. He is a difficult man to interview because he has to follow the traditional Royal Navy policy of speaking rarely and guardedly for publication.

Grey-haired and ruddy, he became a favorite among American officers when U. S. fleet units joined the British home fleet in 1942 and 1943. Fraser immediately took it upon himself to create good will and unity between British and American forces and he did much to break down a certain feeling of stiffness that existed between the two forces. Fraser is an aviator himself—he once commanded the carrier Glorious—and he respects naval aviation as much as he loves the smoking long range naval guns. When the battleship Warspite smacked the Italian battleship Giulio Cesare with a 15-inch shell from a distance of more than 25 miles in 1940, officers credited Fraser because of the training he had given the gunners. As commander of the British home fleet he directed the conveying of thousands of tons of supplies to the Russian port of Murmansk. Bidget submarines under his command sneaked into a Norwegian fjord to torpedo and badly damage the Nazi battleship Tirpitz.

When naval forces under his command sank the German battleship Scharnhorst in the Arctic darkness off the Norwegian coast, December 26, 1943, Fraser remembered grinning that his former command, the Glorious, had been sunk by the Scharnhorst with a loss of 1,200 British lives.

Fraser is equally at home off the quarterdeck and in London. He is regarded as an expert on Russian affairs and has served on several Anglo-Soviet missions. His work on the Murmansk run brought him decorations from the Soviets and a message from Stalin.

He recently commanded the British Far Eastern fleet using Ceylon as his base and warring against

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FOUND—STRING OF PEARLS— owner can have them by describing and paying for add. Dial 3203.

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FOR SALE—A GOOD, NEARLY new, buggy. High wheels, easy running. A bargain at fifty dollars. Joe Pollara, three miles on Stantonburg road. 21-37

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Japanese ships operating in the Indian ocean. To his new job he brings the full backing of the British government, friendship with Russia and the respect of American naval officers, the latter being an important asset in the vast naval conflict being fought.

He also brings the thumping big guns of new and old British battleships, carriers and cruisers. He and his men remember the sinking of the Repulse and Prince of Wales and the sacking of Singapore, Hong Kong and Shanghai.

In his quiet, forceful way, Fraser, wearer of the Order of the British Empire, Commander of the Bath and Knight of the Order of the British Empire, should forge a powerful task force in the ships under command of Rdm. Chester W. Nimitz.

Tar Heel Votes
On Roll Calls

Washington, Dec. 22 — (AP) — North Carolina votes on roll calls in the final week of the 78th Congress were as follows: In the House on the vote to permit re-employment of reclamation experts on retired list, conference report reject 117 to 173. For: Kerr, Barden, Golger, Doughton, Bulwinkle, Weaver. Against: Bonner, Cooley, Durham, Clark. Not recorded: Burgin, Morrison.

In the House on the motion to accept Senate amendment to supplemental appropriation bill disallowing \$5,000,000 for farm census, rejected 97 to 127. For: Bonner, Kerr, Cooley, Golger, Doughton; Not recorded: Barden, Durham, Clark, Burgin, Morrison, Bulwinkle, Weaver.

In the Senate on Maybank amendment to crop insurance bill forbidding banks to collect exchange fees on checks, failed 25 to 45. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of R. A. Hurley to Surplus Property Board, favored 41 to 28. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of Lt. Col. Edward Heller to Surplus Property Board, favored 43 to 26. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of nomination of Joseph C. Grew to be under secretary of State; favored 66 to 7. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of nomination of Nelson A. Rockefeller as assistant secretary of State; favored 62 to 10. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of Archibald MacLeish as assistant secretary of State; favored 43 to 25. For: Bailey, Reynolds; not voting.

In the Senate on confirmation of Brig. Gen. Julius C. Holmes to be assistant secretary of State; favored 61 to 9. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of James C. Dunn as assistant secretary of State; favored 62 to 10. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

In the Senate on confirmation of W. L. Clayton as assistant secretary of State; favored 52 to 19. For: Bailey, Reynolds.

Soldiers Suffer
With Trench Feet

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—Last war it was the coats—this time it's trench feet the boys at the front cuss most.

And they're not only grumbling about it, a congressman-doctor just back from the trenches said today, but many of them are being laid up as casualties because of this affliction which affects circulation of the blood.

"Last war we gripped about trench feet, too, but it actually has become

a serious problem this time," Rep. Fenton (R-Penn.) told a reporter. "It bothers the boys now a lot more than most of the shortages. In some serious cases gangrene has even set in."

Fenton is a physician who was elected to Congress six years ago. He toured the European battle fronts this month with several other House Military Affairs committee-men.

Trench feet, he said, is a "circulatory disturbance" in which the blood does not flow properly and freely to the capillaries of the feet. Swelling results and it can be very painful. He stressed it is not an infection such as athlete's foot.

Chief cause of the affliction is lack of exercise, when a man is confined to a foxhole or trench for a long period. Poor-fitting shoes or infrequent changes of footwear increase the hazards.

Transjordan's population is largely nomad.

Discuss Minimum
Textile Wage Rate

Washington, Dec. 22 — (AP) — Chairman William H. Davis said today a suggested 85-cent-an-hour minimum textile wage rate has been placed before the War Labor Board as a "basis for discussion."

He added that a suggestion for a 72-cent minimum, proposed by WLB labor member, had been tabled.

Davis said that Vice Chairman George W. Taylor, a public member, in submitting the 85-cent figure to the Board stated it was not a commitment of the public members "that such a rate was considered proper."

The case before the Board involves CIO textile workers. At present increases up to 50 cents an hour for textile workers are permissible under the Board's wage stabilization program.

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Island Song

by Owen Atkinson

Chapter 23
Now it was the huge brown man's turn to gasp. He had understood Kilani's gesture, had jammed his pistol against this man's back. But he had not expected him to be the infamous Captain Blake. Melikai's dark face grew stern. His teeth gleamed in a mirthless grin. "So, it is you?" he growled. "An escaped prisoner!"

"Take him to the king," cried Kilani. "Always he cause trouble. Now is the chance to get rid of him."

The captain of the guards jerked Jason by the collar and dragged him through a passageway and down a long hall. Jason twisted himself about and lurched to his feet. He felt the muzzle of the gun probing into his ribs. No chance to shoot. Jason was an escaped prisoner—could expect no mercy. With grim, white-faced determination, he held his temper in check and allowed himself to be shoved along the hall.

They came to a door and here Melikai stopped and knocked. A muffled voice bade him enter. Pushing Jason ahead of him, Melikai threw open the door and went in. The king reclined drunkenly on a low couch, the great yellow feather robe of Kamehameha draped about his body like a dressing gown. He lifted his head with an apparent effort and glared at Melikai through bloodshot eyes. There was a half-empty bottle on the table near him. "What is it?" he muttered thickly.

Melikai bowed. "Your Majesty," he said humbly. "This is an affair of state. Here is Captain Blake, the man who broke the tabu. He has escaped from the fort."

The king struggled to sit up. "The fort?" he cried. "Nobody can escape from the fort."

"He is here," Melikai insisted. "The king inspected Jason curiously. Then he shook his head, reached for the bottle, took a long swig. "There is some trickery here," he mumbled.

From outside the palace, in the near distance, came a rattle of rifle fire. The revolution was still in progress. Captain Callahan and his men were determined—encouraged by their success.

The king took another drink and studied Jason indifferently. "Take him to the premier," he ordered thickly.

The king dropped on the couch, blinked, took another drink and quietly lay down and went to sleep. Melikai motioned Jason out of the room. The big man grinned at his prisoner. He had no doubts of Kumu's decision. Kumu was an Hawaiian. He would know what to do with the haole captain.

Jason moved dully down the hall toward the front stairway. The sound of firing grew louder. From somewhere inside the palace, pistols popped and men yelled. Smoke eddied up the stairs and stung the nostrils. Jason hesitated and instinctively Melikai's pistol nudged his spine.

"Hurry," he ordered. "The business must be finished quick. I must get back to my men. There is fighting. I not miss it."

"What about the princess?" Jason asked.

Melikai frowned and pushed Jason ahead. "Never worry," he growled. "We find her. This revolution is nothing. Soon it will be over and then we have the white men in the fort for treason. But that will not even hear the shots of the execution! We will take care of you first of all, so there will be no more trouble."

The door of the throne room burst open and two men ran out. They were high chiefs, but had laid aside

their feather cloaks and helmets and had seized rifles. Their naked torsos gleamed with sweat and their faces were grim and serious. On seeing Melikai, they hurried forward anxiously. "Ammunition?" they cried in chorus. "One added hurriedly, "We must have more ammunition. Quick. The revolutionists have brought a cannon. They would blow open the palace doors. We must pick them off before they can load and lay the gun."

Melikai directed them to the powder magazine in the rear of the palace. "Where is the premier?" he asked.

"In there!" The chief pointed to the throne room.

Melikai urged Jason through the door. The place was thick with smoke. Men stood at the shattered windows and fired at the milling crowd outside. Bullets came whizzing into the room and bounced wildly about the walls. Wounded men sat with their backs against the walls, hurriedly reloading for the marksmen in the windows. A man cried out and pitched forward, his rifle falling from his limp hands. He was dragged aside and another took his place. The high chiefs were proving that the blood of the old warriors of Hawaii had not entirely cooled in their veins.

Kumu stood by a window, stripped to the waist like the rest of the chiefs. He had two huge horse-pistols, large pearl-handled weapons he had traded from some visiting sea captain. Peering through the shattered window he would locate a target, then raise one of the guns, aim carefully and pull the trigger. The pistol would leap in his hands and a great cloud of smoke would gush back into the room.

He turned and saw Melikai and Jason by the door. Imperiously, he beckoned them nearer. Melikai bowed respectfully and shoved Jason forward.

"What is this?" demanded Kumu. "Why are you not fighting for the king?"

"But, sir," Melikai protested. "This man is a prisoner. He has escaped from the fort. Captain Blake, you remember, who insulted the king—he should be shot."

To Be Continued

peppery wounds in which a blood vessel is not entirely severed but is damaged to the point where a pulsating growth is established, like a blister on an automobile inner tube. More than 100 of these growths have been removed at Ashford alone.

The ancestors of three American presidents were Dutch—Martin Van Buren, Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Blood Vessels Are Frequent Casualties

White Sulphur Springs, West Va. (AP)—At Ashford General hospital, here, doctors report that the great fragmentation of explosives used in this war has led to an unexpectedly high incidence of small,

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● The goodwill of our friends we value immeasurably because we well know that without them life in itself would be empty indeed.

● As we wish you the Joys of Christmas and every Happiness throughout the New Year, we add our heartfelt thanks for all past favors.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Lowe's

NOTICE

All taxpayers who were required to file an estimate, or an amended estimate as the case may be, of their income tax of last year on or before December 15th, will under the new law be required to file their estimates, or amended estimates for the year 1944, on or before January 15, 1945.

This estimate is not a SUBSTITUTE for the INCOME TAX RETURN due on or before MARCH 15, 1945.

For further information please call 4060.

F. A. Edmundson and Company
TAX EXPERTS

Marriage Licenses Issued During Week

This holiday season is an exception to the rule governing marriages during the Yuletide. Only 14 marriage licenses have been issued this week by the registrar of deeds at the courthouse.

Licenses were issued to the following couples:

White—John C. Parker and Cornelia Knott of Farmville. Lloyd Crawford of Winterville and Margaret Allen of Greenville. Bert Moyer Baldree of Farmville and Annie Bess Arnold of Greenville. Cecil C. Warren of Cumby, Texas, and Martha Linelle Clarke of Grimesland. James R. Leigh and Margaret W. Long of Greenville. Herman J. Marina and Marie E. Carpenter of Glenn's Falls, N. Y. Chester Davenport and Dorothy Briley of Bethel.

Negro—Clyde Chance and Mattie Morning of Greenville. Tilton B. Smith and Leone Howard of

Personal Greetings

Wishing you all the Joys of the Season and

A Happy New Year

filled with Prosperity.

Our Sincere Wish for a Peaceful 1945.

Whites' Stores



IN CHRISTMAS CLUB CHECKS SENT TO MEMBERS

You'll be glad you did your Christmas saving early, if you received a check as one of our Christmas Club members! If you failed to enroll for this year—get your name on our membership list for next year—and know the pleasures of ready cash with which to buy generously for everyone on your Christmas gift list! Just deposit any amount from 50c up each week—and when December 25, 1945 rolls around enjoy a merrier holiday, because you're able to give all you want to!

First Federal Savings & Loan Association

Says Columnists Are Unnecessary

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—President Roosevelt described columnists today as an unnecessary encumbrance on our civilization—but he quickly declared Mrs. Roosevelt's newspaper column is different.

The First Lady writes mostly a diary, he differentiated to a news conference.

The question of columnists arose this way:

A reporter said there has been some discussion of a joint chiefs staff to handle political and economic matters for the Allies. He asked whether anything like that was contemplated.

Mr. Roosevelt replied that he thought columnists suggested it.

"I'm not a columnist and I wrote it," remarked veteran James Wright of the Buffalo Evening News.

All he could say, the President replied, is that columnists are an unnecessary encumbrance on our civilization.

"But you've got one in the family," burst out Elizabeth May Craig, who represents Maine newspapers.

Mr. Roosevelt laughed with his audience and said that was perfectly true. But, he said, Mrs. Roosevelt's column is a little bit different because mostly it's a diary.

An elephant weighs 160 to 200 pounds at birth.

German Winter . . .

(Continued From Page One) from General Eisenhower to turn this "great gamble into the enemies' worst defeat."

Eisenhower declared Field Marshal Karl Von Rundstedt had made a last great gamble in coming out of his fixed defenses and called upon every man under his command to turn the opportunity into the enemy's "worst defeat."

The offensive "will completely fail," he declared.

Dispatches from the British-Canadian army group today reported the 40-mile penetration and said Von Rundstedt's smash had lost much of its momentum in the last 48 hours.

An Associated Press reporter "with American armies on the Western front" said Von Rundstedt's mass breakthrough appeared blunted, at least temporarily, and that his armored spearheads were being forced to turn aside and slow down this morning.

The same dispatch said, however, that groups of 20 to 30 tanks were able to make penetrations at two "soft" spots and that other roving bands of armor and infantry often did much damage behind Allied lines before they were wiped out.

The main direction of these random thrusts apparently was westward, with the hurriedly reinforced American north wall on the German flank turning aside all enemy efforts to curl behind the main First army positions in the Aachen area.

An apparent broadening of the German thrusts to the south also

was reported, with one action developing at point described as 20 miles south of the city of Luxembourg. Ten enemy tanks and two companies of infantry were involved in the action and were repulsed.

In the center of the battle area, an entire SS division was making a frontal attack on St. Vith, near the German border which had been bypassed on two sides by German spearheads. (The Germans declared St. Vith had fallen.)

Navy Chaplain Gets Star For Gallantry

Atlanta, Dec. 22—(AP)—Lt. William H. McCorkle, navy chaplain of Kingsport, Tenn., has been awarded the Silver Star for conspicuous gallantry in action.

Lt. McCorkle, previously awarded the Purple Heart, was cited for aiding wounded on Bougainville, British Solomon Islands.

The citation, signed by Vice Admiral J. H. Newton, said Lt. McCorkle disregarded intense enemy fire on November 1, 1943 to go to the assistance of a corpsman who was administering medical aid to a wounded marine. The corpsman was killed and Lt. McCorkle wounded but despite his injuries the chaplain evacuated the injured marine safely. He then returned to the front lines and continued his work.

Lost Warships Are Identified

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—Two American warships lost off Leyte in the Philippines were identified by the Navy today as the destroyer Mahan and the destroyer-transport Ward. Loss of the two ships which raises to 236 the number of naval losses since the war started, was announced December 8 by General Douglas MacArthur. They were not identified at that time. Their crews were removed and the ships then were sunk by our own forces after the vessels were heavily damaged by aerial torpedoes.

Yanks Pound . . .

(Continued from page one) They said about the same thing after the December 13 raid but later reported Japanese war plants were moving underground for safety.

Chinese reports said increasing air raids on Japan had prompted the Japanese to conscript North China labor to help move war factories from the Japanese mainland to Manchuria, and that 13 planes already had been transferred.

Davidson College Resumes Football

Davidson, Dec. 22—(AP)—Davidson College will return to the football wars next fall "if we have good enough material," said Athletic Director Norman W. Shepard today.

"Our return to intercollegiate football next fall will depend entirely on the war and our student body at that time," he added.

"IMPATIENT YEARS," TENDER LOVE STORY



Lee Bowman and Jean Arthur play boy meets girl in hilarious, yet tender romance coming Tuesday to the Pitt Theater.

Greek Leftists Ask For Peace

Athens, Dec. 22—(AP)—The left wing ELAS were reported tonight to be forwarding a new three point peace proposal to Lt. General R. M. Scobie, British commander in Greece, but the atmosphere in Athens remained tense as General Zervas, chieftain of the rightist EDES charged that between 15 and 20 thousand ELAS were invading his territory in Epirus.

The human skull has 22 bones.

Purely Military

Washington, Dec. 22—(AP)—The War Department today favored strictly military purposes in contrast with President Roosevelt's suggestion of training with educational and social aspects.

The department, it was disclosed today, had stated its policy in a circular recently distributed to officers. The circular endorses such training "for the one and only reason that without such a program the continued security of our national life and institutions can no longer be assured."

Kiwanians In Role Of Good Samaritans

By CHESTER WALSH
Dr. S. M. Crisp, Underprivileged Child Committee, featured the Kiwanis Club's weekly supper meeting last night, when a report was made of the committee's activities during the past year. R. T. Fabelle and Mrs. Sallie Mae Knight of the county welfare department, reviewed the cases the Kiwanians have helped. The club has spent about \$1,000 during the year in underprivileged aid. President Dick Bundy, always cheerful, always optimistic, read Dr. Crisp's report.

Mrs. W. R. Jones, president of the King's Daughters chapter, made a brief talk in which she outlined the work they are doing and expressed thanks for the toys donated for needy children to be distributed Christmas. Judge Dick James presented Mrs. Jones and had high praise for her work.

Dr. H. G. Hapley inducted into Kiwanis membership Marshall F. Clark, manager of the Greenville Mineral Home and J. Bryan Brown, manager of the Pure Oil company.

The human eye is said to be 300,000 times more sensitive to dim light than the thermopile, the most sensitive physical instrument devised.

The Movies Today

FITT—Gloria Jean, Henry Stephenson in "Reckless Age."
STATE—Rod Cameron, Fuzzy Knight, "Riders of Santa Fe."
COLONY—Ruth Warwick, Joan Carroll, Walled Reck, "Petitcoat Larceny."

For A Happy Christmas

SUNDAY
JANET GAYNOR
Doug Fairbanks, Jr.
Paulette Goddard

"THE YOUNG IN HEART"
With Roland Young
Billie Burke

Colony
CHRISTMAS DAY
Rita HAYWORTH
GENE KELLY
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Directed by CHARLES VIDOR

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ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL POWERS MODELS IS APPEARING IN THE CHORUS OF "DANCING AROUND," GREAT STAGE SHOW COMING TO THE STATE THEATRE NEXT THURSDAY. THIS GORGEOUS GIRL WHO GREATLY RESEMBLES BETTY GRABLE, GAVE UP MODELING SO SHE COULD GET BACK TO HER FIRST LOVE, DANCING. SHE COMES FROM PENNSYLVANIA, WHERE FOR FOUR YEARS SHE WAS SELECTED AS MISS PENNSYLVANIA IN VARIOUS BEAUTY CONTESTS. MISS FLO THOMAS IS A REAL BLONDE AND WAS RECENTLY SELECTED AS THE PIN UP GIRL FOR THE A. A. F. DON'T MISS THIS FINE SHOW. BEAUTIFUL GIRLS, SWELL MUSIC, FIVE HEADLINE ACTS, EVERYTHING TO MAKE IT A SHOW YOU WILL WANT TO SEE, AND PRODUCED BY HARRY CLARK, AMERICA'S LEADING UNIT PRODUCER.



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This Is Tomorrow's Love Story

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His eyes lived to condemn his killer. The amazing story of medical science doing the impossible.

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Friday and Saturday
JOHNNY MACK BROWN
in "LAND OF THE OUTLAWS"

Merry Christmas

The birth of the Christ babe 1944 years ago this December 25th, gave to the world a glorious spirit which is commemorated by this day. In that spirit we wish you the season's greetings.

Quinn-Miller & Stroud
A Happy New Year

Begin Your Christmas Observance By Attending Your Church



In religious belief can be found solace and sustaining strength such as no other human characteristic can provide. Re-awaken your own religious spirit this Christmas—in the Church of your faith—in the spirit of the Day...

Radio Service
The Ministerial Association of Greenville is sponsoring a Christmas program "Church in Your Home" on Christmas morning. This will be broadcast over the local radio station WGTC. By request the Rev. Hayes O'Clark will bring the Christmas message in a thirty minute service 9:30 to 10 o'clock. Ask your friends to worship with you during this broadcast and make your plans so that the whole family will be gathered at the radio to remember the coming of our Saviour and King.

Miss Yvette Johnson.
Hymn—"White Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" by the choir.
Anthem—"Cantique de Noel" by the Choir, John Pickett, soloist.
Scripture reading by Eustace R. Conway III.
Hymn—"Joy to the World" by the choir.
Hymn—"Oh Come, All Ye Faithful" by the congregation.
Hymn—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" by the congregation.
Hymn—"Silent Night" by the congregation.
Benediction.

departments will meet in their own departmental assemblies for their Christmas programs at 9:45. Mrs. A. W. Harris, Mrs. Lee H. Moore, Mrs. J. R. Carrington, and Mrs. L. B. Fleming will have charge of the nursery, beginner, primary and junior departments respectively. In the young people-adult department the intermediate teachers headed by Mrs. R. E. Corbett will conduct the Christmas program at 10 o'clock. The program will consist of carol singing, special solo by Nancy Hannah, and two Christmas stories by Ione Bradsher and Joyce Corbett. Miss Corbett will read an original Christmas story written by a member of the congregation.

St. Paul's Church School Party
On Christmas night at 5 p. m. St. Paul's Church School will present a Feast of Lights service in the church. After the service the Church School will go into the Parish hall and gather around the Christmas tree to sing carols and have a party. Mrs. W. P. Picklesimer is in charge of the program.



Christmas Greetings

The Season of Good Cheer!

Finds us again eagerly awaiting the opportunity of expressing a warm and friendly greeting to our hosts of friends in this community which it is our privilege to serve. It is our sincere wish that we may continue these fine relationships that have come our way. Sincere good wishes for a joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BRODY'S

Merry Christmas

To All of You From All of Us—

And may we add our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses that you have shown us in the past. Because of your consideration the past year has been an enjoyable experience, one in which we have had the confidence and esteem of the people whom we serve. We only hope that we may continue to merit your good will and patronage, so our policy of friendly, helpful service to all may be maintained. We also extend our best and sincere wishes for Peace on Earth and a prosperous New Year.

Our Plant Will Be Closed Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26

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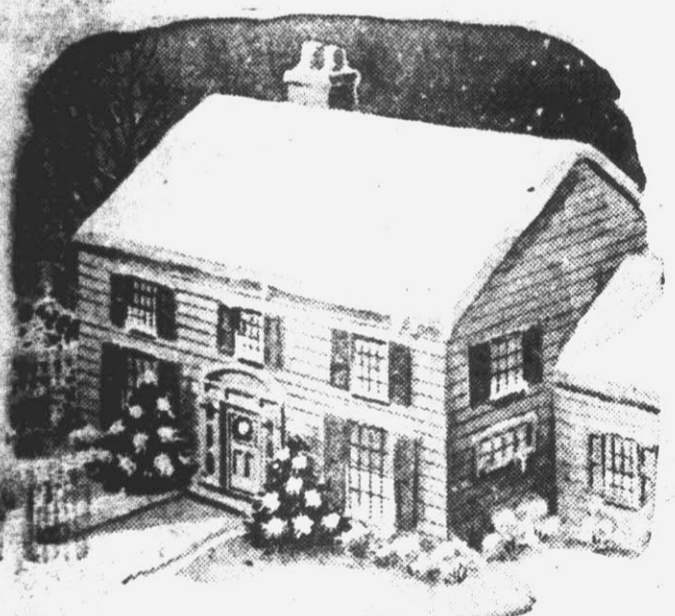


To Everyone

As we look back over the year now drawing to a close, we fully realize the factors that have combined to make possible a successful year for us. We can think of any number of instances where your friendship, patronage and influence have been of tremendous benefit to this institution and it is with this thought in our hearts and minds that we pause to thank you for this thoughtfulness and to wish you and yours—

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

VanDyke Furniture Co.



Holiday Greetings

May this greeting serve to express our appreciation for your patronage and carry the wish that you have a—

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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Christmas Eating Is An Old, Old Habit

By GERARD TETLEY
Editor, The Danville, Va., Bee

AP Newsfeatures
The epicurean delights of Christmas—harder to get in this year of war—have a strange pagan background.

History does not tell clearly when gastronomy began to be associated with the day. But according to folklore, early in the Christian era they were baking strange cakes in Estonia which resembled cradles and they were roasting young pigs. The cakes were rarely eaten but the crumbs were scattered on the land to promote fertility.

But the records from the days of knighthood give abundant proof of the role which eating—and drinking—played in the celebration in England and Europe. Christmas revelry lasted for two weeks on a scale comparable to the Roman Saturnalia—revelry marked by feasting and carousing when the feudal chief held forth.

Boar's Head Special
Chief among Christmas dishes in the baronial hall was the boar's head which was brought into the vaulted refectory with trumpets, pomp and panoply. It lay in a gold and silver salver according to the richness of the feudal lord. Epicures insisted that it be served with "roguish mustard" and with choice wines.

But culinary ability was put to no sterner task than in the preparation of Argus—roasted peacock—which was supposed to be food for lovers. This was brought into the hall with ritual, too—accompanied by noble lords and ladies. It was all so something designed to command attention, for the peacock first had been skinned and the plumage retained intact. After the bird was cooked it was again encased in its brilliant feathered coat with the beak carefully gilded.

Other mediaeval dishes which are part of the chronicle of time included geese, capons and pheasants which were "drenched with ambergris" to say nothing of pies of carps tongues.

One of the great Christmas dishes of the Middle Ages was "frumenty." This is what the cooks of the day were told to do:

"Take clean wheat and brye it in a mortar that the hulls be all gone off, and seethe it 'til it bursts. Take it up and let it cool and take clean fresh broth and sweetmilk of almonds or kine and temper it all. Then take the yolk of eggs, boll it a little and set it down and mess it forth with fat venison or fresh mutton."

Mince and Mutton
The mince pie (chief among the causes of childish Christmas anguish) was known as mutton pie as early as 1596. The mutton pie graduated into a pie of neats' tongues.

spiced and flavored, whence finally emerged the mince pie as it is known today.

But the progenitor of the pride and glory of Christmas dinner made famous by the prose of Washington Irving and Dickens was the plum pudding which, like many Christmas edibles, was subject to progressive treatment as time marched on. First reference is made to it as "rum porridge or pottage and unlike its heavy descendant, it was served as the first course.

Liquid refreshment in the early days ran the whole gamut of the wine lists—different vintages for each course, heavy stouts, light barley ales, to say nothing of the cordials offered unblushingly as gastronomic aids than for enjoyment of drinking.

A thirteenth century carol devoted a ballad to the bibulous tendencies. He sang:

"Lording, Christmas loves good drinking
"Wines of Cascoigne, France,
Anjou
"English ale that drowns out thinking
"Prince of liquors, old and new
"Every neighbor shares the bowl
"Drinks of the spicy liquor deep
"Drinks his fill without control
"Till he drowns his care in sleep."

U. S. Hot Tunes Warm Russians

AP Newsfeatures
Moscow—American music is becoming ever more popular in the Soviet Union.

Moscow's dance bands are playing more jazz tunes, and the people sing them in their homes to guitar or accordion accompaniment.

The Moscow radio, which has an outlet into every apartment house in the capital and every area in the Soviet Union, consistently plays U. S. music.

In one 24-hour period: Irving Berlin's "You're In the Army, Mister Jones" was given a long airing. An American jazz hour included "As Time Goes By," and a symphonic arrangement of "Yankee Doodle."

On a band music program were "American Patrol" and an arrangement of "The Star Spangled Banner."

The Office of War Information in Moscow under Col. Joseph Phillips furnishes sheet music and phonograph records.

The Russian Jazzmen admire American Jazz leaders and players and can click off names like American hopeas.

Those Moscow hotels can discuss at length the difference between the clarinet style of Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw and Pee-wee Russell.

They can even argue fine points about trumpetmen from Bix to Sunny Dunham. There is a Bunny Berrigan school here which was saddened when, only recently, its members learned of his death.

Kitchen Matches May Ease Shortage

New York—(AP)—Sharp curtailment of book match production will not create a match shortage, but will force increased use of large kitchen matches, spokesmen for the match industry in the United States say.

Production of all types of matches in 1944 is running to 85 per cent of last year's, which was 80 per cent of 1942 production. Meanwhile, paper book matches are disappearing, with 35 per cent of production going to the armed forces, and all small safety-type box matches are earmarked for military use.

That Paris Problem Is Here Again

Chicago—(AP)—Up for an answer again is the 1917 vintage question: How're you gonna keep 'em down on the farm after they've seen Paris?

Several women here for a national convention of agriculturists reported rural boys now in the armed forces were eager to return to the soil. But another believed that to attract the girls now in uniform it would be necessary to "glamorize" rustic life.

Police Listen In On Housing Racket

Oakland, Calif.—(AP)—A man who thought he had bought a home, two others who thought they had rented it, an auctioneer who believed he had purchased the furniture and five persons who thought they had bought various furnishings held an indignant meeting at the Oakland police station. A warrant was issued for the arrest of a couple who had "sold" and "rented" the house and furniture to all comers.

Where There's Fire, There's Also Smoke

Auburn, Me.—(AP)—Men teachers at Edward Little high school had been forbidden to smoke in the school's boiler room during classroom hours, so they signed a petition with this heading:

"Order of Mice and Men. Purpose: Educational, Inspirational, Inhalatory. Motto: Better smoke here than hear."

The school committee rescinded the ban and how the "mice and men" may resume their boiler room, inhalatory "bull sessions."

A FRIENDLY GREETING



As you eagerly await the occasion of an enjoyable Season with your friends and family . . . we trust you will pause just long enough to accept these few words of Christmas cheer from the personnel of this firm.

To have served you in the past has been a decided privilege, prompting us to express a Christmas Greeting that carries with it our best wishes for the coming year. The friendships formed these past twelve months, combined with those other friendships of long standing, lead us to again renew our pledge of service.



J. B. Oakley & Son

INSURANCE REAL ESTATE LOANS

To Our Friends And Customers
We Wish You A
Merry Christmas
And
A Happy New Year



1945

Reid's Stores, Inc.

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"Peace—Good-will"

As on that first Christmas, when the Heavenly Host brought a message of peace and good-will toward men—so today we wish for you the same peace and joy. May we all work together as one to hasten the day when truly peace and good-will may be brought to men everyone.

This greeting would not be complete without a word of thanks and appreciation for the patronage the good people of this section have given us during the past year, and we sincerely hope to merit your continued approval in 1945.

**THE BEST BUY THIS CHRISTMAS—
A WAR BOND!**

People's Bakery

Frank J. Diener



**GREETINGS . . .
AND AN ABUNDANCE OF
CHRISTMAS CHEER**

In advance—we give you our promise for friendly, dependable service during the year 1945.

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GEORGE BROWN, Prop.



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Coca-Cola**
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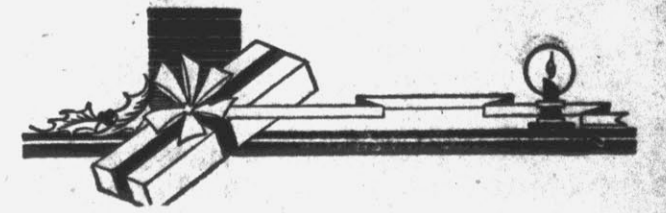
**EVERYBODY—
EVERYWHERE**

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

The Coca-Cola Bottling Co.
Greenville, N. C.

**THE SEASON'S CHEER
TO EVERYBODY.**

To our many friends and customers—the Season's best wishes for joy and happiness. By your thoughtfulness you have helped to make our Christmas a merry one and we wish the same for you.



Keel Supply Co.



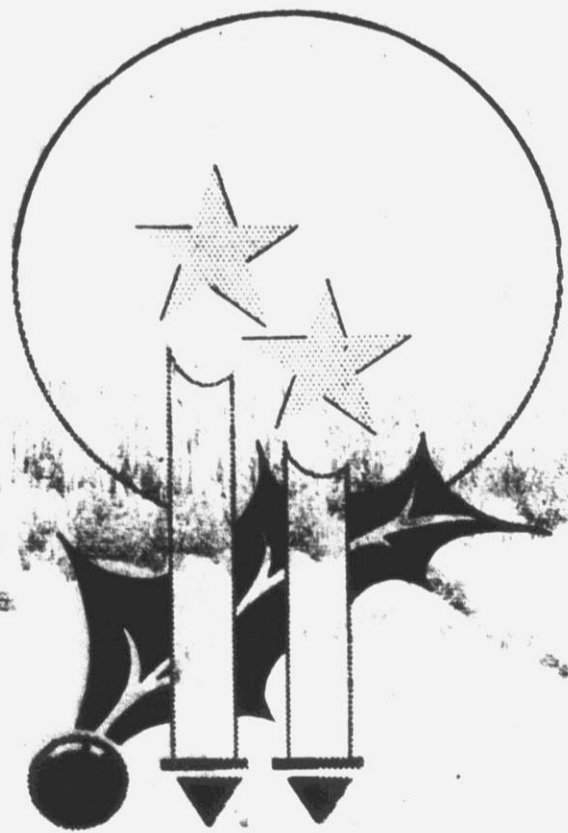
**TO EACH OF OUR
FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS**

We deeply appreciate your faith and confidence in us which has caused our continued growth—and wish for you a

Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

**STAUFFER'S
JEWELERS**

407 Evans Street Greenville, N. C.



GREETINGS!

With grateful acknowledgement of your courtesies and the evidences of your good will that have made the past year a pleasure to us, we wish you a Christmas of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

We pledge ourselves to an even greater and more efficient service than ever before and in keeping with this policy, we respectfully solicit your continued friendship and patronage.

City Plumbing Co.

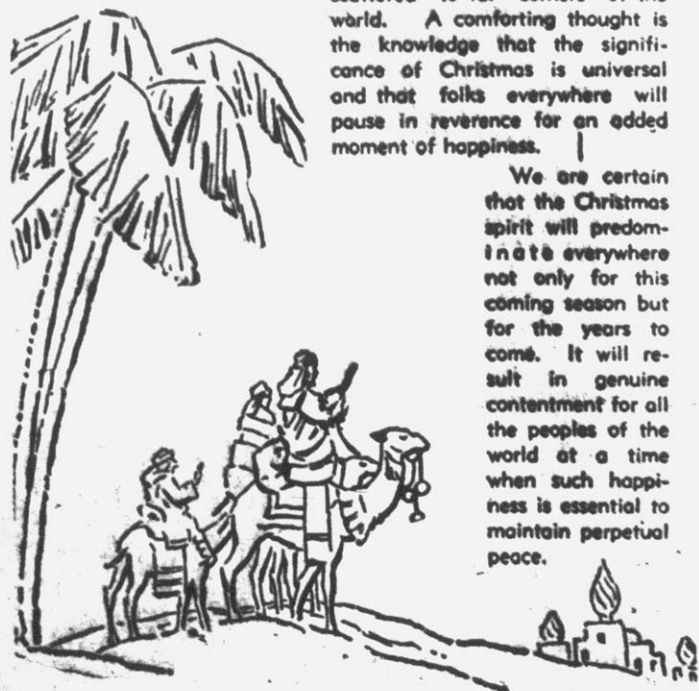
FRANK BROWN, Prop.

**THE STAR OF
BETHLEHEM**



It is good to know that the star of Bethlehem shines brightly at Christmastime on those whom we love even though they may be scattered to far corners of the world. A comforting thought is the knowledge that the significance of Christmas is universal and that folks everywhere will pause in reverence for an added moment of happiness.

We are certain that the Christmas spirit will predominate everywhere not only for this coming season but for the years to come. It will result in genuine contentment for all the peoples of the world at a time when such happiness is essential to maintain perpetual peace.



Victory Grill



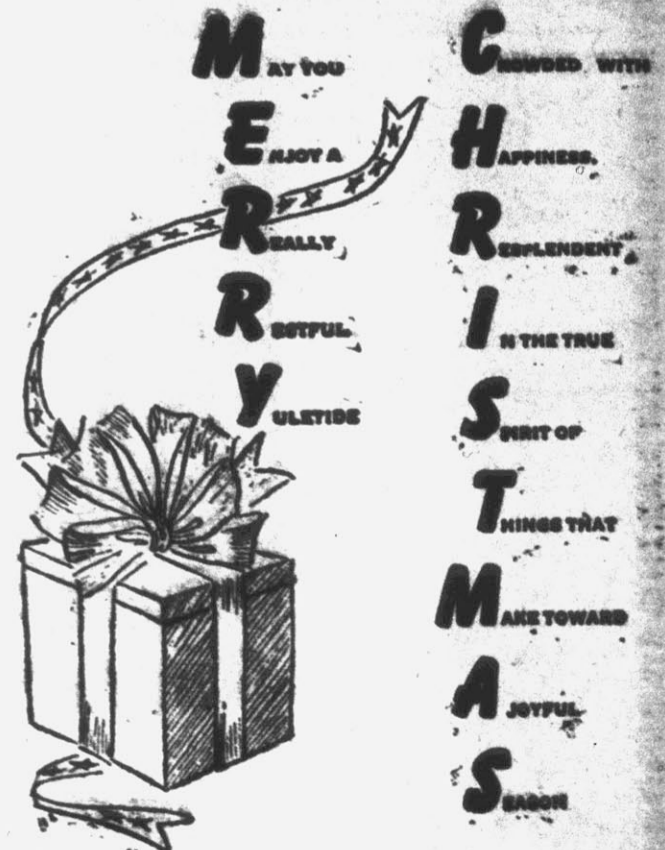
We Wish For You a

Merry Christmas
and a Happy, Prosperous
New Year

Askew's Market

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**STATE BANK
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Merry Christmas To All— and HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR 1945

At this Yuletide season we pause to reflect upon the pleasant associations and contacts of the year. We sincerely appreciate the new friends and customers we have made and send them the season's greetings.

Christmas greetings to all of our friends and patrons in Eastern Carolina, and to the men in the armed forces at home and on the battlefronts.

Mrs. Morton's Cake Shop

314 Evans Street

Christmas With The STARS

By ADELAIDE KERR
AP Newsfeatures Writer

Stars of stage, screen, radio and opera will celebrate Christmas in individual ways.

When it comes to parties, Gladys Swarthout will give one of the most unusual. The dark eyed soprano's birthday falls on Christmas and she will celebrate with an afternoon party whose feature will be an old-fashioned birthday cake, gift of a bakeshop in her home town, Kansas City. . . . Cinema actress Joan Blondell and her two children will entertain 20 orphans at a gala Christmas party where rides on ponies and bicycles will be featured and where each child will receive a gift filled stocking. . . . Guests of Helena Bliss, star of the Broadway operetta "Song of Norway," will spend Christmas Eve at a record party, listening to Christmas music and singing carols. . . .

As far as gifts are concerned, blonde Betty Grable of the movies will give her husband, bandleader Harry James, a lamp made from a trumpet she found in an antique shop. . . . Helen Traubel, Metropolitan Opera soprano, who has kept her knitting needles busy all year, will present her Christmas day dinner guests—ten service men and women—with socks and scarfs she knit herself. . . . Friends of June Haver of the films will receive Christmas recordings which are a chatty monologue by the actress. . . .

Paula Lawrence, Broadway actress who specializes in sophisticated roles, is giving her friends towels embroidered with mottoes reminiscent of the Gibson Girl era. . . . Connecticut neighbors of soprano Grace Moore will receive cans of fruit which she canned herself from the produce of her farm. . . . Anita Alvarez, the dancer, follows her friends something different in plant holders, made by cutting a birdcage in two, backing it by wooden panels and filling it with trailing plants whose tendrils trail through the bars. . . .

Actress Betty Fields, who lives in the country and knows what it is to be cold, will give her friends bed socks which she knit of rainbow hued yarns. . . . Helen Menken, sponsor of the radio show "State Door Garden," makes Christmas gift sachets of white knit gloves stuffed with perfumed cotton and tied with ray bows. . . . Arlene Francis, M. C. of the radio show, "Blind Date," has ordered a something new in holiday hats—it's trimmed with mistletoe. . . . Metropolitan soprano, Marita Farel will give two of her favored Christmas customs; she will trim her tree with three angels—blonde, redhead and brunette—and, "to make the house smell like Christmas," will burn pine tree needles in a big brass bowl. . . .

Down in Florida Jane Pickens will devote Christmas to entertaining crippled children in a hospital. She plans to construct a manger scene with palm leaf background and specially dressed dolls; and against that background will entertain the children with stories and songs. . . .

The members of Phil Spitalny's all girl orchestra will spend Christmas afternoon in a service men's hospital, singing Christmas carols and serving Christmas eats which they will bring themselves—cakes, candy and eggnog.

Nutrition Aids Child's I.Q.

By HOWARD W. BLAKESLEE
Associated Press Science Editor

New York — Evidence that good nutrition before the age of four raises the I. Q. of the intelligence of children, is reported in the American Journal of Digestive Diseases by I. Newton Kugelmass, M. D., of New York City.

He studied 132 children for 17 years. Some were well nourished and others ill-nourished, divided evenly. In each group also near half were mentally retarded and the other mentally normal.

The intelligences of all were tested, and then the ill-nourished were given good diets continuously for some time and re-tested. At the same time those who had been well nourished all the time were retested as a check against influences other than nutrition.

The ill-nourished children all showed a rise in intelligence due to good food. The children who had been well fed all the time showed no such rise.

The average increase in I. Q. was 10 points for the mentally retarded children and 18 for the normally healthy ones.

But the rise in intelligence was significant up to age four and negligible in the older ages. This was particularly striking in the malnourished, retarded children. Up to age four their increases in intelligence were five to ten fold faster than in later years.

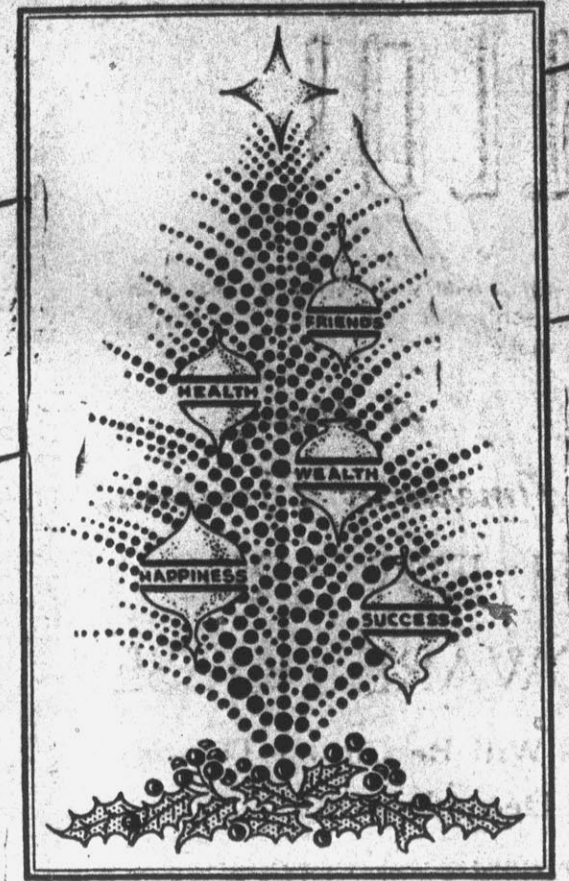
The average intelligent, malnourished children, also showed a more rapid I. Q. rise before age four than afterward. But among them the differences before and after were not large.

The I. Q. is something inherited that after early childhood remains about fixed throughout life.

Twins Together Again

Fresno, Calif. — (AP) — Twin brothers, Corporals Harley and Harvey Fole, 21, who never were separated until they joined the army, are together again—by presidential order after their grandmother, Mrs. Charles Fole, Royal Oak, Mich., had written the request to the President. The boys enlisted together, but were sent to different camps. Now they are both at the Air Service Command training center here.

THIS IS OUR WISH FOR YOU



Every business, regardless of size or type; every individual, is dependent upon someone else for support and existence. Our business is dependent upon our many loyal friends who have favored us in scores of ways during the past year.

It may have been through your patronage . . . it may have been a kind word of cheer . . . or it may have been an expression in our behalf to some friend of yours . . . but, in whatever way you may have favored us, we are thankful.

It is our hope that each of you may receive the blessings of a joyous Yuletide Season.

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

White Chevrolet Co. Incorporated

Season's Greetings

May this Christmas Season and the New Year bring you much that is good.

It is always our pleasure to serve you to the best of our ability.

Bell's Coal & Wood Yard
G. J. BELL

A Merry Christmas to All

Not just because it's the custom, but with a sincere appreciation of our pleasant associations throughout the past year—we extend to you our best wishes for a

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Garris Grocery Co.
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To One and To All!

And Best Wishes for a Healthy and Happy

New Year

Carolina Dairy Products, Inc.

HELLO!

We're here again with our wish for a Merry Christmas to our friends—only this year we want to say, let's make it—

A Merry American Christmas

C. H. EDWARDS HARDWARE HOUSE

Our Store Will Be Closed Tuesday, December 26th

Assistant Santa Claus

Federation Brings Yule Cheer To Children All Over World

By ADELAIDE KERR
AP Newsfeature Writer

Part of Mary Amelia Steer's job is making Christmas bright for the children who suffer hardship in Europe and America. To do it she and her cohorts work on an international framework whose beginning was inspired by the League of Nations. And by it they hope to help build a bridge of friendship which will strengthen the bonds of peace.

Miss Steer is executive director of the Volunteer Services for the Save the Children Federation, the American member of the Save the Children International Union. Back in 1923 the international union's council adopted the League of Nations Declaration of the Rights of the Child, "recognizing that mankind owes to the child the best it has to give," and declaring that "the child that is hungry must be fed and the orphan and the waif must be sheltered and succored."

When the American member joined the international union in 1932 it espoused the creed and today it works to brighten the lives of underprivileged youngsters on both sides of the Atlantic.

Hundreds of volunteers work all year for the Save the Children Fed-

eration, turning miniature mountains of old clothes and new fabrics into stacks of children's coats, gingham elephants, calico camels and the like for youngsters who would have none otherwise. Clothes are distributed throughout the year, the toys at Christmas time.

"Our work for the children of Europe is concentrated on clothes and shoes," said tall, dark-eyed Miss Steer as she sat in her New York office. "This year we have sent more than 200,000 pounds of clothing to the youngsters of war-torn countries. Figuring five pounds to a child, we estimate that this has helped more than 40,000 youngsters. Shipments were sent to our collaborators in Sweden, Holland and the Near East, and large allotments of clothing were given to Italian, Greek, Belgian and French relief agencies for distribution in Europe.

"Our branch in Sweden, where thousands of refugee children come, tells us that they arrive in a pitiable condition. None of them has shoes. They arrive with pieces of felt or carpet sewn onto their feet or pieces of board tied onto them. The children walk with a peculiar shuffling gait because of this. Babies and small children are in rags.

"We must help them and hun-

dreds of women volunteers are working with us to do so. Any American woman who helps a stricken European mother aids in building a bridge of friendship that will unite the Old and New Worlds in a tie of cooperation for world peace."

In America the work of the volunteer corps of the Save the Children Federation is aimed toward making Christmas bright for the children in the poor mountain areas of nine states—Arizona, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

Dolls dressed in colorful clothes, stuffed animals, baseballs, bats, crayons, watercolors, books, toys, mittens, caps, hard candy are assembled during the year—some made by the workers, others bought by contributions—and shipped to the federation's mountain area workers in time for Christmas distribution. In addition, quantities of children's clothes and layettes are also dispatched to mountain areas, where, federation workers estimate, they helped 55,000 children in 1944.

Army's Plastic Eyes Better Than Glass

Washington—(AP)—At more than a dozen hospitals throughout the United States, the army has set up special technical shops whose sole job is manufacturing and fitting plastic eyes—the warborn development which has proved to be greatly superior to the oldtime glass eye.

Before the war, virtually all glass

eyes used in this country came from Germany and supplies of these are nearly exhausted. Military doctors say the plastic eyes are seemingly unbreakable and, unlike their predecessors, are not damaged by acids contained in the secretions from the eye socket.

G. I. wearers rate them so highly that they jokingly ask the doctors to fix them up "Sunday morning eyes"—heavily "bloodshot."

Thanks, It Is; Thanks, It Isn't

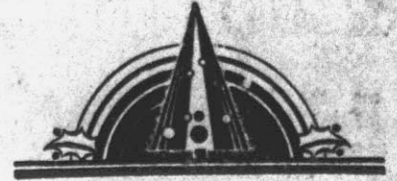
Baton Rouge La. — (AP) — At Harding Field where non-commissioned officers of the first three grades pulled KP on Thanksgiving to give their stripeless brethren a break, every one was duly thankful. One sergeant remarked, while scouring a stack of pots and pans — "The privates are thankful that it comes at least once a year, and we're thankful that it comes only once."

Deer, Deer, Deer! And Steak's Rationed

Portland, Ore. — (AP) — Syvert Letrud's story about how he got his black eye was so good he hardly believed it himself. He got it from a deer's horns, which was nailed over the head of his bed and fell off in the night, striking him in the face.

Britain recognized Egypt as a sovereign independent state in 1922

Merry Christmas



We cherish the thoughts of the fine friendships that have been ours in the past and we desire to take this means of expressing our genuine thanks for your courtesies.

We wish you the best of good things for Christmas and the New Year.

Five Points Food Market

GREETINGS

To greet you at Christmas and with sincere thanks for your patronage, friendship and good will and to wish you the best New Year possible in the good old American way.

We Will Be Closed All Day
December 26th

Pitt Hardware Co.

To Greet
You at



Christmas

And with sincere thanks for your patronage, friendship and good will and to wish you the best New Year possible in the good old American way.

Edwards Auto Supply Greenville, N. C.

Holiday

Greetings to You and Yours

ALL OF US AT
DR. PEPPER BOTTLING COMPANY

Wish You and Yours

THE MERRIEST CHRISTMAS YOU HAVE EVER HAD!

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Julian Davenport*
Bennie Davis*
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Orean Day
Joe Deavers
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Ben Heath
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Christmas GREETINGS

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W. L. Allen

Distributor
GULF OIL PRODUCTS

CHURCHES

(Continued from page one)

Bible Class, H. E. Keck, Pres., A. E. Gibson, teacher; Women's Bible Class, Miss Lewis, teacher.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Sermon: "Some of the Joys of Christ's Birth Brought to Earth."
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Mid-week prayer service.

CALVARY LUTHERAN
218 Pitt St.—Phone 4451
Rev. Erwin H. Goltermann, Pastor
Bible Study, 7:00 p. m.
Service, 8:00 p. m.

EIGHTH ST. CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
Dr. H. G. Haney, Pastor
Mrs. J. Paul Davenport, Organist
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School, with classes for all. J. F. Carr, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Solo: "Gesù Bambino"—Mrs. J. Knott Proctor.
Sermon: "Will the Angels Ever Sing Again?"

CHURCH OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE
Rev. Charles J. Gable, Pastor
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered at 9:30 and 11 a. m. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 5 p. m.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner Tenth & Cotanche Streets
S. B. Denny, Pastor

Services 11:00 a. m. every fourth Sunday.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. J. C. Moys, Pastor
Corner Eleventh and Cotanche Sts.
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship every first Sunday.
6:30 p. m.—Young People's Service.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship each Sunday night.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Mid-week prayer services.
Cordial welcome to all services.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS
Corner 13th and Reade Sts.
Rev. N. J. Medford, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. B. Peet, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:00—Youth Service.
8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE
Dickinson Avenue
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Lesson-Sermon.
Wednesday—Reading Room open from 2 until 5 o'clock in the church building.
Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.—Testimony meeting to the church edifice, 1004 Dickinson Avenue.

SALVATION ARMY
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Holliness meeting.
6:00 p. m.—Y. P. meeting.
7:00 p. m.—Salvation meeting.
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer meeting.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Women's Sewing Club.

CHURCH OF GOD
Broad Street
Rev. W. E. Spearman, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
6:30 p. m.—Young People's En-
deavor.

FALKLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. C. A. Lawrence, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; G. H. Pittman, Supt. Classes for all ages.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.—Prayer meeting.
Cordial welcome to all services.

WINTERVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Rev. Perry Case, Minister
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; J. L. Rollins, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching service every first Sunday.

WINTERVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Edward G. Cole Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; Paul Hunsucker, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:15 p. m.—Training Union.
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.—Praise and prayer service.
Worship with us at these services.

BETHEL CHURCHES
METHODIST—Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Sermon at 11 o'clock.
BAPTIST—Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Sermon at 11 o'clock.
HOLINESS—Sabbath School 10 a. m., each Sunday. Preaching service 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., on second and fourth Sundays only. Young People's service each Sunday, 7:15 p. m.
Services at all churches are E.W.T.

BLACK JACK F. W. B. CHURCH
Rev. J. C. Griffin, Pastor
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Marvin Harper, Supt.
Preaching every third Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.—and Saturday evening at 7:30 before third Sunday.

STOKES BAPTIST CHURCH
J. A. Hoyle, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. S. Overton, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Services every fourth Sunday morning.

STOKES METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. T. H. House, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. F. Stokes, Supt.
Services every first Sunday night and every third Sunday morning.

STOKES CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Howard Glenn James, Minister
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; A. L. Woolard, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship every second Sunday.
The public is cordially invited to all services.

RED OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Howard Glenn James, Minister
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; F. L. Allen, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship every third Sunday.
Come and worship with us in these services.

ST. PAUL'S PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS
Washington Highway
Rev. J. A. Howard, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. J. Lewis, Supt.
Preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
7:00 p. m.—P. H. Y. S. each Sunday.

GRIMESLAND CHRISTIAN CHURCH
G. Henry Sullivan, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Church School.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:00 p. m.—Evening worship.

Farmville Churches

BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Edward C. Chamblee, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Bible School; Geo. W. Davis, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
6:30 p. m.—B. T. U.; Geo. W. Davis, director.
7:15 p. m.—Evangelistic hour.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer service.

CATHOLIC CHURCH
Father Arthur J. Racette
Holy Mass—7:30 a. m., Mondays.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Rev. C. B. Mashburn, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; J. O. Pollard, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.

METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. M. Y. Self, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; R. A. Joyner, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:00 p. m.—Youth Fellowship.
No evening service.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Edwin S. Coates, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; C. F. Bacon, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Thursday evening—Youth meeting

EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. J. R. Rountree, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; J. W. Joyner, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship on first and third Sundays.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. J. B. Roberts, Pastor
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship on second Sundays.

Colored Churches

PHILIPPI CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
Corner 13th and Greene Sts.
Rev. J. F. McLaurin, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; L. B. Stout, Supt.
Preaching every second Sunday at 11:30 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.

MT. CALVARY F.W.B. CHURCH
Corner Hudson and Ward Sts.
Rev. E. M. Hill, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. Isaac

Carey, Supt.
Preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m., and evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.

SELVA CHAPEL F.W.B. CHURCH
Rev. J. W. Wikerson, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Sam Weathington, Supt.
Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.—Prayer meeting.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH
Clark Street
Rev. O. James Rooks, Pastor
Services every first and third Sunday.

SYCAMORE HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner Greene and First Streets
Rev. J. A. Nnamo, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; W. D. Miller, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship

Sermon by the pastor.
8:30 p. m.—B. T. U.;
8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.
Sermon by the pastor.
The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

ENGLISH CHAPEL CHURCH
Two Miles from Greenville
Near Ayden Highway
Rev. S. Hemby, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; S. M. King, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
The public is invited.

PHILIPPI BAPTIST CHURCH
Railroad St.—Simpson, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Harris, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; J. B. Taft, Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.

YORK MEMORIAL A.M.E. ZION CHURCH
232 Albemarle Ave.
Rev. Solon P. Laque, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; W. J.

Heater, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching service.
8:00 p. m.—V.O.B. Society; Miss Annie M. Nelson, Pres.
7:30 p. m.—Preaching service.
Friday, 8:00 p. m.—Class meeting.
Come to the church with a friend—welcome.

CORNERSTONE BAPTIST
Thirteenth and Railroad Sts.
Rev. J. E. Tillett, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; Milton Carr, Jr., Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Services every fourth Sunday 11:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

BETHEL F. W. B. CHURCH
Rev. J. C. Garner, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
Preaching every third Sunday 11 a. m., 3 p. m., and 7:30 p. m.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

And may the Happiness of the Holiday Season be yours through all the coming—

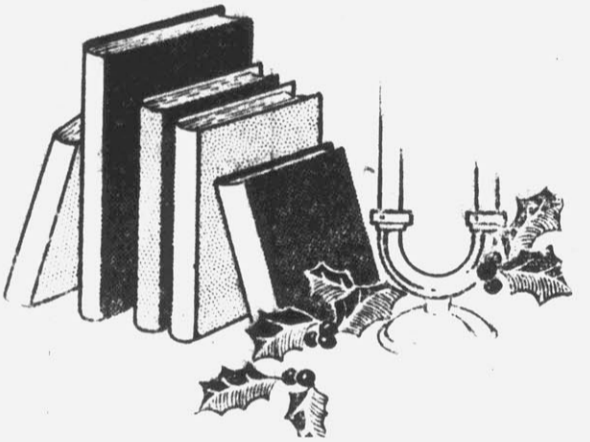
NEW YEAR



Kares Restaurant
429 Evans Street

Wishing You
Joyous Holiday..

May your share of happiness at the glad Christmastime be brightened by the knowledge of our appreciation of your fine and valued friendships.
May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may their companionship come through the years to come.



Pitt Coal & Wood Yard

ROYCE JONES **R. E. HARRIS, JR.**
Near Norfolk Southern Railroad

GREETINGS

And All Good Wishes For a
Merry Christmas
and a Happy
New Year



We wish to use this means to thank our many friends and customers for their loyal patronage during this year and to solicit your business through the coming year. We promise the very best services that conditions will permit.

We also wish to announce that we will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 25th and 26th.

College View Cleaners & Laundry

ROY L. TRIPP, Owner



It's the same old wish, but it never grows old, and we say it in all earnestness—

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND YOURS

and may the coming year bring to each of you Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

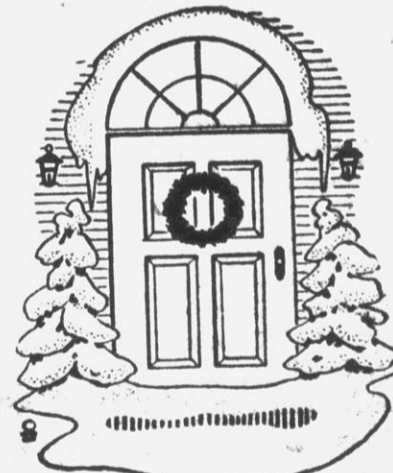
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extends to all
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
AND BEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



A Merry Christmas To You

..... The greatest pleasure of the year comes in telling good friends like you that they are appreciated.

..... Our Christmas would not be complete without a word of thanks for your friendship and good will which have meant so much to us throughout the year.

..... We deeply appreciate the fine spirit of cooperation shown by you when rationing of raw materials and rapidly changing economic conditions curtailed our production, and we face the coming year with a firm determination to do everything possible to continue to justify your faith in us.

..... May this Christmas be a happy one for you, and may the coming year bring you the very best of everything.

Double Cola Bottling Co.

Greenville, N. C.



Hang up the Old Sock

—And we'll take great delight in filling it full of good wishes for you and yours. As we do so, we pledge continued effort on our part to merit your good will in the years to come.

V. A. Merritt & Son

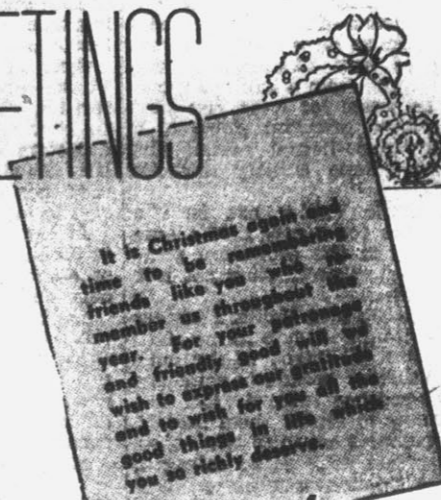


CHEERIO, Here Comes Santa

Hi! Ho! Merrily we go! Nothing like an old fashioned sleigh ride at Christmas time. It typifies the real meaning of Christmas and gives us something tangible on which to hang our ambitions in a world full of unrest and strife.

Bostic-Sugg Furniture Co.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

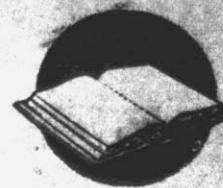


Dunn's Coastline
Grocery and Market

GREETINGS

As we close our books we thank you for your many favors during the past year and extend a sincere expression of Good Cheer for the coming year.

If we can be of service to you in the years to come, please feel free to call on us. It is our purpose to serve in arly manner that we can, efficiently and promptly.



Proctor Hotel

"Beds That Refresh — Food That Pleases"

Christmas Greetings

and All Happiness in
the New Year



Taff Office Equipment Co.
119 E. Fifth Street



"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given."

Isaiah 9:6



May the Light of Happiness
Shine for You on Christmas Day
And Throughout the New Year

Nicholl's Market

WISHING YOU A ★ MERRY CHRISTMAS



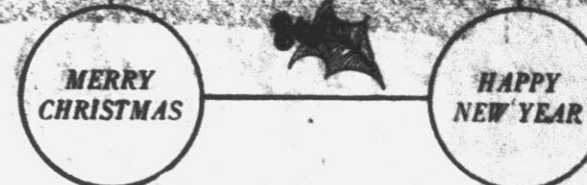
We send you sincere and hearty greetings, full of good cheer for each of you. And may the coming twelve months find you happy and contented in your every undertaking.

AND A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

Norfolk Shoe Shop
J. W. BUNCH, Prop.

A WEALTH OF HAPPINESS

MAY THE JOYS OF
THE CHRISTMAS SEASON GO
WITH YOU ALL THROUGH THE NEW YEAR



CAROLINA GRILL
9th and Dickinson



Wyatt Brown's

Cascade Laundry



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Your friendliness and good-will during the past year have been greatly appreciated. Please accept our sincere thanks and best wishes for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

General Insurance Agency
A.B. Stallworth Heber B. Tripp

Insurance — Real Estate



And

MAY HAPPINESS

be with you and yours—
at Christmas and throughout
the New Year!

L. W. REDD

109 West Ninth Street Greenville, N. C.



TO OUR
FRIENDS
and
CUSTOMERS

WE SINCERELY APPRECIATE THE
PATRONAGE ACCORDED US THIS
YEAR. ACCEPT OUR BEST WISHES
FOR A

MERRY CHRISTMAS
—and—
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Clark's Coal and Wood Yard



Seasons Greetings

One of the real joys of yuletide is the opportunity to put aside the routine and customs of every day business and in real sincerity wish our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

C. & S. Baking Co.

Greenville, N. C.
ODELL CALHOUN

Doll Doctor Performs Miracles Of 'Surgery'

By JAMES KALSHOVEN
New Orleans—Pint-sized mothers whose children have suffered severe attacks of skin diseases, or who have emerged from a bad fall somewhat the worse for wear, can send their beloved offspring down to a motherly white-haired woman who performs plastic surgery miracles on dolls.

Mrs. Emile Voltier has been a doll surgeon for nearly half a century. She's in the profession principally because her mother got into it by accident.

In the 1830's Mrs. Voltier's mother had a toy and doll shop in the city's French Quarter. Many of the dolls were cracked or broken in shipment and the mother learned from necessity how to repair them herself. Then customers began to bring their own damaged dolls to be salvaged, until the sideline grew bigger than the sale of dolls. The mother abandoned the shop and set up the first doll hospital in the south.

Mrs. Voltier had wanted to become a fashionable seamstress, and her talent for embroidery is evident in the costume doll dresses she fashions. But her mother's last wish was that she continue the business, so she carried on.

Thousands of dolls from all over the United States, Canada, Alaska and Mexico reach the small back rooms of her two-story house. In the months before Christmas, the

shelves are crowded with pink armless trunks and trunkless arms, with heads and eyes and wigs.

Some of the dolls on which Mrs. Voltier works are almost priceless rarities, often hundreds of years old. In New Orleans, city of antiques, collectors who realize what a prize they have in their own backyard send her delicate bisque creations, rich in lace and silk dresses.

At the moment she is particularly proud of her successful doctoring of a 125-year-old Madame Pompadour doll.

Since the war, says Mrs. Voltier, the business of doctoring dolls has expanded tremendously. People are not satisfied with the type of doll now manufactured, and substitution of materials has led to greater breakage.

Sleeping eye dolls are almost im-

possible to secure; the metal which acts as the weight for the eyes is too critical. And human hair is also unobtainable; mohair acts as a substitute.

Mrs. Voltier finds her greatest difficulty in the repair of eyes. Her stock of replacement eyes cannot be replenished and she is reluctant to dig into it unless paint, glue and air-brush offer no hope.

In a rush, as during the pre-Christmas season, her five daughters pitch in and help her. However, says Mrs. Voltier a bit mournfully, "they are like I was with my mother. It was a long time before I could show any interest in dolls. After all, my daughters have their work in the commercial world, and I can't expect them to work at home too."

No Waste

San Francisco—(AP)—While millions of words of election news were being printed in other papers, the San Quentin News, weekly paper of San Quentin prison, summed up the situation in ten words: "There was some voting outside. The incumbent President was retained."

Dangerous Tea-Party
London—(AP)—Three men who used an electric hotplate to boil water for tea in the midst of 49 tons of high explosive were fined about \$135 each at a northwestern court.

British Accumulate Bricks
London—(AP)—There are now 1,000,000,000 bricks in stock in Britain—enough to build 50,000 houses.

CHURCHES

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SWEET HOURS F.W.B. CHURCH
Rev. E. H. Cox, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; O. C. Chapman, Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
GOOD HOPE F. W. I. CHURCH
Rev. S. Hemby Pastor

9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; Mr. Bryant, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
The public is cordially invited.

ROCK SPRING F.W.B. CHURCH
Falkland Highway
Rev. Sam Hemby, Jr., Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; William Tatum, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
ELONIA HILINA CHURCH
Pitt Street
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; E. A. Chapman, Supt.
Preaching service every first Sunday at 11 o'clock.
Prayer meeting every Sunday at 11:45 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

ST. PETER'S F.W.B. CHURCH
Vanceboro, N. C.
Rev. J. C. Gardner, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
Preaching every third Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

JOP'S BRANCH F.W.B. CHURCH
On No. 43 Highway
W. T. Barrow, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; E. A. Chapman, Supt.
Preaching every first Sunday at 11:00 a. m.
Prayer meeting every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

CEDAR GROVE BAPTIST
Rev. C. C. Sharr, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.
Services every fourth Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

ST. JOHN'S C. M. E. MISSION
Sheppard Street
Rev. W. F. Jones, Pastor
Residence, Bethel, N. C.
Sunday School, 10:45 a. m.
Preaching every first Sunday at 11:45 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Preaching every third Sunday at 3:30 and 7:30 p. m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
Vanceboro, N. C.
Rev. J. C. Gardner, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.
Preaching services every first Sunday at 11:00 a. m.



Greetings

To the Finest People on Earth—

Here's Wishing You A Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

At this season we pause to reflect upon the many pleasant acquaintances and associations that we have had during this year, and desire to extend to our many friends and patrons our best wishes for a most joyful Holiday Season.

We sincerely appreciate the patronage you have given us during this year.

From the Entire Personnel of

Taft Furniture Co.

47 Years of Continuous Furniture Service

It has been our rare privilege to do business with the good people of this community for many years and the spirit of the season brings renewed and sincere appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends with the hope that our pleasant relations will continue throughout the coming year.

Although we made every effort to render you the best possible service during the past year it was not always possible to secure just the merchandise you may have desired, but the gracious manner in which our patrons have cooperated with us will long be remembered.

As we gather around our firesides this Christmas, let's not forget the boys over there, and the homes from which these boys have gone. They would enjoy a Christmas at home, too.

Nevertheless, our wish to you is a

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

HOME FURNITURE STORE

GOOD FURNITURE at RIGHT PRICES

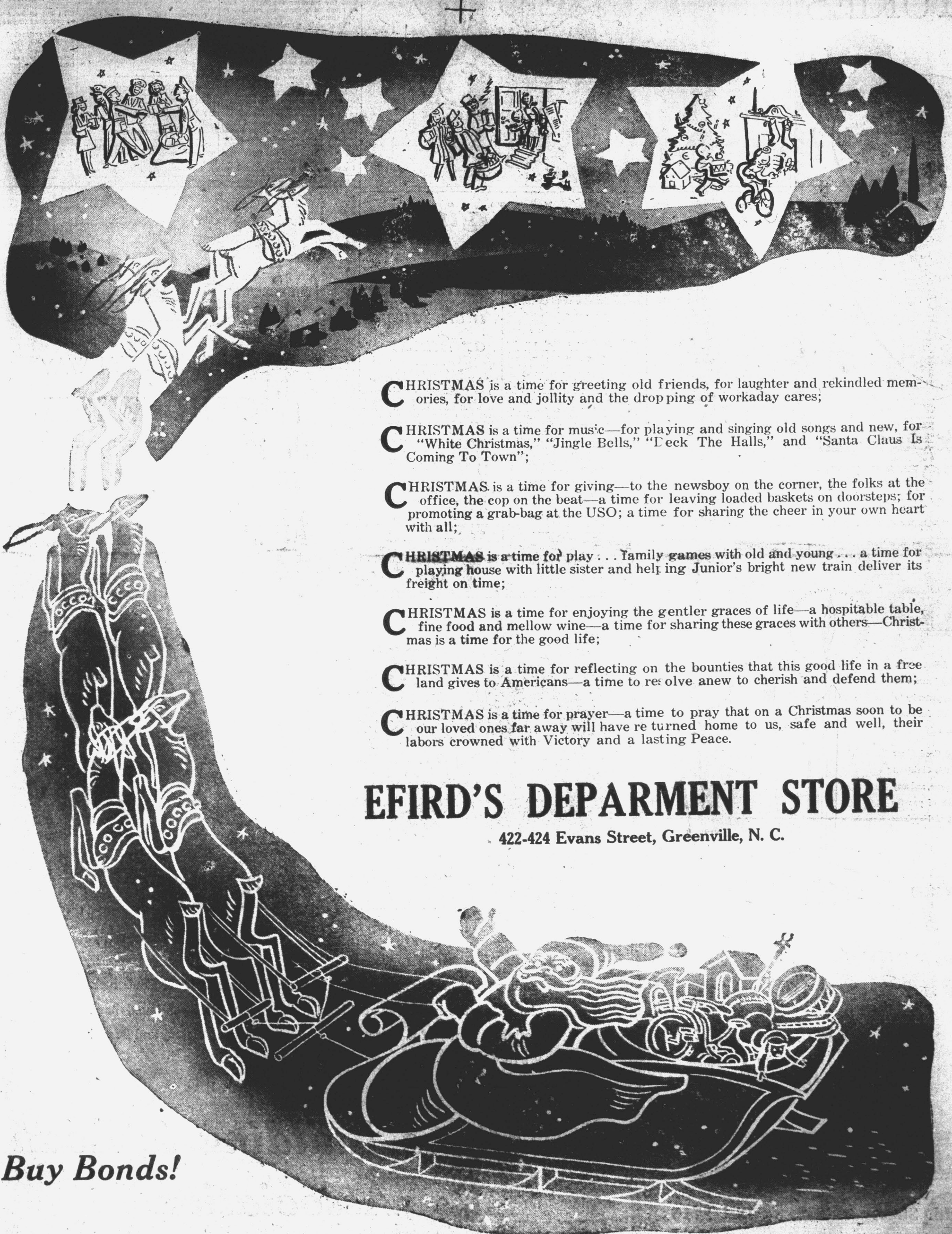
"PITT COUNTY'S MOST POPULAR FURNITURE STORE"

Corner Eighth Street and Dickinson Avenue

Dial 2879

Buy An Extra War Bond — The Present With A Future





CHRISTMAS is a time for greeting old friends, for laughter and rekindled memories, for love and jollity and the dropping of workaday cares;

CHRISTMAS is a time for music—for playing and singing old songs and new, for "White Christmas," "Jingle Bells," "Deck The Halls," and "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town";

CHRISTMAS is a time for giving—to the newsboy on the corner, the folks at the office, the cop on the beat—a time for leaving loaded baskets on doorsteps; for promoting a grab-bag at the USO; a time for sharing the cheer in your own heart with all;

CHRISTMAS is a time for play . . . Family games with old and young . . . a time for playing house with little sister and helping Junior's bright new train deliver its freight on time;

CHRISTMAS is a time for enjoying the gentler graces of life—a hospitable table, fine food and mellow wine—a time for sharing these graces with others—Christmas is a time for the good life;

CHRISTMAS is a time for reflecting on the bounties that this good life in a free land gives to Americans—a time to resolve anew to cherish and defend them;

CHRISTMAS is a time for prayer—a time to pray that on a Christmas soon to be our loved ones far away will have returned home to us, safe and well, their labors crowned with Victory and a lasting Peace.

EFIRD'S DEPARTMENT STORE

422-424 Evans Street, Greenville, N. C.

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Buy Bonds!

Through the CENTURIES



It is a far cry from the crude manger of Bethlehem nearly 20 centuries ago to the world of today with its modern structures of worship.

But as time goes on and the world continues to progress, it is interesting to observe that the one custom that has remained unchanged is the observance of the coming of Him whose birthday we celebrate.

May His teachings predominate now at a time when the world seeks peace and contentment. This is our Christmas wish this year. May we wish you all the joys of the Yuletide.



Hooker & Buchanan INCORPORATED

"Insurance Of All Kinds"



The Original Virginia

A Grandma Now, She Still Believes In Santa Claus

By ARLENE WOLF
AP Newsfeature Writer

New York.—Once upon a time, more than two score years ago, there was a pretty little blue-eyed girl named Virginia O'Hanlon, who wrote a letter to the New York Sun and asked the truth about Santa Claus. The editor wrote back: "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus—a letter that since has been quoted thousands of times."

Today, Virginia is quite grown up. And she still believes in Santa "more than ever."

Now Dr. Laura V. Douglas, Virginia looks just as you'd expect the adult Virginia to look—rather like a storybook fairy godmother, with soft white hair, laughing crinkles around her twinkling blue eyes, and a generous soft smile.

She's a grandmother, and would rather talk about her three beautiful grandchildren than anything else in the world.

"That's the baby, Mary," she'll say, taking a photograph off her bookcase in the New York City public school where she is assistant principal in charge. "Mary's two and a half. Catherine's three and a half, and she's really much prettier than

the picture. And here's Jimmy, he's five, and the best believer in Santa Claus that ever lived. He can barely live from Christmas to Christmas."

When she was a little girl, Dr. Douglas recalls, eight-year-olds were much younger than they are now.

"My daughter started worrying about Santa when she was seven," she says, "and wanted to know why Santa had to use reindeer when an automobile or airplane would get him around much faster."

Virginia remembers now that the whole affair of the letter put her in line for quite a lot of teasing. Of course, whenever the question about Santa came up, she could always point to Francis P. Church's editorial and prove there was a Santa. But her friends twitted her about it, and for quite a while eight-year-old Virginia didn't appreciate what it said.

"Santa exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist—Thank God, he lives, and lives forever."

Now, many years later, the grown up Virginia understands.

Weighty Deal
Springfield, Ill.—(AP)—Heaviest consignment of cash in the war bond campaign in the Illinois capital came from the boy-scouts of Troop Seven—4,500 nickels.

to handle the kids.

"We're all veteran actors here," he said, "and it takes a lot of tact and patience to be a Santa Claus. We have four different throats we use most of the time depending on how many persons are waiting in line."

As I tucked the stomach into a hot red coat, adjusted the whiskers to the head, and applied the white to the eyebrows, the boss St. Nick said:

"When you're ready, I'll jingle these sleigh bells. The fellow out there now will tell the children that the reindeer are hungry and he must leave for a few minutes to feed them."

"You wait a minute after he comes out and then go through that curtain to the chair. You're on your own then. If any of the children are scared, and don't want to come up to you, just offer them a lollypop, and they'll cooperate."

As I gave the wig and whiskers a last minute adjustment, the sleigh bells jingled, and the changing of the Santas was performed.

The big white chair where I was to sit was only about three feet inside the curtain but it seemed miles as a lump came up in the throat and something danced around inside the stomach.

I don't know who was more scared, the kids or your sports editor, but I was going to grab a lollypop butten

thought better of it.

A cute little fellow was waiting for me. When he smiled, I forgot all about being anybody, but Santa Claus.

And so it went. I talked to little tots and big ones. Some were so nice you hated to let them go. Others were so fresh you felt like applying the hand to the seat of their pants.

Strange as it may seem, the parents got a bigger kick out of it than the kids. Some of them had been standing in line more than an hour just to have Junior speak to Santa. And how they beamed and gurgled when the little one bashfully took a sucker from Santa and ran for the exit.

The best sound I've ever heard was the jingle of those sleigh bells telling me a relief Santa was ready to take over. The water was running down the face and back and the voice was hoarse, but we crawled off to "feed the reindeer"—and take a bath.

Wallpaper Money Helps To Curb French Inflation

AP Newsfeatures

Paris—France is famous for its wallpaper money—great tissue shined, the kids or your sports editor, plasters representing as little as ten cents—but curiously this may

help the little men of France, now trying to make ends meet amid severe inflation.

The paper money tears and wears out easily. Being in small denominations, instead of being turned in at banks for new ones, bills often just disappear. That is the equivalent of the holder kicking that much back into the treasury.

How much disappears this way would take a money census to find out. But, since the last census in 1887, until the German occupation, paper currency worth about three billion American dollars was issued. Occupation saw the presses turn out at least \$10,000,000 a day to pay Nazi impositions.

It is estimated that perhaps a tenth of all the outstanding paper has been destroyed, thus helping keep money out of circulation and hampering inflation.

Huge War Map
Johannesburg — (AP)—A giant war map, measuring 23 feet square, has been erected outside the city hall to enable citizens to see the latest Allied advances on the four land fronts of Europe. Similar maps will be erected in other large centers.

Ancient Greek and Roman sculptors produced many masterpieces in terra-cotta, or burnt clay.



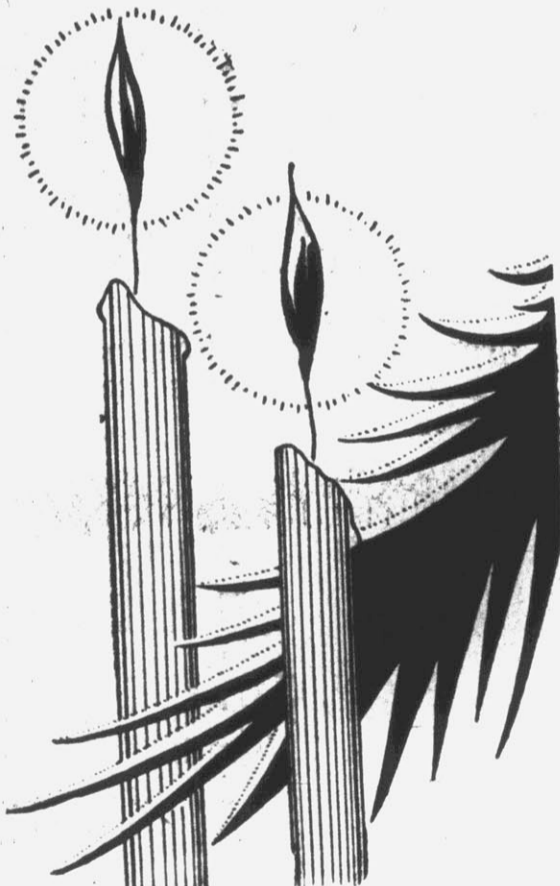
THE AMERICAN WAY OUR WISH

TO EVERYBODY EVERYWHERE

Happiness And Good Cheer Appliance Sales Corp.

APPRECIATING to the fullest extent the cordial relations existing between us in the past, we take this opportunity to cordially wish you an old fashioned Merry Christmas

May the Happiness and Good Cheer which we hope is yours this Christmas never cease in the days to come, and may the New Year bring each of you the Prosperity, Health and Real Happiness you so much deserve.



BEST WISHES

for the Best Day of the Year

Firestone STORES

220 East Fifth Street Dial 3716

GREETINGS

We hope you have the very best of luck all through 1945. But luck alone isn't the key to good things! What we need is continued hard work and plenty of it—if we are to enjoy the fruits of Victory and Peace! We're with you—on the job!

Home Building & Loan Association



Christmas Greetings

To
"Everybody
Everywhere"

BUY BONDS



"EVERY WEEKDAY, RAIN OR SHINE, my 1939 Ford carries three of us to the hospital where I work in the Out-Patient Clinic. It's 18 miles round-trip... and Ford's famous gas-economy means a lot!"



"MY HUSBAND WAS 'CHIEF OBSERVER' of the Army Aircraft Warning Service and used the car regularly to drive up Mt. Laurel. Yet our Ford has always been trouble-free—repairs have cost next to nothing."



"BEFORE THE WAR, the car was filled with children, dogs, clubs and zaccuets. Now, on Sundays my twin granddaughters visit their great grandmother. Yes, our Ford's like one of the family!"



NEWS NOTES—Raw materials reaching the Rouge plant of Ford by boat are unloaded in 15-ton bites. As much as 850,000 tons of iron ore and 1,700,000 tons of coal arrive at the Rouge in a single season.
More than 30,000,000 Ford, Mercury and Lincoln cars—and Ford Trucks—have been built



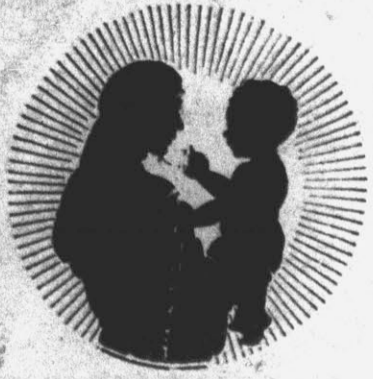
In Santa's name we bring you words of warm friendliness which wish you the best the season has to offer! If we number you among our customers we especially wish to express our appreciation of your cooperative, wartime spirit in accepting necessary curtailment of service.

Season Of 1944

John Flanagan Buggy Co. Greenville, North Carolina



MERRY CHRISTMAS



HAPPY NEW YEAR

A SINCERE GREETING TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS.



The Bootery Quality Footwear

Spirit Of Christmas Shines Afar

In Jungles And Deserts American Fighting Men Will Worship Before Chapel Triptych

By ADELAIDE KERR AP News-features Writer

Christmas Eve on a United States destroyer ploughing through the Pacific, battle bent. Fifty of Uncle Sam's sailors are gathered in the mess hall, faces scrubbed, hair freshly brushed. The engines throb, the steam pipes hiss, as they kneel for an hour of worship. The room is cold and gray and bare, except for one splash of color at the end of a room—a triptych (altar-piece in three sections) standing on a table covered with a white cloth. Its panels show a convoy entering the harbor and above hovers the Madonna, holding the Christ child surrounded by angels. As the flickering candles light its brilliant reds and blues and gold, the bare little room becomes a chapel, filled with the spirit of Christmas peace. The chaplain concludes his opening prayer and the strong young voices rise in a chant—"Oh Come All Ye Faithful..."

Many a scene like that will be enacted on Christmas Eve in jungle, desert and mountain pass—all of them centered around a colorful portable triptych. Behind those triptychs stands the Citizens Committee for the Army and Navy, and behind it a woman.

She is Mrs. Junius Morgan, daughter-in-law of the late Wall Street tycoon, J. P. Morgan. Her husband, a former vice president of J. P. Morgan & Co., is now on leave as a captain in the navy.

Mrs. Morgan, brown-haired and blue-eyed, is president of the Citizens Committee for the Army and Navy, originally founded as a regional group of New York and New Jersey citizens who wished to be of service to the U. S. Army 27th Division, and later extended to a national organization.

"The triptychs started as a result of a visit I made to an army camp," said Mrs. Morgan in the committee's New York headquarters recently. "I asked what we citizens could do for the soldiers and was told they needed beauty and wanted something which would mean tradition. The object of their religious services came into the conversation too. And later, on the way home I thought of the triptychs as the answer to all those needs."

"That was more than two years ago. Since then we have supplied 300 original triptychs and 200 smaller and less expensive reproductions for the armed forces. The 300 originals were painted by very fine artists who worked for a nominal

sum that barely covered the cost of paints. The committee supplies the triptychs—wood ones for the army and metal one for the navy. And the whole thing is supported by subscription. Army and navy chaplains let us know their needs and we have a triptych painted especially for them.

"These triptychs, which are portable and compact, give a religious atmosphere to services anywhere. Put one on a stage and you have a chapel. Our work won't end with the war. Think of our young people who will be in service all over

the world after the war and you will see that there is plenty of need for the work to go on."

Mrs. Morgan is no figure-head president. She always had a deep interest in art and takes a keen interest in each triptych and its design. She spends a large part of each day in supervising the triptych program in the committee headquarters. This fall she and her committee have made a special drive to supply a number of fighting units with triptychs in time for Christmas services. As a result of their work, boys will worship be-

fore them on Christmas Eve in United States camps, German battlefields, African deserts, Alaskan snows and South Sea Island jungles.

Silver Star Awarded After 25 Years

Limona, Fla.—(AP)—A silver star medal for meritorious service in World War I has been received by W. F. Hayes 25 years after the action entitling him to the award.

Hayes said that after he received a citation for communications skill at St. Mihiel, France, he thought that was all there was to it. However, he recently discovered he had been expected to apply for the decoration after being awarded the commendation.

So he wrote to the war department and today he has his silver star.

The Central American umbrella bird is named for a crest of black feathers which can be lowered to cover its face.

Chaplain Weds Pair Who Weren't There

Jacksonville, Fla.—(AP)—Navy Chaplain Paul R. Hoover officiated at what he considers to be the first wedding of its kind. In a double proxy ceremony here, he united a happy couple, one elsewhere in the United States and the other somewhere in the Pacific.

Chaplain Hoover reported the necessary papers had traveled around the world three times before all the legal red tape was straightened out and the unattended rite could be performed.

'To Be Or Not To Be,' Stops Japanese Squad

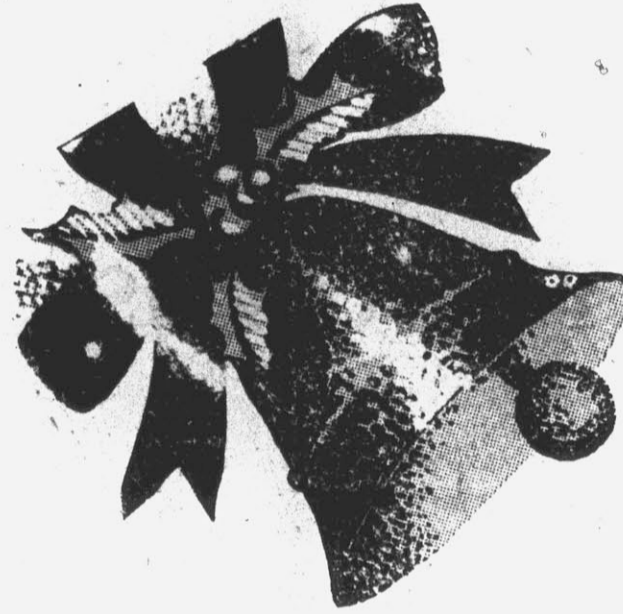
Somewhere in New Guinea.—(AP)—Five Japanese soldiers crept into the audience during Judith Anderson's visit here while she was reciting Shakespeare from a stage of planks laid across ammunition boxes. Alert GIs detected the intruders, who were interested in a

nearby ammunition dump, and forced them to sit quietly until the performance ended. One of New Guinea's torrential storms had permitted the Japanese to slip through the lines, but did not interfere with Miss Anderson's recitation.

Festwar Pipe Dream

Washington.—(AP)—Additional sewerage or sewage treatment is needed at 13,915 of the 16,762 communities of all sizes in the United States, according to a national survey by the sanitary engineers division of the U. S. Public Health Service. Estimated total cost of the entire program, which includes new sewer systems, sewage treatment plants, and sewer extensions, amounts to \$2,355,159,000.

Amateurs Have Their Day Peoria, Ill.—(AP)—Sponsors of the Peoria symphony orchestra filled gaps in the 40-piece ensemble with talented amateurs—among them a doctor, a lawyer, two salesmen, a housewife and a research scientist. War had thinned the ranks of veterans.



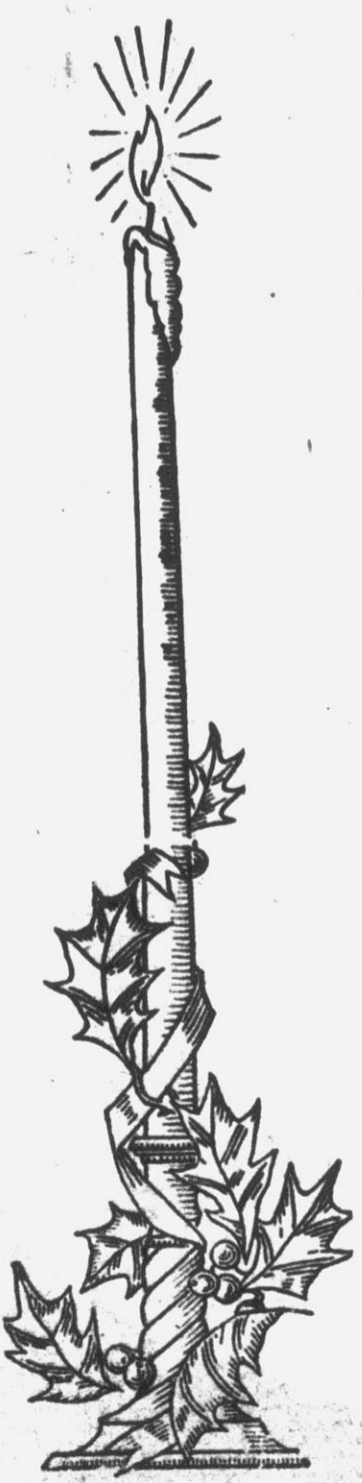
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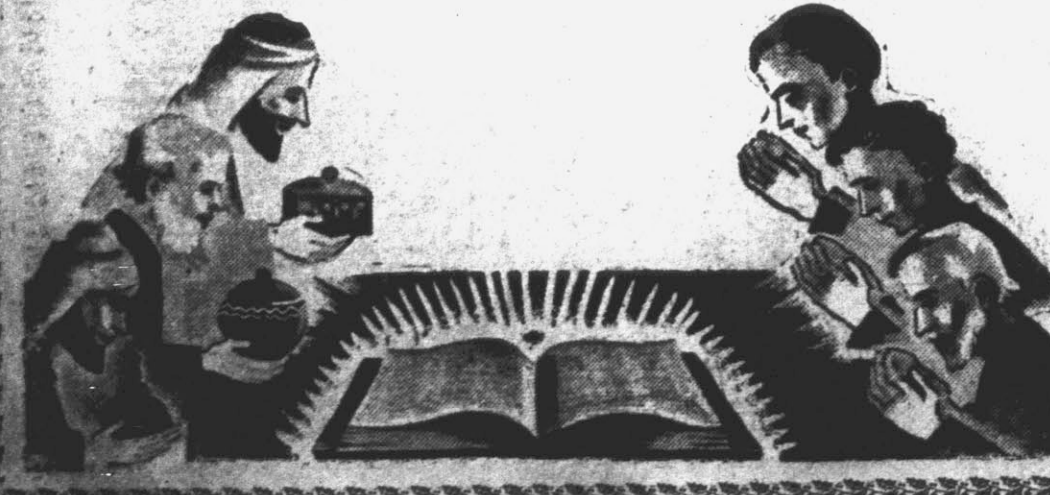
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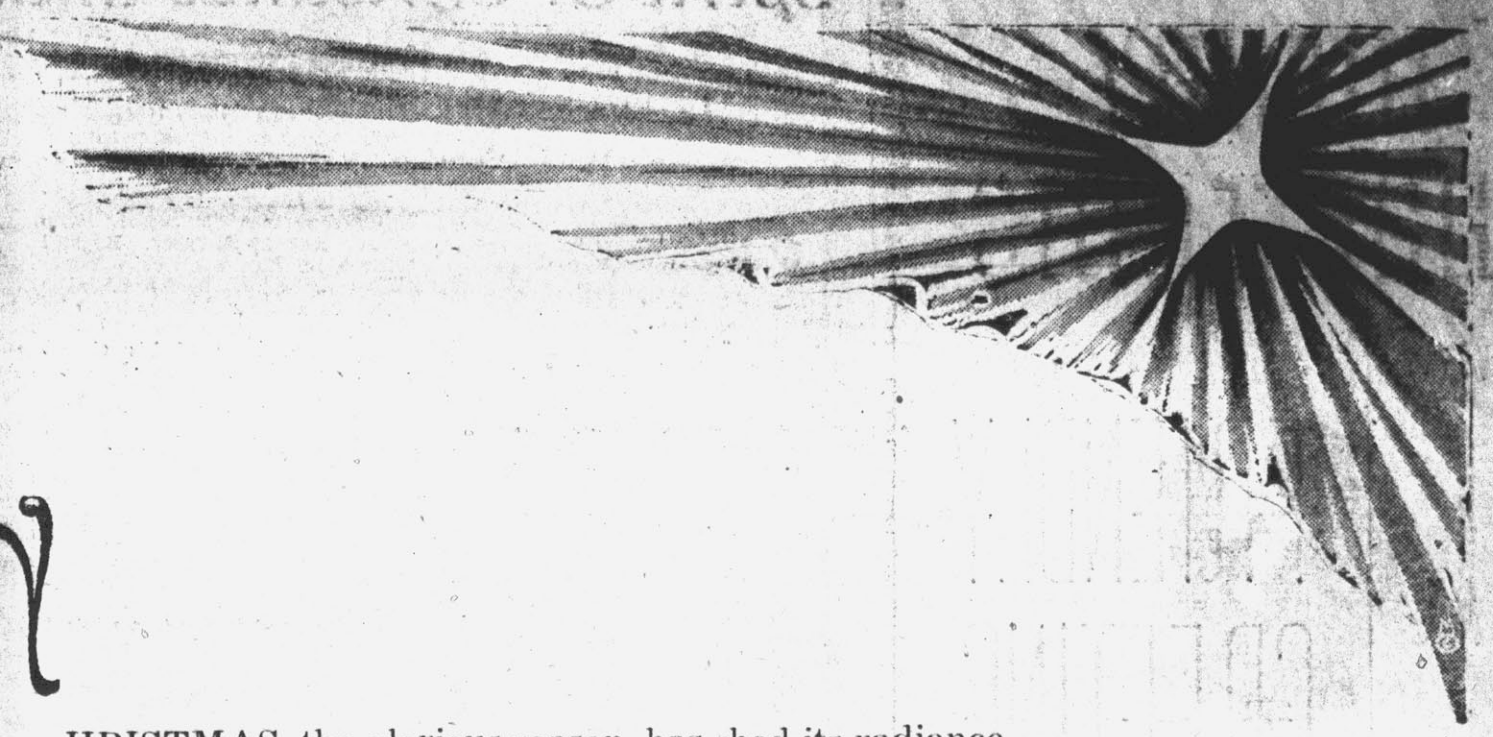
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How Will Hitler End?

By LOUIS F. LOCHNER
AP Newsfeatures
How will Adolf Hitler end? This question is as difficult as is that other \$64 question, When will the war end?

I do not claim to have the answer. If I presume to conjecture upon der Fuehrer's collapse, I can only do it on the basis of facts and observations now almost three years old. Many changes have taken place in Germany since I left there. My analysis may well be outmoded. Anyway, here goes.

Some day in, say, 1945, some alert American with many years' experience in Germany under Nazism, with a keen ear for dialects and pronunciations and with an eye for mannerisms, may find himself on the street of some middle-sized city of a now-neutral country in which there is a large German colony. He may overhear a medium-sized German talking with some friend or acquaintance.

"Where have I heard this voice before?" the American will ask himself. Next the thought will flash, "Why that can only be Adolf Hitler!"

Started he will look again. No, it cannot be true. This man's hair is almost white. It is parted on the left side—Hitler used to dye his hair and part it on the right. His nose is delicate, well-shaped—Hitler had an ungainly, saddle-like protrusion in the center of his face. The man's skin seems taut and without wrinkles—and Hitler was rapidly acquiring deep bags under his eyes and wrinkles on his brow. And where is the famous moustache?

And yet—something in the German's gait, some mannerisms in his speech, something in his eyes kept reminding the American of Hitler. What is it?

First, there is that unusual walk. Nobody in Germany except der Fuehrer strode that way, throwing his leg forward, then giving an extra jerk to lengthen the distance.

Second, the speech. Not that his raucous voice had no imitators. Gauleiter Adolf Wagner of Munich could duplicate that voice so well that Hitler often let him read his proclamations. But neither Wagner nor anybody else knew just how to imitate Hitler's peculiar variation and mingling of Bavarian, Hanoverian and High German dialects. Only a person with a keen ear could discern the real voice from that of many imitators. This German spoke as Hitler did.

Third, the eyes. I have seen no one in whom the whites of the eyes had as deep a bluish tinge as they did in those of Adolf Hitler.

The alert American, putting two and two together, has solved one of the greatest mysteries of our time—the disappearance, as Germany collapsed, of the self-styled "greatest military leader of all times."

Adolf Hitler has had his face lifted, his whiskers removed, his nose changed by facial surgery, his hair returned to its natural white

for a man of his age, and parted the normal way on the left side. By U-boat or plane he has escaped from his fatherland, and has clandestinely been given refuge by friends under an assumed name and with a seemingly changed personality.

That is one way in which Adolf Hitler may end his career. Two points speak in its favor. He still believes he has a divine mission, which can be facilitated if he takes refuge in another country until he can stage a dramatic return to Germany. And some of his closest associates with whom I have talked regard him as too cowardly either to commit suicide or to face trial.

There is the possibility, nevertheless, of Hitler's taking his life in a fit of despondency. He has been known to become increasingly subject to these fits as his difficulties increased. If he retains his senses until the end of his regime, suicide is not likely to figure in his considerations.

The theory of escape to a neutral country—I am inclined to rule out Japan because Hitler does not trust the Japanese—rests on the assumption that der Fuehrer will have a say about his own disposition. It is a highly theoretical assumption.

Various other possibilities loom: "The United Nations may by good luck or by some carefully planned maneuver seize Hitler before he can make his getaway."

Again, a block buster may hit his armored train or blast his headquarters before he can take refuge. Either of these eventualities is too good to prove likely.

A revolution of the masses, in which an angry mob might lynch der Fuehrer and his principal collaborators, seems unlikely in view of the frightful hold which the fully armed Gestapo has upon the civilian population.

A revolution from the top has been effectively discouraged by the purges of generals, diplomats, labor leaders, experienced administrators, and others following the attempt, real or staged, upon Hitler's life on July 20.

And yet the possibility of a violent death should not be ruled out. Mussolini was disavowed by his own son-in-law and by such intimate disciples as Dino Grandi and Marshal Emilio de Bono. They did not have to kill their Duce—there was a higher authority, the old King, Victor Emmanuel.

In Germany, there is no higher authority. If Hitler's intimates should decide his elimination is desirable, and should tell him so, he would try to beat them to it by summoning the pretorian guards outside his study and commanding them to "kill the traitors."

Hence, for their own protection, they would have to eliminate him by assassination.

In a weird, unsavory, gangster regime like that erected by the Nazis, things may happen of a kind that ordinarily occur only in Hollywood detective thrillers.

Persons in Germany when I left in 1942 insisted even then that Hitler was dead. They were by no means wild-eyed individuals.

Shortly before leaving the country, however, I had an opportunity to bear der Fuehrer once more. I looked for those mannerisms which would escape even Wagner—such as the way he pronounced the "st" in "sturm."

I concluded that the voice I heard was still that of Hitler.

It is another question whether Hitler may recently have left Germany. His flight could be kept a secret a long time.

Again such a possibility, however, I pit his fanaticism and his gambler's belief that luck is just around the corner. My guess—and it is purely a guess—is that Adolf Hitler will not try to get out from under until there is a complete rout of his forces.



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