

Peace Note Heard In Chiang Report

Statement On Anniversary Of Chinese Republic Appears Bid For Peace But Issue Still Left Open; Blames Reds For Obstruction

Nanking, Dec. 31—(AP)—Chiang Kai-shek, confronted with the toughest battle of his 40 year warrior career, edged toward peace in China today but left the issue open in a New Year statement.

To his people, in particular, and the world at large the Chinese President made what seemed to be a bid for peace. It left him an opening and also a chance to blame his implacable enemies, the Communists, if no peace is forthcoming.

In a statement on the 38th anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Republic, the nation's President said:

"The military situation has entered upon an exceedingly perilous stage.

"The fate of the nation as well as the historical continuity of our people will soon be decided.

"The issue of this struggle is whether the Chinese people will continue to live as free men and women or as slaves, or whether they will live at all or perish.

"Everyone is concerned over the policy the government has pursued in dealing with the situation. We are convinced that patriotic citizens will not tolerate Communist methods of liquidation and struggle and that they are not willing to abandon their liberty and remain inactive in this critical moment.

"But we are also fully aware that military operations have increased the peoples' burdens and that they hope for early conclusion of the war.

"Having shouldered the responsibility of national affairs, I have carefully studied the situation and have been giving careful consideration to the wishes of the people."

Chiang expressed regrets for "failure of our reconstruction efforts."

He recalled that Sun Yat Sen once said, "The aim of national reconstruction is peace."

Chiang said, "I did not have the intention to fight Communists at the end of the (Japanese) war. But in a year and a half the Communists disregarded every agreement, obstructed every peace effort ever made."

New Year Dawns With No Peace For Indonesia

Batavia, Java, Dec. 31—(AP)—The New Year is dawning in Indonesia without a formal proclamation, so far, of the end of hostilities between the Dutch and Indonesian Republicans.

The Dutch representative in Paris Wednesday told the U. N. Security Council—which earlier had ordered a cease fire—that hostilities would end not later than Dec. 31 in Java, a few days later in Sumatra.

But the Netherlands Kingdom's high representative in Indonesia, Dr. L. J. M. Baell, in a speech prepared for broadcast just before the old year's end, mentioned neither a cease fire nor the termination of hostilities.

Hathaway Cross Bows Out Today

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—Paroles Commissioner Hathaway Cross will bid farewell today to his fourth office in the Justice building—The first to go in the path of Kerr Scott.

Cross supported Charles M. Johnson in the gubernatorial campaign against the victorious Scott.

The Man Of The Year

The Real Man Of The Year Was Citizen John Doe; Why Gripe? It Was A Good Year; Lots Of Things To Be Thankful For, Some Things To Regret; 'Good Luck'

By JAMES MARLOW

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—That real man of the year, the little guy, running for the bus home this New Year's Eve after working through 1948, felt fine but a little shortwinded.

He made it. But his heart was pounding. Dumb thing to do, he told himself. Running. For what? A bus? He could have waited for another. The important thing is living a little longer, not catching a bus.

Russie Reveals Yugoslav Trade Cut One-Eighth

Announce 'Unfriendly Policy' By Tito Gov't Responsible For Slash

Moscow, Dec. 31—(AP)—Soviet Russia announced today her trade with Yugoslavia will be slashed in 1949 to one-eighth this year's total because of the hostility of Premier Marshal Tito's government.

This was explained in a Russian announcement of a new trade pact signed by the Soviet Union's ministry of foreign trade and a visiting Yugoslav delegation Monday.

"In view of the unfriendly policy of the Yugoslav government in relations with the Soviet Union which have made impossible the maintenance of broad economic co-operations between the U.S.S.R. and Yugoslavia," the protocol (pact) foresees a reduction in trade turnover to one-eighth as compared with 1948," the announcement said.

It was distributed by Tass, the official Soviet news agency.

(The announcement did not state the value of Russian-Yugoslav trade for either 1948 or 1949. Tito was accused by the Russian-led Cominform in June of failing to follow the communist line. He told his parliament Monday Yugoslavia will sell her goods to the west if the Slav bloc nations fail to honor their trade agreements. Such western trade, in fact, already exists Britain, Italy, Switzerland and Sweden dealt with Yugoslavia. The U.S. State Department has expressed interest in developing a sound trade with Yugoslavia, as well as other countries.)

In 1947, a trade and credit arrangement was made by Russia and Yugoslavia and they signed a two-year agreement for exchange of goods.

Yugoslavia agreed to send Russia lead, zinc, pyrites, tobacco, hemp plywood and farm products. In exchange she was to receive such Soviet products as cotton, paper, cellulose, oil, coal, coke, metals, automobiles, tractors and fertilizers.

(Tito declared in his Monday speech: "We need not continue to be the source of raw materials to those countries already industrially developed." He charged that the Cominform nations had cancelled promised shipments of machinery.)

Einstein Doing Well In Hospital

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—Dr. Albert Einstein was operated on today for a "long standing abdominal condition." Brooklyn Jewish Hospital authorities announced.

In a bulletin, the Hospital said the 69-year-old proponent of the famed theory of relativity "withstood the operation well and his condition is satisfactory."

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Brussels, Ont., Dec. 31—(AP)—Mrs. Elmer Ellacott routed two armed housebreakers last night when she challenged them to read the Bible.

The thugs had knocked her husband down. Mrs. Ellacott jumped in front of him and dared the men to read the Bible, lying on a table. The thugs fled.

Brought Sworn In As Senator

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—J. Melville Broughton became the fourth former Carolina Governor in the Senate when he was sworn in today as Senator from North Carolina.

Senator Hoya (D-NC) accompanied him to the rostrum for the ceremony. It was witnessed by most of the State's delegation in the House along with more than 100 North Carolinians who came here for the occasion.

Taft Faced By Party 'Liberals'

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—Senator Taft of Ohio rallied regular Republican support today against an effort by 13 self-styled GOP "liberals" to oust him from Senate party leadership.

SALES UNCHANGED
Richmond, Dec. 31—(AP)—Dollar volume of department store sales in the Fifth Federal Reserve District for last month were unchanged from sales in November 1947. Total sales in the first 11 months of this year were 6 percent above the same period a year ago, the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond reported today.

RECEIVES REPORT
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—A FBI report on the Wall Ewing case was turned over to Governor Cherry today.

HEARING DATE SET
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—The Utilities Commission today set Jan. 11 as date for hearing an application of the Carolina Power and Light Company for a rate increase.

Hero Of Sea



Russell "Tony" Latona of Sacramento, Calif., is in the U.S. Naval hospital at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, after surviving a dangerous act of heroism at sea. The youthful cabin boy on the Danish merchant ship Grete Maerska jumped overboard to save another cabin boy who had fallen into the sea. The other boy was killed by sharks. "Tony" reached the north shore of Cuba after nearly two days in the water. (AP Wirephoto via radio).

Hint Spy Rings Still Operating

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—How spy-burglers left with the dying 80th Congress today a broad hint that a Soviet espionage ring still may be operating in this country.

And to the incoming 81st House of Representatives the Un-American Activities Committee pleaded for continued life so it can go on tracking down spy activities which have "broken through the security forces of the United States government" with "alarmingly critical" success.

That was the gist of the committee's final espionage report as its Republican leaders prepared to give up the reins when the new Congress meets Monday. Democrats will take the group over unless announced efforts to scuttle it succeed.

The committee's report was packed with fresh revelations, most of them obtained from its star witness, Whittaker Chambers, admitted former Communist courier. One reference was to a spy ring which the committee said operated here as late as 1945.

"We have no evidence to indicate that the operations of this second apparatus do not continue to the present time" the report said. "The committee knows x x x that there are Communists in government today."

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New Dental Process Is Tried Out In Charlotte

Charlotte, Dec. 31—(AP)—Experimental use in Charlotte of a new development in dental medicine which its sponsors claim will prevent 90 per cent of all tooth decay was disclosed today.

The development, a coating process for teeth, was discovered by Dr. Bernard Gottlieb of the Baylor Dental College in Dallas, Texas. It has been revealed that several dentists of this city are using the new process experimentally.

In an effort to secure local information about the new development, the News contacted a local dentist, who said the process has been in use in his offices for about three months.

"However, possibly the 90 per cent effectiveness claim is overly optimistic. Based on my information

Railroads Given Slight Rate Hike In ICC Decision

Carriers Asked 13 Per Cent Boost To Meet Costs; Allowed Five Per Cent

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—The railroads got some financial relief today—but not as much as they wanted.

Contending they were caught between present rates and climbing material and labor costs, the carriers asked a 13 per cent boost in freight rate, eight per cent of it on a temporary basis pending a final decision.

But the Interstate Commerce Commission, in a decision made public late yesterday, granted only a 5 per cent increase, averaging something over five per cent. The new charges, which the ICC estimated will yield \$425,000,000 a year, will be in effect until hearings can be held on the railroads' plea for a permanent boost.

The temporary increase varies for different territories, with the highest—six per cent—applying in the eastern and southern territories (east of the Mississippi River) and between those areas.

Other increases. Zone 1 of western trunk-line territory (Iowa, Wisconsin and part of Minnesota), five per cent; western territory other than Zone 1, four per cent; between territories, other than eastern and southern, four per cent.

The commission said the increases must not exceed 6 cents per 100 pounds on fruit, vegetable and melons, and 4 cents on sugar and lumber.

Including the new increases, the ICC estimated that freight rates have been upped \$2,900,000,000 or about 52 per cent since June 30, 1946, with eastern carriers the greatest gainers.

The commission told the railroads they could put the higher rates into effect five days after filing tariffs. Coastwise and inland waterways also were authorized to increase their rates in line with the railroad boosts.

In another decision, the ICC authorized the Railway Express Agency to increase its nationwide rates to match those of the western territory. It was estimated this would add nearly \$7,000,000 annually to the company's revenues.

Today Is Last Day For Autos Without Sticker

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—Today is the last day a North Carolina car may appear on the state's highways without a mechanical inspection sticker.

It also is the last day that drivers whose last names begin with E, F and G can drive under their old licenses.

Motor vehicles commissioner Land-on C. Rosser said the highway patrol has been alerted to arrest anyone caught driving a car tomorrow without a sticker. Conviction, said Rosser, will be a misdemeanor and punishment could run as high as a \$50 fine or 30 days in jail, or both.

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Held As Assassin



A policeman in Cairo holds Abdel Hamid Ahmed Hassan (right), 21, veterinary college student charged with assassinating Egypt's Prime Minister Mahoud Fahmy Nokrashy Pasha. He was seized just after the Prime Minister was shot. (AP Wirephoto via radio).

Continue Search For Robber Gang

No Trace Of Thieves Who Looted Safe Of Aulander Bank

Aulander, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—The FBI, local officers and the state highway patrol today continued their search for \$33,500 and the men who got it from a safe stolen yesterday from the Aulander bank.

The looted safe and the stolen wrecker used to take it from the bank early yesterday morning were found in the woods near Winton, about 15 miles northeast of here, yesterday afternoon.

The money represented most of the cash the bank had on hand yesterday.

The outer door of the four-by-three-foot safe was found in the street at 5:30 a. m. The inner door of the strong box had been cut by a torch.

The cracksman also had attempted to break into the bank's vault before hauling the safe away, but they failed, though they did manage to knock off the combination.

W. B. Copeland, cashier of the Aulander bank, of which the Aulander institution is a branch, said the loss was covered by insurance.

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Israeli Attacks In Desert Cross Partition Lines

Jewish Army Reveals Successes; Trans-Jordan King Ready To Talk Peace

Tel Aviv, Dec. 31—(AP)—An Israeli military spokesman disclosed today that the Jewish army's second Negev offensive had carried across partition lines into Arab parts of Palestine.

The United Nations, by its partition decision last year, assigned part of the Negev to Israel, part to the Arabs.

The spokesman declined to comment on other reports, including one by the British delegate before the U.N. Security Council in Paris that Jewish forces had fought their way across the Egyptian frontier.

The partition lines were crossed in the desert wasteland southwest of Beersheba and southeast of Rafah, the Egyptian town on the border, the spokesman said.

In another quarter, an unusually reliable source said King Abdullah of Trans-Jordan has informed Israel he is ready to talk peace.

(The Egyptian embassy in Paris denied suggestions by U.N. observers in Palestine yesterday that the Jews had isolated Gaza, which was the leading Egyptian base in Palestine.)

The military spokesman said the Jews captured Bier Aslu, in the Israeli Negev on the road from Jewish-occupied Beersheba to the frontier command of Ajlaj, two miles from the Egyptian frontier and 25 miles southeast of Rafah. Ajlaj is in an Arab border strip between Egypt and the Negev.

This was the first time during the week of battle in which the Jewish military spokesman had lifted secrecy enough to tell the names of the places seized.

There have been unofficial reports that the Jews invaded Egypt between Rafah and Ajlaj and captured an Egyptian airfield intact. There was no verification for this and the military spokesman did not comment.

The whole front line area still is closed to reporters, photographers and U.N. officers' by Jewish army orders.

Narrowly Escape Death From Fire

Four Children Had To Scamble From Fast-Burning Home

Falkland, Dec. 31—Four small Negro children narrowly escaped being burned to death this morning when a tenant house occupied by the family burned to the ground.

The dwelling was on the R. B. Tyler farm, about two and one-half miles from Falkland on the road between King's Cross Roads and DuPre's Cross Roads.

Robert Lee Harris, colored, his wife and four small children had lived in the house for several years. The building burned completely down before anyone could attempt to put out the fire.

Robert Harris was away from home at work; his wife had gone to a nearby store, and when she saw the smoke she ran home. But before she got back she saw the four kids scrambling out just in the nick of time.

Not even a chair was saved, as the fire, aided by the wind, swept the home and all of the furnishings away in quick order.

The origin of the fire has not been determined.

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Harriman is special representative in Europe for the ERP.

Returns Flag To Japan's People

Tokyo, Dec. 31—(AP)—General MacArthur gave the Japanese back their flag today, telling them they could fly it any place, any time.

President And Top Lieutenants Meet

Fewer Jobs? Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—The government's top employment expert today predicted fewer jobs in 1949 but said the total will stay close to 60,000,000.

Robert G. Goodwin, director of the bureau of employment security, said the new year will see some slackening of 1948's record employment but that shouldn't worry anyone.

The number of unemployed is "bound to go up," he said, as industry and business continue their peacetime adjustment.

"The process in 1949," Goodwin said will be one of different industries catching up with backlog and postwar orders and adjusting to a somewhat lower level of production and a competitive market."

The census bureau reported earlier in the week that employment reached an all-time peak of 63,842,000 in July.

McKellar Edges Tydings In Vote

Wins Fight For President Of Upper Chamber

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—Senator McKellar (D-Tenn.) defeated Senator Tydings (D-Md) 27 to 25 in a nip and tuck fight for the office of president pro tempore of the Senate.

The vote was at a meeting of the 54 Democratic Senators.

The meeting worked out the slate of officers the Democrats will propose—and put in since they have a majority—when the new Senate meets Monday.

The McKellar-Tydings scrap was the only contest.

Senator Barkley of Kentucky, the vice President elect, was named majority leader for the period until January 20 when he takes the vice Presidential oath.

Senator Lucas of Illinois then will become majority leader. Senator Myers of Pennsylvania will be the Democratic whip.

The last three leadership posts were filled by unanimous vote. Senator Sparkman of Alabama took a reporter.

"All was peace and harmony," he said.

The President pro tempore presides over the Senate when the vice President is absent. The office is chiefly an honorary one, but the Senate provides a limousine and chauffeur for the Senator who holds it.

Two Lynchings In Tuskegee Report

Tuskegee, Ala., Dec. 31—(AP)—Georgia had the only two lynchings in the United States during 1948, Tuskegee Institute said yesterday. The victims were a white man and a Negro.

Another Georgia Negro death was listed as a "borderline" case in the Institute's annual report on lynchings.

Couldn't Prove Record Rainfall

Wappinger Falls, N. Y., Dec. 31—(AP)—Everybody in these parts said there'd been a record rainfall in the last 48 hours, but Oscar Widmer, U. S. Weather observer, couldn't substantiate the claims.

When he checked his rain gauge this morning, he found only an inch of water. It had sprung a leak.

The Ruhr Agreement

An Ominous Sound In Protests By German Leaders Over Stringent Control Fixed For Key Industrial Area; Many Angles; Denouncement By Moscow; Stakes

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Chart Course Of Program To Be Laid Before New Congress Wednesday; Foreign Policy Expected To Play Big Part In Today's Discussions

Washington, Dec. 31—(AP)—President Truman called a strategy huddle with top lieutenants today to chart the course of the "New Deal" program he plans to lay before the 81st Congress Wednesday.

Foreign policy, which dominated Mr. Truman's news conference yesterday, was expected to weigh heavily in his discussions with four Congressional leaders.

Invited to the White House talks were vice-President-elect Barkley, who will preside over the new Senate, Rep. Rayburn (Tex.) slated to be House speaker, Senator Lucas (Ill.) due to become Senate majority leader, and Lucas' House counterpart, Rep. McCormack (Mass.).

Barkley has just returned from a trip to Europe, and Mr. Truman was likely to want a first-hand report on his observations there.

But domestic matters appeared to be up for review as well. As a matter of fact the meeting would, in the President's own words, cover the waterfront.

He used the same phrase to describe the range of subjects to be included in the State of the Union message he will deliver before a joint session of Congress next week.

Prior to conferring with congressional leaders, Mr. Truman met with his cabinet today for the last time this year.

White House aides said the discussion was chiefly about State of the Union message.

Secretary of Labor Tobin stayed longer than the others, presumably conferring on forthcoming recommendations for labor law changes.

He left the White House without seeing reporters.

President's press Secretary Chas. Ross gave out this tentative schedule of Mr. Truman's messages to Congress: State of the Union, Jan. 5; an economic report, Jan. 7, and the budget message Jan. 10.

Barkley arrived at National Airport yesterday in an air force plane with Ambassador to Moscow, Bell Smith and Secretary for Air W. Stuart Symington. As just about the time Mr. Truman was meeting the press in his White House office.

Social and Personal

All items for this page received after 10:00 A. M. will be published the following day. Dial 2884 9:00 A. M. to Noon - 1:00 to 4:30 P. M.

Knot Proctor, Jr., attended the debutante ball in Raleigh this week as chief marshal for Miss Daisy Barnhardt Dixon of Wilson.

Miss Edith Bowles has returned to her home on Lewis street from the hospital in Rocky Mount.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Wells returned home from a visit to relatives in Charlottesville, Va., where they attended the funeral of Mr. Arthur Vasseur, the husband of Mr. Wells' sister.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Brooks have returned home from a holiday visit with their son, Rev. M. C. Brooks in Greenville, S. C., their daughters, Mrs. T. A. Merrill, in Charlotte, and Mrs. E. L. Greene in Raleigh.

W. J. Bundy, James Brewer and Harvey Smith of Beaufort left yesterday by plane for New Orleans to attend the Sugar Bowl game.

M. K. Blount, J. B. Spilman and Judson Blount, Jr., left this morning by plane to attend the Sugar Bowl game in New Orleans.

Mrs. J. B. Spilman left today to spend several days in Williamsburg and Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Cheatham, Jr. are spending the New Year's holidays with relatives in Raleigh.

Miss Ann Morlon and Clifton Edwards, Jr. with Mr. and Mrs. George Wick of Raleigh, left Tuesday night for New Orleans to attend the Sugar Bowl game.

Elks Lodge Host At "Ladies Night" Reception, Dance

The Greenville Elks Lodge was host last night to several hundred of its members and their wives and sweethearts for the annual "Ladies Night" New Year's reception. Alvin Summing, the exalted ruler, welcomed the guests.

There was dancing with Rodney Roberts Music Majors orchestra providing the music and featuring Betty Croom of Rocky Mount talented singer and elocutionist.

Margaret James, soloist for the floor show, with Christine Smith as accompanist and The Gardner, of Kiwanis minstrel fame, entertaining the audience with original songs and serving as master of ceremonies. Many of the guests were from Eastern Carolina towns. A buffet supper was served under direction of Hermon L. Norris, manager of the Elks Home.

Rodney Roberts' Music Majors orchestra, composed of college boys, made a distinctive hit, and Betty Croom, his soloist, won numerous scores.

They are Jimmy Cosart, piano; Charles Davis, drums; John Stone, saxophone; Herbert Dale, trumpet; and Rodney Roberts, trombone.

Margaret James' singing of popular numbers won generous applause from the guests by her clever interpretations of her songs, with Christine Smith at the piano.

The "Ladies Night" reception is an annual affair with the Greenville Elks and it has been suggested that the popular event be held twice a year.

Altrusa Club Meets With Mrs. Spilman

The December meeting of the Altrusa Club was held at the lovely home of its president Mrs. J. B. Spilman. The entire home carried out the Christmas message of cheer and good will with the dining table done entirely in white with lighted tapers. The members and guests were served a delightful luncheon with dessert and coffee.

A short business session was held in which spreading Christmas cheer by the members was discussed. The club voted to send a check to the Salvation Army for needy families. Letters from executive women from various states were read. These letters encouraged the Altrusa Clubs to promote the music and welfare in their respective cities.

With all members present, the invited guests were Mrs. J. H. Rose and Mrs. Gilbert Winders.

Choir to Broadcast

The choir of Kings Cross Roads will begin a series of broadcasts over WGTN Sunday afternoon from 2 to 2:30, using the familiar hymns of the church. These broadcasts will be arranged especially for old people and shut-ins.

This choir consists of around thirty people and is well known in this section.

"The Sweetest Sugar Ever Sold"

Dixie Crystals Sugar

40 Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR December 31, 1908

1908 is winding up its affairs. There will be no freight tomorrow.

On Thursday, all fixtures used in the Greenville dispensary and what liquors are on hand will be sold at auction.

Sam White has retired from the mercantile business and moved the county treasurer's office to the Reflector building.

The tobacco market will begin business again on the 4th.

Prominent Woman On Radio Monday

Senator - Elect Margaret Chase Smith of Maine will be heard over the National Broadcasting Company network on Monday, January 3, from 1:45 to 2 p.m. immediately following her official swearing in as a member of the United States Senate.

The broadcast will originate in the Congressional Room of the Hotel Statler in Washington, D.C. where Mrs. Smith will attend the luncheon in her honor sponsored by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. Mrs. Smith will speak on "Woman's Future," and sharing the program with her will be K. Frances Scott, M.D., of Northampton, Mass., president of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

Margaret Chase Smith is a former member of the national board of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, as well as a past president of their Maine Federation.

Attending the luncheon will be a large number of federation members who will come from many sections of the country to witness Mrs. Smith's taking of office and participate in the luncheon celebration. Government and military officials, senators, congressmen, women leaders, organization heads and radio and newspaper executives are among distinguished guests who will be present.

Mrs. Ruth Willard Meeks is president of the Greenville Business and Professional Women's Club.

Watch Night Service A Watch Night Communion service will be held in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church this evening, 11 to 12:01 o'clock. The sermon topic will be "That Thy Faith Fall Not." Everyone is invited to attend and begin the new year in the spirit of worship.

St. Raphael's P. T. A. There will be a P. T. A. meeting at the St. Raphael's school Wednesday night, January 5, at 8 o'clock. This will be a father's night. Miss Ann Redwine will be guest speaker. Parents and friends are urged to attend.

Watch Night Service At Meadowbrook The Meadowbrook Presbyterian Church in North Greenville will have a Watch Night service tonight from 11 to 12 o'clock. The whole community is invited to this service.

Circles of Immanuel Church The circles of Immanuel Baptist Church will meet Monday afternoon, January 3, at 3:30 o'clock in the following homes:

Julia Meadows circle with Mrs. Harvey Dall. Nettie Patrick circle with Mrs. Charles Wilkerson. Claude Wilson circle with Mrs. L. S. Howe.

The Business Woman's circle will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. J. A. Neilson.

Birth Announcement Mr. and Mrs. Pat Burroughs announce the birth of a son on Tuesday, December 28, in Pitt General hospital.

Library Closed Tomorrow Sheppard Memorial Library will be closed on Saturday, New Year's Day.

Among the members of the rodent family are porcupines and beavers.

Lions Sponsor Speech Contest

The Greenville Lions are again sponsoring the Greenville High School Forensic League Annual Oratorical Contest and February 12th has been designated as contest date. Prizes amounting to \$15.00 will be awarded in each of the three divisions, and all the high schools in Eastern Carolina have been invited to send contestants.

This speech event has grown in four years from three schools sending eleven contestants to last year's record of eleven schools entering 38 orators in two divisions. This year a declamation contest has been added, and at least fifty speakers are expected.

Schools whose contestants won prizes last year include: Kingston, Youngsville, Farmville, Bethel, Richlands, Oak City, and Greenville.

Tomorrow's Gardens

This week we digress from our usual notes on gardening to offer a few suggestions on caring for the lovely house plants many of us received for Christmas. Too often our enjoyment of their beauty is cut short because we fail to understand their requirements.

Cacti of various kinds, except the Christmas cactus can stand plenty of sun and need little moisture. They resent dry air less than any of the flowering plants.

Blooming plants come to us at the peak of their beauty but with care we can keep them that way. Try putting the pots in shallow dishes or trays and add water daily to the tray or dish. Never let it get bone dry but do not keep it full of water. This of course applies only to pots with holes in the bottom. If at any time the soil in the pot seems too wet put a piece of wood or folded cloth under the pot but keep it in the tray of water. From experience we have found this successful for all blooming house plants and many ferns.

When it comes to temperature of the room and amount of sunlight there is wide variation in the requirements of blooming house plants.

Poinsettias will last a long time at ordinary living room temperature provided they do not get too cold at night. Fluctuating temperatures will cause the leaves to turn yellow and drop off.

African violets will bloom well in a north or east window. Water them always from the bottom as suggested and never let water drip on their furry leaves.

Put begonias and primrose in a sunny window and keep the dead flowers cut off. They should delight you with a constant succession of new flower sprays.

Cyclamen, one of the showiest and most beautiful of the flowering plants, likes a cool room and not too much sun. Keep it on a table rather than in a window.

Baby ivy is always effective on the mantel but unless it is given a few hours of light near the window each day it will gradually turn yellow and die.

Pots of hyacinths and paper white narcissus should not be thrown away. Plant the bulbs in the garden after the flowers have faded and they will bloom for many years.

Dish gardens do present a problem as they usually are composed of plants with varying requirements. As they are planted in pottery containers do not keep them too wet but add just enough water at the top of the container to keep it moist. Enjoy them as long as possible then when they begin to fall separate the plants into pots and use the container for cut flowers.

Bing Crosby Is Again Leader At Boxoffice

Hollywood, Dec. 31—(AP)—Bing Crosby for the fifth straight year has won Motion Picture Herald's poll of the top movie boxoffice winners. He also was picked as top international draw by British exhibitors.

Betty Grable was runner-up to Crosby in this year's poll—same as last year. It's the sixth time that gorgeous Grable has hit the top money-makers. In third place are Abbott and Costello, absent for three years.

Others, in order, are Gary Cooper, Bob Hope, Humphrey Bogart, Gable, Cary Grant, Spencer Tracy and Ingrid Bergman.

Mrs. William Hall Fort



Miss Betty Jo Wilson, daughter of Mrs. Myrtle H. Wilson and the late Richard Clayton Wilson, became the bride of William Hall Fort, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert William Fort of Turkey, North Carolina, Sunday afternoon, December 19th, at 4:30 o'clock in the Eighth Street Christian Church. Dr. H. G. Haney officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride, a resident of Greenville, is a graduate of Greenville High School and attended East Carolina Teachers College.

The groom served two years in the Navy and is now a student at East Carolina Teachers College.

Mrs. Agnes Settle, organist, presented a program of nuptial music. Preceding the wedding, Mrs. Burt Green, soloist, sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." The traditional wedding marches were used, and "The Lord's Prayer" was softly sung for the benediction.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Richard Carlton Wilson, wore a gown of white bridal satin designed with a fitted bodice. The full skirt extended into a short train. The waist featured a deep yoke of marquisette and a bertha of chantilly lace. The long fitted sleeves, ending in calla, pointed over the hands. Her finger-tip veil of illusion, appliqued with lace, fell from a tiara of seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of white carnations centered with a white orchid, and tied with white satin ribbons.

Miss Dorothy Joy Wilson, sister of the bride, was her only attendant. She wore a gown of petal pink satin, off-the-shoulder effect, with puffed sleeves and fitted bodice. She wore a strand of pink pearls. Her headpiece was a band of pink and silver, and she carried a cascade bouquet of deep pink carnations.

Mr. E. W. Fort was best man for his son. Ushers were Troy Wilson, brother of the bride, Bobby Brady, William Exum and Howard Etheridge.

Mrs. Wilson chose for her daughter's wedding a mile green dress with black accessories and a corsage of red roses. Mrs. Fort wore a light pink dress. She wore matching accessories and a corsage of yellow roses.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Johnson Jr. and Miss Becky Johnson of Clinton, N.C., Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Tyson of Stantonsburg, N.C., Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Applewhite and Mr. Feaky Applewhite of Stantonsburg, Mrs. Howard C. Etheridge of Rockingham, Mr. and

Dance at Teen-Age Club New Year's dance at the Teen-Age club Saturday night from 8 to 11 o'clock.

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TEEN TALK

Dear Judge,

The 1948 teenager was as different from her 1947 cousin as Beethoven and Beethoven. What was left of bobby sox and dungarees disappeared from the closets of the young set and Mom ordered for daughter from a book of ladylike clothes. Of course daughter deviated from the beaten path on some campuses throughout the country where it was fun to wear socks wheeled away from the football team and blue jeans—but only to classes. Never on dates.

Boys who had campaigned for years against the "sloppy look" whooped and celebrated the new look. They got their wish—girls dressed up, wore matching skirts and stoles, cape-coats and even carried umbrellas. They took to wearing hats, mainly beanies, bonnets and berets. They gave up loafers and saddle shoes except for play and school. When flat shoes were worn they were of the ballet slipper type.

The girls' campaign for individuality proved itself, however, and teen-age clothes have personality and style, instead of the flour-sack yardstick used by designers in Mom's era.

Juke boxes were still on the list of desired entertainment, but indications are that their popularity waned and this may be because the ban on new recordings stymied new talent, new songs.

Bing Crosby's star still was shining in the teen-age sky but Frank

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VICKS VA-TRO-NOL

Sinatra had slipped noticeably by comparison. Vic Damone slipped. So did Perry Como. One new singer clicked with the young smart set. Handsome Dean Martin, it is being predicted, will wind up on the list of all-time greats in the popular-music world. A smooth baritone, his voice closely resembles Crosby's. Smart money says wait until Mr. Martin makes some new recordings!

Widow Departs China For U.S.

Shanghai, Dec. 31—(AP)—Mrs. Frances Roosevelt, young widow of the late Quentin Roosevelt, who was killed in an air crash near Hong Kong on Dec. 21, left Shanghai today for the United States aboard a Pan American plane. Mrs. Roosevelt was accompanied by her three daughters Alexandria, Anne and Susan. She will fly by way of Tokyo, Honolulu and San Francisco.

Icebergs frequently are encountered far south of Polar regions.

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College Football Comes To Close With 16 Bowl Games Tomorrow

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—College football finally ends its 1948 season tomorrow—in 16 bowl extravaganzas from Florida to California.

With a little cooperation from the weatherman, the shows will be bigger than ever. The quality should be up to par, too, despite almost unanimous moanings from the coaches.

At Miami, where Georgia is favored over Texas in the Orange Bowl, Georgia Coach Wally Butts said his boys were "just about as ready as I can get 'em. They look miserable."

Blair Cherry of Texas was a little happier, but he wouldn't predict any success for the Longhorns. He pointed, instead, to a hospital list. The list is down to one player, End Jimmy Watson, but it once included a good portion of the squad who had the flu.

At Dallas, where Southern Methodist is rated over Oregon, the Oregon coach Jim Aiken declared his team was in fine shape physically. As a football team, he said, they look "terrible."

SMU mentor Matty Bell reported one injury on his club. Offensive Center Fred Goodwin is out with a torn knee cartilage.

The moans from New Orleans, where Oklahoma and North Carolina collide in the Sugar Bowl, and Pasadena where Northwestern takes on California, weren't so loud. But there wasn't a coach among 'em who was predicting victory.

Oklahoma, which prefers to move on the ground, has been working on an aerial game. North Carolina, which has gone in for passing, polished up a ground attack in case of wet weather. The New Orleans weather outlook now is for clouds, but no rain.

Northwestern Coach Bob Volghts continued to scoff at the six and seven point odds that favor his Wildcats, but a poll of reporters on the scene went 15-10 for Northwestern with one predicting a tie.

Frank Howard, who guides the fortunes of Clemson's unbeaten Tigers, brought a suitcase of good luck charms to Jacksonville, Fla., where Clemson faces another brand of Tigers from Missouri in the Gator Bowl.

Oklahoma A. and M. arrived in Memphis for their Delta Bowl game with William and Mary yesterday, but they missed the welcoming committee. The committee, complete with band and pretty girls, met another train 55 minutes later.

The second train was loaded with Oklahoma University fans headed for New Orleans.

California and Florida head the New Year's Bowl list with four games each. Florida's attractions are the Orange at Miami, Gator at Jacksonville, Clear at Tampa and Tangerine at Orlando.

California games are the Rose at Pasadena, East-West at San Francisco Harbor at San Diego and Raisin at Fresno. Texas is close behind with its Cotton at Dallas, Sun at El Paso and Prairie at Houston.

Alabama has two—the Dixie and Vulcan—both at Birmingham. Then there's the Sugar at New Orleans, Salad at Phoenix and Delta at Memphis.

What 60,000 football fans will see in tomorrow's fateful Orange Bowl game can be changed little at this late hour by Coaches Blair Cherry and Wally Butts.

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Sport Slants by Pap



Royals' Robert ... Pap

After three highly successful seasons which saw them twice win the National League championship, the Rochester Royals cast their lot with the Basketball Association organized to expand. The chores of operating the Royals are divided by the Harrison Brothers, Les and Jack. Les Harrison is manager of the team and also acts as co-coach. Jack Harrison handles the box office end of the business.

The Royals have as their coach, along with Les, Eddie Malanowicz, an athletic great of Buffalo University. Eddie is principal of a Buffalo high school and an accredited official in basketball and football. His numerous activities make it impos-

sible for him to coach the Royals for all their games so the co-coaching arrangement with Harrison was agreed upon. Eddie has done much to put the Royals in the national spotlight they have enjoyed and is noted for his ability to get the most out of players.

If the Royals can match their 1947-1948 NL record of 44 victories against 16 losses for a percentage of .733 they are certain to be in the thick of the scramble for championship honors when the BAA playoff games roll around. Against National League competition last season, the Royals scored an average of 64.7 points per game for their 60-game schedule. That's scoring in any league.

Clark Family Is Again Champion

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—The National family basketball championship remains in Indiana, a state famous for its rangy basketball performers.

The Clark twins of Huntington, Ind., retained the title for the Hoosier state by whipping the Hartleys of High Point, 45 to 44, last night. The Clarks overcame a 24-21 half-time deficit to pull up even in the closing seconds of the second half. Then Joe Clark, who led his clan's scoring with 17 points, hooped a foul shot for the one point margin.

Dick Hartley, former University of North Carolina ace, was the night's high scorer with 19 points. The Joyce family of Fieeldale, Va., took the consolation title with a 44-43 overtime triumph over the Conrads of Thomasville.

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'Dream Game' Is All That Could Have Been Asked

New Orleans, Dec. 31—(AP)—The "dream game" of college basketball has been played, and it was everything the fans had hoped for.

It ended St. Louis 42, Kentucky 40 in a rousing finish after 40 full minutes of run, run and fight, fight, fight.

The victory here last night gave Coach Ed Hickey's Billikens the Sugar Bowl championship to add to their national invitational title. And on the basis of those two points over Kentucky's NCAA kings, the Bills might stake a claim to recognition as the country's outstanding college quintet of 1948.

Some 7,500 persons saw just the kind of game that could be expected from the year's collegiate picture.

There was a great duel at center between the Billikens' All-America Ed Macauley and the Wildcats' Alex Groza.

There was a sensational windup with St. Louis, after trailing most of the game, taking the winning lead in the final minute.

And there was some stellar play by a couple of unheralded players that made the Billiken victory possible.

The preliminary game also was a thriller, with the Tulane Greenies edging the Holy Cross Crusaders 81-79. In that case, however, the Greenies opened a big lead and were savagely holding off a determined Crusader rally at the end.

In the opening round Wednesday night, St. Louis beat Holy Cross 61-52 and Kentucky trounced Tulane 78-47. The winners were paired last night for the title.

Superior shooting and defensive play won for St. Louis. The Kentuckians, who made more than 40 per cent of their shots from the field against Tulane, sank only 15 out of 65 last night, while the Billikens got 15 out of 49.

Four Pure Bred Hog Sales Scheduled During Next Month

College Station, Raleigh, Dec. 30—Four Swine breed associations in North Carolina have scheduled purebred hog sales during January. Jack Kelley, animal husbandry specialist for the State College Extension Service, said today.

Each sale, Kelley said, will offer farmers an opportunity to acquire top quality breeding stock. Bred gilts and boars have been consigned to each.

The State Poland China Breeders Association, headed by Walter Kirby of Kenly will open the series with a sale in Smithfield January 14. Edward Byrd of Bunn, La., secretary may be contacted for further information.

Preston Harper of Deep Run, president of the Duroc Association, will be in charge of the Duroc sale in Rocky Mount January 20. E. V. Vestal of Kenansville is secretary.

Breeders from several states have consigned animals to the Southeastern Duroc sale, scheduled for Jan. 24 in Clinton. Joe Moyer of Farmville is president of this group.

A sale in Charlotte January 27 is being sponsored by Berkshire breeders of North and South Carolina. Information may be obtained from D. Ray McEachern of Concord, president or Alan P. Rech of Pikeville, secretary.

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'All-American Red Heads' Play In Bethel January 4

Bethel, Dec. 31—The "All American Red Heads", a professional basketball team of girls who specialize in dribbling men's teams, will show their talents in the Bethel High School gym on January 4 at 8:00 p. m. when they meet Pitt county's last season champions, the Bethel Indians.

The boys will have to shoot a sharp game when they play the Red Heads, because the visitors have a long record of victories in their credit. Last season's tour showed a total of 125 men's teams who "bit the dust" while the girls lost only 77 games.

Captained by Hazel Walker, a free throw artist who regularly challenges all men to compete between halves, the Red Heads have a fast ball-handling crew—from six-foot four inch center Gene Love to Stubby Winter, who stands 5-2, and is one of the best "set" goal shots in the game.

And if dazzling skill is not enough to wilt their male opponents, the girls can always rely on Margie Arends and Mary Alice (Peaches) Hatcher. Margie is a five-foot ten-inch professional model who shines on defensive play, while 'Peaches' Hatcher stands an even six feet and is rated as one of the greatest goal shots in women's basketball.

Like Margie, Peaches is a professional model during the off-season. Juanita Coleman, another tall girl (5'9") is another outstanding performer, and was long ago selected as one of the best pivot ball handlers in the game, and was brought into the organization from an All-American AAU Club.

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Stubby Winter (5' 2") is the smallest player on the team and actually dribbles the basketball through the legs of Gene Love. Stubby is one of the best "set" goal shots in the game, and is playing her fourth season with the team.

Gene Love (6' 4") is now playing her sixth season with the Red Heads and is rated the best crowd entertainer in the profession with her wooing of referees and opposing centers.

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- Southwestern (Tenn.) 54 Florida State 47
- Richmond Royals 55 The Citadel 39
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Hardin-Simmons Swamps Wichita In Bowl Contest

Lafayette, La., Dec. 31—(AP)—The Hardin-Simmons University Cowboys took the air to swamp the University of Wichita gridsters 49-12 in the first annual Camellia Bowl football game here.

It was the third Bowl appearance for the Cowboys who tied College of the Pacific 35-35 in the Grape Bowl at Lodi, Calif., and defeated Ouachita College 40-12 in the Shrine Bowl at Little Rock, Ark.

Hardin-Simmons made 18 first downs to Wichita's 15, and out-gained the Kansans 547 to 361 yards. Ford, who tossed all of the Texans' aeriels, completed 9 out of 14, while Wichita connected with 8 out of 15.

Wofford Coach To Get Plaque

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—Phil Dickens, Athletic director at Wofford College, will receive the annual "Man of the Year" award of the Spartanburg Kiwanis club next Thursday.

Announcement of Dickens' selection for the plaque awarded by the club for outstanding achievement by a citizen of Spartanburg was made at yesterday's meeting of the club.

Bear Skipping His Hibernation

Belton, Mont.—(AP)—One of the bears at Glacier National Park has insomnia. While others are sleeping away the winter, the yearling grizzly romps about, tipping over trash cans and being a nuisance in general.

Chief Ranger Naturalist M. E. Beatty says he's probably an orphan cub who didn't get enough to eat in the summer and still is building up fat for the long hibernation.

Square Dance At the Armory In Greenville Every Saturday Night

Quantico, Va., Dec. 31—(AP)—The Citadel, the only Southern Conference basketball team to take the floor tonight, will round out a two-day stand in the Old Dominion in a game with the Quantico Marines here.

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Tulane Sprinter In Best Showing

New Orleans, Dec. 31—(A)—A 98 century by Paul Biens of Tulane was the best performance of yesterday's Sugar Bowl track meet, as soggy clenders and a chill wind slowed the runners.

Biens equalled the meet record set in 1936 by Marty Gilchrist of Syracuse and equalled in 1938 Perrin Walker of Atlanta. Twelve in the other four events were well above best previous marks.

The 100-yard dash was marred when Don Campbell of Oklahoma, whom some sports writers had picked as favorite, was left at the post. Campbell complained that the starter's gun went off before he was set.

Jerry Thompson of Texas recd. in victory in the mile run by 30 yards in the time of 4:30.9. Philip O'Connell was second and Raymond Prohaska of Oklahoma A. and M. third.

Texas A. and M.'s mile relay team of D.R. Mitchell, Connally Ludwick, E.G. Eilberback and G.H. Hombrook won in 3:21.4. Hombrook barely edged Oklahoma's A. and M.'s anchor man, J.R. Teakell, after a fine duel all the last lap.

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Year's Accident Toll Shows Drop

New York, N. Y.—Fatal accidents in the United States during 1948 took a toll of about 99,000 lives, the statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company estimate.

This compares with 99,600 for 1947, and may mark a halt in the upward trend in accidental deaths which began in 1945 and continued through 1947.

The 1948 improvement is accounted for largely by a sharp drop in the number of persons killed in catastrophes—those accidents which claim five or more lives.

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1948 A Year Of Surprises For All The World; Some Samples

BIGGEST UPSET: Harry S. Truman's Presidential victory over the Republicans, the Progressives, the States Righters, many Democrats, the pollsters and the press.

BIRTH OF THE YEAR: Son born to Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip.

WEDDING OF THE YEAR: The Cinderella marriage of Eva Paulekas Sears, daughter of a coal miner to multi-millioned Winthrop Rockefeller.

DEATH OF THE YEAR: Assassination of Mahatma Gandhi.

MOST TALKED ABOUT BOOK: Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey's "Sexual Behavior of the Human Male."

BIGGEST SPORTS SURPRISE: Sudden shift of Leo Durocher from manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers to manager of their No. 1 rival, New York Giants.

NEWEST NAME IN POLITICS: "Dixcrats," coined by the Charlotte, N. C. News to describe States lege students.

NATION OF THE YEAR: Israel proclaimed May 15, and forced immediately into a to-the-death fight for its existence.

MYSTERY OF THE YEAR: How could so many be so wrong about the election?

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Lord Nelson was able to win his great victory at Trafalgar for a number of reasons. He was a great sea-fighter, he had sturdy companions, he had a great fleet, and he had a great purpose in his heart.

But there is one thing all historians speak about, and that is the extreme mobility of his ships. They were fast-sailing, and best of all they could be handled in a quite amazing fashion. The reason for this was that a short time before the battle, Nelson saw to it that the barnacles were removed from all his ships. The French frigates were clumsy and not able to move quickly in a moment of danger. Nelson's ships could be maneuvered immediately to the command of the Admiral.

This is a parable, is it not, on the necessity of getting rid of barnacles. One would certainly not say that a ship is useless because it has barnacles on its hull, but certainly it is very far from its normal standards of efficiency.

Anyone who has a bad habit, be it great or small, has something that acts upon his life like barnacles on ship bottoms. To all outward appearances, his life may seem sound and quite adequate, but the man himself knows that he would be sluggish in a crisis, inept in a moment when all his powers were needed.

Get the barnacles off your life, if you would be ready to meet every challenge, as Nelson met the challenge of Trafalgar.

Around Capitol Square

By LYNN NISBET

MAIL—Governor Cherry's mail these days is counted in single units, some days less than a dozen letters coming in. But over at Governor-elect Scott's office in the Carolina Hotel there is a different story. Mail comes in by the hundreds of letters. (One office assistant said they measured it by the bushel instead of counting the pieces.) There isn't so much difference in number of personal callers, but in that respect also room 501 at the Carolina is more popular than the southwest office in the Capitol.

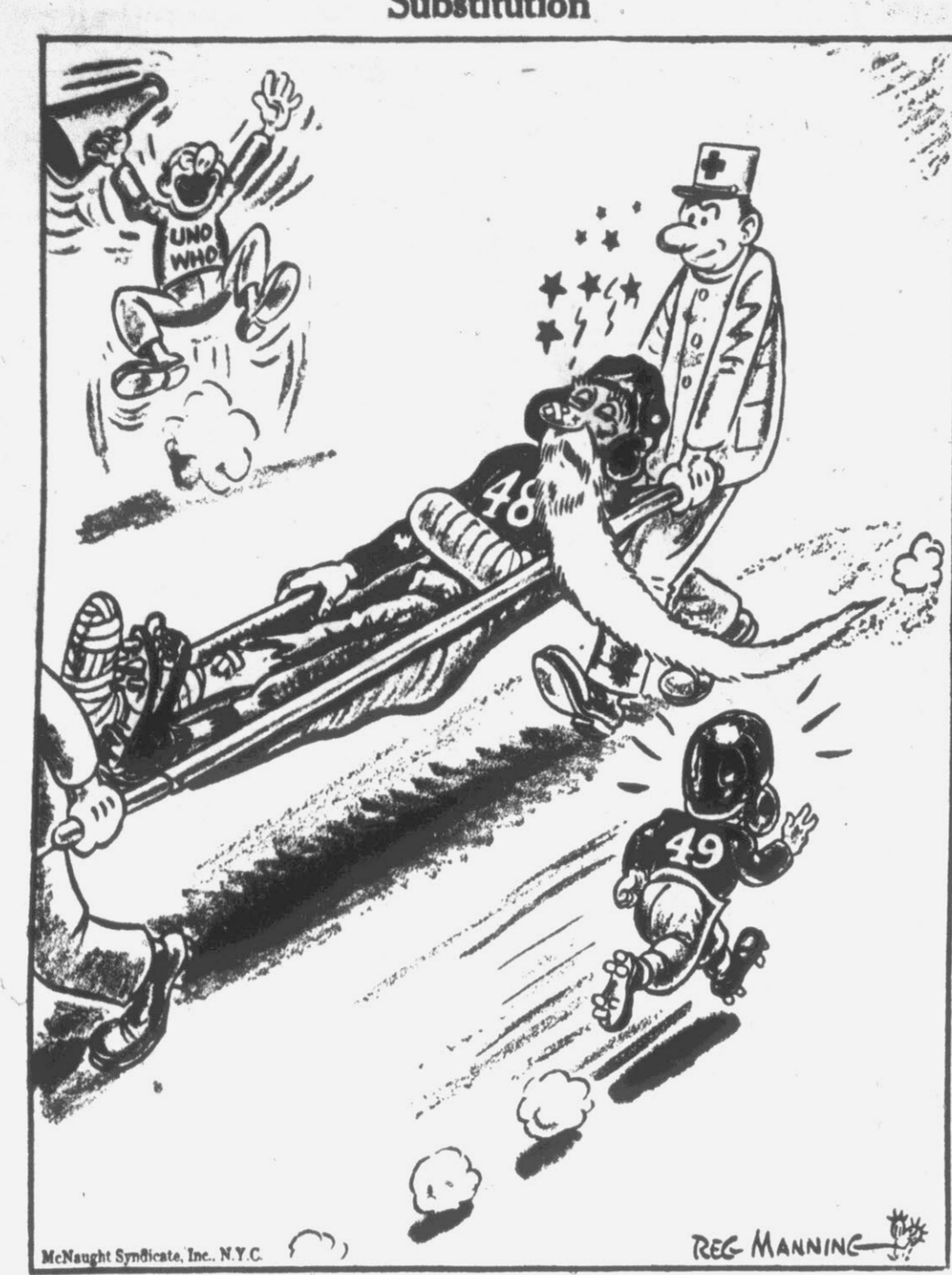
SUBJECTS—Preponderant majority of the letters to Scott are about roads. There are a good many dealing with such matters as rural telephones, teacher salaries, reorganization of state government, and a substantial number from job-seekers. But roads account for biggest part of the letters in every mail.

DIVERSE—These letters are in every conceivable form, accurately typed on expensively printed business stationery and scrawled in pen-
cil on rough tablet paper. Many of them concern the Scott program for county road development, but a very large percentage come from residents of suburban communities which are in as bad plight for roads as any part of the back country, and there are some about streets inside the separate limits of cities and towns.

URGENT—And according to Chas. Parker who has been named private secretary to Governor Scott, nearly all of them emphasize dire need for immediate attention to some particular piece of road or street. Out of this conglomeration of letters, however, is emerging a picture of the strong and weak places in the existing system of public road administration which will be very helpful to the new governor in formulating his recommendations to the general assembly.

PRE-LEGISLATIVE—Most of the "programs" to be presented to the general assembly for consideration have already been formulated, but there are a few loose ends to be together. This is the purpose of the meeting of Governor-elect Scott with the North Carolina branch of the Highway Users Conference at Greensboro, which was requested by the governor. It is also purpose of the session of the legislative committee of the League of Municipalities scheduled for Raleigh the day before the assembly convenes.

ROADS—Both conferences will give a good deal of attention to roads, although other matters of equal importance will be discussed. The highway users conference is made up principally of automotive transportation agencies, with truck and bus lines having large influence in its activities. This means that the conference will be interested in the Scott road program, but also in his proposals for reorganizing the utility commission which has supervision over franchise truck and bus



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operations. City and town officials are concerned about the road program as it affects their streets, but also have vital interest in local government autonomy and in adjustments of Schedule B. License taxes so that municipalities can get a larger share of revenue from this source.

DESPERATE—It is common knowledge the financial condition of many cities and towns is desperate. Increasing demands for service on the one hand, and curtailment of revenue sources by legislative act and too low property valuation on the other, have caught the municipalities in a vise. Pressure can be relieved only by the state making available more revenue or taking over some of the services now rendered by the municipalities. Local officials do not take kindly to the idea of surrendering authority to a central state government.

Boyle's Column

New York—(AP)—The man had stayed late at his office. He sat alone, scratching moodily on a desk pad.

The pencil wrote:
"I hereby resolve in the coming year to—"
The man got up, walked across the empty office to the water cooler, pressed the foot pedal. The water, as usual, sputtered up and hit him in the face.

"C'est la vie," said the man absent-mindedly. He walked back to his desk and began to scribble out his resolutions:

"To drink bigger glasses of water and smaller glasses of stuff that isn't water."
"To read one good new book and one good old book every month."
"To quit yelling at my wife."
"To quit yelling at the kids."
"To quit yelling to the office late."
"To take my wife out to dinner and an evening of fun at least once a week."
"To quit betting on horses."
"To save some money."
"To buy my wife a fur coat."
"To get eight hours of sleep every night."
And so the man wrote on until he had 25 resolutions written down. By then the moodiness had left his face, and he was smiling. He paused and looked over his work, and found it good.

"Not a bad list, if I do say so," he said smugly. "This would im-

press the recording angel himself— if I had a way to get it up to heaven."

He looked at the buzzer on his desk and a wild fancy came into his mind.

"What if—" he mused. Then he made a wish, and pressed the buzzer. Immediately the door opened and in came a tall stern figure robed in white. He held a file of papers in his hands.

"Any messages for upstairs, sir?" asked the ghostly figure.

"Why, wh-wh-who are you?" stammered the man at the desk.

"I'm the angel of truth, now on special assignment as messenger for the recording angel," said the figure. "Didn't you just wish for a messenger?"

"Yes," said the man, "but we don't usually get that kind of service in this office."

"What did you want me to deliver?" asked the angel.

"My New Year's resolutions," said the man. The angel took the list and scanned it quickly.

"I'm glad you brought this up," said the angel. "You've been causing us a lot of unnecessary book-keeping. I have here your previous lists for the last ten years. Please look them over."

The man, abashed, did so.

"You will find, I think," said the angel crisply, "that all these years you've been making lists promising exactly the same reforms."

The man at the desk held up one old list and said defensively:

"Well, this one doesn't say anything about stopping yelling at the kids."

"That was made out before you had any children," said the angel coldly. "But otherwise year after year you've taken up a whole page in the golden book making promises you haven't carried out."

"The recording angel is tired of this. He says for you either to start living up to your word—or just tell him honestly now you don't intend to, so he can just put in carbon copies to cover you for the rest of your life."

"Take up the list just once more," said the man, "I'll do my very best this year to keep my resolutions."

The angel took it, gave him a golden smile. There was a puff of light—and the angel was gone.

The man got up from his desk, put on his coat and hat and started for the door. He paused at the water cooler and pushed the foot pedal. The water sputtered up—and hit him in the face.

The man started to say "&\$\$!&!"

WASHINGTON LETTER

By JANE EADS

Washington—The nation's capital is the "eatting-out" city in the country in proportion to its population according to Robert J. Wilson, executive secretary of the Washington Restaurant Association.

Restaurants and other public feeding places in the nation do about a \$12,000,000,000 business annually serving about 65,000,000 meals daily, according to Mr. Wilson.

Washington's 2,500 eating places average about \$228,000,000 business annually, or approximately one-fifth of the national total. Mr. Wilson told me. The 40,000 restaurant employees in the area serve about 1,250,000 meals daily, or an average of about 30 customers each.

Of course, he adds, it depends on where the employe works. In a dining room where cocktails are served an employe averages about 10 customers. If it's a counter restaurant one person can serve about 80 meals daily.

Mr. Wilson believes the town's tourist population and its great number of employed housewives comprise most of the restaurant trade. In addition, many meals are served travelers passing through Washington at Union Station and at the Washington Airport.

Government Services, Inc., which provides restaurant service in a majority of the large government buildings, does over \$10,000,000 business alone. This is exclusive of the business done by some of the restaurants and cafeterias operated by government agencies such as the Government Printing Office, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and the Department of Agriculture.

The average meal check runs about 50 cents, says Mr. Wilson. If you are a fancy eater, the sky could be the limit, but the diner usually stops before 45. Mr. Wilson says that although gross volume is holding near record levels here, net profit of eating places are showing a lower trend. He says "meal prices have not risen in proportion to the increase in wholesale food prices and the sharp climb in payroll and other expenses. Forecasting an increase in dollar volume for the coming year, Mr. Wilson says it is expected the business will be increased by \$1,250,000 during the inauguration alone. In anticipating the addition of more than a half-million meals during the inauguration, local restaurant men are planning special, limited menus. They figure that by having fewer items to prepare they can take care of more people at one meal time.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Zeal
2. Self
3. Serment of a curve
12. Answer the purpose
13. Swiss river
14. Spoil
15. Fold of cloth
16. Voiceless sound
17. Tipping
18. Looks steadily
19. Photographic instrument
20. Poem
21. Gaseous hydrocarbon
27. Civil injury
28. Head covering
29. Gael
30. Political hanker-on
37. Number
38. Antica
41. Loose overcoat
42. Speedily
44. Austrian province
45. Floor
47. Growing out
50. Exist
51. Employment
52. Surgical thread
53. European river
54. Understand
55. Inclination

DOWN

1. Serpent
2. Electrical unit
3. Visionary
4. Egg-shaped
5. Withdraw
6. Compass point
7. Opening
8. Source
9. Astound
10. Charge
11. Top
12. Demolishes
13. Turning machines
14. Light bed
15. Thin
16. Masculine nickname
17. Capsule of a moss
18. Compare critically
19. Indian of Terra del Fuego
20. Base of the decimal system
21. Rejection of neither
22. Darkness
23. Sarcastic
24. Grows white
25. Mimicry
26. One lost beyond recall; elms
27. Latin unit
28. Simple sugar
29. Weight
30. Finish

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6:05—Dinner Date
6:30—Sportscast
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7:00—News
7:05—Tic Toc Time
7:45—News
8:00—Hymns of Faith, TN
8:15—Breakfast Frollics
8:30—Morning Meditations
8:45—Easy Listening
9:00—News
9:05—Morning Merry Go Round
10:00—Obituary Column
10:05—Musical Interlude
10:15—Voice of the Army
10:30—Aydin Group
11:00—Guest Star
11:15—Block Party
11:45—Band Music
12:00—Trading Post
12:15—Man on the Street
12:30—Dance Parade

1:00—News
1:15—Alma Mater Music
1:30—Friendly Mountaineers
2:00—Saturday Hop
2:45—Dixie Bowl Football Game
5:00—Let Me Spin It
5:30—Interlude
5:35—Rhythm Rangers
6:00—News
6:05—Dinner Date
6:30—Bowl Game Results
6:45—Manning Brothers
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British Health Plan Stirs Wig Market Demand

London—(AP)—There's a run on the market for wigs—and it has the government worried.

Bald-headed men—and women—are taking advantage of Britain's new free health service and applying for more than 200 wigs a week. They come without cost under the health plan.

The country's 23 wigmakers figure the government can expect a demand for 100,000 a year at a cost of \$40 a head. That's \$4,000,000 out of the government's pocket.

What's more, wig-wearers are entitled to have one wig cleaned and dressed every two months at a cost to the government of about \$400,000 every year.

Commented a wigmaker: "The government is shocked. The trouble is that people who have been satisfied with one wig for years now are cashing in and getting two."

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THERE OUGHTA BE A LAW!



Murder Gets Abound

BY ROBERT SIDNEY BOWEN

Chapter 26
My friends still wouldn't believe me, even if I put both hands on a Bible, but it so happens that by nine-thirty that night I was in my apartment, in my pajamas, and settled comfortably in my favorite chair.

The jigsaw puzzle was now all complete. That is, as far as my interest in it was concerned. All

that remained was to make sure that the pieces remained stuck together, and justice prevailed. That would not be determined until tomorrow at the earliest. And so, brushing it all to one side, I drank deep of my cold beer and reached for one of the papers.

And at that moment my telephone on the table in the corner chose to ring!

I recognized Henri Barone's voice! "This is Barone," I said. "I would like to see you, Monsieur Barone," he said. "I would like to see you very much."

"What about?" I asked. "And can't it keep until morning?" "No, I am afraid not," he said. "Could you not come up here, Monsieur? It is not so far."

"Where here?" I asked quickly. He gave me an address in the One Hundred and Twenties, and way over west by the Hudson River. I got a little sore.

"Are you kidding?" I snapped. "It so happens I'm ready for bed. Why should I chase way up there? If it simply can't keep until morning, you come down here. I'll wait up thirty minutes for you."

"One moment, I beg of you, Monsieur!" he almost cried down the telephone wire. "Do not be offended, but it is impossible for me to come down there. I have been hurt, Monsieur Barone. My leg. But I must speak to you about... about Zara. You will come here, yes?"

I didn't say anything. Instead I did a lot of fast and furious thinking. So Henri of the dirty face Barone wanted to see me about Goldielocks? Did he get the idea I was a dope? Did he think that the Barne was a deaf, dumb, and blind dope? It would appear so.

"You are there, Monsieur?" his arxious voice came into my ear. "Yes, I'm here," I told him. "What about Goldie... I mean Zara?" "I am sorry," he said. "It is impossible to tell you over this telephone. But you will come, yes?" "All right, Barone," I said. "I guess I can come, if you insist. What's...?"

"I insist, and I also beg of you, Monsieur!" he broke in on me. "Okay, okay," I stopped him. "What's your apartment number, and floor?" "It is the basement rear, Monsieur Barone," he said.

Riding uptown in the cab I tried hard to figure out a reason, if any, why Barone should want to see me about Goldielocks. And I did a lot of thinking, too, about his injured leg. How it had been an accident, how bad, and all that sort of thing.

A couple of blocks this side of my intended destination I paid off the caddy, paused on the sidewalk to light a cigarette, and to look around.

From force of habit I stuck my hand under my jacket front and made sure my gun was resting loose and free in the holster. And then I started walking up the street. Barone's building wasn't much to look at.

The south side of the building was fitted snug to the wall of the next, but there was a passageway to the rear on the other side. The glow from the light that was over Barone's door shed enough glow across the end to silhouette anything, or anyone, who might be in the alley. And I couldn't see a single silhouette.

As I right out of nowhere a million tiny things came sweeping straight into my eyes. Even as I went blind I knew it was a cloud of pepper. And even as I ducked and groped for my gun, I knew it was too late. Something hit me a terrific clip on the top of my poor head. My legs went out from under me, and all the colored comets in the heavens played tag around my scrambled brains.

Time passed, of course, and forward movement continued, while I sat there in the middle of nothing, not knowing a thing, and not caring a terrible lot either. Fortunately, though, my bouncing back qualities are as good as the next man's, and so little by little I began to get things a little straighter. But that was all the good it did me. I mean, I still didn't have an eye I could open, or a muscle I could move. Life for me was going on, but I was halfway in between, if you get what I mean.

Anyway I finally knew that I was in the front seat of a car, and that somebody on my left was driving the car at a steady road-covering pace. I also could tell I was on a well-traveled road. Other cars passed us going both ways. I felt sure, too, that I was near water.

If only I could move! Just my head! Reach out with my left hand and grab whoever was driving the car. I couldn't move even a fingertip.

More time passed, but I didn't improve any. I even began to slip back a little. The tiny corner of my brain that was trying desperately

to function with a fair amount of clarity seemed to break off and become all mangled up by the whizzing stars and comets. And then just when it seemed that nothing in the world could save me from sinking under again for good, the person driving the car turned it sharply to the left and put on the brakes. My whole body jerked, but I did not have anything to do with jerking it.

An instant later I could tell that the driver was reaching across in front of me. Reaching across and opening the door on my side. I knew it, and that's all. I just knew it. But I was unable to catch what followed. Fingers fumbled at my neck. In the middle of a sudden blaze of white light I thought that my necktie was being pulled tighter. I was having the Lord's own trouble to breathe. And then... and perhaps it is true that those who are about to die do see all and understand all for one fleeting split second... I knew that it was not my tie being pulled tighter and tighter. It was thin strong wire. And it was digging deeper and deeper into the flesh of my neck.

(To be continued)

By FAGALY and SHORTEN



Elevated Train In Berlin Tests Stamina, Humor

By Inter-Allied agreement the elevated railway is under Russian control. However, the stations in western Berlin are controlled by the western powers and their German police.

Thus when the communist railroad police attempt to confiscate foodstuffs from passengers fist fights occasionally result and police are thrown from cars.

Recently a communist cop tried to confiscate a crock of syrup from a woman passenger. She crowned the cop with the crock, giving him a sticky shampoo as other passengers cheered.

EXONERATED OF BLAME
A coroner's jury exonerated Frank M. Kilpatrick of Ayden member of the Lower House of the General Assembly, from any blame on the death of Calvin Stocks, carpenter, near Ayden a few days before Christmas. Testimony was that Stocks walked into the side of Kilpatrick's car near Winterville and was killed.

New York City has about 2,000,000 Jews, more than there are in Palestine.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF GREENVILLE, GREENVILLE NORTH CAROLINA

December 31, 1948
Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Shareholders of the First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Greenville, will be held at the Principal Office of the Association at 320 Evans Street, City of Greenville, State of North Carolina, on Thursday, the 20th day of January, 1949, at eight o'clock P. M. for the purpose of election of Directors for the coming year, and for receiving and, if approved, confirming the reports of the officers for the preceding year, and of considering, and if approved, ratifying and confirming all the accounts and proceedings of the Board of Directors during the preceding year, and for the transaction of such further and other business as may properly come before the meeting.

All holders of share accounts of the Association and all borrowers therefrom shall be deemed and held to be members thereof. If the consideration of all questions requiring action by the members, each holder of share account shall be permitted to cast one vote for each \$100, or fraction thereof, of the participation value of his share account. A borrowing member shall be permitted as a borrower to cast one vote, and to cast the number of votes to which he may be entitled as the holder of a share account. No member, however, shall cast more than 50 votes.

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Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of John Jones, deceased, late of Pitt County, State of North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned Administrator at Greenville, North Carolina, within twelve months from the date hereof, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement with the said administrator. This December 28, 1948.

WILLIAM E. JONES, Administrator of the Estate of John Jones, deceased.
Blount and Taft, Attorneys
Dec. 30-14w-6wks.

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Having qualified as administratrix of the Estate of Jim Jackson, deceased, late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to Harry M. Brown, attorney for the undersigned at Greenville on or before the 1st day of January, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

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Freeman Hemby's Long Life Story Is Recalled

By CHESTER WALSH
Freeman Hemby, Greenville's oldest Negro and retired tobacco worker, born in the Beaver Dam community of Pitt County in 1848, a slave of William and Polly Hemby, previously reported to be 103 years old, was an even 100 years old when he died here Wednesday according to the family Bible.

Surviving are 249 immediate relatives: his wife, one daughter and sons; 175 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and 25 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock, Phillips Brothers' Funeral Home has charge of the funeral. The Greenville Daily Reflector carried a feature story about Freeman Hemby's history about 10 or 12 years ago. The story reveals that the well known and respected colored citizen always was active in church work, and that many of his children and grandchildren entered the ministry and professions and that they were property owners and generally useful citizens.

Hemby was the second son of Adam and Jennie Hemby. William Hemby was the master of the plantation on which he was born. He was put "on the block" at auction sale when he was 13. One of his master's sons, Huey Hemby, paid \$704 for him. Hemby remained with him until the War Between the States.

His family moved to Greene County in 1866 and located on the E.A.L. Carr's farm, and he was sold out at \$7 a month.

Working there in 1884 he was bought a part of

his arm in an old-fashioned cotton gin. He remained with the Carrs until 1897. Then with his savings, he bought a small farm near Greenville in Pitt County, and lived there five years, and then he moved to Greenville to round out his century of life.

Hemby was first married in 1873 and the union lasted 30 years, until his wife's death. Thirteen children were born to them. Twelve of the children each averaged 10 children. He had 154 descendants when he was 90. His second wife, whom he married in 1903, died in 1931. In December of that year he married the third time his wife dying about a year later. He married his fourth wife, Henrietta Vines in 1933 and she survives.

Christian Church Announcements

At the Eighth Street Christian Church Sunday morning at 11, Miss Rosamond Nicholson will sing Malette's "The Lord's Prayer" and Jim Haney will play a violin offertory "The Thais Meditation" by Massenet. The pastor has announced to preach on the text Jeremiah 6:16, using as the theme "The Old Paths." This service will be broadcast as will the other morning services during the month of January but that is not intended by any means to be an invitation for the membership to remain at home during the service.

The board of officers of the church will meet on Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the junior room of the church for the first meeting of the new year and every officer should show his interest by his presence.

The circles of the Woman's Council will meet as follows on Monday afternoon at 3:30: No. 1, with Mrs. R. V. Fleming; No. 2, will meet Jan. 10; No. 3, with Mrs. Maude Swartz at the church; Mrs. L. A. McLawhorn assisting; No. 4, with Mrs. J. R. Hunning; Mrs. W. A. Tripp assisting; the Young Matrons, with Mrs. Jack Whitley at 8 p. m.; Mrs. Bill Williams assisting. The Guild meets on the second Monday night at 8 p. m.

The Christian Youth Fellowship will meet at 6:30 Sunday evening at the church in the social room.

Mrs. Bertha Scott Died This Morning

Mrs. Bertha Shaddin, Scott, 56, died at her home near New Bern at 6:30 Friday morning. She suffered a stroke on Tuesday night. Funeral services will be conducted at Neuse Forest Presbyterian church near New Bern, Saturday at 3:30

Change Parking Meters Improve Situation Here

By CHESTER WALSH
Mayor Jack Boyd, back at his desk at the City Hall, and well on his way to recovery from his recent illness, said today that the parking meters, too many of which were in the downtown area, are being moved to other places at the suggestion of the Greenville Merchants Association.

The mayor said that he and the Board of Aldermen's committee had gone into the matter thoroughly, and that he and the aldermen want to cooperate with the Merchants Association in making Greenville the shopping center of Eastern Carolina.

Mayor Boyd said that it has been the experience of towns and cities all over the country to find it necessary to adjust placement of parking meters, and that the general purpose is to work with the merchants in bringing business to town.

"We appreciate constructive suggestions from the citizens and groups, and we are going to do our best for those things which will increase Greenville's prestige as a tobacco market and shopping center," Mayor Boyd said.

Shrine Club Will Have New Year's Party Friday Night

The Greenville Shrine Club's New Year's party and dance with a floor show featuring by Tiger Gardner, of Kiwanis minstrel fame, as master of ceremonies, will be held at the armory Friday night, starting at 10 o'clock. Dancing will continue until 2 a. m.

The Shrine Club's New Year's party is held annually for the members and their wives and sweethearts and it is a private social function in which fellowship is a feature.

Rodney Roberts' Music Majors orchestra will provide the music. Some of Greenville's best known talent will feature the floor show.

Tickets are available only to members of the Shrine Club. They may be obtained by Shriners from members or at the door Friday night.

Wins Junior 4-H Canning Contest

Miss Peggy Rose Edwards, a member of the Childhood 4-H Club, is the Northeastern District winner in the Junior 4-H Canning Contest, announced by Miss Marjorie Shear, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent. Peggy Rose canned 101 quarts of food alone and helped to can 56 quarts of food—making a total of 157 quarts of food canned. The value of this canned food is \$44.70.

Peggy Rose's award for being a District Winner in this Junior Canning contest is a \$25.00 check given by the Savannah Sugar Refining Corporation, who is the sponsor of this contest.

Peggy Rose has been a 4-H club member for 2 years completing such projects as canning, gardening, poultry, clothing, and health improvement.

A one year subscription to the "National 4-H Club News" is awarded to the first and second place winners in this Junior 4-H Canning Contest. This year, in Pitt County, these awards go to Peggy Rose Edwards, first place and Sybil Jones, Childhood Junior 4-H Club, second place.

Hog Market

Raleigh, Dec. 31—(AP)—(NCDA)—Hog prices steady to slightly weaker. Tops of \$20.75 at Kinston, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Greenville, Smithfield, Wilson, Goldsboro, Washington, and Clinton.

Poultry and Eggs

Raleigh, Dec. 31—(AP)—(NCDA)—Fryers and broilers steady to slightly weaker at \$2; eggs steady. A large 57-58.

N.Y. Cotton

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—Cotton futures were steady today on short covering in slow pre-holiday trading. Gains extending to 40 cents a bale were registered in early dealings on buying by a leading spot firm, but rallying tendencies were later reversed on New Orleans and local selling. Some replacement demand was attracted by the continued heavy loan entries amounting to 201,976 bales for the week ended December 23, against 197,830 in the previous week.

Futures closed 5 to 35 cents a bale higher than the previous close.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—Demand for railroad shares helped to steady a wavering stock market today.

Carrier stocks moved up fractions to a point or so at one time following announcement late yesterday of an increase in freight rates. Widest gains, though, were later pared.

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Eastern Rivers Rising Rapidly

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 31—(AP)—Eastern North Carolina's rivers are on the rise again.

Recent rainfall has caused the four major rivers in the Eastern part of the state—the Neuse, Roanoke, Cape Fear, and the Tar—to rise rapidly.

All but the Tar are expected to reach flood stage in the next few days, according to Garrett Demets of the U. S. Weather bureau here.

He said the Neuse is expected to crest at Neuse at 15 1-2 feet today. It is expected to reach 16 feet at Smithfield Sunday, 18 feet at Goldsboro next Wednesday, and 16 feet at Kinston a week from today. Flood stage at all these points is 14 feet except at Smithfield, where it is 13.

The Roanoke is expected to crest at 19.2 feet at Alta Vista, Va., today, which is 10 feet above flood stage.

The Cape Fear is expected to reach its flood stage of 35 feet at Fayetteville tonight.

p. m. by Rev. F. Hubert Morris, Presbyterian Minister of New Bern. Burial will be in New Bern Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Scott was born in Wayne County, and spent her early life there. In 1913 she was married to William Henry Scott. She had lived in Pitt county and Newport News, Va., the past year. She was a member of Piney Grove Free Will Baptist church, near Greenville.

Surviving are her husband; a son, Bennie Chester Scott of the home, four daughters, Mrs. Fuller Sautter Jr., of New Bern, Mrs. H. S. Davis of Newport News, Va., Mrs. T. E. Bone of Durham and Miss Bobby Jean Scott of the home, four grandchildren and her mother, Mrs. Nettie Shadding of near Fremont.

Mules Took Over Capitol Square

Raleigh, Dec. 31—(AP)—Raleigh's Capitol Square, known for its pigeons and squirrels, had its peace violently interrupted last night by a herd of mules and horses.

About 21 mules and a couple of horses had been unloaded at the Seaboard station about a mile from town to be watered and fed.

Suddenly, led by a white mare the animals broke loose and headed for the main business district, about a mile away.

Where the mare head, the herd followed. She headed for the capitol grounds, and there her followers camped for a while.

Desk Sgt. G. E. Laster at the police station naturally thought someone was pulling his leg when the first calls came in, but he changed his mind in a hurry as more reports followed.

"Get a man to Hargett and Harrington. We've got one cornered here."

"There's one at the bus station." "There's a whole herd of mules headed down Hillsboro Street."

By 8:30, after an hour and 15 minutes, all but 11 of the critters had been caught, and they were roaming peacefully on Capitol Square.

As a large crowd of boys—and some of their elders—watched, offered free advice, and assisted only a little, police strove to complete the roundup.

The Man Of . . .

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himself, remembering the people in eastern Europe. The bus was swaying.

He picked up the loose threads of 1948 again, trying hard to concentrate so he could remember. The United Nations went skating through his head.

I gave up on that, he said to himself. I really gave up on that I can't keep track. Talk, talk, talk. And nothing ever happens. I get sick listening to it. It's beginning to be a joke. They talk about stopping wars and wars break out all over.

The word "joke" made a bitter taste. What a word to use for all those high ideas the U.N. started out with. And suddenly he felt unhappy. If it fails, he said, we're back in the jungle again. Then what? War?

He's lived through two wars. Enough, in one lifetime. All I want to do is live a quiet life and try to be happy, he thought. But I guess that's just about all anyone any place wants to be.

But he thought: We sure make one another awful unhappy trying to be happy.

He began to grin when he thought of President Truman. He did it and he did it the hard way, he thought, meaning the elections. He thought: Mr. Truman has a lot of confidence in himself. I wish him well. Why shouldn't I? He used to be a little guy like me once and he kept his chin up, and sometimes out, and it took him a long way.

The bus stopped and the little guy got off. He walked fast. His heart was quiet now and he didn't think of it.

He felt good and he was glad to be going home. It was like walking into a new year, which it was.

He was walking fast. His step was jaunty. President Truman is mighty jaunty himself, the little guy thought. "Good luck to him he said. To me, too.

Rescued Airmen Are Going Home

New York, Dec. 31—(AP)—Seven of the fliers rescued from a Greenland icecap and two airmen who rescued them are en route to New York today.

An air force C-54 plane, carrying the fliers, took off from Goose Bay, Labrador, at 4:15 a. m. (EST) today and was scheduled to land at Laguardia Field some seven hours later.

There were no plans for an elaborate reception, but arrangements have been made for interviews and pictures of the men, some of whom were stranded in the desolate, windswept region for 19 days. Five others remained at a Greenland air base where they are stationed with their families.

Accompanying the seven are Lt. Col. Emil G. Beaudry, of South Hadley, Mass., pilot of the ski and jet equipped rescue plane, and his copilot, Lt. Charles H. Blackwell, of San Antonio, Tex.

Beaudry will be greeted by his wife, Eva, who came here yesterday.

The Ruhr . . .

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The sharpest reaction, however, has come from the Germans in the Western zones. They denounce the agreement as depriving the country of political and economic rehabilitation. Their attitude seems to be that they are entitled to reinstatement as a major European power forthwith.

Well, it's easy to understand the desire of the present day Germans to get back into their place in the sun. However, the time has come when they must know that the way of the transgressor is indeed hard, and that aggression must be paid for.

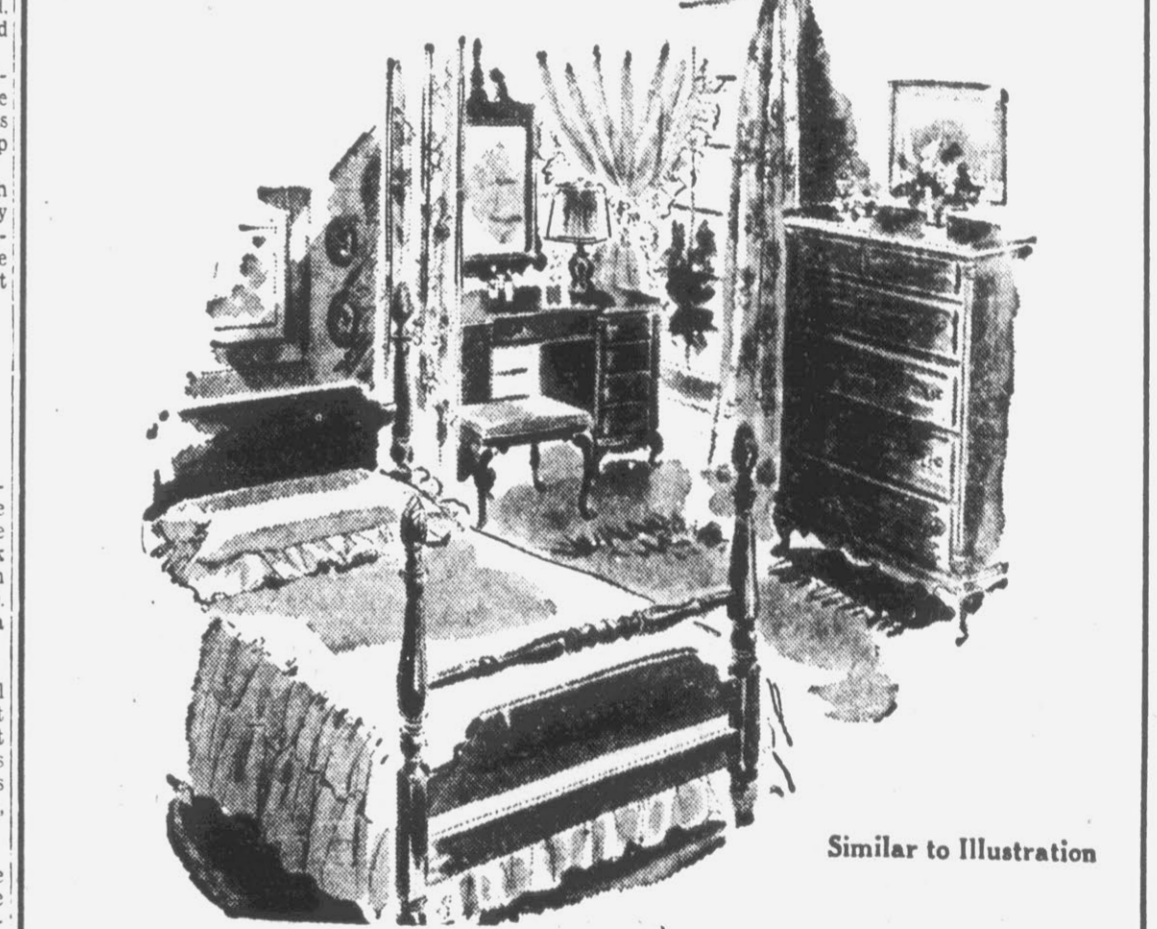
Under the program of the Western Allies, Western Germany will be rehabilitated and made prosperous again. It will be helped to develop a democratic government.

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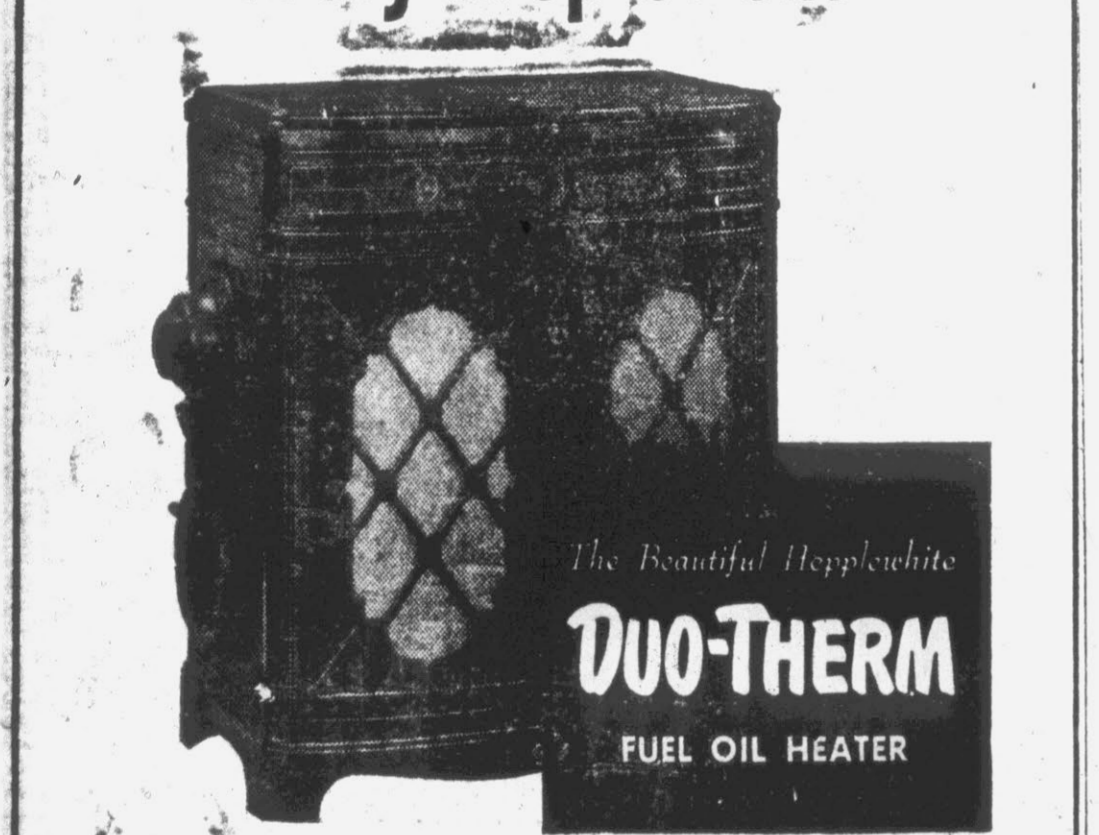
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