

Freezing rain tonight; Friday cloudy and not quite so cold with rain on the coast.

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Asiatic Nations Press For Talks

Urge United States To Negotiate With Communist China For Settlement Of All Far Eastern Issues; Believe Concessions Would Bring Peace To Asia

Lake Success, Dec. 28—(AP)—Tense Asian countries in the United Nations are pressing the United States to negotiate with Communist China for a settlement of all Far Eastern political problems.

They are reported to feel that such negotiations are the only possible means for a solution to the Korean war without a military knockout.

Ever since the Chinese Reds sent their hordes into Korea, the countries of Asia—with the exception of the Philippines—have been urging that the U.S. listen to Communist Peiping's demands that:

- 1. The U.S. withdraw its troops from Korea;
2. The U.S. withdraw the Seventh Fleet from Formosa;
3. The U.S. stop its opposition to the seating of the Communist Chinese regime in the U.N.

They believe these concessions would bring peace to Asia, at least temporarily. This view was implied in a 12-power resolution they put before the U.N. Assembly two weeks ago pledging Red China a political conference in return for peace in Korea.

That proposal was accompanied by a 13-power (the thirteenth was the Philippines) resolution calling for negotiations on a cease-fire in Korea. Consideration of the resolution for political talks was shelved to await progress on the cease-fire move.

Since Peiping's rejection of the cease-fire proposal, the 12 countries—Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, India, Iran, Iraq, Indonesia, Lebanon, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Yemen—are pressing for a try at their other proposal.

The U.S. so far has pursued a hostile attitude toward the proposed political conference. The Americans view any move linking a possible end to the Korean fighting with concessions to the Chinese Reds as yielding to blackmail.

The Asian sponsors of the political conference resolution, however, were expected to meet late this afternoon to discuss ways and means of bringing about such talks.

The three-man cease-fire commission—Assembly Member Nasrallah Entezam of Iran, Sir Benegal N. Rau of India and R. G. Riddell of Canada—met yesterday to discuss Peiping's rejection.

GI Joe Chosen 'Man Of Year'

New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—The U.S. fighting man is Time magazine's 'Man of the Year.'

The annual selection is reported in the Jan. 1 issue. The cover bears a portrait of a grim-faced soldier symbolic of all the U.S. armed forces.

This is the first time the weekly news magazine chose a symbol, rather than a specific individual, as the "Man of the Year."

Boxscore

Raleigh, N.C., Dec. 28—(AP)—The Motor Vehicles Department's report of highway accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 10 a.m. today:

Killed—3
Injured—29
Total to date in 1950—841
Injured to date—11,976
Injured to date in 1949—9628

Going Isolationist

Where Once The Europeans Loftily Criticized American Non-Participation In World Affairs, Former Internationally-Minded Peoples Are Staying Home

By WES GALLAGHER

A large part of Europe is going isolationist. For generations it has been fashionable for Europeans to loftily criticize Americans for isolationism in world affairs.

They still do. But the record today shows a different story.

Most European countries would like to crawl into a hole, pull it on top of them and let the rest of the world go by.

Let's take England, top "internationalist" of the 19th century. Since World War II:

Great Britain has refused to join the Schuman Plan for pooling heavy industries of western Europe in a common cause.

Cold Blast Now Subsiding Over Frozen Midwest

Frigid Wave Over Eastern States Also Appears Scheduled To End

By the Associated Press

The snow-covered midwest got some relief today from the winter season's coldest weather and the end of the sub-zero blasts for the eastern states appeared in sight.

Brisk south and southwest winds brought warmer weather to the chilled midcontinent. Temperatures, which in many north central areas dropped to record lows for the date yesterday, moderated from the Missouri Valley eastward through the Great Lakes region to the North Atlantic states.

But it was still on the cold side in many parts of the eastern half of the country to the biting cold of yesterday when readings were as low as -36 in Wisconsin and 20 below and lower in other areas. A low in Wisconsin today was -3 at Bratsburg while in Minneapolis the low was 15 above compared to yesterday's -22.

But there was some sub-zero weather in parts of Ohio into the New England states. Some warming was expected during the day.

Readings in the 40's and near 50 were forecast for the Plains States and near the freezing mark for the North Central region.

The South also had more sub-freezing weather today as the cold air held in the Gulf and the South Atlantic states. Florida escaped the chilly breezes.

The biting cold prompted utilities to cut fuel gas supplies to some industrial users in Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania. Cuts up to 90 per cent were ordered for 171 companies in central Ohio and supplies were curtailed to 700 plants in the Cleveland area.

Apple-Picker Admits Slaying Ex-Follies Girl

New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—An upstate New York apple-picker admitted today after a night of questioning, police said, that he strangled former Ziegfeld Follies showgirl Evelyn (Yvonne) Hughes.

Police quoted Birger Nordkvist as saying he "blew his top" when the woman resisted his advances in his Manhattan hotel room.

"I remember taking me to the kitchen and putting it around her neck and pulling tight," he was quoted as saying. "I remember putting a scarf in her mouth."

The body of brunette actress was found Tuesday morning in the Ashland Hotel at 429 Fourth avenue.

Reserve Officer Call Slated Soon

Charlotte, Dec. 28—(AP)—Approximately 150 Army Reserve officers in North Carolina can expect a call to duty soon.

A Third Army spokesman in Atlanta said today that the North Carolina Military District in Raleigh will be asked to nominate 192 Reservists for duty. This figure is more than will actually be called as some will be deferred from service.

The Reservists called will all be captains and lieutenants and will be ordered to active duty for 21 months.

Delay Awarding Contracts For New Dormitory

The contracts for the proposed teachers dormitory at East Carolina will not be awarded until next week, it was reported today by F. D. Duncan, business manager of the college.

Reason for the postponement, Duncan stated, is in order that the Budget Bureau can investigate the project further. The contracts were to be awarded this week, pending a conference with that body, but no action was taken. Application for the money is in the hands of the bureau now, Duncan said.

It is believed the delay is caused by a request for more money than was allocated for the construction of the \$300,000-plus building. The business manager stated \$250,000 was originally allocated. Actual costs of construction in the contracts opened last Thursday run less than \$300,000, Duncan said, but the architect's fee will push the final figure over it.

Tax Listers Of Pitt To Meet

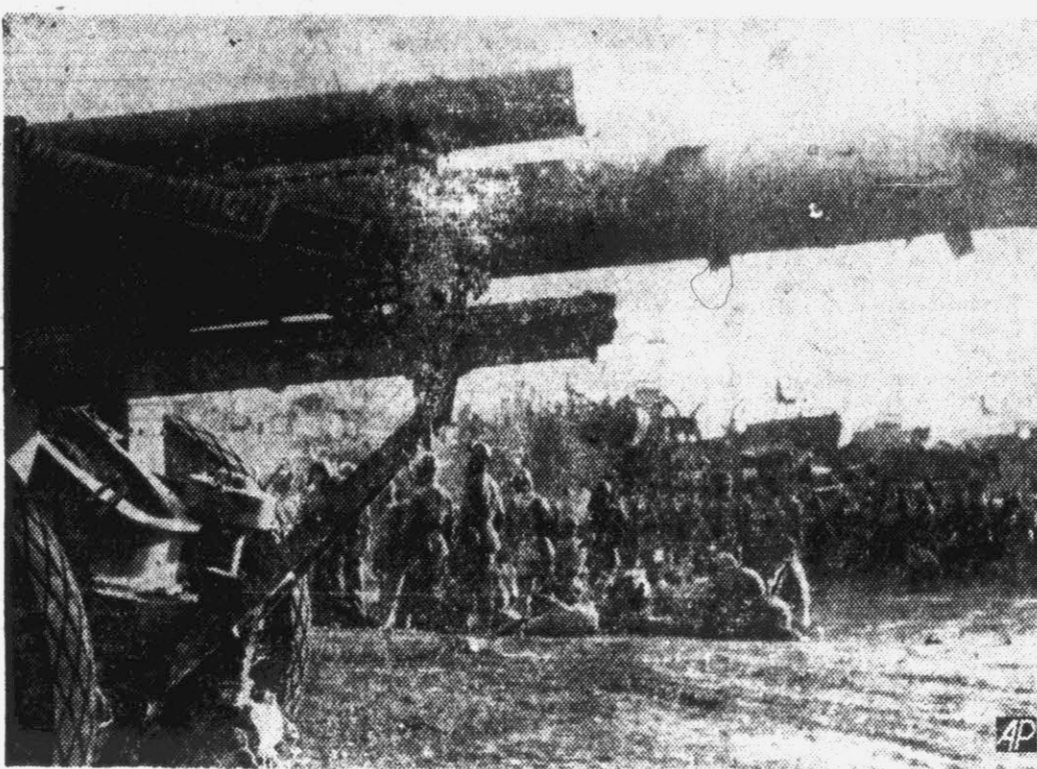
All tax listers for the 13 county townships will meet tomorrow at the courthouse for the purpose of coordinating the prospective tax listing of real and personal property during the month of January.

Purpose of the meeting is to discuss plans for listing the county property and also the changes in listing stemming from a change of ownership of real property.

Meeting time is two o'clock in the Commissioners' room.

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U.N. Troops Defiant To The End At Hungnam



U. S. Seventh Division troops nonchalantly await their turn to embark aboard LSTs on the beachhead at Hungnam in the mass evacuation by sea from that northeast Korean port. Symbolic of the valiant battle that kept the encircling Communist forces at bay during the withdrawal, a 155mm gun still points at Red positions inland. (AP Wirephoto).

Yuletide Sales At All-Time High, Say Local Merchants

By JOHN SPINKS, JR.

Spend more for Christmas this year? Think you can't pay those December bills because of it? Don't worry about it because just about everybody else did, too.

That is the word from several retail merchants in Greenville who handled the largest dollar volume Christmas buying in history. Managers of several types of stores—department, dress shops, haberdashers, toy—were contacted yesterday concerning their Christmas sales.

All reported sales were up ten to 20 percent over Christmas 1949, although unit sales were down slightly throughout.

Reasons given for the high gross sales were varied but most agreed there was more money available this year than any year since the war.

Other reasons tended toward (1) job security, (2) slight "scare" buying, (3) more promotional advertising, (4) better management, (5) same percentage of markup.

Department stores reported the best Christmas buying they have ever had concerning dollar volume. Four that reported yesterday averaged anywhere between 15 and 30 percent higher sales than in 1949 and the increase held steady throughout all departments. The managers stated they had begun stocking articles for Christmas buying since July in expectation of a greater sale; and the goods moved steadily in some cases, faster than usual at Christmas in others.

Women's stores and mens' haberdashers stores where almost every article for sale could be sold, reported better sales than were expected. All were in the 10 to 20 percent range with the majority of gifts in the \$5 to \$10 range for women and \$10 to \$15 for men's furnishings.

One mens' store manager stated he couldn't see why people complain about there being a shortage of money this year. Qualifying that he said he had seen more \$100 bills passed in his store than at any other time. He thought that indicated people were laying away their savings—mostly from tobacco sales—for Christmas buying.

Jewelry stores did a thriving business this year, according to reports. Most of the articles ear-marked for gifts were in the \$10-\$15 price range with many more high-priced

Remington Trial Protest Rapped

New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—Council for former government economist; William W. Remington charged today that potential defense witnesses were being intimidated by prosecuting tactics.

Federal Judge Gregory F. Noonan brushed aside the charge, commenting, "I do not recognize anything such as a defense or a government witness until a person takes the stand."

Remington, 33-year-old former Department of Commerce economist, on trial on a charge of perjury, is accused of having lied to a federal grand jury when he denied he ever was a Communist.

His divorced wife, Mrs. Ann Remington, has spent the past two days on the stand, testifying they both were Communists more than 10 years ago.

Defense Attorney Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., charged today that the government has been calling a series of potential defense witnesses before the grand jury for the sole purpose of getting information about the defendant and intimidating them.

U.S. Attorney Irving H. Saypol said the intimidation charge was baseless and said the government had "no apologies to make" for what he considered to be the normal functioning of the administration of justice.

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Eighth Army Bracing For 'Massive' Red Onslaught

Army Calls 80,000 For March Draft

New Figure Brings Army Requests For Draftees To 450,000 Since Outbreak In Korea; 24 Divisions By Next July

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Army today issued a draft call for 80,000 men in March.

This will bring the total of Army requests for draftees to 450,000 since the outbreak of the Korean war. The 80,000 asked for March is the same quota requested in January and February.

The Defense Department announcement said the Navy, Air Force and Marines do not plan to place calls upon the selective service system in March.

Only the Army has used the draft up to now.

The original quotas for January and February were boosted on Dec. 12 to provide 80,000 draftees in each of the two months. The first call for January was only 40,000 and the original call for February was 50,000.

The draft calls are part of a build up to give the army a combat force equal to 24 divisions when it reaches its current expansion goal next July 1.

Another figure used by the Defense Department involves only 18 divisions, an army official told a reporter today that the fighting force will be augmented by the so-called Regimental Combat Teams to equal the strength of 24 full divisions.

When the Korean war started, the Army had 10 divisions, with none of them at full war strength except for a division in Germany. There were about three divisions in the United States. Only one of these, the 82nd Airborne, had anything approaching effective strength and that was only 60 or 70 per cent of full strength.

At the present time, the army has 11 regular divisions, plus four National Guard divisions and two Guard Regimental Combat Teams which have been brought into federal service. Two more Guard divisions will be federalized next month. All Guard units are trained and brought to full strength after being inducted into the federal army.

Another Regular Army unit will be formed in late summer, early next summer.

Secrecy Put Around Communist Meeting

New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—American communists drew a miniature "iron curtain" around their convention sessions today after opening rallies at which U.S. policies were blasted as war-making.

Approximately 2,600 delegates—at three widely separated rallies last night—cheered and applauded as speakers denounced American rearment plans and the presence of U. S. troops in Asia.

The biggest gathering—about 1,500 persons—was at the Rockland Palace in upper Manhattan. About 600 attended a Brooklyn rally in the Aperia Manor. Another 500 met at Hunts Point Palace in the Bronx.

Where today's closed sessions were to be held was a party secret. Leaders would give no information, except to say reports would be issued at the end of each day's work. The convention runs through Saturday.

Benjamin J. Davis, Negro former City Councilman, Harlem party chairman, told the Manhattan rally that "insane atom maniacs" are trying to get the U. S. into a Third World war.

"American imperialists can no longer kick around the darker people of the world," he said. "It gives us double pride that the American imperialists suffered one of the greatest political setbacks ever from the Koreans and Chinese—the very people they hate and despise."

Funeral Friday For W. L. Brewer

Veteran Greenville Police Officer Dies Early Today

Warren Lemuel Brewer, veteran police officer and former chief of police of Greenville, died at his home, 1008 Cotanche Street, at 4:30 o'clock Thursday morning. He had been in failing health for the past four months and critically ill for the past two weeks. Funeral services will be conducted at the home at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon by the Rev. Leon Russell, pastor of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church, assisted by the Rev. H. G. Haney, pastor of 8th St. Christian Church, and burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery. Members of the Greenville police department will be active pallbearers and city officials and employees will be honorary pallbearers.

Mr. Brewer, son of the late John D. and Elizabeth McGowan Brewer, was born May 3, 1879, in Pitt County near Bethel. He was reared in the Bethel community and was married to Mary Jane Worsley of Bethel April 7, 1899. He was chief of police in Bethel for eight years before coming to Greenville in January, 1914, to serve on the police department. He had been on the police force in Greenville continuously since that time and served as chief of police in Greenville for about three years. He was a member of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Lamb of Jacksonville and Mrs. J. Guy Forrest of Greenville; four sons, Linwood E. James W., and William R. Brewer, all of Greenville, and Jessie W. Brewer of Wilmington; 14 grandchildren; one great grandchild; and a sister, Mrs. John Alford of Tarboro.

County's Civil Defense Parley Is Staged Today

A county-wide civil defense program began today, as some 15 or 20 mayors and directors of civil defense convened.

J. H. Rose, superintendent of the Greenville city schools, past district director of civil defense during World War II, presided over the meeting, which was held in the aldermen's room at the City Hall.

Discussion and plans for the civil defense campaign was drawn up by the county-wide representatives and mayors who are seeking a well-organized defense program in the event of emergency.

Mayors and directors from surrounding towns including Ayden, Falkland, Farmville, Winterville, Grimsland, Grifton, Fountain, and Bethel were present, and took part in mapping out concrete plans for the county's civil defense.

MacArthur Predicts Reds Will Move Soon After New Year Opens; Sees China War Effort On National Scale; Communist War Budget Dwarfs Past Programs

Tokyo, Dec. 28—(AP)—United Nations forces manning the 150-mile defense line across Korean's midsection braced today against the expected flood of massed Red manpower. But there was little action.

General MacArthur predicted that more than 19 Red divisions—up to 190,000 men—would rush against his tightened new lines in the next two weeks.

The U. N. commander said Communist China has mobilized its war effort on a national scale.

In his war summary, MacArthur said the last known location of the 19 divisions, which compose the Chinese Communist Fourth Field Army, placed them in a position to launch an offensive.

Eighth Army sometime Jan. 1 and 10. He said the six Chinese corps in the area "that limited attacks in strength of one or more corps) could be launched time, but a coordinated effort could be expected by the end of the month.

Major Effort

"The character of a major military effort by the Chinese Communist government, though initially masked under the treacherous use of a 'volunteer participation', is only too apparent in the deployment of all elements of the Third and Fourth Field Armies, which represent two out of the five field armies constituting the entire military structure of China," the communique said.

This war effort on a national scale is recognizable in their military budget. According to reliable sources, the Chinese Reds' Peiping have allocated the spending of eight billion dollars for war purposes in 1951. This is "obably the biggest military budget in Chinese history. It is estimated that it is three times greater than the Chinese Communist military budget for 1950, and eight times more than the Chinese Nationalist Government has ever spent in one year.

War Budget

(Chinese nationalists in Taipei said Monday the communists' war budget was 8,000,000,000 Chinese silver dollars. On the pre-World War II exchange basis, that would be approximately \$4,000,000,000 U. S. Chinese currency is virtually worthless, about 4,000 to \$1 when there was an official exchange rate months ago.)

The vanguard of a 1,350,000 Communist force, mostly Chinese, was only 35 miles north of Seoul Thursday night.

A U. S. Eighth Army briefing officer said two Chinese armies of about 60,000 men were massing 35 miles north and northwest of the apprehensive South Korean capital. Little ground action was reported. Patrols from both sides probed lines for weak spots and strength.

Activity In Air

In the air, Far East Air Forces and Fifth Air Force planes hammered at Red troops immediately behind the enemy lines. Two Russian-made MIG-15s were reported destroyed and a third damaged in a series of three engagements with U. S. F-80 jets over North Korea.

The Communists have apparently thrown more airpower into the area. One fighter group reported sighting 35 MIGs Wednesday.

General MacArthur's summary said United Nations patrols operated in the western sector of

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Social Security Law

Two Big Changes Go Into Effect On January 1; Larger Social Security Tax For Many People, And New Groups Will Come Under Social Security Law

By JAMES MARLOW

These two big changes come Jan. 1 under the new social security law:

(1) A great many people will pay a larger social security tax, and (2) about 10,000,000 people become eligible for social security coverage for the first time.

Social security coverage means, if you work long enough in a job covered by the law, a pension for yourself and wife when you retire after 65 or benefits for your family if you die.

No. 1—Now the tax is three per cent on the first \$3,000 dollars earned by a person in a covered job, with the employee and employer each paying one and one-half per cent. There is no tax on what is earned above \$3,000.

On Jan. 1, while the tax remains at three per cent, it will apply on the first \$3,600 earned. This will show what that means:

In 1950 Jones earned \$5,000. Since the tax was three per cent on only the first \$3,000, Jones and his boss each paid a tax of \$45 or a total of \$90. Now each will pay one and one-half per cent on Jones' first \$3,600, which will mean \$54 each or a total of \$108.

No. 2—Here are the new groups to whom social security coverage has been opened:

A—Self employed people (but not all self employed). The following self employed are still excluded from coverage: self employed farmers; farm owners; doctors; lawyers; dentists; optometrists; osteopaths; veterinarians; chiropractors; veterinarians; chiropractors; christian science practitioners; professional engineers; naturopaths; architects; full time practicing public accountants; and under-takers.

B—Domestic workers. For example: cook, maid, family chauffeur, butler, nursemaid, washerwoman. But no domestic worker is covered unless he or she works for the same person at least some part of 24 days out of a three-month period and earns at least \$80 in that period.

C—Agricultural workers. This means—provided they're regularly employed on a farm—outside workers like farm hands and in-

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Cabaret Dance At Woman's Club Honors Helen Hawes

Miss Helen White Hawes was hostess to the younger set of Greenville on Tuesday evening, December 26, at a Christmas cabaret party given at the Woman's Club. Guests were greeted upon arrival by the hostess, Miss Hawes, her escort, Ronnie Morton, and her mother, Mrs. Helen W. Hawes.

The Christmas motif was attractively used in decorating the building. The center of attention was the huge fireplace in the main hall which was flanked with Christmas evergreens and poinsettias. Guests were invited into this room where 12 tables, each seating two couples, were arranged in night club style. At each table were red tapers which had been placed in Christmas holders, with place cards attached. Fruit punch, chicken salad sandwiches and ham biscuits were served. Immediately following was a grand march led by the hostess and her escort. This closed with the presentation of party hats and the playing of "The Anniversary Waltz."

Mrs. Hawes next introduced Billy Howard, the guest musician, who entertained the young people with his wit and repertoire of tricks. A number of door prizes were awarded as Miss Mary French Hawes drew the lucky tickets.

Entertains Club At Christmas Party

Ayden—Mrs. Lyman G. Baldree entertained the Thursday Contract Club at her home on Tuesday evening when she gave a three course dinner in celebration of the annual Christmas party of the club. Seasonal decorations were used and gifts were exchanged among the members. The hostess gave miniature reindeer for favors.

Contract was played later in the evening, with Mrs. Harry Dall, highest scorer, receiving a box of home made candy, and Mrs. W. W. Salsbury was given a similar prize for guest high. A box of occasional cards went to Mrs. Wilbur Dunn for the consolation prize.

WEDDING

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Birthday Club Has Christmas Supper With Alice Rowe

The Greenville Birthday club held its Christmas meeting on Wednesday night, December 20, at the home of Miss Alice Rowe.

The members were served a delicious chicken chow mein supper upon their arrival. An unusual accompaniment to the dessert course was some Greek Christmas cookies which were made by an old-country recipe and sent to the supper by Mrs. Stasinas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hosts At Dinner

Ayden—On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. T. Staton Ross were hosts to members of the Odds and Ends Club and other invited guests when they entertained at a three course turkey dinner.

The Christmas motif was used throughout the home, with a mantle arrangement of ornamental Christmas trees, greenery and candles.

Later in the evening bridge was played at four tables. Boxes of candy were given as prizes and were won by Mesdames Rosa J. Little and James W. Everett among the club members, and Alton Gardner and Corey Stokes for the guest.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. James W. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Brunson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Tripp, Mesdames Little, Helen L. Jones, Jack M. Collins, Gene Smith, Misses Clyde Stokes and Edith Dunn.

Mother of Mr. Willis Dies

Mrs. Rosa L. Willis, 71, mother of Mr. Ernie K. Willis died at her home in Washington, N. C. last night after a long illness. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Christian church in Washington. Interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

CLAIM HIGHEST MINE

Created Butte Colo. — (AP) — Operators of the Foresta mine near Crested Butte claim it is the highest coal mine in the United States.

Dies In Sumter, S. C.

Mrs. Palace V. Prescott, aunt of Mr. J. Belton Newman of 309 Meade Street, Greenville, N. C., died Tuesday morning, December 26, in Sumter, S. C. She had been ill for several months.

Social and Personal

All items for this page received after 10 A. M. will be published the following day. Dial 3264—9 A. M. to Noon; 1 to 4:30 P. M.

40 Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR December 28, 1910. Jesse Smith, of Newport News, Va., who came to spend Christmas with his mother, left this morning.

Mrs. J. B. Joyner, Mrs. Edgar Barrett and Mrs. Ellen L. Carroll. Each girl brought her date who presented a favor. Troop members exchanged gifts for which names had been drawn. The troop committee and leader, Mrs. R. T. Williams were remembered with gifts.

After the card dance which included the John Paul Jones and cake walk, the grand march was led by Mac Holmes and Nancy Jane Carroll.

Decorations were a Santa reindeer scene on the mantel, a holly tree and candles.

Punch, fancy sandwiches and cookies, nuts, candy and potato chips were served to the 18 couples. The week before the dance the troop made Christmas presents at the home of Mrs. Williams.

Fountain PTA Has Christmas Program

The Fountain Parent-Teachers Association met Tuesday night, Dec. 19, in the Fountain school auditorium at 8 o'clock and it was one of the most enjoyable the school has ever held.

Mrs. Jasper Morgan, president, presided and called the roll by grades. Mrs. Morgan then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Herman Baker, the principal of Fountain school.

The school program consisted of songs, a Christmas pageant and Santa Claus coming during the last song.

Third and fourth grades were first on the program and they sang "A Child's Evening Song," "Christmas Carol" and "Father Christmas," directed by Mrs. D. R. Mercer, third grade teacher, and fourth grade teacher Mrs. J. M. Horton, and accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Emily Walston, the music teacher.

The fifth and sixth grades were second on the program and sang "Carol of the Shepherds," "Silent Night" and "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," directed by Mrs. Bennie Phillips, fifth grade teacher, and Mrs. Philip M. Cory, sixth grade teacher.

The seventh and eighth grades were third on the program presenting a Christmas pageant "Christmas by Candlelight." Billy Baker represented the angels. The shepherds represented Mary, Janice Johnson, Ann S. Everett and Teresa Moseley represented the angels. The shepherds were represented by Bill Abrams, Horace Corbett and Gene Jones; the wise men were represented by Tommy Phillips, Carlton Vanford and Charles Sumner. The narrator was Woody Hunt. The choir composed of the pupils sang several beautiful Christmas Carols, directed by Mrs. Herman Baker, seventh grade teacher, and Mrs. Carol Tanner, eighth grade teacher.

The first and second grades were fourth on the program. They sang

Ayden News

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lingle of Monroe spent the holidays here with Mrs. E. D. Little.

Mr. and Mrs. Tamladge Benton of Cherry Point spent Christmas here with Mrs. W. B. Tyson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Staton Ross returned home Monday from Hillsboro, where they spent Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom W. Johnson and family of Oxford spent the holidays here with Mrs. G. A. Johnson.

Mrs. Preston Dunn and son Charles of Norfolk are visiting Mrs. W. B. Tyson. They were joined by Mr. Dunn who spent Christmas with them and returned home Tuesday morning.

Hubert Dale and Mrs. Charlie Dunn Jr. of Norfolk spent the holidays here with Mrs. Frank Dale.

Billy Edwards of Raleigh has returned to Raleigh after having spent the holidays here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holton and son Raddy of Greensboro spent the holidays here with Mrs. C. M. Holton.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Caton and family of Elkin spent Christmas here with Mrs. T. D. Caton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Abernathy of Richmond spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Worthington.

Miss Bettle Lou Worthington of U.N.C., Chapel Hill, is spending the holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Worthington.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Albertson of Elizabeth City spent Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Everett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Everett have moved into their new home on Fourth Street.

Mrs. J. J. Dixon is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Keith Brunson at Chicod.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Braxton and family of Murfreesboro spent the weekend here with Mrs. Lewis Braxton.

W. P. Shelton, who has been on the Kentucky tobacco market, spent the holidays here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Turner and son of Chapel Hill spent the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Jackson.

Mrs. K. S. Smith of Richmond is visiting Mrs. J. C. Andrews and family.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

FRIDAY 6:30 p.m.—Kiwanis Club 6:30 p.m.—Exchange Club

Girl Scouts Honored

Farmville—Girl Scout Troop 5 was entertained Saturday night at the Girl Scout hut by the troop committee composed of Mrs. Layne Roberts, Mrs. J. B. Joyner, Mrs. Edgar Barrett and Mrs. Ellen L. Carroll. Each girl brought her date who presented a favor. Troop members exchanged gifts for which names had been drawn. The troop committee and leader, Mrs. R. T. Williams were remembered with gifts.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Eagles and Mr. Harold Eagles spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Williams of Nashville.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Manning spent Christmas with Mr. Manning's parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Manning.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore attended the funeral of Mr. E. W. Simpkins at New Bern Sunday.

The Fountain Presbyterian Church Sunday School had a beautiful Christmas tree Sunday morning in the pulpit. During the Sunday School hour carols were sung and Rev. Philip M. Cory, assisted by Mr. W. R. Harris, Mr. R. L. Pierce and Mr. Paul Burnette gave every one present a present.

Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore went to New Bern to be with Mrs. Moore's mother, Mrs. E. W. Simpkins.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Owens and daughter, Miss Wilma Grace were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mangum of Elm City.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Howell and children, Josephine, Nancy Carol, Barbara Ann, and Anthony of Crownsville, Maryland, spent the Christmas holidays visiting relatives of Fountain and Walstonburg.

Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Baker and daughter, Helen, of Durham, Mrs. W. R. Baker, Sr., Mr. W. R. Baker, Jr., Miss Rachel High of Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baker of Madison, Mrs. J. R. Blackburn of Kinston, Mrs. W. J. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Owens and daughter Judy spent Christmas day in Greenville with Mrs. Owens' mother, Mrs. T. B. Heath.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Owens and daughter, Miss Wilma Grace, were Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Mangum of Walstonburg.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jefferson, Jr. and son Jeff. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Purvis of York, S.C., Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Woodall of Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bundy spent Christmas day with Mrs. Martha Bundy.

Christmas Tree, "Jingle Jingle," "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "Up On the Housetop," and "Here Comes Santa Claus." Santa Claus came in the front door going down the aisle waving to all the children while going to the stage where the children were singing. Santa Claus called for helpers in the crowd to bring the presents. An apple, orange and candy in a cellophane pack was given to every man, woman and child in the auditorium.

Before adjourning the meeting the president announced that Mrs. Herman Baker's room, the seventh grade, was represented by the most parents being present.

Mrs. Herman Baker invited all present to visit the various rooms and departments of the school and to become acquainted with the teachers and the work being done.

Fountain News

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Nichols and family of Farmville and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Nichols of near Bell Arthur were Christmas afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oakley and children, Peggy, Carol, and Daniel spent Christmas afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Oakley and Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Oakley of near Farmville.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Strickland and children of Farmville, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Frizzelle of Snow Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wooten and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Oakley of Farmville were Sunday guests of Mrs. Anna Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oakley.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bell returned last week from Morristown, Tenn. tobacco market to spend Christmas holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Barnes of Blacksburg, Va., were Christmas holidays guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Edwards of near Sparta were Christmas afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Gardner.

Domie Phillips of near Macesfield was the weekend guest of Jan Gardner.

Mrs. Henry Phillips of Macesfield spent Christmas day with her daughter, Mrs. Johnnie Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Pikes of Wilson and Miss Eugene Peele of Myrtle Beach spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Peele.

Herbert M. Harris S-1-c has returned to Green Cove Springs, Fla. after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Sutton.

Mrs. C. L. Owens spent Christmas day in Wallace with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Peele of Mid-

dieux were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Peele.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. Heber Johnson and family of near Benson and Miss Daisy Fields and Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fields and daughter of Walstonburg were Christmas dinner guests of Rev. and Mrs. Philip M. Cory.

The Fountain Presbyterian Church Youth Fellowship meeting was held at the home of Mrs. C. L. Owens Sunday, December 24, at 6 p.m. Twenty-one members were present. Each member carried a Christmas gift to a child in the country. At the close of the meeting the hostess served refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Levy Owens and daughter of Macesfield were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gardner and family of Newport News and Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Owens spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Owens Saturday motored to Fort Meade, Md. to visit Mr. Owens' brother, RCT. Charlie Owens, and returned to their home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gardner of Charlotte spent the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gardner.

Kiwanis Club Will Make Awards Next Friday's Meeting

The Attendance Committee will present the program at the Kiwanis Club's supper meeting Friday night at 6:30. President Tige Gardner will preside. James Ray Pittman will have charge of the program. Perfect attendance emblems will be awarded.

The new officers will be inducted at the first meeting in January. Friday, January 5. Dr. H. Glenn Haney is the new president. Four new directors will be inducted. Four of the old directors will serve one more year. Dr. Haney will be the club's 34th president since it was organized October 14, 1921.

Plundered Town To Be Restored

Iphoh, Malaya—(AP)—A village, destroyed by Communist terrorists, is going to be rebuilt.

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Undecided Over Food Rationing

Washington, Dec. 28.—(AP)—Will the new year with its speeded up mobilization program and threat of war bring food rationing back to this country?

Agriculture Department officials, asked to comment on the outlook, said today it was impossible to forecast whether food controls—including price ceilings—will be necessary.

But at this time, they agreed, there is nothing in the picture that would indicate rationing of any items—with the possible exception of meats—may be needed.

The officials pointed out that current supplies of farm products are heavy and that agriculture's productive power is the greatest in history.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan has said that even allowing for increases in military needs, "we expect to have ample food in the year ahead so that civilians can actually eat better than during the past two years."

In the case of meat rationing may be necessary, not because of short supplies, but because of an unusually heavy demand. Even then rationing would be used only to help make price ceilings effective.

Think 'Stone Of Scone' In River

London, Dec. 28.—(AP)—Rural police 40 miles from London said today they believed the venerable Stone of Scone, stolen from Westminster Abbey, had been unceremoniously dumped into the river Crouch under cover of night.

A spokesman at Essex police headquarters in Chelmsford reported a group of persons was seen dumping a "heavy bundle" into the river from a small boat.

Foot patrolmen and radio cars quickly prowled five miles of river bank, while other police looked for the hallowed block of yellow sandstone, heavy in weight and tradition, in small boats along the stream.

They found no trace of the relic on which British kings have sat for crowning since Edward I noted the slab from Scotland in 1296.

A police spokesman said after the fruitless search that authorities had reason to suspect the bundle heaved into the Crouch was the Stone of Scone.

All precautions are being taken, he added, to assure that only police fish the stone from the river, if it is there.

Cupid As Busy As Santa Claus

York, S. C., Dec. 28.—(AP)—Dan Cupid was as busy as Santa Claus in York during the Christmas week.

From Dec. 18 through Dec. 26, Probate Judge E. Gettys Nunn issued exactly 900 marriage licenses.

During the 48 hours before Christmas licenses were issued at the rate of about four-per-hour, Judge Nunn said today.

York's population is 4,100.

Eastern Carolina Club Holds Annual Christmas Dance

Approximately 500 college students from this section of the state last night converged on Greenville for the fourth annual Eastern Carolina club Christmas dance held at the local armory.

The annual Christmas season formal dance is sponsored by the Eastern Carolina club of the University of North Carolina and for the past three years has been attended by college students of this section of North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.

The armory last night was decorated with blue and white crepe paper carrying out the color theme of the University. Music for the dance was furnished by Bob Lee's orchestra.

During the dance refreshments were served in the game room in the armory.

Farmville News

Mrs. Ruth Teel and son, Robert, visited Mrs. Teel's daughter, Mrs. Mewborn in Goldsboro Thursday.

Pat Ruffin, who has been on the tobacco market in South America since the summer is spending Christmas with his wife.

Robert Teel was a Norfolk visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roebuck and daughter of Raleigh spent Christmas with the A. Q. Roebucks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ward and Johnnie of Greenville spent Christmas day with Mrs. J. M. Ward, Sr.

Mrs. Annie Belle Gardner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Speight of Pine Tops.

Miss Faye Corbett of Kinston spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Corbett.

Mr. and Mrs. Chandler of West Point, Va., spent the week end with Rev. and Mrs. Cox. The Cox family accompanied them home to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Matthews of Alexandria, Va., spent the holidays with Mrs. Matthews' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. El-Ramey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Corbett and daughter, Pat, have returned from South Mills where they spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Corbett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ethridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Eason had as their dinner guests Christmas Mr. and Mrs. White of Williamston. After dinner they drove to Washington to visit Mrs. Eason's grandmother, Mrs. Hodges.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith went to Raleigh Sunday to visit Leslie Smith.

Mrs. Archie Pridden of Wilson is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Albert Jones.

Mr. Mack Smith of Greenville visited relatives in Farmville Tuesday.

Among the college students who are spending the holidays at home are Bruce Darden, A. C. Turnage, Jay Flanagan, Billy Fulford, State College; Miss Helen Thomas, Dumbarton, Washington, D. C.; Miss Betty Rose Wilkerson, Greensboro College; Cedric Davis, Milton Williamson, Harry Albritton, Dan Satterwhite and Miss Lola Gray Kemp, Wake Forest; Miss Julia Satterthwaite, Peace College; Misses Nell Beaman and Joyce Corbett, A. C. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Smith and son, Richard, of Greensboro, Miss Nanner Smith of Henderson, and Sarah Smith of Norfolk spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith.

Not Goldilocks

Hillside, N.J., Dec. 28.—(AP)—The three bears of fairytale fame could learn a few new angles from Mrs. Agnes Reisen.

She returned to her apartment yesterday after spending the Christmas holidays with friends and this is what she found:

Someone had eaten her cupboard bare, slept in her bed, rearranged her furniture, left lipstick on the towels and stole some of her best silk underwear.

Whoever it was even left a ring around her bathtub.

"And I'm darn sure it wasn't Goldilocks," she told police.

Auto Damaged In Hitting Animal

Another car and animal accident was reported by the State Highway Patrol office this morning.

The accident occurred last night on the Paoletti highway about 11:30 during a rain and sleet storm which hit in this region.

A car operated by John Jefferson Langley, 18, of Route 5, Greenville, struck an animal which was believed to be either a mule or pony causing considerable damage to the car. A passenger in the automobile, Doris Grey, 17, also of Route 5, Greenville, suffered a minor cut.

Total damage to the car was reported by Patrolman Dick Chadwick as being over \$300.

Langley told Patrolman Chadwick that he was traveling about 35-40 miles per hour and that he hit the animal before he could stop.

No charges were brought against the driver.

It was the only wreck reported in Pitt County since Christmas Day by the patrol.

With the approaching of winter weather in this region the patrol office in Greenville today urged all drivers traveling not only in Pitt County but in other sections of the state to use the utmost caution in driving.

Many of the roads in the state were reported by the patrol radio station this morning as being hazardous with most of the roads covered with ice.

Costly To Drive Without License, Roberts Rules

In Traffic Police Court Wednesday morning, Judge J.W.H. Roberts found John R. Green, colored, guilty of driving a motor vehicle without an operator's license and fined him \$50.

Speeding: Ernest H. Cherry, colored, and Jesse James Andrews, colored, both paid \$20 fines.

Careless and reckless driving: Lee David Williams, colored, \$20; Julian F. Pierce, \$15; Robert L. Baker was not guilty.

Drunk: George Dunn Jr., two charges, 30 days in jail in each case; Luby Stocks, \$15; Mickel King, colored, \$15; David Tyson, colored, \$15.

Police Court has three sessions a week. Mondays and Fridays are for routine cases, Wednesday's sessions are especially for trial of traffic cases.

Going Isolationist . . .

(Continued from page one) in Europe, is less enthusiastic about the Far East. Her contribution to the Korean conflict has been small; she is, of course, heavily involved in Indochina.

It remains to be seen how well the Atlantic Pact nations will team up for defense under General Eisenhower.

Various degrees of nationalism exist in almost all nations economically.

Under prodding by the United States, West Germany engaged in a free trade policy and immediately exhausted her funds because other nations refused to let down their barriers.

Now West Germany has had to retreat from her full free trade position.

On the other side is the United States.

By virtue of the European Recovery Plan, the United Nations, the Atlantic Pact, occupation of Japan and Germany, and the Korean War, the United States is deeply committed and participating in all phases of world affairs.

She has tied herself to Europe economically with the ERP. She has committed herself to defend western Europe by the Atlantic Pact.

She has linked herself with Asia economically by aid to Japan, the Philippines and the Point-Four program.

She has spilled the major share of blood in trying to defend the independence of Korea.

Cold Weather

The highest temperature in the Greenville area yesterday was 31 degrees, and that's 41 degrees lower than the highest temperature, 72, the same day a year ago.

Lowest last night was 24 and at 8 a.m. today it was 27.

Lowest temperature a year ago was 55 and at 8 a.m. next day it was 56, and it was raining.

Mrs. Carl E. Maiden, local observer for the U.S. Weather Bureau, reported.

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Local Death Rate From Cancer Reportedly Low

(Special to the Reflector) NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(AP)—Figures this represented a rate of 67 deaths per 100,000 people and was just released by the United States Public Health Service show that the rate of death from cancer in Greenville is lower than in most parts of the South Atlantic States and a record of 76 cancer deaths per 100,000 people during the same period.

The government data contained in the new report, covering 1948, shows that there were 12 deaths from cancer and other malignant tumors among residents of Greenville in the indicated by the official mortality

figures. The toll taken by the disease for the one year in the United States came to 197,042, reports the Public Health Service, and is steadily growing. The growth is accounted for partly by our expanding population and partly by more complete medical statistics.

The government agency also considers the effect of cancer on longevity. If the disease could be eliminated as a cause of death, it points out, the lives of 115,000 of the white males born in 1940, who would normally die of cancer, would be extended about 13 years.

The chances of dying from cancer, the Public Health Service states, are noticeably higher for females than for males. A white male at birth has 108 chances in 1,000 of eventually succumbing to cancer and a white female at birth has 135 chances.

Colored News

FUNERAL FRIDAY 3 P.M. Funeral services for Mrs. Christine Maulsby Fleming, who died in New York City, will be held at her home, 105 Reade Street, in Greenville, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Rev. P. H. Mumford, pastor of the AME Zion Negro church, will officiate.

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The Story Behind A News Story

Keeping up with the war on a newspaper desk is one thing—keeping up with the feelings of individuals whose loved ones are on the fighting front is another. When the two are combined in the lap of a news editor, they form a man-sized task.

Late Tuesday night the story of the nation's first quadruple amputee was released to the nation through the press and radio. Actually it had been known to the men in the news offices throughout the nation since they came back from their Christmas holiday (if they had one).

Just to give you a brief idea of what that particular news story went through before it hit the front pages, we'll trace it for you through The Reflector news room.

At 9:29 Tuesday morning the Associated Press story by a Pennsylvania reporter was received in the Reflector news room telling how the reporter felt when it fell his lot to inform the 20-year-old soldier's mother that her son had lost both hands and both feet. It was a tender story hewn from a rough, cruel war—it was a sure bet for any front page in the country.

The defense department would not verify the report of the quadruple amputee. The wire service realized there may have been an inaccuracy in the story and shortly before noon sent to our news room a bulletin to kill the story entirely. At 1:30 the news room received another bulletin saying the defense department had just notified the youth's mother that he was "slightly wounded" in the Korean war.

Later Tuesday night the defense department did verify the quadruple amputee and the original story was declared "o. k." for the front pages of the morning papers and the late-evening radio news reports.

Why do we bring all this to your attention? Well, we think it is a good example of what the newspapers and press associations of the United States are doing to keep their people well informed with absolutely correct information. At the same time it is a good example of the many complications which every news editor in the country faces every day in compiling the articles which will keep the newspaper's readers up to the minute on happenings at home and abroad.

National Whirligig

News Behind The News

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The end of the most turbulent year in Harry S. Truman's 40-year public career, which was marked by an attempt on his life and the nation's most serious, single battlefield reverse, seems to find him a changed and chastened man. His personal smugness and political complacency, which began as a defense mechanism, turned into a back-platform act and then showed signs of becoming a bad habit, have vanished, at least temporarily. He has promised friends and members of his family that he will write no more of those upstairs, midnight missives which have forced him to apologize publicly to the Marines, and left him as open as doddering "Joe" Louis to right-and-left ridicule from columnists, cartoonists and the Benny-Hope-Bank-head wisecrackers on the air.

VOW—Mr. Truman has taken a New Year's vow that he will work harder to solve the problem of leading the double life inherent in "trying to be a human being and President of the United States simultaneously."

It has been impressed upon him that, whenever he opens his lips or takes private pen in hand, some pup on a Moscow Street or in the towers of Stalin's Kremlin will bark.

The only real difference between Mr. Truman and certain of his predecessors is that he had to learn his lesson in Presidential etiquette the hard way.

FEELING—"Harry's trouble," explains a wise and philosophic friend of the normally likable Missourian, "is that he entered the White House with an inferiority feeling. Remember how he asked even you irreverent reporters to pray for him?"

"We told him that he had to get over that, and behave like the head of the family. The American people don't want a milktoast type in the White House."

"But Harry never does things by halves or even quarters. In poker or in his general routine. It is a good and a bad quality if kept under wraps."

"In this case, his response to our advice was to try to outshine Franklin D. Roosevelt. He employed ghost writers, took lessons in public speaking, and even tried to walk in a more snappy, military way."

PATTERN—"Now, I think he will be willing to settle for a historical rating on a par with presidents like Polk or McKinley or even Coolidge. If he will stick to that rather mediocre pattern, he'll do all right."

Washington regards this as the most accurate diagnosis of H. S. T. on record. It also answers the question that is asked at every evening and-or-party during the holiday season.

"What in - - - is the matter with Harry?"

It may be a good augury that they still call him "Harry," although they have signed off on that song about "being wild over Harry."

RECAPS—Like any other mortal, Mr. Truman makes no public admission or confession that he was found "in error." He recants by works rather than words.

He planned originally to allocate extraordinary defense duties among his various Cabinet members—food to Brannan, fuels to Chapman, business and industry to Sawyer, finances and taxes to Snyder etc.

He had a distinct prejudice against outsiders because of his experience as chairman of the World War II Truman Committee. Now he has built a "war cabinet" in quantity, if not in quality.

RECOGNITION—Like F. D. R. he meant to handle every little problem himself. But Charles E. Wilson of General Electric would not take the job of big defense boss until he was assured that he would have final voice, subordinate only nominally to the man in the White House. All problems will be solved at lower levels.

Mr. Truman held out stubbornly against full diplomatic recognition of Spain. But Madrid has already been asked if a proposed Ambassador will be satisfactory to the Franco Government.

STAND—The President hesitated to "get tough" with Britain and France on their economic and military rearmament. But Secretary of War Frank Pace Jr. has already lectured the Brussels gathering of continental statesmen and generals, and "The" Eisenhower will carry an even stiffer message on his first trip abroad as commander of the proposed European Army.

In refusing to get rid of Dean Acheson, Mr. Truman is making a last-ditch stand for the old Truman, recognizing that the Secretary of State is his personal as well as his official agent under the Constitution. To fire Mr. A. will be to impeach himself.

Danger! Explosive!



Somebody Told Me

By J. J. (Jack) EDWARDS, JR.

Last night I asked Wife Rachel if she thought it was too late for a Christmas story. Her answer was, "It's never too late for a Christmas story. Everybody loves Christmas."

This story concerns the Walter Whitehurst family. With his wife and two sons Walter lives in Hillsdale; he works at Carolina Sales Corporation. Too bad I can't give you the names and exact ages of the boys, but the story can't wait for the information to become available. Anyway, Walter's older son is about four, and the younger is about two.

On Christmas Eve the boys were pajamaed and sitting on the couch. Walter said, "OK boys, it's time for bed."

The older Whitehurst announced firmly, "I'm not going to bed. I'm going to stay up and see Santa Claus." Little brother was in firm agreement. As you well know, two brothers that are stuck together, unless they are fighting each other.

Walter said, "You'll have to go to bed if you want Santa Claus to

come. Santa doesn't come to see little boys who won't go to bed." But the boys stood firm. They felt that Santa would come, and they were determined to meet him as he came down the chimney.

"OK," Walter exclaimed, "I guess I'll have to warn Santa. I'll just have to call him up on the telephone and tell him that you won't go to bed, and we'll see what he says."

Walter made a quick connection. Must have caught Santa right before he left the North Pole. "Santa," Walter said, "this is Whitehurst in Hillsdale. You remember our house from your trips here before I'm sure. Santa did, "Well, you'll just have to pass right over us tonight. My two sons won't go to bed. Yes, Santa, I know you can't stop here if they are awake, so you can just forget about those cowboy suits and automobiles you were going to bring them."

At that point Walter's older son said, "Daddy, let me talk to him." Walter thought fast, "OK," he said, but turned back to the phone, "Hey, Santa, one of the boys wants

to talk to you. Hold on a minute. What's that? Say you can't talk to little boys on Christmas Eve? If you did you couldn't get around? Oh, I see. Well, I wonder if you would let the boys tell you what they want again, so you could check your list?"

Santa agreed, so the boys stepped up to the phone and reviewed the list. For weeks Walter and his wife had been trying to get their youngest son to tell them what he wanted for Christmas, but had met with no success. In fact, they never had been able to get him to talk on the phone. But with Santa himself on the other end of the wire, the boy blurted out, "I want a cowboy suit, some guns, and a kitty cat." The kitty cat was news to Walter and his wife, but Santa brought it just the same. It was wind-up cat, but just the same it was a cat.

After the phone conversation with Santa, the boys hopped in bed without further discussion.

And I think Bob Ross for the story.

Business Today

Sure to boom in the year ahead are the businesses of repairing and rebuilding of refrigerators, radio and television sets, and other electric and mechanical devices.

Cut-backs already announced for manufactured goods, plus more to come, will mean shortages at a time incomes are rising. Many consumers will be forced to keep their old appliances working longer.

At the same time, retailers, seeing unsatisfied demand, will have a new interest in repairing and rebuilding trade-ins on hand and the fewer number they will be able to get in the future. In many industries in the last few years, strenuous efforts have been made to get trade-ins off the domestic market to clear the field for new goods. In some industries, dealers have been encouraged to junk trade-ins; in others efforts have been made to divert rebuilt models to the export trade. Thousands of old American radios and refrigerators have been dressed up for sale in Africa, South America and elsewhere.

Credit restrictions will also encourage the trend to repairs and rebuilding. Even with higher incomes, many families will be unable to meet payment schedules for high-priced, new articles, but they will be able to buy cheaper "rebuilt."

The auto service industry should also share in the boom. While plenty of autos are available now, that situation will not long continue, especially if half the materials and half production facilities are diverted to rearming by mid-1951, as has been predicted. As cars become scarce, many families will have to keep their present autos functioning and that will mean much more repair work.

However, the expected boom will not be without its troubles. Replacement parts will be hard to get, although government action to provide essentials will probably be taken. The making of new coil or fuel pump is a lesser drain on defense than a new radio or auto.

Worse than the parts shortage will be the manpower situation. The very skills that are needed to rebuild a TV set or to rehabilitate an auto will be in highest demand in defense plants. Governmental direction of labor to essential employment is not expected short of

an all-out war, but the defense wage scales will be a powerful directive force. Patriotism, too, will be a factor. Why spend time repairing Mrs. Murphy's toaster when you can be making a proximity fuse for Uncle Joe? QUICKSILVER ALMOST DOUBLES IN PRICE

Quicksilver is mercurial in price as well as in chemistry. The price got to a low of \$72 a flask before Korea and since then has been climbing. Spanish exporters are now quoting \$118 a flask, which means a price of \$37.50 landed and duty-paid in the United States.

Spain, which produces the major share of Pliny's "argentum vivum," has long played hob with American production. In the past, the mines in California and Texas could not operate profitably with mercury less than \$125 a flask. Spanish monopolists have often raised their prices until it was possible to reopen the American mines, then cut prices to force them to close. With today's wages, even a \$125 price might not permit reopening American mines.

The situation is not critical. Quicksilver is one of the things the government has stockpiled adequately.

REAL INCOME HELD TO BE UP 24 PERCENT

Income has risen faster than the cost of living, according to calculations by Investors Diversified Services, Minneapolis. Its economists calculate that for every dollar of 1949 income measured in terms of buying power, the country had \$1.24 in late fall. Price increases since then may have lowered the real income dollar, they say.

EUROPE SEEKING MANY COMMODITIES

Firms in Marshall Plan countries are seeking to buy a large amount of commodities here, the ECA Office of Small Business reports. In a list of things wanted, more than \$100,000 worth of the following commodities are sought: gum rosin, wood rosin, lecithin, industrial gelatin, polyvinyl chloride, nylon yarn, denim, rubber textiles, various medicinals, polystyrene, carbon black, dopes, coal tar pitch, pencil slats, cellulose pulp, lubricants, coils, synthetic rubber, agricultural machines and public works machines. Details are available at field offices of the Department of Commerce and the ECA, Washington 25, D. C.

Hal Boyle's Column

By TOM STONE (For HAL BOYLE)

Inchon, Korea.—(AP)—The U. S. Hospital Ship Repose is one of the unsung heroes of the Korean war.

The sleek, 15,000-ton vessel, 30 miles through a dangerously shallow channel, took aboard more than 750 wounded U. S. troops and carried them out safely before they could be trapped by a surprise Chinese offensive.

The gigantic rescue operation was conducted so smoothly and swiftly it went virtually unnoticed.

The glimmering white ship with big red crosses painted on her sides is safely back at anchor off Inchon in the Yellow Sea off the west coast of Korea.

All but a handful of her patients have been treated for battle wounds and returned to their outfits or returned to Japan for recuperation.

Capt. C. H. Perdue, San Diego, commanding officer of the Repose, said the big rescue operation occurred between Nov. 28-30.

"Several days before then," he said, "we were off Inchon when we got orders to proceed up to Chinnampo. At that time our ground forces were on the offensive. The mission of the Repose was to provide hospital facilities for our troops in that sector."

He said there were very few wounded.

But while we were anchored off Chinnampo the Chinese north of Pyongyang, about 25 or 30 miles northeast of us, started their big offensive.

"In a short time wounded began pouring aboard ship. We worked around the clock for two and a half days. Our litter hoists and boatwains' chairs were lifting wounded aboard without a bobble. We didn't pull out until the ship's wards were filled to the brim."

He said some United Nations vessels, including American and Australian warships, remained to shell the enemy and bring out troops and equipment. Two U. S. ships were the destroyer escorts Foss and Forest Royal.

Thirty Navy nurses attached to the Repose worked around the clock caring for the wounded. Lt. (Jg) Madge Atkins of Richmond, Va., and Lt. (Jg) Eileen Farrell of Boston, said, "It was hard work and long hours but we didn't mind a bit. We are here to help take care of the injured."

The most perilous part of the job, said Captain Perdue, was the task of steering the ship along the narrow winding channel without running aground.

"We couldn't use the main channel because it was heavily mined. The channel we used was only 26 feet deep in places at high tide. The Repose draws 25 feet 6 inches. At times our fathometer reading was about the same as the draw. We didn't have much water under our keel."

As far as he knew his ship was the largest ever to get through the channel.

Capt. Perdue said a helicopter hovered just above the water in front of the ship looking for mines and helping guide it.

Capt. E. B. Coyle, of Tokoma Park, Md., senior medical officer aboard, said that at the height of the Chinnampo operation more than 1,300 persons were aboard the hospital ship.

"It was one big problem to feed that many people. But we did. The laundry worked 24 hours

a day to help maintain our high standards of cleanliness."

Captain Perdue said "we can do most anything aboard this ship that any modern big city hospital can do."

The patients agree. Pvt. Benjamin L. Jordan of 1117 East 12th St., Wichita, Kas., commented:

"They're really been good to me and brother they can keep me right here."

Jordan, wounded in his left leg and right arm in the fighting around Pyongyang, has been recommended for a Silver Star. "Helped save a captain," he said modestly.

Washington Letter

By JANE EADS

Washington.—Madame Butterfly's kimono is going out of style. In their modern new life Japanese women find the traditional robe cumbersome and even unbecoming.

Mrs. Chiyu Tanaka, a professor at Kyoritsu Women's University of Tokyo and one of Japan's leading fashion designers, is somewhat dismayed at the kimono's passing. She says her sisters are wearing the costume only on ceremonial or festive occasions.

She has been designing new kimonos in the western mode, more practical, simpler to make with less yardage and easier to move about in. Now studying in leading fashion schools in this country, she is also interested in introducing some of the more endearing features of Japanese dress into American design.

Through her friend, Mrs. Katsumi Takeshita in the Orientalia section of the Library of Congress, she was induced to give a showing of her creations before a gathering of the capital's diplomatic and social ladies at the United Nations Club.

Mrs. Tanaka explained that the biggest reason for the passing of the kimono is economy, both in yardage and in time. The original kimono required three or four times as much material as western dresses. The gash, or obi, took an additional four yards and as lined to give stiffness in making the draped bow in the back.

The simplest kimono required at least 10 minutes to don. The elaborate kind took 20 to 30 minutes, "working quite rapidly" with help in tying the obi.

In addition, the tight wrapping of the obi twice about the upper part of the body was unhealthy and made Japan's women flat-chested like the American flapper of the twenties. Mrs. Tanaka says this increased the pulse rate and that the costumes were stifling and warm. Mrs. Tanaka's new versions of the kimono retain much of the grace, color and lovely design of the originals, but they are shorter and do away with the floor-sweeping sleeves, the tightly-fitted skirts, even the high necklines.

She showed several very attractive two-piece kimono models with silken belts in place of the obi. She also introduced a costume trimmed with velvet, a fabric Japanese women have rarely used before. Furthermore, she showed a strapless dinner dress—something really new to Japanese women, who were NOT accustomed to having their shoulders in public. And some of her necklines really "plunged" in western daring.

Around Capitol Square

Daily Reflector Bureau

By LYNN WISBETT

Raleigh, N. C.

SPEAKERSHIP—Almost on the eve of the Democratic legislative caucus the speakership of the house of representatives in the 1951 general assembly is in doubt. That condition has not prevailed since the 1939 session, when the contest between Victor Bryant of Durham and Libby Ward of New Bern was not decided until late on caucus night. After several ballots Ward won by margin of two votes. There is no prospect of more than one ballot this time, because only two avowed candidates are in the race—Fred Royster of Vance and Frank Taylor of Wayne. Opinion prevails and has for months around Capitol square that Taylor has definite advantage and will win. That opinion is confirmed by reports from many sectors throughout the state. It is just as vehemently contradicted by other reports from other sectors. The Royster supporters have been very active and they are very confident of victory. The Taylor folks are convinced they have more than enough to win. Neither group is confident enough to quit fighting.

PRE-CAUCUS — The speaker will be formally elected at the

opening session of the house at noon Wednesday, January 3. To all practical purposes he will be named at the Democratic caucus Tuesday night before. Actually, the issue will be determined at pre-caucus conferences scheduled from Sunday evening through Tuesday. Both candidates have announced they will open "headquarters" in the Sir Walter Hotel Monday. It is known that leaders of the group have been asked to come in Sunday and many pledged members will arrive early to pick up pre-caucus gossip and set their sails accordingly.

PLEDGES — Each candidate claims positive pledges of more than half the house membership. Somebody is bound to be wrong. Worst wrong are those members who have committed themselves to both sides. Information gathered by your reporter to date indicates about this situation: There will be 108 votes—assuming the candidates stay out. Taylor has about 40 votes which cannot be moved under any condition, and Royster has about 30. That leaves

38 to work on, with Taylor needing 18 and Royster 20 to win. Each claims more than the required number of definite pledges.

CHAIRMANSHIP — There is little likelihood of early change in chairmanship of the national Democratic party, in opinion of Capt. M. Wayne, who has been mentioned as a possible successor to Chairman William M. Boyle. Wayne is returning Friday to his post as ambassador to Nicaragua, from which he was borrowed by President Truman to set-up Point IV of the Marshall Plan. On a brief visit with your reporter Wayne said he had heard very little recently about Chairman Boyle resigning. Rumors that that effect was current early in the fall, Wayne admitted that he had been approached by party leaders in other states on the matter, but that he would take no part in any movement to reorganize the committee. Boyle apparently enjoys full confidence of the White House, and the ambassador said he would not discuss the matter except at instance of the President.

What Other Papers Are Thinking

THE HONOR SYSTEM

(Wilson Daily Times)

The Times for one would like to think that the honor system will work in America. But The Times, like others, has doubts. There's a reason for that. In the last war, when OPA was functioning, almost all of the things covered by that agency disappeared from the markets. What good were price controls, then, if the consumer couldn't buy the articles? But he could get them in the black market at much higher prices. Thus, he had more of two choices, to pay more or to go without. And that was compulsion. If it wouldn't work, how can we expect an honor system to? For are American business men honorable when a dollar is involved?

Now The Times knows that isn't true. Far more than half of our American business men are honorable. But let 10 per cent over the traces and it affects what the other 90 per cent do. It's absurd to think that one man can sell something for a higher price than another. For 10 years are no more honorable than the men they buy from. So where they get it at they want, if they have the mon-

ey to pay the bill. It puts the legitimate business man on the spot. If they're to do business, they must, in a way, pattern their methods after those who're dealing in black market commodities. It's in that way that we create the vicious circle.

Human behavior is something that's hard to analyze. We think we know it until things begin to get scarce. Then we see an entirely different set of reactions. Business men stock up. In that way they make enormous profits. So likewise do the consumers. They like to think they're smarter than others. So, is a combination, they make any system look bad. If it's one based on honor alone, what's chance do we have? Could we tell the bootlegger that he should get into some other business when he finds bootlegging highly profitable? It's for profit that our people do what they do. Can we expect them to change their natures simply because a national emergency exists?

TERRIBLE TOLL TAKEN (Kinston Daily Free Press)

The holiday weekend accident toll in this country was alarming. An all time high was rung up when there were 827 lives

snuffed out, with 47 traffic casualties. North Carolina had 20 accidental and violent deaths including 23 highway fatalities. Indeed this is a sad commentary upon the State and Nation.

There is but one remedy or prospect for relief. That is to hold accountable those who are responsible for accidents and if they live to tell the tale make them pay penalties. Not only the driver who takes the chances and causes an accident which injures or kills somebody should be held for reckless driving, but those who take chances and through some fortunate coincidence and extra care of the other driver don't wind up with an accident. The fellow who hogs the road, drives too fast, crashes lights and falls to give hand signals and who disregards the pedestrian's right at intersections ought to be arrested and held to account, whether he precipitates an accident or not.

There's just one way to relieve the terrible toll of highway accidents in this country and that is to put those responsible in jail and make them pay a penalty commensurate with their carelessness and disregard for life and limb.

RUBBER BAND CROP
 AKRON, Ohio—(AP)—The rubber band is big business. More than two billion bands will be produced in 1951, according to a prediction from the B. F. Goodrich Co.

Since the federal mint was established 158 years ago, the government has produced approximately 31,600,000,000 coins of all types.

Men Begin To 'Lose Out' To Women At Early Age

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE
 Cleveland, Dec. 20—(AP)—Men begin to lose out to women soon after he is born, a scientist said yesterday.

A girl matures faster than a boy, and age for age has an edge over him in school, said Dr. Frank R. Pauly, Director of Educational Research of the Tulsa (Okla.) Public Schools.

"The girls get better grades usually. And there are usually more boys in the dumbbell or slow section of the class. Boys get frustrated, and so do their parents," he told the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

One remedy would be to hold boys back for a while, for three to eight months, before letting them start the first grade, Dr. Pauly said. By being older than the girls, the boys then would be more equal in maturity to their girl classmates.

Maybe, he said, state laws on ages for entering schools should be changed to give boys this kind of break. The boys meanwhile might keep on going to kindergarten longer.

Dr. Pauly also told of many studies showing that girls get the jump on boys in growth and development. X-ray studies showed that on the average the bony structure in girls is 10 per cent more complete at birth than that of boys. Boys were found to be less mature than girls, at the same ages, from the first through the eighth grades in Tulsa schools, he said, and from the second through the sixth grade in New York city schools.

There were two boys to every girl in special classes for slow learners and the lowest sections of the first grade in Tulsa schools, he added.

A species of ribbonfish reaches a length of 35 feet and sometimes is believed to be a "sea serpent".



ACCUSER—Mrs. Clara Soliday (above), 75, a widow, was a factor in the federal grand jury indictment at Washington against Rep. Walter E. Brehm, Republican congressman from Ohio. The indictment charges Brehm with illegally taking political contributions from Mrs. Soliday, a clerk in his office in 1947 and 1948, and another office employee. Last October Mrs. Soliday sued Brehm for \$17,340, charging he took \$7,340 from her salary. The extra \$10,000 sought in the suit is for punitive damages. (AP Wirephoto).

The harmless hornose snake imitates the dangerous copperhead by inflating its body.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE

North Carolina
 Pitt County

The undersigned, having qualified as executrix of the estate of Edward A. Dixon, deceased, late of Pitt County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of December, 1951, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 27th day of December, 1950.

NINA O. DIXON, Executrix of EDWARD A. DIXON, Deceased.
 C. W. Everett, Atty.
 Bethel, N. C.
 Dec. 28 Jan 4-11-18-25 Feb. 1



DOG ON WATCH—His pet Korean puppy keeps watch over an exhausted U. S. Marine asleep at the wheel of his halted Jeep in the retreat from Changjin Reservoir. Marines and soldiers fought their way through a Chinese Red trap in the North Korean hills to reach the Hungnam beachhead sector. This picture was made by David Douglas Duncan of Life Magazine. (AP Wirephoto from Life Magazine).

German Parleys Labeled 'Urgent'

Frankfurt, Germany, Dec. 20—(AP)—U. S. High Commissioner John J. McCloy said today he had been instructed to regard discussions on West Germany's role in European defense as urgent, regardless of proposals for four-power talks.

He told a year-end news conference that he hoped important talks with the West German government would be resumed immediately after

Soviets Buy Big Share Of Rubber

Singapore—(AP)—Soviet Russia still is buying Malaysian rubber. She holds third position as the biggest recipient of what's shipped out of the Federation of Malaya, topped only by the United States and the United Kingdom.

The United States Bought 338,072 Tons of Malaysian Rubber

The United States bought 338,072 tons of Malaysian rubber the first 11 months of 1950. The United Kingdom got a total of 180,318 tons of Malaysian rubber the first 11 months of 1950. The United Kingdom got a total of 4,180,318 tons. The Russian figure is 66,598 tons. Additionally, the Russian steels of Poland bought 3,065 tons; Czechoslovakia—8,410; Rumania, only seven tons; Hungary, 204, in the period from January 1 to December 1, 1950.

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Peaches	Iona	No. 3 1/4 Can	28c
Sunnyfield Flour		10 lb. Bag	81c
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Pancake Flour	Sunnyfield	20 oz. Pkg.	12c
Corn	Red Ring Whole Golden or Cream Style Golden	3 8 Oz. Cans	25c
Ann Page Syrup		12 oz. Bot.	26c
Apple Sauce	A&P	No. 2 Can	15c
Iona Cocoa		1/2 lb. Pkg.	23c
Ann Page Beans		18 oz. Can	12c
Tomato Juice	Iona	46 oz. Can	27c
Strawberry Preserves	Ann 1 lb. Page Jar		43c
Vegetable Soup	Campbell's	10 1/2-oz. Can	13c
Corn Flakes	Sunnyfield	11-oz. Pkg.	15c
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Eight Clubs Begin Play In Second Annual Dixie Classic

State Favored; Duke, Colgate Loom Threats

Wake Forest and Rhode Island Open First Round Of Play; Tar Heels Meet Middies, Duke Scraps Colgate Tonight

Raleigh, N.C., Dec. 28—(AP)—Opening round play in the second annual Dixie basketball classic begins today in North Carolina State's Coliseum.

The fireworks start at 3 p. m. (EST) when Wake Forest takes on Rhode Island State in a grudge battle. In last year's classic the New Englanders nipped the Deacons, 61-57.

At 3:30 p. m. N.C. State College's Southern Conference champions collide with powerful Tulane. The night program opens at 7 p. m. with Navy, unbeaten in five starts this season, tangling with North Carolina. At 9 p. m. Duke, regarded by many as the tourney's dark horse, faces Colgate.

N. C. State, rated the country's sixth best hardwood club in this week's Associated Press poll and winner of last year's classic, reigns as favorite this year.

Last year the Wolfpack marched over Rhode Island State, Georgia Tech, and Penn State, Rhode Island State, the only out-of-state team returning to this year's tourney, was the consolation champ last year.

The state's Big Four teams—N.C. State, North Carolina, Wake Forest, and Duke—are co-hosts for the classic.

Tournament officials expect last year's attendance of 50,000 to be surpassed. There will be 12 games during the three days of the event, each team playing three times.

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Cowpokes Drill Hard; Generals Halt Rough Stuff

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 28—(AP)—Coach Bowden Wyatt planned a long, hard workout today for his Wyoming Cowpokes to get them ready for the Gator Bowl football game New Year's Day.

Washington and Lee coach George Barley, however, said his Generals would have no further rough work. The squad has been crippled by the loss of fullback Wally Michaels, who underwent an appendicitis operation, and of ends Bob Goldsmith and Jim Carpenter, suffering minor hurts.

Sophomore Tailback Harry Gledien missed his second straight Wyoming practice yesterday because of an infected toe but it is not expected to keep him on the bench Monday.

TWO PLAYS, 46 YARDS
COLLEGE PARK, Md.—(AP)—Bob Ward, Maryland's All-America guard with a penchant for smearing enemy runners and clearing the way for his running teammates, says his greatest thrill came when he carried the ball himself.

It happened in the last game of the season, when Maryland led Virginia Tech 63-7 and began using linemen in the backfield. Ward ran the ball twice and picked up 46 yards, giving him the best average of the game.

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National Family Cage Tournament Begins At Wilson

Wilson, N.C., Dec. 28—(AP)—The annual National Family Basketball Tournament began here today with the Conrads of Thomasville, N.C. and the Doyles of Salem, Mass. picked to show most of the class.

Thirteen teams from six states are entered in the three-day event. Eight of the teams are from North Carolina and one each from Ohio, Michigan, Massachusetts, Virginia and Kentucky.

The first round today pitted the Hodges of Luy, Ky. against the Dales of Spruce Pine, N.C.; the Conrads vs. the Woodwards of Bayboro, N.C.; the Snavleys of Sidney, Ohio vs. the McCrarys of Stuarts Draft, Va.; the Doyles vs. the Hollomans of Farmville, N.C.; and the Griffins of Elm City, N.C. vs. the Stones of Bailey, N.C.

The Arents of Colombo, Mich., Capps of Rocky Mount, N.C., and Pittmans of Stantonsburg, N.C. drew first round byes.

Deac Star Enlists

Wilson, N.C., Dec. 28—(AP)—Jimmy Zrakas, Wake Forest College grid star, will not be on hand when the Deacons take the field next year. He has enlisted for a four-year hitch in the Air Force and left for duty in Texas. Zrakas, a junior, was the starting offensive center for Wake Forest this year and also saw much service as a linebacker.

He was the second Deacon star from Wilson to enlist. Quarterback Dickie Davis entered the Coast Guard several weeks ago.

Orange Bowlers In Tip-Top Shape

Miami, Fla., Dec. 28—(AP)—A warm tropical sun greeted the Clemson College football squad today as it headed into its second mid-afternoon workout for a Jan. 1 Orange Bowl date with the University of Miami.

Both squads closed practice gates to outsiders but Coach Frank Howard of Clemson and Coach Andy Gustafson of Miami reported their teams in tip-top shape.

With offenses pretty well in the groove, defense occupied both teams' attention. Undefeated, once-tied Clemson will be Miami's first single wing foe of the season and stopping the Tigers' high scoring backs will be a problem for the home town Hurricanes.

Clemson, however, has had tight formations, such as Miami's, thrown at it all season. Only two gave it trouble—the University of South Carolina with a 14-14 tie and Wake Forest which Clemson edged, 13-12.

Miami had little trouble with the T except in a lone 14-14 tie with Louisville that marred an otherwise perfect record.

EASTER IN NEW JOB
NEW YORK—(AP)—Big Luke Easter, Cleveland's rookie first baseman who hit 28 homers and drove in 107 runs last season, has a new job.

Luke, who batted 280 for the Indians, has been signed by Promoter Abe Saperstein as traveling secretary and official greeter for the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team. It was Saperstein who signed Easter to an Indian contract.

Sports Slants By Pap

Clyde Clicks



Clyde Lovellette is one of the most talked about basketball players in the country. The University of Kansas ace stands nine inches over the six-foot mark and weighs 250 pounds. He rebounds well, can pass off with the best. As a sophomore last season he scored 545 points in 25 games. Big Clyde is likely to be rated with the Kuls, Mikans and Boykoffs before he completes his varsity career. He is amazingly fast for his size and this season has added a new scoring weapon—a deadly shot from the side. Last season Clyde averaged 23 points a game in conference play for a new Big Seven record. He had 39 points in one game, also a record, and scored 30 or more points in a single game four times.

Kansas has more than just Lovellette. The Jaynawks who beat St. John's University in Madison Square Garden this season are big, fast and deadly shooters. Three regulars in addition to Lovellette are back in action to make the Jayhawks a strong favorite to take the Big Seven championship. A pair of curly sophomores give Kansas added strength so this could be one of Coach Phog Allen's better teams.

Majors Still Without Commissioner As Baseball Ends 'Dizzy' Off-Season

East-West Tilt To See Top Scoring

San Francisco, Dec. 28—(AP)—A high scoring gridiron spectacle which still may be decided by only a point or a single touchdown was shaping up today for Saturday's East-West Shrine charity game.

Unless wet weather puts the brakes on the scoring capabilities of the two classy teams put together for the 60,000 sellout at Kezar Stadium it looks like they will be good for at least four or five touchdowns apiece.

Although some dopsters have been inclined to favor the East, with its array of name players, by as much as a touchdown, the West's showing in training has been more impressive.

The West coaches have been going to town with one offensive backfield which, from all indications, can do just about everything. It has Kyle Rote, the great Southern Methodist running back, at full. This guy can quick kick, pass for distance and rip a line to pieces with his driving carries.

At left half is Wilford Whizzer White, the Arizona State (Tempe) scoring wonder who probably would have been All America if he had played in the big time. Brad Rowland, who at little McMurry Teachers College in Texas, made the Little All America twice, is at right half.

The West has not been doing too much head banging in training at Stanford but, going into their last two days practice, they have shown that they can go out and get the touchdowns.

Down at Santa Clara, the East team showed tremendous offensive power in a slam-bang scrimmage. Working against an assortment of Santa Clara and San Jose State gridgers, they ran and passed for what would have been about a 42-6 larruping of the trial horses.

Twice In One Week

Durham—The Duke University record for most points scored by a team in a single game fell twice in the period of two days early this season. When the Blue Devils scored 88 points against V.M.I. in a game Dec. 15 it broke the previous record of 85 points, set in 1910. The following night, Duke scored 97 points against Washington and Lee to write another mark.

Phillies Just Made It
Sawyer, serving his second full year in the majors, was named manager of the year. In the spring he picked the Phillies to win by 10 games, he said later, but didn't tell a soul about it. It's a good thing he didn't. His Whiz Kids just tottered home.

Best pitching effort was the first no-hitter in two seasons. It was turned in by Vernon Bickford of the Braves against Brooklyn. Leading National League pitchers were Sal Maglie of the Giants with an 18-4 record (.818) and Warren Spahn of the Braves who turned in 21 wins against 17 losses. It was his third 21-game year in four seasons. American League hurling aces were Vic Raschi of the Yankees with 21-8 (.724) and Bob Lemon, 23-11 for Cleveland for his third straight 20-game campaign.

Sugar Bowl Figures
New Orleans, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Sugar Bowl, situated on what was once a modest indigo, chitney and sugar plantation, will take in \$480,000 for Monday's game.

That includes tickets, programs, advertising, television and concessions for the Oklahoma-Kentucky game.

Charley Atarain, bowl president, said "we will give Oklahoma and Kentucky \$120,000 apiece for playing. The federal, state and city governments will get about \$85,000. Costs of putting on the game runs about \$30,000.

Interests on Sugar Bowl bonds and the bowl's portion of year-around maintenance for the 82,000-seat stadium is \$8,000. Salaries, rent and equipment for a downtown office amount to \$25,000. Publicity, entertainment and awards cost \$17,000.

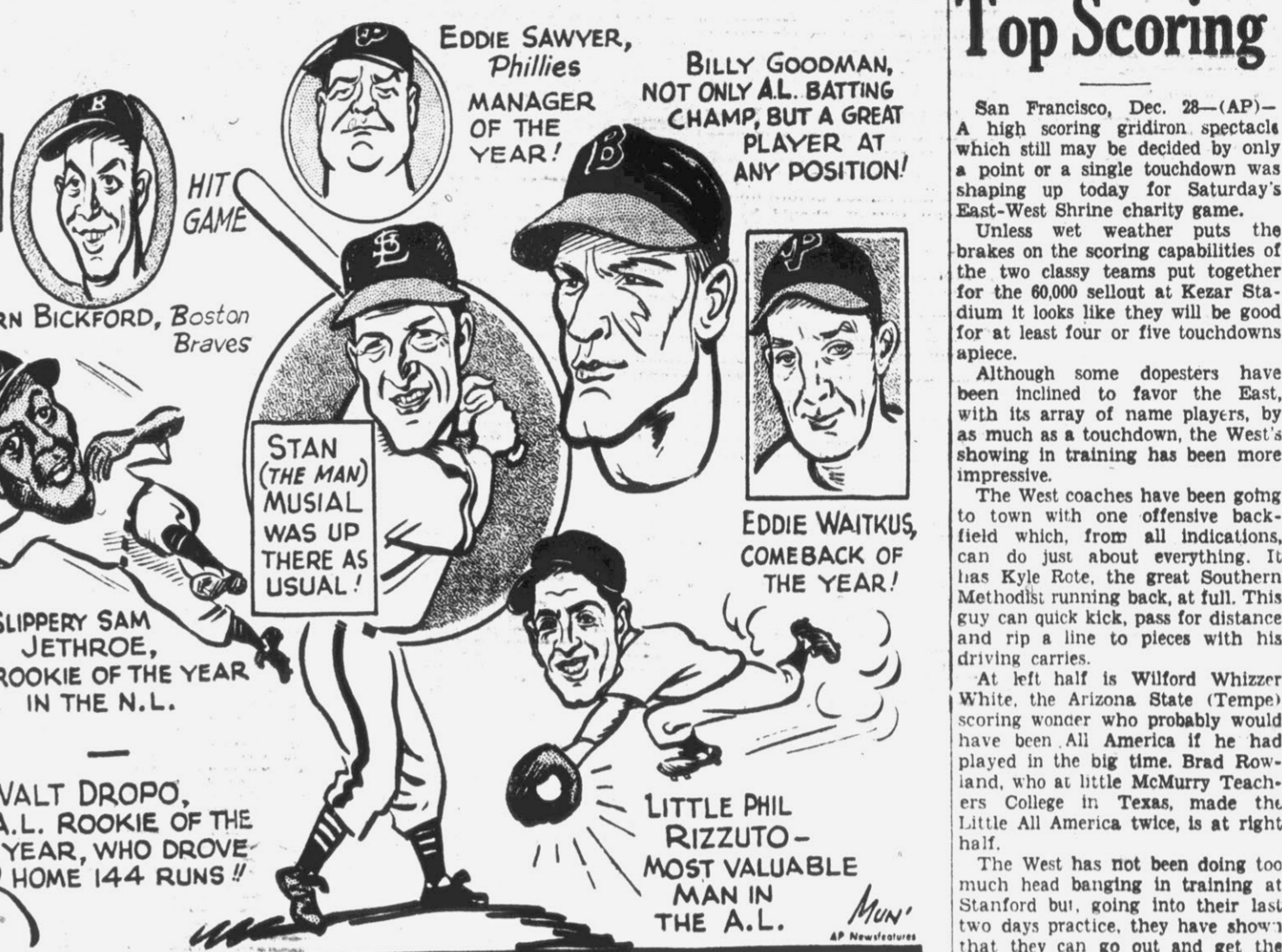
Atarain said he hopes the Sugar Bowl will have \$75,000 left to pay on the liquidation of bonds.

Sailfish Frolic Off East Florida Coast

West Palm Beach, Fla., Dec. 28—(AP)—The greatest run of sailfish ever reported in the area was frolicking in Florida east coast waters today.

Anglers estimated that 750 sails were hooked and caught yesterday in the Hobe Sound area between West Palm Beach and Stuart, 90 percent of which were released.

About 75 fishing craft of every description participated in the haul. The unprecedented run started Christmas Day. Fishing guides said the sails are feeding in the area



By FRANK ECK

AP Newsfeature Sports Editor

New York—Baseball's hirings and firings made headlines but the stunner to end all 1950 surprises was the major league vote leaving the sport with a commissioner it did not want.

While Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler strives to hold baseball to the letter of his \$65,000 a year contract, which expires April 30, 1952, the majors are intent on selecting a new man "as soon as practicable."

At the recent St. Petersburg, Fla., winter meetings it looked like Chandler would be voted a new seven-year contract. That is, it looked that way to all but Fred M. Salign, energetic president of the St. Louis Cardinals. They have been bitter enemies.

A third and final vote on a new Chandler contract was defeated by three votes. He needed 12 of the 16 clubs behind him but only nine executives favored retaining him.

"You haven't enough money to buy me out," was Chandler's stand. What with the Korean war already having brought about the drafting of some big league pitching stars the end of the year found baseball standing on unsteady legs.

Four Pilots Ousted
Chandler was not alone in his plight. Four major league managers (two by one club) were fired during the year and three others quit.

Eighty-eight-year-old Connie Mack, Baseball's Grand Old Man, resigned as manager after piloting the Philadelphia Athletics for 50 years.

Joe McCarthy resigned as Boston Red Sox manager and popular Eddie Dyer stepped down as leader of the Cardinals. Those fired were Brooklyn's Burt Shotton, Cleveland's Lou Bourdau and Jack Onslow and official greeter for the White Sox. Popular Steve O'Neill replaced McCarthy and almost won

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Defense Chiefs Hope Public Can Stand Prolonged Tension

By ELTON C. FAY
Washington (AP)—Top military leaders hope that the worst the nation will face for a time is a period of high international tension instead of major war.

They are worried that popular support may wane for a prolonged state of full-scale mobilization.

Those are among the basic reasons for the Defense Department's present program of only partial mobilization.

But there are Congress members—recalling the ill-prepared American military set-up when the Korean war erupted, who question whether the Defense Department's policy goes far enough.

Defense Secretary George C. Marshall, who has served both as a statesman and a soldier, says that "we are confronted at the very best with a period of long tension, we hope—we hope." Then he asks: "How long will the American public carry themselves through this tension, making the necessary contributions and sacrifices to maintain what we feel is a necessary military set-up?"

He posed that question recently at a Pentagon conference to a representative cross-section of the American public—a group of lead-

Bumper Crop Of Babies For 1950

New York, N. Y.—Another bumper crop of babies started life's journey in the United States during 1950. By year's end the number of births will total nearly 3,700,000, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's statisticians estimate, which is only five per cent below the all-time high of 1947.

This year was fourth in succession in which the number of births exceeded 3,500,000.

"The sustained high level of births is all the more remarkable since the number of marriages dropped rather sharply between 1946 and 1949," the statisticians comment.

The births during 1950 were at the rate of 24 per 1,000 of the population, including the armed forces overseas.

"The babies born in 1950 have a greater chance of surviving the hazards of infancy than babies of any previous year," the statisticians point out. "Present indications are that infant mortality declined during the year to a new minimum of 29 per 1,000 live births. It will be the first time that the rate has fallen below 30."

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that she should write, if she likes, but that it is downright silly to get a big "crush" on her hero-performer. For real romance she should look to her local beau. She should never try to meet the singer she admires. It is a very embarrassing situation, he says, because while the performer doesn't want to make the fan feel bad, he really has no desire to see her.

His prescription for a fan letter is this: Make it brief and chatty so her recipient is not burdened down. Make comments or suggestions, if you like. Don't embarrass him by trying to make a date. Don't apologize for writing the letter.

Mr. Street points out that recent statistics indicate that more than 80 per cent of literate people in the United States have written a fan letter sometime in their lives.

When a senator receives a letter he knows what his people are thinking, and profits also by constructive criticism. Performers have no objection to the type of letter which is honest and sincere. But please, girls, do not drool in your letters. Stick to the point or do not write.

Food Price Index Soars For Week

New York, Dec. 27—(AP)—In one of the sharpest rises of the year, the Dun & Bradstreet wholesale food price index this week soared 10 cents to \$5.90—highest since Sept. 14, 1948.

At the new level, the index was 20.6 per cent over the year-ago index of \$5.72. The record peak was \$7.36 on July 13, 1948.

The index represents the total wholesale cost of a pound each of 31 foods in general use.

Would-Be Thief Turns To Icicle

Detroit, Dec. 27—(AP)—A would-be robber turned into a milk icicle last night.

He tried to rob Mrs. Dorothy Kozol while she was returning from a grocery. But Mrs. Kozol slammed a half-gallon milk carton over his head.

The carton broke and milk streamed over his face. In the 2 above zero temperature the milk froze instantly.

H. fled—without any money.

RUSTY RILEY

NO, MR. MILES! NO!
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RUSTY!
OH, YES, MR. MILES!

RUSTY, JUDGE CALLAHAN MADE YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR SKINNY. WELL, YOU CAN TURN HIM OVER TO THE POLICE. I CAUGHT HIM STEALING A WATCH!
I WASN'T, MR. MILES!
OH, PLEASE! TELL HIM, RUSTY!

YES, MR. MILES... JOE TILLCUM SENT SKINNY TO BORROW YOUR STOP WATCH... HE BROKE HIS!
AND I TOLD HIM TO TAKE IT FROM YOUR DECK, DADDY!

NEVERTHELESS I CAUGHT HIM WITH MY GOLD WATCH! THAT LOOKS VERY MUCH LIKE STEALING!
THAT'S A LIE

THAT WILL DO, SKINNY! I DON'T THINK I WANT YOU ON MILESTONE FARM!
OKAY!

THIMBLE THEATER — Starring Popeye

MISS OLIVE, I REGRET TO TELL YOU THERE IS SOMETHING TERRIBLY WRONG WITH POPEYE! HE JUST SITS OVER THERE ALL ALONE??
YES! A MOMENT AGO I FEARED HE WOULD CRY!

OH, GOODY!! THIS MAY BE MY CHANCE!! I'VE ALWAYS WANTED HIM TO BE SERIOUS!!

HELLO, (MY NAME IS OLIVE) DARLING!! IT'S A NICE DAY!!
WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

POPEYE!! I AM TALKING TO YOU!!

"POPEYE HAS CHANGED WIMPY" IS THE EFFECT OF THE GLASSES? WE LOOKED THROUGH THEM AND SAW LITTLE CHILDREN!!
WHY? QUITE SERIOUS, INDEED!! HE SIMPLY SITS AND STARES!

WHAT COULD BE ON HIS MIND??
I HOPE KNOW

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OZARK IKE

HURRY, SENOR... THE GAME, IT WILL SOON BEGIN!
WELL, WHUT-CHA KNOW... FITS JUST AS GOOD AS MAH BUG UNIFAWM!

...AND WHEN THEIR CLEANUP HITTER "BIG MIKE" VOLCANO IS AT THE PLATE, HUG THAT LEFT-FIELD LINE AND LOOK OUT... HE IS THE DEADLIEST PULL-HITTER IN ALL SOUTH AMERICA.

LATER, IN THE DUGOUT, AS OZARK RECEIVES LAST-MINUTE INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO PLAY THE "TROPICS" BATTERS...

PLAY BALL!

(GULP) SUMPUM TELLS ME OUR CATCHUM OUGHTA LEND ME HIS MITT, MASK AN' PADS WHEN THIS BIG FELLUM COMES UP.

TROPICS VS. PALMS — AND THE FIRST PITCH OF THE GAME IS WHILLED OVER SECOND FOR A HIT!

THEN A SACRIFICE... AND THE BUNTER BEATS IT OUT FOR ANOTHER HIT!

BALL FOUR!

YOW!! — TH' SATCHULS LOADED... AN' "BIG MIKE" VOLCANO A-DIGGIN' IN AT TH' DISH!!

— AND THE NEXT BATTER WALKS!

Burglar's News 'Story' Bounced

DUESSELDORF, Germany—(AP)—"I've a good story for you," shouted the shabby young man as he rushed into a Duesseeldorf newspaper office. Then he reported that a burglar had smashed a store window before dawn, snatched some liquor bottles, and returned later to pose as a witness to unsuspecting police.

"And I was the burglar," the young man said. "Now what about paying me for the story?"

"Come back tomorrow," he was told.

The next day he returned, collected a dollar for the story and was promptly arrested by waiting police.

Gets Passport For His Baptism

TEL AVIV—(AP)—Israel and Arab authorities smilingly agreed that Bernard Thomas Law, a six weeks old United Nations infant, should be provided with a special passport in order to be baptized in the "Church of All Nations" at Gethsemane which is in the Arab administered part of Jerusalem.

Bernard Thomas Law is the son of C. L. Law, U.N. Administrative officer in Jerusalem. While there is no difficulty for certified U. N. grown up crossing lines from the Israel to the Arab-governed part of Jerusalem U.N.-babies must first get a little bit of red tape stuck to their swaddling clothes.

BULGARIA PLANS NEW DAM
PRAGUE—(AP)—The Isker river near Sofia is to be dammed, says the Soviet news agency "Tass" in a dispatch available here. Three power plants are to be built on the dam. The water impounded will irrigate 141,835 acres. The project is to be finished by 1955.

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Crossing Of Parallel 38 Necessary From Both Military, Political View

(Editors Note: Reiman Morin, veteran Associated Press war correspondent, has just returned from four months in Japan and Korea. In this article, he discusses the military campaign climaxed by Red China's entry.)

By BELMAN MORIN
New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—Parallel 38, where it bisects Korea, is a blood-red line now in American military history.

Should the United Nations forces have stopped there? Would the Chinese Communists have remained neutral—at least in the military sense—if the Eighth Army had remained south of the line?

There are no easy answers to these questions. They will be debated for many years in the study

of this first armed collision between the communist world and the free nations. When the Eighth Army went over the parallel it moved toward a date with destiny. These were the issues:

Parallel 38 was no, and never as intended to be an international boundary between two different Korean states. It was a World War II military "phase line," meaning that it was fixed, for convenience, by Russian and American military commanders in the Orient. For administrative purposes, the Russian agreed to handle the surrender of the Japanese army north of parallel 38; the Americans disarmed and demobilized the Japanese south of the line.

That was all. The creation of a "North" and "South" Korea with separate governments, separate

armies, and separate areas was never envisaged (by the Democracies, anyway) when the post-war settlements were being made. Soviet advisors to the North Koreans, however, quickly turned parallel 38 into an actual boundary. The Iron Curtain dropped on it, and two Korean "states" thus came into being, in fact if not in law.

The U. N. Army was created, last June and July, for two purposes. One was to destroy the North Korean forces which invaded the south. The other was to clear the way for the Korean people, unimpeded by communist overlords, to establish a single government for both halves of the country.

The Eighth Army reached the 38th parallel on October 1. At that time, the Korean Red Army had been virtually destroyed as an organized fighting force. It was splintered into countless bands, ranging from a few hundred men to groups of 10,000, who fled to the hills, for the most part, abandoning their heavy equipment, breaking off contact, in short, running for their lives.

Only a few of the original 16 Red divisions were pulling back in good order into North Korea.

But all of them, organized and disorganized, had orders to make their way through the mountains by back roads and goat-paths, to rendezvous points on the other side of parallel 38. In scores of places, the Eighth Army found these written instructions, or took the documents from captured officers.

The Red plan was to reorganize north of the "border." In short, if the Eighth Army had halted there, the Reds would have carried out this plan, and undisturbed in the vast reaches of North Korea. It would have been a matter of a month or two, at best, before they had re-grouped, received new arms and equipment from China, and been ready again for the field.

They then would have returned to the attack, at a time and place of their own choosing, while the Eighth Army sat quietly waiting for the blow to fall.

Hence, from the military point of view, there was no alternative. The enemy had been defeated. Not to have pursued the shattered Reds and completed the job would have been a classic of military stupidity.

Moreover, the second objective—a unified Korea under one government—could not have been attained. The communist regime was still in Pyongyang. And with communist troops controlling the north, no U. N. commission could possibly have gone up to supervise the proposed Korean elections.

Thus, from the political view as well, the job was only half finished when the Army reached the parallel.

It came up to the line on Oct. 1. On that same date, an ominous rumble was heard in Peking. The Communist Chinese Foreign Minister, Chou En-Lai, said in a speech: China will not sit supinely and see her neighbor ravaged by the imperialists.

Apparently, the speech was appraised as mere sabre-rattling. Actually, it turned out to be a specific statement of intentions.

Malayan Living Costs Rising

Kuala Lumpur—(AP)—The cost of living is steadily rising in the Federation of Malaya. Most of the ordinary necessities to sustain life are now described as becoming "luxuries."

Pork meat is the latest item to undergo a big boost. The emergency—meaning the British war against Communist terrorists—is partly responsible for the price rise.

Cold Korea, Not Bullets, Robbed Youth Of Limbs

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The terrible cold of northern Korea caused Pfc. Robert Smith, 20, to lose both legs below the knees and both hands.

He was wounded slightly in the fighting around Chosin Reservoir Nov. 27. When medical men reached him he was so badly frostbitten that amputation was required.

Private Smith arrived here by plane last night and was carried on a stretcher to Walter Reed Hospital. Told by Army officers that his mother, Mrs. Clara Smith of Mid-dieburg, Pa., was due to visit him today, he smiled and said: "It's a great surprise."

But he sent word to photographers and reporters that he wasn't yet ready for them.

Nearly a dozen news photographers gathered at the airport refraining from snapping photographs as his blanket-wrapped stretcher was lifted from the plane to an ambulance.

Capt. Eleanor A. Geovanelle of St. Mary's, Pa., who accompanied Smith as a flight nurse on the last leg of his trip told reporters that he didn't particularly want to talk during the flight. She said he had a little pain but slept after receiving medication.

Capt. Geovanelle took over the nursing job at Westover Air Force Base, Mass. Lt. Bernadette Fahrnkopf, a nurse aboard the plane that flew him to Westover from the west coast, had described him as "an ideal patient who didn't ask for anything."

Two other stretcher cases arrived here with Smith. One was Private Raymond J. McNeil of Philadelphia who suffered frostbite of both hands and amputation of part of his right foot. The other was Pfc. Wilburn Boggs of Pound, Va., wounded in the left thigh.

Smith is the only quadruple amputee reported thus far in the Korean fighting. There were two in World War II.

Three Degrees Not Enough To Win Promotion

Boston, Dec. 28—(AP)—Dense pounding a beat is Patrolman Edwin D. Flanders, A.B., B.L.I., L.L.D. But he wasn't promoted; he's retiring after 28 years in the department's lowest grade—despite his three college degrees.

The 60-year-old cop said he took some examinations for promotion to sergeant but never made it.

He's a Bachelor of Arts from Fortia Law School, a Bachelor of Literary Interpretation from Emerson College and a Doctor of Laws from Boston University.

Flanders says he has no special plans for his retirement but might write a book.

It is believed possible that bagpipes, long used in India, were introduced to the west by the Roman emperor Nero.

A heavy three-wheeled carriage, propelled by steam cylinders, was built in Paris in 1769. Its top speed was three miles an hour.

Marriage License Sale Booms During Yuletide

Register of Deeds John G. Clark Jr. issued 23 marriage licenses to couples here last Friday and Saturday, exceeding by four the number issued to pre-Christmas applicants last year.

Total number of marriage licenses issued during this year through Christmas Day was 461. Only 597 licenses were issued up to Christmas last year, the register of deeds said.

The new register of deeds succeeded Charles P. Gaskins, recently resigned) is manifesting a sympathetic spirit toward prospective brides and grooms when they apply for marriage licenses. Clark remained at his office all day Saturday, instead of leaving at 1 p. m., to accommodate last minute callers for marriage licenses.

He issued 15 licenses, a record for one day since the "land office rush" for marriage licenses during the early part of World War II, when young marines, soldiers and sailors rushed headlong into the sea of matrimony, with much of a "fatalistic attitude."

Applicants for marriage licenses here during Christmas were a serious lot of young people—white and colored. Some had the "ties that bind" cemented by magistrates; others by ministers of the gospel. Nearly all of the applicants were residents of this part of the state.

Draft Opponent Is Under Arrest

Baltimore, Dec. 28—(AP)—An 18-year-old St. John's College freshman who wrote a letter to President Truman announcing he would not register for the draft, was arrested yesterday by the FBI.

The accused was Larry Atkins, a Baltimorean and the first Maryland resident to be charged with failing to register under the Selective Service Act of 1948. He was held in \$300 bail for a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Ernest Volkart.

C. H. Carson, Chief of the Baltimore FBI office, said Atkins wrote the letter to President Truman shortly after he reached his 18th birthday last June.

After informing the President he would not register, Atkins said in his letter:

"I realize this probably never will reach your hands, but I wish it to be known that I am not evading the draft. Nor am I purposely courting trouble for myself. I merely wish to live in peace and, as I believe 'military preparedness' leads only to war, I cannot become a part of it."

Commuters Also Target Of Red Propagandists

Vienna—(AP)—In Communist Hungary, Red agitators won't let citizens just sit peacefully on a commuter train and read their newspapers. No matter how badly John G. Hungarian feels, they pursue him with Communist propaganda and make him enter a political discussion of Marxism.

This was revealed recently in a Hungarian Communist newspaper which reached Vienna.

It gave instructions to the agitators for their work every morning and evening on the trains carrying thousands of workers to and from their homes, saying that non-Communists found the trains a wonderful opportunity for "subversive rumors based on the lying Voice of America."

New Obstacle To Space Travel In High Air Layer

Haverford, Pa., Dec. 28—(AP)—Discovery, high above the stratosphere, of an unexpected air barrier to rocket and interplanetary ships was reported to the American Astronomical Society today.

The astronomers are holding their 84th meeting at the Strawberry Observatory at Haverford College. The discovery was made by Richard N. Thomas of the University of Utah and Fred Whipple of Harvard Observatory.

The barrier is the heating effect of the upper air at 60 miles and higher. The heat is about twice as much as has been previously calculated.

The practical meaning is that rocket ship engineers will have to plan to limit the ship's speed in those altitudes so that the metal or whatever else the ship is made of will not melt from the friction of the air.

Even now, Dr. Thomas reported, the metal noses of high altitude rockets some times get red hot in this friction. Dr. Whipple explained that the heating will not prevent rocket travel but the red white leaving the earth must be adjusted to fit the excess heat.

The discovery was made with the air of laboratory shooting stars. These stars imitate the melting and the evaporation of meteors that hit the upper air and burst into blinding flame.

The melting is imitated with a trick metal used by magicians. A spoon made of this metal melts in a hot cup of coffee. The stars also were imitated with bullets made of dry ice which evaporate like shooting stars.

Find Body Of Long-Missing Boy In Woods

Murphy, N. C. Dec. 28—(AP)—The body of a 12-year-old Murphy boy, missing since Sept. 4, was found by two hunters yesterday in the Kinsey section of Cherokee County.

The boy, Leroy Henson, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Henson of Murphy. They last saw him alive when he left for school on the morning of Sept. 4.

Solicitor Thad Bryson said a suspect is being held in Cherokee county jail pending further investigation.

Ray Hughes and Homer Sneed of Murphy said they found the body in a wooded area with the neck tied to a small bush with a strip of rawhide.

Mrs. Henson identified the body from clothing found at the scene.

American Base For Israel Code

Tel Aviv—(AP)—Modern American legislation for youth delinquency will probably be the model for a new juvenile code now being drafted in Israel. The completion of the code will take several years.

The drafts will be discussed law by law. The first, to be dealt with shortly, foresees abolishing the appearance in court of children who have been victims or witnesses of sexual offenses. The draft law proposes that such testimony should be given to psychologists only, who in their turn would forward it to the police or judges.

Air Force To Quadruple Its Pre-Korea Strength

By JAMES J. STREIBIG
Associated Press Aviation Reporter
Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Air Force is gearing its emergency mobilization program to a strength four times as powerful as that on hand before Korea.

Undersecretary John A. McCone said in an interview that this applies clear across the board—to aircraft production, training of men, and bases for men and equipment.

The four-fold size goal could be reached by late 1953 if ordered. The immediate program, to be completed in two years, calls for roughly doubling the number of Air Force groups, the number of men, and the number of bases in the United States.

The move toward the doubled air force already is obvious in plane orders; in putting World War II plane plants back into production; in reopening 25 bases since June; and disclosure that Air Force personnel soon will be more than double the pre-Korea strength of 412,000.

Output of Air Force combat type planes already has risen to a rate

Children Can Aid In Atom Defense Says Professor

Los Angeles—(AP)—Children have a major part to play in the defense against atomic bombs, says Dr. Albert W. Bellamy, University of California professor.

One of the first duties for children is keeping the house and yard free from papers, boxes, old clothes and other combustible materials. "See that everything has a place," the professor says. "Toys, tools, flashlights, large candles, matches, everything should be in its proper place at all times."

Dr. Bellamy listed the following don'ts for children in the event of attack: Don't repeat rumors. Don't tie up the telephone. Don't tie up roads, move only when and where directed. Don't fill the bathtub with water after a bomb drops. The water may be contaminated and it causes a drop in city water pressure. Finally, he advises against eating anything that's open during an attack.

Lawmaker Sets Service Record

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—A long-standing all-time record for consecutive service in Congress falls today to Rep. Sabath (D-Ill.) who was elected last Nov. 7 to still another term—his 23rd.

The Chicago congressman entered the House March 4, 1907 and will have served 43 years, nine months and 25 days when today's session adjourns.

The record was held by Senator Justine S. Morrill of Vermont. He had uninterrupted service of 43 years, nine months and 24 days in the House and Senate between 1855 and 1898.

of more than 150 a month from the pre-Korea rate of 110 a month and will be doubled by next December.

But that is only a part of the program. The expansion is being handled in a way that it can be doubled again later on.

So far as aircraft and equipment are concerned, McCone said, this means tooling plants to produce for a volume well in excess of quantities now on order.

McCone said that a plant tied up for additional production can reach its full capacity far faster than a plant which has to be closed and retooled for added volume.

Having plants with excess tooling, he explained, will save at least a year in event of an all-out mobilization order.

When the North Korean Reds invaded last June, the Air Force had 48 groups. The program has already been increased to 84 groups.

And there are indications the Air Force sights have been raised to about 100 groups within two years to keep the air balance under a total of 3,500,000 Americans under arms.

The planning framework on which the Air Force is working goes even further—to permit nearly doubling that number, or almost 200 groups, by the end of 1953. That's the Air Force concept of its role in a balanced overall military establishment of 5,000,000 men.



KINGS FAREWELL:—Mrs. Berthe Andre, prominent singer and voice teacher of Oakland, Calif., says doctors have told her she is dying of cancer—and may not have another Christmas. And so she wrote to a newspaper that she would like to sing one more Christmas song in public concert. The Oakland Civil Service Chorus invited her to sing Schubert's Ave Maria at their Christmas party in the City Hall rotunda. And here's the scene as she sang as guest soloist with the chorus. (AP Wirephoto).



SHIRLEY QUILTS FILMS:—Here's the first picture of Shirley Temple and her bridegroom, Charles Black, on their honeymoon. They are in San Francisco. The marriage took place at Monterey, Calif., last Saturday. Shirley announced she has retired from the movies. She said her only contract is her marriage contract is her marriage contract with her husband. They are staying in the home of Black's father, James Black, wealthy utilities company executive. (AP Wirephoto).

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Add sliced Wilson's Certified Turkey and Ham. Accompany with a New Year's Baby Doll dressed in a 1951 metallic paper streamer. Trim with 3 bell sandwiches with radish clappers and mistletoe or holly. A basket of additional assorted breads, whipped Wilson's Clearbrook Butter or Certified Margarine and serving tools complete a successful party menu. Beverage to your taste, or hot coffee is optional.

WHIPPED BUTTER—For easy-spreading sandwiches, doubled butter economy plus a gourmet look. Whipped Butter or Certified Mar. is so fine enough Wilson's Clearbrook Butter or Certified Margarine to make desired number of sandwiches. Do not melt; just soften slightly by placing over warm water. Beat (with a hand or an electric beater) until doubled in bulk. Swirl into the serving bowl and refrigerate until serving time.

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Ban Hoarding Of Essential Items

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The National Production Authority today banned hoarding of 55 scarce materials essential to defense and civilian production.

The order makes it illegal for businessmen, consumers or hoarders to accumulate these products in excess of the reasonable demands. It also specifically prohibits acquiring the products for resale at prices in excess of prevailing market prices—a provision aimed at black marketing.

The 55 items include cement, softwood lumber and plywood, pa-

per and paperboard, cast iron soil pipe, and a long list of metals and chemicals.

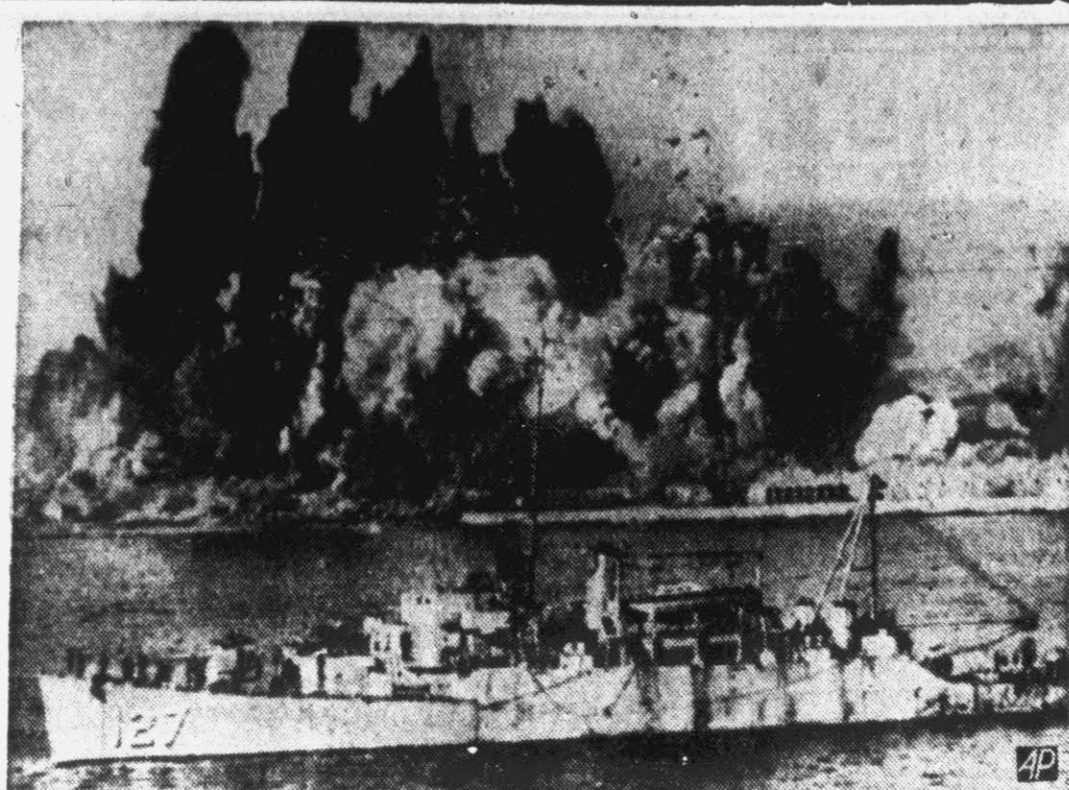
Any violation of the order is punishable by up to \$10,000 fine and a year's imprisonment.

The anti-hoarding decree extends and re-enforces an earlier NPA inventory control order which applied only to business and industry and covered only 26 materials.

The new order, effective at once, NPA accomplishes these ends:

1. It sets up a ban against household hoarding and starts a list to which NPA later could add such items as automobile tires, cars and other consumer goods—though none of these is named in the present order.

2. It plugs a loophole in the original order, by eliminating the chance that a businessman might hoard materials with the excuse that they were for personal consumption.



INSTALLATIONS DESTROYED—Smoke and debris shoot skyward in mighty demolition explosions set off to destroy U. N. supplies and installations left behind in the evacuation of Hungnam, Korea. A U. S. destroyer stands by in the harbor. (U. S. Navy Photo via radio and AP Wirephoto).

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GOP Schedules Meeting Jan. 26

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Republican National Committee will meet here Jan. 26 to plan strategy by which it hopes to win election of a GOP president and Congress in 1952.

It will be the first meeting of the full committee since the Nov. 7 elections in which the GOP scored net gains of five Senate, 27 House, and six governor seats.

"OBSCENE" LITERATURE

Rome, Dec. 28—(AP)—Jack L. Beagon, publisher of Rome's English language Daily American, was convicted today of distributing obscene literature in the form of the Esquire Girl calendar.

Announced U. S. Casualties Rise

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—Announced U. S. casualties in the Korean war rose to 38,325 through midnight Dec. 22, an increase of 1,904 over the cumulative total reported in the previous week.

The Department of Defense, in releasing the figures today, emphasized that they represent only the number of notifications sent to next of kin and do not reflect all casualties suffered through Dec. 22.

Marriage Licenses

Register of Deeds John G. Clark Jr. issued the following marriage licenses during the few days previous to Christmas:

White—Randolph Fleming and Pattie Jenkins of Greenville; Oscar W. Hodges and Doris L. Vandford of Greenville; Douglas Spencer of Grimsland and Myrtle Overton of Winterville; Rudolph C. Flora of Farmville and Mahala Jane Batts of Pinetops; Robert Ostrander and Jessie Braxton of Winston-Salem; Cecil A. Medley of East Point, Ga.; and Lila Jean Sawyer of Greenville; James J. Wood of Greensboro and Alma Grey Cilley of Farmville; Joseph W. Briley and Merle D. Morris of Macclesfield; Melvin Sutton and Jenny Lee Cox of Greenville; Wallace G. Gurganus of Greenville and Rosa Mae Moore of Grimsland; Ernest Holland Jr. of Stokes and Emma Lee Taft of Bethel; Floyd D. Gooding and Doris M. Taylor of Greenville; Dempsey Holland of Greenville and Myrtle G. Whitehurst of Stokes; Dalton W. Rollins and Mary R. Tetterton of Bethel; Lionel R. Parker of Stokes and Martha Jane Beverly of Bethel.

Colored—Joseph J. White of New Bern and Katie Avery of Farmville; Herman E. Brown of Littleton and Annie Marables of Greenville; William J. Crandall and Rebelle M. Wilson of Greenville; Will Harris and Martha D. Williams of Greenville; Johnnie Smith and Mattie Ann Jones of Winterville; Paul L. Tyson of Farmville and Margolla Tucker of Greenville; Ray Koonce of Greenville and Ella Mae Johnson of Farmville; Theodore Simpson and Doris Patrick of Ayden; Augustus Wilson of Stokes and Bionnie Mae Andrews of Greenville; Ernest Holland of Stokes and Emma Lee Taft of Bethel; Marvin Carr and Novella Richardson of Greenville; William Young and Hattie Green of Bethel; Alfred Mayo of Robersonville and Mary Perkins of Bethel.



SCENE OF GEN. WALKER'S DEATH—Beside the highway between Seoul and the northwest Korean front is the wrecked jeep in which Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker was killed Saturday. The Eighth Army commander was crushed in the collision of the jeep and a truck. A military policeman directs traffic past the death scene. (Australian News and Information Bureau Photo via AP Wirephoto).

Last Rites Friday Set For Joe James

Mr. Joe James, 63, died suddenly at 11:20 o'clock Wednesday night at his home in the Oak Grove community near Stokes after having suffered a heart attack two hours earlier. He had been in failing health for the past few years but was active until he was struck. Funeral services will be conducted at the Chapel of the S. G. Wilkerson & Sons Funeral Home at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon by the Rev. J. M. Perry, Christian minister of Robersonville, assisted by the Rev. Ralph Ferguson, Baptist minister of Robersonville, and burial will be in the Robersonville cemetery.

Mr. James, son of the late Wyatt and Sophia Gurganus James, was born and spent his entire life near Robersonville and was a farmer. He was a veteran of World War I and was married to Ruth Andrews of Bethel in 1920.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Curtis and Joe James Jr., both of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Sam D. Jenkins of near Robersonville and Miss Annie Ruth James of the home; three brothers, Davis A. and W. L. (Fate) James, both of Robersonville, and John R. James of Stokes; a sister, Mrs. Rex F. Edmons of Tillery; and a grandson, Jeffery S. Jenkins of near Robersonville.

Eighth Army . . .

(Continued from page one) the Eighth Army, supported by air strikes, destroyed and dispersed several enemy groups in the Changdong area Wednesday afternoon.

Allied troops continued to repulse enemy attempts to penetrate defense lines in the area southeast of Taedong. One South Korean unit pushed the enemy back several thousand yards in that sector.

Air strikes in the Taedong sector destroyed and routed communist groups located by U. S. ground patrols.

Yuletide Sales . . .

(Continued from Page 1) ton goods. This year's shortage of raw cotton caused many persons to stock up more or less on piece goods, whether or not they were for gifts or personal use, one manager stated. A manager of a radio and electrical appliance store reported the same thing as it concerned "hard goods."

The upshot of the whole Christmas buying rush indicated to the managers that the farmers and other persons who make their money off tobacco had a good year—the best one for all concerned since the war. But pessimism crept into

several of their reports, also. We've got to make it this year because next year—well, you can't tell, they said.

Social Security . . .

(Continued From Page One) side workers like cooks or maids in the farmer's house; and it also includes those who prepare, process or deliver farm products or livestock to market. No one in this group is covered by the law unless he has worked at least five months for the same employer. If he switched employers, he has to work

for the second one at least five months before being covered again. (D)—People in this group: full time life insurance salesmen; traveling or city salesmen taking orders from business places for their employers (but not door-to-door salesmen); agent drivers and commissioned drivers distributing meat, bakery, fruit or vegetable products and beverages (but not milk); drivers in laundry or dry cleaning services; and people who work at home, earn at least \$50 in a three month period, and do their work on materials given them by their employer with specification from him for doing the job.

(E)—American firms' workers employed abroad.

(F)—Federal employees not already covered by a government pension system for federal employees.

(G)—Workers in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. They've never been under social security before.

(H)—Transit system employees of a state or local government. For example, a bus line owned by a city. This one is so full of ifs there is not enough room here for explanation. If you're in this group, check with your nearest social security office for full information.

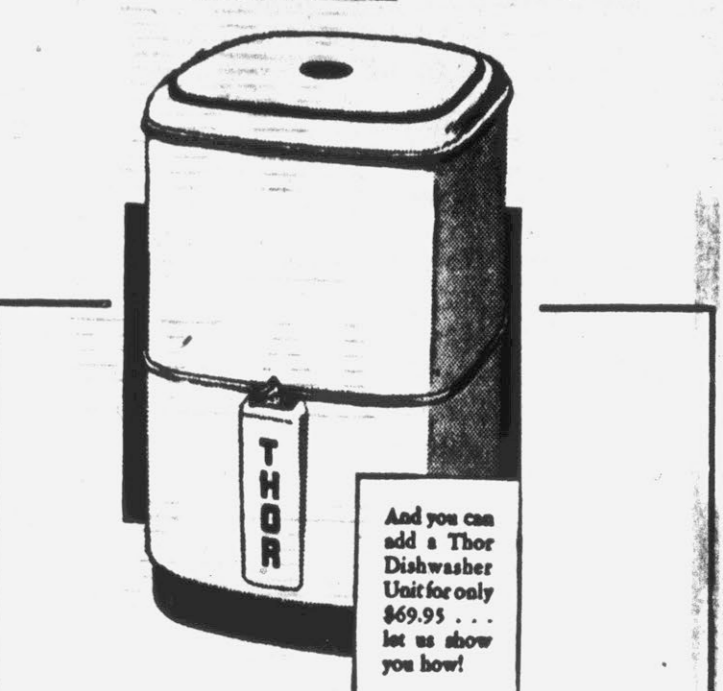
(I)—Employees of non-profit organizations—such as religious, educational, charitable, scientific, or literary organizations (for example, the Red Cross)—can come under social security but only if—

Two-thirds of the employees vote for doing so and then only if the organization also agrees, since once its employees come under social security that organization must pay half their tax. People who are members—not employees—of a religious organization are still excluded from coverage. Example: priests, nuns, ministers.

(J)—State and local government employees not already covered by a pension system of that state or local government. But these people can not come under social security unless the state or local government wants them to, since it will have to pay part of the tax.

The people in all eight groups (I and J) it's optional for the employer or employers.

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