

## GILMER-AIKIN REPORT CAN WAIT

# Jester Won't Call Special Session

AUSTIN, Dec. 2 (AP)—There will be no special session of the legislature amid the jingle of Christmas bells.

Instead, the Gilmer-Aikin Committee's recommendations for the revamping of the Texas school system will go as an emergency measure before the 51st Legislature at its regular session next month.

Those were the decisions announced yesterday by Gov. Beauford H. Jester.

"Imminence of the Christmas season and the near approach of

the 51st legislative session" were given by the governor as "strong factors" in his decision.

The governor informed members of the committee, who had asked for the special session, by telegram and then released to the press a four- and-a-half-page prepared statement crammed with praise for the committee's work.

Dr. L. A. Woods, state superintendent of public instruction, whose job the committee would make elective rather than elective and whose blistering attacks against the committee's proposals have

sparked present opposition to the plan, said he was pleased with the governor's decision against a special session.

But there was little else in the governor's report heartening to opponents of the Gilmer-Aikin work.

Jester referred to the committee's 18 members as "citizens of ability, integrity and vision" and described their work as "the most comprehensive and intelligent investigation of our public school system in the history of Texas."

"I shall co-operate with the officers and members of the legislature in keeping emergency bills to such a minimum in the early days of the session that the legislature can for all practical purposes give its undivided attention to the enactment of public school legislation based upon the Gilmer-Aikin study," he said.

"I want the parents and teachers to study these recommendations and if they find them sound, as I am confident they will, to lend their voice and their hand to the enactment of the measures so wisely proposed."

## McKellar Says Military Must Show Savings

### Unified Arms Financial Fate Is In Balance

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (AP)—Senator McKellar (D-Tenn) advised the armed services today their financial rating with the new Congress may rest on whether they can show a unification savings dividend.

The veteran lawmaker is slated for a key role in settling the mounting dispute over now much this country will spend on defense next year. He is due to become chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, which must give clearance to federal spending requests.

A staunch administration supporter, McKellar indicated he is backing President Truman's plan to hold military outlays within a \$15 billion limit in the fiscal year starting July 1. Secretary of Defense Forrestal had proposed a budget allotment ranging up to \$23 billion.

Sen. Thomas (D-Okla.), another appropriations committee member, said in a separate interview that he favors a "liberal appropriation for the armed services."

He did not indicate how "liberal," but he recalled that just prior to World War II Congress was sharply criticized for holding down the size and funds of the armed forces.

The continuing quarrel of the merged military services meanwhile received fresh attention on the other side of the capitol.

Rep. Vinson (D-Ga) told a reporter that if the generals and admirals can't settle their arguments, Congress will take whatever action is needed.

# China Communists Claim Suchow Falls

## FIREWORKS BAN TO BE ENFORCED

Chief Pete Green warned today that the Big Spring police department plans strict enforcement of the new ordinance which prohibits the sale of fireworks in the city.

Several establishments have been reminded of the ordinance during the past few days, Green said, and if further violations occur they will be referred to corporation court.

## Win Makes Other Units Vulnerable

NANKING, Dec. 2 (AP)—The Chinese communists laid claim tonight to Suchow, important government base 211 miles northwest of Nanking.

This exposed the rear of three government army groups moving slowly southward in an effort to support other nationalist armies isolated under communist attacks in the Sushien and Pengpu areas ranging down to 100 miles from Nanking.

The Communist broadcast heard in Nanking said Suchow fell at 8 o'clock Wednesday night.

The Show garrison was last reported blocked about 25 miles south of Suchow by strong Communist opposition.

(The Communist broadcast, also heard in San Francisco, added a claim that the 110th Division of the government's trapped 12th Army group near Sushien had come over to the Communist side.)

Despite the dire military news, the Chinese government told foreign diplomats it had "no intention to remove the capital" from Nanking.

A foreign office spokesman said that Jacques Meyer, French ambassador, had replied in his capacity as dean of the diplomatic corps that the heads of foreign missions had decided to stay in Nanking.

Air reconnaissance reports showed, meanwhile, that the 12th Army Group of more than 100,000 men is compressed by the Reds into a pocket only seven miles in diameter.

The shrinking pocket is 130 miles northwest of Nanking. Chinese air force transports were dropping supplies to the encircled force, which is believed critically short of food.

The army group has been encircled by the Reds for seven days.

## Top Leaders Move Slowly On China Aid

### Authorities Realize Crisis Now Worst

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (AP)—Top American officials moved slowly today in the face of urgent appeals from the Chinese government for help before it is too late.

Authorities said there is no doubt here that the situation created by

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (AP)—Madame Chiang Kai-Shek has asked for appointments with President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall to press for urgent American aid to the Chinese government in its fight against Communist forces.

Communist advances in China are critical. But they said these two factors work against any speedy American action:

1. Congress — which must authorize any additional aid—will not meet for another month.
2. Military and political conditions in China are considered so unstable that officials believe any program worked out now probably would not apply a month from now.

There are no indications that either the Economic Cooperation Administration or the State Department has yet presented President Truman specific plans for helping Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalists in their battle with the Chinese Reds.

China's desire for Swift American action was heavily emphasized by Ambassador Wellington Koo in a speech before the China Institute in New York City late yesterday. The same theme probably will be stressed by Madame Chiang, wife of the nationalist president who arrived here yesterday. She gave no hint of her plans, however, before going into seclusion at the Leesburg, Va., home of Secretary of State and Mrs. Marshall.

Western sector German police forces were on the watch to break up raids on anti-Communist campaign rallies, prior to Sunday's elections.

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## INTERNATIONAL SHOW

# Texan Pays Record Price For Champ Chicago Steers

CHICAGO, Dec. 2 (AP)—The grand champion and the reserve grand champion steers of the International Livestock Exposition were sold today at record high prices for the show.

Both were purchased by Glenn McCarthy, 40 wealthy Texas rancher and oil man. He plans to serve

## Clearing House Set For Gifts On Christmas

Arrangement has been made to correlate Christmas charities in Big Spring.

The Salvation Army, Red Cross, department of public welfare and the county welfare office are working together in compiling lists of needy families.

In turn, they are asking cooperation of churches, clubs and all organizations and institutions planning to assist destitute people during the Christmas season.

Capt. Oly Sheppard said that contacts had been established between the Salvation Army, the Red Cross (Mrs. Moree Sawtelle), department of public welfare (Ruth Jeffries) and county welfare office (Mary Cantrell).

Records are to be kept on suggested needy people; and investigations made. Similarly, records will be kept so far as possible on gifts so that "we will not unwittingly overlook anyone on Christmas."

By checking through the central agencies, churches and others can assist in furnishing names and also at the same time avoid duplication.

## Arabs Proclaim Abdullah King Of Palestine

BEIRUT, Lebanon, Dec. 1 (AP)—A Palestine Arab conference in Jericho was reported here today to have proclaimed King Abdullah of Trans-Jordan as king of Palestine.

The conference was called "The General Palestine Congress." It met yesterday in Arab-occupied Jericho, the Biblical city north of the dead sea, under the presidency of Sheikh Moh Ab Gaabary.

Official confirmation of the report was lacking.

However, a dispatch from Amman, Trans-Jordan, which passed through Arab censorship last night said Sheikh Gaabary had told King Abdullah of proposals by the Congress and asked him, in the name of all Palestinians, to take steps for unification of Palestine and Trans-Jordan, neighboring states.

The bearded Abdullah, enthroned as king of Trans-Jordan in 1946, was quoted as replying:

"I have many times said that I and my armies are at the disposal of Palestinians. I will carry on the responsibility you are putting now on my shoulders. I will communicate your congress proposals to my cabinet and other Arab states' cabinets and I am sure all will do their best for your welfare."

Just what the congress proposals were, the Amman dispatch did not say. However, the king's statement suggested all would be subject to official decisions of the whole Arab group—Trans-Jordan, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and the Yemen.

A tangled political, and military situation arising from the Arab Jewish war forms the background. Abdullah, 66, had advocated the formation of one large Arab nation—which he would call Greater Syria—by uniting Trans-Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Palestine and Iraq.

## Split Berlin Braces For Red Disruptions

BERLIN, Dec. 2 (AP)—Divided Berlin braced itself today for new Communist attempts to disrupt western sector election plans after Red backers last night tried to break up a western political rally.

In Russian-occupied eastern Berlin the new hand-picked Communist government gathered for its first meeting in the former central city hall from which the legally elected government had been ousted.

In Western Berlin, the elected city assembly, which has declared a state of emergency, called another meeting.

Western allied liaison officers attached to the city government were withdrawn today from the central city hall.

Col. Frank L. Howley, U. S. commandant in Berlin, said: "We are going with the legal government. We only stayed here yesterday to witness the illegal act of the Communists of locking out the elected city officials."

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## Renewed Mediation Efforts Resumed In Berlin Deadlock

PARIS, Dec. 2 (AP)—Renewed mediation efforts in the Berlin deadlock were underway today.

The committee of neutral financial experts who are to draft a formula for solving the Berlin currency tangle scheduled a meeting within 24 hours of the group's creation by former Security Council President Juan Bramuglia.

At the same time a high French official warned that "something Russian-Western power rift over" will be needed to end the blocked former German capital.

The official said a mere formula to end currency problems would not be enough to cope with the division of Berlin into rival governments.

Bramuglia, who has led mediation efforts by the six neutral nations of the UN Security Council, instructed the committee to draft Berlin currency regulations acceptable to both sides before the end of December.

## U. S. Asks U. N. Seat For Jews

PARIS, Dec. 2 (AP)—The United States urged the Security Council today to admit Israel to the United Nations without delay.

Dr. Philip C. Jessup, American deputy on the council, said the United States "fully supports" Israel's membership application and will vote for the new state as the 59th member of the UN.

The possibility had arisen that Israel's bid for membership, filed Monday on the first anniversary of the UN, Palestine partition plan, might be delayed until her political future was settled.

Signs were that the council would sidestep a judgment.

Several nations on the 11-nation Security Council believe an immediate vote on Israel's application would, in effect, prejudice political issues between the Israelis and the Arabs.

Britain, Belgium and China probably would abstain if the application came to a vote, but could be expected to press for deferment.

The United States, Russia, the Ukraine, Argentina and Colombia are believed to favor immediate admission of Israel.

Syria, the one Arab nation on the council, is against admission.

Egypt protested in the political committee today against Security Council consideration now of Israel's membership application.

## Thompson Must Die, Clemency Is Denied

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2 (AP)—Miran E. Thompson has been denied clemency by President Truman and is scheduled to die tomorrow (Friday) for his part in a bloody riot and "The Rock" in San Francisco Bay.

He and another convict will die in San Quentin's gas chamber for killing a guard, William A. Miller, during the riot.

## Committee Named For Vote Law Check

DALLAS, Dec. 2 (AP)—A five-man committee to recommend changes in Texas election laws on behalf of the Texas Assn. of Democratic County Chairmen has been named.

## EUROPE DEFENSE

### Forrestal Wants Big Arms Supply

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (AP)—Secretary of Defense Forrestal says the United States must supply Western Europe with "a generous measure of equipment" to support the common defense plans of five nations.

Such aid is necessary to give meaning to the Brussels treaty—signed by Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg—Forrestal said last night at the annual dinner of the English-speaking union.

Forrestal presumably meant military equipment, but he did not say so specifically.

Recalling that objectives of the Brussels treaty are being developed under direction of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery into plans for concerted action for the common defense of the five nations, Forrestal declared:

"To make these plans meaningful, however, a generous measure of equipment will have to be given to Western Europe, for these people cannot prosper while they live in fear of their lives."

"Just as the United States was

## Dividend Shows U. S. Foreclosure Saving Pays Off

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (AP)—The government got a \$10 million dividend today on \$200 million advanced in 1934 to help save thousands of farms from foreclosure.

This fund was turned over to the treasury by the Federal Farm Mortgage Corp., a unit of the Agriculture Department's Farm Credit Administration.

The mortgage corporation loaned more than \$1,250,000,000 to about 675,000 farmers who faced loss of their farms during the depression in the mid-thirties. The treasury furnished the \$200 million to provide the corporation's capital stock.

This is the second such dividend the government has received. Last July the corporation turned \$40 million over to the treasury.

Now in the process of liquidation, the mortgage corporation already has paid back to the treasury all but \$10,000 of the original \$200 million capital stock fund.

All but \$8,000 of the loans have been repaid with interest, many long before they were due. The corporation's profit was derived from the interest paid on its loans.

## Post Offices Called Chief Target For Reorganizers

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (AP)—Rep. Clarence J. Brown (R-Ohio) hinted today the Post Office Department is one of the chief targets of the bipartisan commission now studying government reorganization.

Brown, a member of the 12-man commission on organization of the executive branch of the government, told the 33rd Annual Congress of American Industry sponsored by the National Association of Manufacturers:

"Without divulging too much information as to what the commission will recommend, let me suggest that you keep your eyes open for some interesting developments in our greatest federal service agency—the Post Office Department."

## Strike Nears End

TOKYO, Dec. 2 (AP)—A three-day strike by Japanese coal miners neared an end today with about 127,000 workers off the job.

## Final Arguments Set In Gas Suit

AUSTIN, Dec. 2 (AP)—Presentation of evidence was completed today in a trial of the Heysler field flare gas suit in which oil operators seek a permanent injunction against a Railroad Commission shutdown order.

Final argument of the case in 98th District Court was scheduled to start at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

## Sales Lagging On TB Seals

Sale of Christmas seals here still is lagging far behind 1947 figures, the Howard County Tuberculosis Association reported this morning.

Today's tabulation amounted to \$795.60, as compared to \$897.27 for the same date last year.

Association officials were encouraged, however, by response from some communities.

For example, one purchase which was made yesterday will be remembered for a long time by the association, Mrs. Louise Horton, secretary, said. The purchase was made by William Crow, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Crow of Luther. Sometime earlier William made a pledge to buy Christmas seals, electing that method as one in which he could best aid other people and help make their Christmas enjoyable. To fulfill his pledge, William worked diligently in the cotton harvest to earn money to purchase seals. His efforts may help win a prize in a contest he entered recently.

## Police Patrol Struck Plants In Kalamazoo

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Dec. 2 (AP)—City police, backed up by a standby force of sheriff's officers and state police, today patrolled the struck factories of the Shaker-Spears companies.

Since yesterday's dawn raid by an organized band of 300 men, however, the scene had been relatively quiet.

A grand jury investigation was in the offing and authorities sought to learn the identities of the 300 raiders.

State Police Commissioner Donald S. Leonard said the raid, carried out in military style, had "a possible Communist tinge."

At the same time Police Chief Howard Hoyt blamed "union thugs."

The raiders swept on the plants in a 40-car caravan and proceeded to overturn and burn parked automobiles and to smash equipment. Workmen were reported beaten.

Some cars of the raiders carried license plates from neighboring states, witnesses said.

Gov. Kim Sigler, ordering a grand jury investigation, said he was amazed at such an incident "in this day and age." He set state agencies to work in the inquiry.

"That kind of conduct cannot be tolerated for one moment," Sigler said.

## ONE OF LARGEST EVER FORMED

# Santa Claus' Arrival Will Start Christmas Parade

Big Spring now awaits only the arrival of Santa Claus to complete preparations for the big parade and treasure hunt, and St. Nicholas himself has guaranteed that he will be on hand by 4 p. m. Friday, starting time for the annual Christmas season festivities here.

The parade definitely will be one of the largest ever formed here for such an occasion, the chamber of commerce reported this morning. Advance entries included 33 from schools, clubs and civic organizations, and more than a dozen in the commercial division. The non-commercial entries will compete for prizes which will be awarded to the first three places in three classes.

Today, markers designating the parade route are being distributed to downtown merchants.

The procession will pass along most streets in the main business district, and spectators will be able to align themselves on the proper streets without confusion after the markers are distributed. The markers will be displayed in store windows along the route.

In addition to the regular floats, four bands will participate in the parade. They will include the high school bands from Coahoma and Colorado City, and both the junior and senior bands

of Big Spring High school.

Santa Claus will have a feature role in ceremonies which will launch the annual treasure hunt hunt as well as in the parade. A record number of local merchants, some 152, will participate in the treasure hunt event, which will begin east of the court house immediately after the parade.

The Community Christmas tree is all adorned with hundreds of lights, Nat Shick announced today, and will be turned on Friday evening. Shick, who has supervised the tree decoration since the custom started more than a decade ago, was assisted this year by Johnny Garrison, who helped him on the first tree decoration.

Non-commercial parade entries are as follows: High Heel Slipper club, Eager Beavers club, Rain-bow Girls, Howard County Vocational School, 4-H clubs, Lions Auxiliary, the Jaycees, the Junior Patrol, Lomax school, Lions club, Cub Pack No. 29, Scout Troop No. 4, American Business club, Senior Girl Scouts, American Legion, Cosmo-ho school, RA's of East Fourth Baptist, Sub Deb club, Garden club, B&P club, Future Farmers, Beta Sigma Phi, Lakeview school, Col-

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## STREAMLINING U. S. ADMINISTRATION

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NAM estimated that nearly 3,000 of the nation's top industrialists and businessmen are attending the three-day session, which ends tomorrow night with a speech by Secretary of Commerce Sawyer.

Sawyer hinted in Washington Tuesday he might disclose some details of the anti-inflation program President Truman will give to Congress in January.

Former President Herbert Hoover heads the government organization commission that was set up by Congress.

In addition to naming the Post Office Department, Brown mentioned specifically federal corporations, government lending agencies, government statistical agencies and federal participation in

## South Korean Army Of 100,000 Asked

TOKYO, Dec. 2 (AP)—A South Korean army of 100,000—double its present size—was recommended to allied headquarters today.

An immediate increase was urged by Col. M. Preston Goodfellow, unofficial representative of President Syngman Rhee of the South Korean Republic.

## Petain Illness Said To Be Exaggerated

PARIS, Dec. 2 (AP)—A government report on the health of Philippe Petain has started rumors that the 83-year-old marshal is failing.

A source close to Mme. Petain at La Roche-Sur-Yon said today the reports were "greatly exaggerated."

Petain "still takes a walk in the morning," the informant said, and looks forward to visits from his wife.



# Reorganization Of Executive Branch Of Government Needed

The President is reported to have approved the recommendations of a commission, headed by former President Herbert Hoover, for reorganization of the executive branch of the federal government.

# Average Person Owes A Debt To Objective News Supplies

Although the name of Frank B. Noyes is not familiar to most people outside of the newspaper profession this far removed from Washington, D. C., everyone who reads and listens to the news owes him gratitude.

Affairs Of The World — DeWitt MacKenzie

# There's Nothing To Compare With Huge West Europe Fog

WESTERN EUROPE'S TERRIFIC FOG (I refer to nature's phenomenon and not to the international situation) gives us a chance to slip away in the muck for a rest from the war of the isms which continues to run true to form.

YOU NEVER HAVE BEEN A FOG WALKER if you encounter one of London's pea soup varieties. It's brutal. It gets so thick you can't see your hand in front of your face.

Nation Today — James Marlow

# That Ax-Grinder Lobbyist Is Making The News Again

WASHINGTON, (AP)—THAT AX GRINDER—the lobbyist—is back in the news again.

President Truman has just said he thinks Congress ought to investigate the lobbyists' work around Congress. Maybe Congress will. Don't bet.

BIG BUSINESS OUTFITS HAVE LOBBYISTS. So do labor unions. So do other organizations. That's not unusual, within limits.

And the lobbying isn't always labeled lobbying while it's being done. For example: Lobbying at a Washington cocktail party.

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"I'D LIKE TO GET YOU ON A SLOW BOAT TO CHINA"



Washington Merry-Go-Round — Drew Pearson

# Madame Chiang Kai-Shek Victim Of A Difficult Chinese Circle

WASHINGTON — Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, now 56 but still beautiful, is the victim of a difficult Chinese circle.

Madame Chiang and Madame Sun. The former supports her husband's right-wing labor association while Madame Sun, long the champion of Chinese guerrillas and coolies, has appealed to American labor leaders to support China's left-wing CIO.

Many Chinese war lords, having graduated from the Japanese West Point, had much in common with the Japs, saw no percentage in fighting them.

Madame Chiang and her brother, T. V. Soong, are scarcely on speaking terms. Both were in Washington during one important period of the war, but hardly exchanged a word together.

Another sister, Madame Sun Yat-sen, founder of the Chinese republic. Though now considered the Martha Washington of China, it is no secret that Madame Sun is openly sympathetic to the so-called Communist armies which her brother-in-law is fighting.

Although the impulse to sneer is often almost irresistible, I prefer to be cheerful.

tommy guns, 26,000 machine guns, 270,000 rifles. Actually the real people of China do a great job of fighting—when they are fed. Under the war lords, however, Chinese troops are never fed, must forage and loot for themselves.

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Hollywood — Bob Thomas

# Groucho Marx's Painted Mustache Has Vanished

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Another landmark has vanished from the Hollywood scene—Groucho Marx's painted mustache.

Only Money." "It's burglary. I almost feel ashamed to take the money. You are handed a script and all you have to do is read the lines."

# WORD-A-DAY

By BACH

# VERBOSITY

THAT'S THE ONLY WAY WE CAN GET THOSE LONG-WINDED COMMENTATORS OFF THE AIR

Around The Rim — The Herald Staff

# Citizens Can Offer Lasting Help To Beggars In The Area

"Brother can you spare some change to help a fellow who's down and out this Christmas?"

I have lost count of the times that I've heard that query as I've been walking down town these last few weeks. The matter causes me concern. I want to help my fellow-man in every way I can, not only at Christmastime but anytime.

Checking up I found that there are three groups which I help support here in town that can give indigent people some lasting aid and, in many, many cases, emergency aid to raise people on their feet for the former.

I refer to the combined offices of the Howard County and State Welfare boards; the Salvation Army; and the Texas Em-

ployment commission.

Says Mary L. Cantrell of the Howard Welfare board, "we stand ready to aid all who are in desperate straits at any time. Ruth Jeffers, the State Rehabilitation board's field representative is here to help anyone, no matter how handicapped, to find a job where they can support themselves."

The social worker asserted that there are many emergency cases that are flooded with gifts while others go unattended. The board is glad to serve as a clearing house for Sunday school classes and service organizations to see that all the needy have a chance to make their plight known.

There are over 13,000 jobs open in Texas, according to the last TEC report. —ADRIAN VAUGHAN

Notebook — Hal Boyle

# Dogs Now Legally Partake Of Many Rights Of Humans

By GEORGE TUCKER For HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—THERE ARE THOSE who say dogs came to their present position in society through hand-licking and flattery.

This is a wicked lie. The literature of dogs is loaded with actions of courage and loyalty, and history proves them closer to man than any other animal.

I wish I could explain how dogs got that way. . . .

ONCE I KNEW A RED TERRIER WHO followed his master into suicide. He jumped off a building. There was a setter whose heart broke, and he died, when the man who owned him never came home from a duck hunt. Every hear of a sow grieving to death?

Five years ago in Sicily a dog named Chips, a mongrel in the Army's K-9 corps, won a Silver Star by capturing an enemy machinegun nest. He leaped for the gunner's throat, and the gunner, suddenly

Matter Of Fact — Joseph And Stewart Alsop

# First Priority By Russia Atomic Bomb Project Given

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WASHINGTON—The move to use the Secretaryship of Defense as a political plum can be judged only in terms of the central unpleasant fact of our time. Before very long, the Soviet Union may be halfway down the hard road to producing a people's democratic atomic bomb.

This is because one fact stands out from the conflicting evidence concerning the Soviet atomic energy project. The project has absolute first priority. It is under the personal direction of Marshal Beria, the dread police chief of the Soviet empire. And whether Swiss machinery must be dearly bought with foreign exchange, or ten thousand slave laborers are needed the next morning, Marshal Beria has only to sign the order.

This does not mean, of course, that ordinary but costly mistakes, or the inevitable clumsiness of the Soviet system, may not delay the project far beyond the accepted deadline. Much time has already been lost by the Kremlin. Even the greatest of Soviet physicists, Kapitsa, was prevented from exploring nuclear fission during the war. Generalissimo Stalin was informed of the existence of the atomic bomb at Potsdam in 1945. During that year, any German scientist could get a free meal ticket from the British and Americans by claiming to be a physicist. But it was not until 1946 that the Soviets began to round up a prize herd of these rare human cattle.

The year 1946 is accepted as the moment when Marshal Beria's priority was given to him.

The absoluteness of the priority is mainly gauged by the one form of reliable intelligence the Kremlin cannot keep from the West—intelligence concerning the working of the European uranium deposits. There are a considerable number of these, but only the Czech deposits, centered at Joachimsthal, were formerly considered sufficiently valuable to be mined.

willing to pay a human life for every pound of European uranium ore, it must mean that larger and more profitable ore deposits have not yet been brought into production elsewhere in the Soviet empire.

There are also other encouraging factors. One such was the recent denunciation of four Russian physicists. One of the usual Soviet Communist mouthpieces excoriated them for their "agnostic assertion that lack of precision in the behavior of atomic particles is unavoidable. If Marxist dialectics are to dominate the Soviet atomic energy project as well as Soviet biological research, we can expect Marshal Beria's Triple A priority to be useless.

The tale of the single escapee from the Soviet atomic laboratories also carries a little hope. This man was in the top flight of captive German physicists. While he and his colleagues were given every facility and luxury, they were entirely cut off from contact with any knowledgeable Russian. The MVD flatboats who ruled over them required that they work. But since the flatboats knew no more of nuclear physics than the average policeman, the German scientists could have written novels in their work hours if they chose.

None the less, the fact of Marshal Beria's priority remains outstanding. Beside this fact must be placed the further fact that Marshal Beria's organization can avoid much wasteful experiment by reading the American Smyth report.

We have shown the way. The Soviets have enormous engineering obstacles to overcome. They must make an immense investment. But the Americans who have seen the job done here believe that the Russians can do the job too if they are reasonably sensible. This should not merely rule out political trading with vital defense appointments. The need to be ready for 1932 should also condition our entire foreign and defense policy, infusing the whole with a deep sense of urgency and purpose.

# Today's Birthday—

WALTER HOVING, born Dec. 2, 1897, in Stockholm, son of a Finnish physician and a former prima donna of the Swedish Royal Opera. Brought to New York in 1903. Hoving was graduated from Brown with a Ph.D. in psychology. Turning to merchandising he advanced to executive position with R. H. Macy & Co., Montgomery Ward, and became president of Lord & Taylor. He now heads his own large retail corporation.

# Natural Harbor Is Restored From Ruins

PIRAEUS, Dec. 2 (U)—Piraeus, one of the world's best natural harbors, which German demolition squads partially destroyed four years ago, will be reopened to its normal traffic by next January.

Reconstruction of the port was undertaken by the American Mission for aid to Greece one year ago. Cooper A. Puckett, area engineer of the U. S. Corps of Engineers, says: "Piraeus is the biggest reconstruction job undertaken by the Americans in Greece."

The Galveston, Texas, engineer who supervised construction work on the Mississippi river, the Conchas dam in New Mexico and the

Santa Maria docks in the Azores, reports the project is 75 per cent completed. He says the port will be totally reconstructed by the end of this year.

Piraeus has been one of the biggest harbors of the Mediterranean sea for nearly 2,500 years. The use of the harbor centuries ago made Athens a great sea power and won Greece fame as the "Mistress of the Mediterranean."

Because Piraeus became an important port for international trade as well as a strategic strong point in time of war, it was periodically subjected to destruction by attacking forces.

During World War II, the Balkan port was bombed by Italian, German, British and American aircraft. The greatest damage was inflicted, however, by demolition squads of the retreating German army in Oct. 1944.

After the liberation, the British built bridges over some of the craters, temporarily repairing part of the wall.

The burden of rectifying the war damage, however, fell upon the American mission in August, 1947. Last September American engineers began to remove the debris. Wreckage surveys were taken by six American divers. Storage buildings were erected. Temporary dock facilities were constructed for unloading construction equipment imported from the United States. Actual construction of the quay wall began in November. Soon after engineers began repair of the breakwater and two drydocks.

Piraeus reconstruction is being carried on with funds allocated by the American mission. It is estimated the total cost will approximate \$5,260,000.

Dredging will open the harbor, which before 1941 had handled as much traffic as Marseille, France, to large seagoing vessels. The channel will be seven to nine feet shallower than the harbor at New York.

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# Quartets Will Give Concert

A "double-header" concert of quartet music is being offered here Saturday night, when the Jim Tucker Quartet of Houston and the Stamps-Baxter Quartet of Dallas appear under auspices of the American Business club.

The program is to be at the city auditorium, beginning at 7:30. Admission prices are 75 cents for adults, 25 cents for children.

Both musical organizations are well known in Texas, both as radio entertainers and for many appearances at singing conventions and similar gatherings. Their presentations will include spirituals, hymns, popular numbers and novelty songs.

The Stamps-Baxter group, heard regularly on WFAA, Dallas, includes Mrs. Lonnie B. Combs, Henry Flood, Lonnie B. Combs and Shaw Eiland.

The Jim Tucker quartet, a KTHH (Houston) attraction, is composed of Herman Hicks, Hugh Magness, Manse Sharp and Buck Green, with Mildred Williams as pianist.

# Texas' McFadden Gets New Honors

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 2 (U)—Another honor has been accorded Texas' "Burbank of the Wheat Field," Edgar S. McFadden.

The American Agricultural Editors Assn., meeting in Chicago yesterday, recognized the College Station man for "distinguished service to American agriculture."

Development of disease-resistant wheat won the honor for McFadden, who is jointly employed as an agronomist by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

# GREETING MORE THAN PREMATURE

PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 2 (U)—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Halstead never eat gelatin for dessert.

This worried them considerably yesterday when they returned home from a Denver trip to find that some prankster had mixed approximately 30 gallons of cherry-flavored gelatin in the bathtub.

The glossy red stuff was inscribed in whipped cream with this premature greeting: "Merry Christmas."



# Overparking Wrecks Gala Honeymoon

BALTIMORE, Dec. 2 (U)—The David Fromals had a gala honeymoon all mapped out when they emerged from a Newport News, Va., church last Saturday.

They would drive to Baltimore in his dad's car, stay overnight there, then roll on up to New York—where neither had been before—for a leisurely honeymoon.

It worked out nicely—until Sunday morning. When they were ready to leave, Fromal couldn't find his dad's car.

The hotel clerk advised him to get in touch with the police. He did.

"Sure, we have your car—in the city impounding lot," the desk sergeant told him. "Bring down your registration card, and you can have it back after you've paid the impounding fee and parking fine."

But Fromal didn't have the registration card. He contacted his father, who said yesterday he mailed the card by special delivery Monday night.

The letter still hasn't arrived, and the Fromals still are spending their honeymoon in Baltimore.

Until last night the bridegroom

# Man May Yet Fly Like Bird

DAYTON, O., Dec. 2 (U)—The old dream of a machine that flies by flapping its wings like a bird has come true, at least in toy size, a Wright Field engineer says.

Adam J. Stolzenberger, a civilian engineer at the big Air Force base, told a reporter he had been working at home and on his own time for a year and had built about 250 models along lines of birds and insects.

Now he has one, he said, that flies. It's small, he explained, and powered by a rubber band that turns an eccentric rotor, but it's

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 been patented and accepted by a toy manufacturer.  
 Stolzenberger said that if he made any money out of it, he'd build a man-carrying model.  
 He said that many scientists believe the ornithopter to be the ultimate development in private aviation. One could hover like a helicopter or move forward with unlimited speed, he said.

# Brady Man Buys Hereford Champ

LLANO, Dec. 2 (U)—Puritan Domino B. 12th, consigned by A. D. Kothmann of Mason, topped the joint Mason and Llano County Hereford sale held here yesterday. It brought \$735 and was sold to J. S. Wall of Brady.

The offering included 12 horned and polled animals consigned by 17 breeders of Mason and Llano Counties. They sold for an average price of \$443. Average price for 39 bulls was \$453 and that of three cows was \$320.

Top cow of the sale was consigned by Allan Newsum and sold to C. R. Martin of Llano for \$650.

The reserve champion bull, Cherokee Royal Romingo, sold for \$720 and was also bought by Wall.

# Suit On Red Charge Recessed 'Til Dec. 8

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2 (U)—The reinstatement suit of Film Writer Lester Cole, one of "the Hollywood 10," against MGM studio has been continued until Dec. 8.

Federal Judge Leon R. Yankwich stopped the trial yesterday following a lengthy recess talk with attorneys. He said headway was being made in "reducing the area of disagreement" in the case.

Cole was suspended by MGM a year ago after he refused to tell the House Un-American Activities Committee whether he was a Communist. He was earning \$1,350 a week.

# Humble Wins Conroe Oil Tract Suit

HOUSTON, Dec. 2 (U)—Federal Judge T. M. Kennerly yesterday ruled in favor of the Humble Oil and Refining Co. and other defendants in a Conroe oil tract suit. He ruled there was no evidence to support the allegation of fraud.

Lawrence C. Larson, guardian of Josephine Donnelly and other relatives of the late William Moore, had asked \$3 million damages on grounds they had been deprived of their just share of the wealth from oil land owned by Moore.

# Californians Fall For Another Cut

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2 (U)—At least 30 people in California, a flourishing land for cults, are ready to try a new one.

Produce Buyer E. M. Abel said he found this out when someone, apparently a practical joker, placed this ad in a San Francisco newspaper:

"Wanted: disciples, adherents for new philosophy, religion and happiness."  
 The ad listed Abel's telephone number.

Thirty persons have called—one at 2:30 o'clock in the morning—"to apply for conversion," Abel said.

# European Fog Lifts

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**Save Navy Pilots**

QUAM, Dec. 2 (AP)—Three Navy fighter pilots were rescued outside Guam's Apra Harbor today after ditching their planes late Wednesday when they ran out of gas. An intensive search continued for a fourth pilot.

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**SHOVEL and HOE**

A Garden Column by Virginia Scott. Presented by the Big Spring Garden Club.

Hardy Evergreens, in small sizes make beautiful porch or window box material. Seeding Pines are most attractive used in this way. It does not hurt them to freeze, but they must never be allowed to dry out. Should be soaked thoroughly at planting time and after every thaw. Later, this material can be planted and used in the garden.

Trees, set out this season, should be anchored to keep them from blowing over. Stakes will take care of small trees. The larger ones will have to be held in place by wires tied to stakes in the ground and wrapped around the tree trunk. Be sure to place the wire inside a piece of old rubber hose, where it contacts the tree, so that the bark will not be injured by the wire.

Foxgloves and Canterbury Bells can be protected by coal ashes or sand around the crowns (not over them). Hold up the bottom leaves while performing this operation. Some growers tie the bunched leaves of Foxgloves up over the crowns and leave them, but we rarely have any losses when the leaves are allowed to fall on the ashes or sand.

Tulips on Bladiolus corms can be checked through the use of naphthalene flakes sprinkled over containers or bags in which the corms are stored. A light application is sufficient. Too much might retard growth.

**MORE SHRUBS**  
We have mentioned many of the colored berry-bearing shrubs. There are white ones just as good. Snow-berry is a low growing shrub that bears large white berries. Will grow in a variety of soils, but is said to be generally native to limestone and clay. Will tolerate shade. May be propagated by division.

Some of the bush Dogwoods bear white fruit. These plants are better for woody effects on large places than in the formal garden or small planting. They grow fast and are sometimes used as filler plants between slower growing material, then removed when they begin to crowd. Some have attractive red stems in winter. Avoid the creeping type.

Flowering Almond is a good, hardy shrub which grows low enough to face down some of the extremely tall shrubs. It bears beautiful pink flowers in the spring. The plants sucker freely and can be propagated by division.

Don't forget to prune tops of shrubs at planting time, if you want a strong, shapely bush. We repeat

**Suit Toys To Tykes Is Expert's Advice**

By The Associated Press

The selection of toys you make for the youngsters on your Christmas list can play a very important part in their education for living. Shopping for toys should be preceded by some careful observation of each child's play interests, by playing with him and watching his play activities. Before you buy, take advantage of informative labels and tags which American manufacturers offer, advising an age appeal of toys, based on research.

Most children will develop many different interests, if you provide them with the toys that will encourage them. They like active physical play; they like imitative, imaginative, dramatic play; they like manipulative, constructive and especially creative play materials. They need toys not only for these interests, but also toys that change with the changing interests and capacities of the child at each age level.

In many homes where there is an only child or several boys or several girls, a youngster may miss out on important play experience because of the mistaken idea that certain types of toys are only for boys or only for girls.

Boys are just as keenly interested in family life as girls are. They need toys that are related to family life just as girls do—housekeeping toys, dolls and miniature furniture.

Girls like to make things. They enjoy pounding and hammering. They have a fundamental need for this type of play activity, but often miss out when there is no little brother in the home, because parents label such toys for "boys only."

It's important, too, for parents and children to share some playtime. Some toys should be chosen with the idea of providing mutually interesting games and recreation

this because so many people "Cannot bear to cut them off." We wonder why.

**NOTES**  
Coldframes prepared in the fall are available for much earlier planting in the spring.

Geraniums must have sunshine for bloom. Poinsettias like a cool room, around seventy degrees. Cold air is not good for house plants; they should be protected against drafts. Newspapers against window panes at night are helpful.

Hard-wood cuttings of shrubs can be made at this time and buried in damp sand in cold frame or cellar. Look at your drainage. Make cuttings about ten inches long and tie in bundles.

for both grownups and children. Here are some suggestions on basic play interests at different age levels, as worked out by various studies:

For the infant to 2 years—rattles and other sound producing toys, things to grasp and pound and bang; as he begins to walk, things to push, pull, and carry; soft cuddly dolls and animals; rubber toys; bath toys; things to put together and take apart.

For 2 years to 4 years—push-pull toys; wheel toys; climbing apparatus; dolls and simple house-keeping equipment; farm animals and zoo animals; sand toys; blocks; paints and crayons and clay; musical instruments, etc.

For 4 to 6 years—in addition to those of the age before, toys for store play; doctor and nurse kits; trucks and wagons; more blocks of different sizes and shapes; puzzles, games with words, numbers, time; more musical instruments; simple carpentry equipment; boats and trains, etc.

For 6 to 8 years—in addition, science materials; all kinds of mechanical toys; real housekeeping things; miniatures of all kinds; paper dolls and cut-outs; dress-up materials, etc.

For 8 years and over—hobby outfits of all kinds; competitive games; games of skill and information; puzzles; costumes and props for simple dramatics; model sets; puppets; construction sets, etc.

These age norms should not be applied rigidly—each child grows and matures at his or her own rate and some are fast and some are slow. Buy toys that fit your child, not an age group.

**Alabama Hears Rape Testimony**

WEUMPKA, Ala., Dec. 2 (AP)—The state continued today to marshal evidence in the trial of stocky 30-year-old John C. Howard, Jr., one of two white men accused of raping two Negro women.

Melinda Jackson, 22, testified at the start of the trial yesterday that Howard raped her twice on the seat of a pickup truck after threatening her.

Howard's companion, 23-year-old Jack Oliver, is charged with raping Annie Grayson. The two have been held in jail since their arrest last April.

Under Alabama law, a conviction for rape or armed robbery can call for a maximum penalty of death.

**Houston Talking New Giant Bowl**

HOUSTON, Dec. 2 (AP)—The biggest city in Texas is thinking of building a football stadium more in proportion to the city's size. And, of course, there's talk that a really big stadium would be a wonderful place to hold a post-season bowl game.

City Councilman W. A. Kirkland proposes construction of a Municipal Stadium seating 75,000 to 100,000. Mayor Oscar Holcombe thinks it's a "good idea."



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Franco-American SPAGHETTI	One Lb. Can 15c

LIBBY'S SWEET MIX PICKLES	12 Ounce Jar 25c
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SCHILLING'S ORANGE PEKOE TEA	One Half Pound Box 49c
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HERSHEY'S SYRUP	1 Lb. Can 15c
PETTY'S PURE HONEY	5 Lb. Jar 99c
PHILLIP'S TOMATO SOUP	1 Lb. Can 9c
VEL	Large Box 27c
LUX SOAP	3 Reg. Bars 24c

CALIFORNIA WHITE CELERY	Pound 12 1/2c
FIRM HEADS LETTUCE	Pound 10c

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**Horizontal Advocates Won't Bow To Anyone**

TOKYO, Dec. 2. (U. P.) — Hirohito Matsumoto remains unbending in his refusal to bow to Emperor Hirohito.

When the emperor opened the fourth regular session of the diet today, 500 members bowed reverently, their eyes glued to the carpet. But not Matsumoto. He stood stiffly erect at the foot of the gold throne and stared coldly at Hirohito.

Matsumoto is vice president of Japan's house of councillors. He is also leader of the Horizontal Society—the Japanese way of saying all people should be on the same level.

**Noyes Services Set For Friday**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2. (U. P.) — Memorial services for Frank B. Noyes, veteran newspaper publisher and pioneer Associated Press leader, will be held here tomorrow.

The rites will be conducted by the Rev. C. Leslie Gison, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church at 2 p.m. (EST). Burial will be private.

**Izvestia Warns Scandinavians Of Military Bloc**

MOSCOW, Dec. 2. (U. P.) — The Government Newspaper Izvestia warned Scandinavian countries today against "plans for a Scandinavian military bloc."

The article said the plan was an American device for getting the Scandinavian countries into the "Western Union."

**Claims Korea Scrap**

MOSCOW, Dec. 2. (U. P.) — A Soviet news agency dispatch from Pyongyang, capital of north Korea, said today miners there are demonstrating "against the American occupation" in the south.

**Everyone Eats Too Hurriedly At Breakfast, Relaxed Manner Best**

If a survey were made, it would probably be found that nearly everyone eats too hurriedly—especially at breakfast. A combination of eating in the proper relaxed manner and choosing the needed health-building foods is essential in every home.

Selecting the proper food isn't too difficult, however. Doctors, nurses and dieticians recommend oatmeal for morning meals. It's sound reasoning — for oatmeal contains vitamins B-1, Protein, Iron and Energy—excellent qualifications for a nutritious, health-building food.

In addition to an abundance of nutrition, oatmeal is remarkably low in cost. A single serving costs approximately one cent—or even less.

**SCOTCH MEAT LOAF**

1 lb. ground meat (beef, veal or lamb)  
1 1/2 cups oatmeal

2 teaspoons salt  
1 1/2 teaspoons pepper  
1 egg  
1 1/2 cup milk  
1-3 cup ketchup  
2 teaspoons chopped onion  
Combine oats, salt and pepper; add to meat. Beat egg; add milk ketchup and onion, mix well. Pack into greased loaf pan. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 1 hour. Serve 6.

**FRIED BREAKFAST OATMEAL**  
Pack left-over oatmeal porridge into a small well-greased loaf pan. Cover with wax paper. Chill overnight. Cut in slices, dip in beaten egg, then in flour, and pan-fry in hot fat on both sides until well-browned. Serve hot, with pork sausage.

**OATMEAL MUFFINS**  
1 cup oatmeal  
1 cup buttermilk or sour milk  
1 egg  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1 cup flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon soda  
1/2 cup melted shortening  
1 cup flour

Soak oatmeal in buttermilk 1 hour; add egg and beat well. Add sugar and mix. Add flour sifted with salt, baking powder and soda. Add cooled shortening. Bake in greased muffin tins in hot oven (400 degrees F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 1 dozen.

**Platters Of Holiday Cookies Make Handsome And Delightful Treats**

By MARTHA LOGAN

Half the fun of Christmas comes in making festive cookies for handsome holiday platters. Most fun of all are the kinds that are cut into Santas, wreaths or bells and then decorated with a Christmas touch.

Use regular cookie cutters, cardboard patterns, or smooth edged cans. A doughnut cutter will make a realistic wreath if the cookie is

leed and decorated with green sugar and little red candies. Colored sugar, nuts and candied fruit can be sprinkled on the cookies before baking or they can be frosted with a white or tinted icing and then decorated.

Decorations should taste good as well as look good. For instance, a whole almond could be used for a bell clapper. Use your imagination on round cookies. Make holly sprigs from citron and candied cherries. Just for good eating's sake try a topping of silvered candied pineapple and chopped nuts. Give Santa a grated coconut beard and chocolate bit buttons. Or what about a gumdrop star to top the cookie Christmas trees?

The sour cream cookies imaginatively decorated make wonderful ornaments for the real Christmas tree, too. Make ties to fasten them to the tree by pressing a string into the cookie dough before baking. The first recipe is for Sour Cream cookies so you can try your imagination with decorations on all different shapes. The Chocolate Snowballs need only a dusting of powdered sugar and they're all set for the holiday festivity.

**Roll'd 'Our Cream Cookies**  
Yield: 10 dozen 3-inch cookies  
3-3 cup fortified margarine  
1-2-3 cups sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 EGGS  
3/4 cups sifted flour  
1/2 teaspoon soda  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1/2 cup thick sour cream  
Cream margarine well. Add sugar gradually with salt and vanilla. Continue creaming. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add flour sifted with soda and baking powder, alternately with sour cream. Chill. Roll into thin sheet. Cut in desired shapes. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in moderate oven (375F.) about 8 minutes.  
Note: These cookies may be sprinkled with sugar before baking, or cooled, and then decorated.

**Chocolate Snowballs**  
Yield: About 6 dozen  
1 1/2 cups fortified margarine  
3-3 cup sugar  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
2 cups sifted flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup cocoa  
3 cups finely chopped pecans  
Cream margarine, sugar, and vanilla until fluffy, sift flour with salt and cocoa and add to creamed mixture, blending thoroughly. Add pecans, and mix well. Bake in a moderate oven (350F.) about 15 minutes. Cool. Roll in confectioner's sugar.

**Pecan Cake Adds Much To Saturday Night Supper Menu**

Sliced Luncheon Meat with Raisin Sauce  
Buttered Cauliflower  
Bread and Butter  
Pecan Cake\* Beverage

(Recipe for Starred Dish Follows)  
**PECAN CAKE**  
Ingredients: 1 cup sifted cake flour, 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1-3 cups butter or margarine or other shortening, 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar, 2 eggs, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla, 1/2 cup milk, 1/2 cup chopped pecan nut meats.  
Method: Put flour, baking powder, and salt into a sifter. Cream fat until fluffy, add sugar gradually and continue to cream well. Add eggs and vanilla, and beat in well with electric mixer. (If electric mixer is not used beat eggs separately with a rotary beater until thick and pale colored and add.) Sift in flour mixture, alternately with milk, in four additions, beginning and ending with flour, and mixing only until ingredients are well combined. Add pecan nut meats and mix lightly; do not over-mix. Turn into an 8 or 9-inch square cake pan that has been greased and floured and bake in a moderate (350F.) oven for about 25 or 30 minutes, or until done.

**Buttermilk Dressing Can Add To Friday's Fare Of The Ordinary**

Broiled Scallops Tartare Sauce  
Baked Potatoes Green Peas  
Cabbage Slaw  
Buttermilk Dressing\*  
Bread and Butter  
Baked Chocolate Pudding  
(Recipe for Starred Dish Follows)  
**BUTTERMILK DRESSING**  
Ingredients: 2 tablespoons flour,

1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 tablespoon sugar, few grain cayenne pepper, 1/4 cup buttermilk, 1 egg, 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, 2 tablespoons cider vinegar.  
Method: Put the flour, salt, mustard, sugar and cayenne in the top part of a double boiler and stir extremely well; add a little of the buttermilk and mix until smooth. Beat the egg until yolk and white are well combined and add with remaining buttermilk to

**Winter Marmalade Is Easy To Make**

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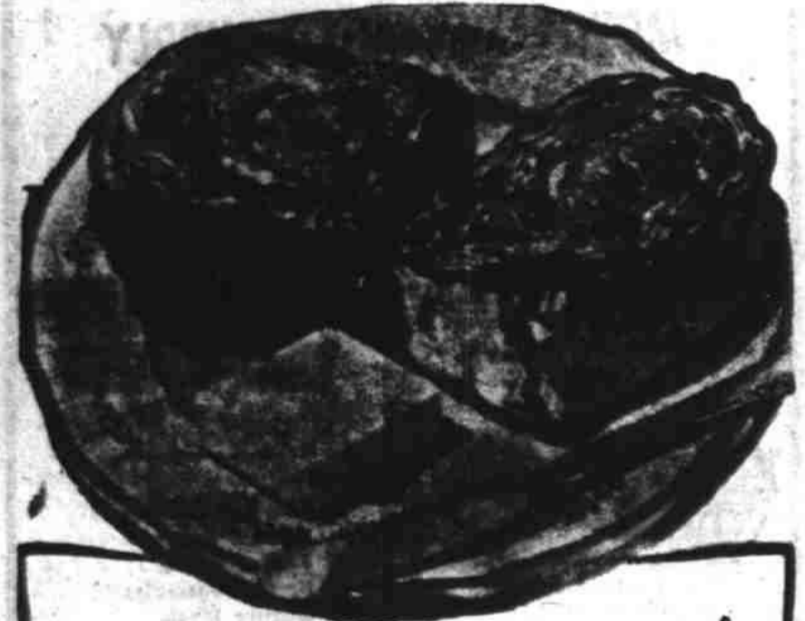
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Phillips Tire Now Motorola Agent For Area

The Phillips Tire Co., located at the corner of Fourth and Johnson streets, has been appointed local distributor for Motorola products.

The firm already has laid in a stock of Motorola radios and automobile heaters.

The local U. S. Rubber Co. dealer also has installed a budget system, which permits customers to take advantage of installment buying on a uniform plan.

Timely merchandise now being featured at the Phillips Tire Co. includes seat covers, permanent base anti-freeze and the automobile heaters.



Meats And New Lines Are Popular Items At Douglass Food Store

Douglass Food Store, 1018 Johnson, famous for its excellence in meats, is expanding its service with addition of several new lines.

The meat department, however, continues to be the center of this well-balanced food mart, for Dale Douglass, owner, specializes in securing and processing the finest meats available.

He still supervises this department closely from selection through preparation. That's why many who want dependability in their pork and beef shop nowhere but at Douglass'.

Until recently, it was not possible to get those delicious Sexton's meat and barbecue sauces except in better cafes, but now that Sexton's is branching into the retail field, Douglass has been made exclusive agent in Big Spring.

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Specialists in dyeing and cleaning of blankets and drapes are the Cornelson Cleaners, located at 911 Johnson street in Big Spring. That type of service is especially popular with the housewife at the present time of year, when winter bed clothes have been taken from storage for use, and in the spring, when spring house cleaning is undertaken.

For those who can't come to the shop, the establishment maintains a pick-up and delivery service that reaches to all corners of the city. Complete alteration service is proffered by the concern, which also features made-to-order clothing to suit any taste.

Roy Cornelson, owner and manager of the concern bearing his name, has been in the cleaning and pressing business in Big Spring for the past 15 years and bases his reputation on the service he has proffered in the past.

Business hours of the establishment are from 7:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m. Business telephone number is 122.

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Christmas Goodies Ready In Abundance

Christmas is coming soon, and Douglass Food Store at Eleventh Place and Johnson is ready for the gala season. In stocks are copious supplies of nuts and goodies, flavorful fruits and quality brand candy.

Dale Douglass, owner, said that a supply of Christmas trees would arrive within a few days.

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RADIO HEADQUARTERS - An increasing number of Big Spring people consider the Radio Lab, pictured above in its new quarters in the 500 block of Gregg street, as radio headquarters because of the friendly and efficient service of H. D. (Doc) Walton, an expert in radio repair and a neighborly merchandiser of quality radios and parts. (Jack M. Haynes Photo).

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# Budget Director Says Tax Raise Appears In Offing

DETROIT, Dec. 1. (AP) — Budget Director James E. Webb said today federal spending next fiscal year threatens the government with a deficit unless taxes are raised.

Webb interrupted his work on the budget President Truman will present to Congress next month to address a meeting of state government officials at the ninth biennial General Assembly of the States.

He said in his prepared speech that 1950 spending will top this year's \$42 billion, adding: "This means that under present tax laws we face the possibility of a deficit at a time when a surplus is needed to help curb inflationary pressures, reduce the public debt, and provide some reserve against the unpredictable hazards of a world not yet at peace."

## Draws A Two-Year Suspended Sentence

Arnold H. Farrington, who entered a plea of guilty to the charge of embezzlement, drew a two-year suspended sentence in 70th district court Wednesday afternoon.

## Tomatoes, Milk Arrive For Schools

A quantity of canned tomatoes and dried milk has arrived here for distribution to school lunch rooms throughout this area.

## IN TRAINING

Pfc. Adolfo P. Sanchez, grandson of Benita Polanco of Big Spring is presently training as an Air Force Technician at the USAF Technical School at Ft. Francis F. Barron, Wyoming. It has been announced by Col. John C. B. Elliott, commanding officer.

## SEND TODAY FOR YOUR BOOK OF Christmas Candies

Advertisement for Imperial Sugar featuring a book of Christmas candies. Includes a coupon for a free copy.

Advertisement for James Little, Attorney-at-Law, State Nat'l Bank Bldg., Phone 393.

Advertisement for Madam Carlo, Astrologer and Advisor, offering business, love, and marriage advice.

Advertisement for a murder trial of Samuel B. Gibson, scheduled for Wednesday.

This increase seems to be slackening off, whereas the demands for governmental services are still increasing.

## SOIL CONSERVATION Field Day Plans To Be Set Friday

Supervisors of the Martin-Howard Soil Conservation District and Big Spring farm implement dealers will meet Friday afternoon at 2:00 p. m. with C. A. Denton on the Mrs. W. S. Miller farm seven miles east of Big Spring to complete plans for the Soil Conservation Field Day on December 9.

Final arrangements will be made at the meeting for the application of a coordinated soil conservation program on the Miller farm including cover crops, crop residue management, chisel plowing, sub surface tillage, contour farming and terrace construction.

## Greyhound Makes Schedule Changes

Cancellation of two schedules, which operated so closely to others as to constitute duplication has been announced by Southwestern Greyhound Bus lines.

## Child Cancer-Ridden PARENTS SAVE CHRISTMAS GIFTS IN HOPE THAT SON MAY LIVE

DALLAS, Dec. 2. (AP) — Mr. and Mrs. J. R. (Ray) Cone refuse to give up all hope that their four-year-old son will be alive on Christmas Day.

## Drug Suspect Is Released On Bond

Tiburcio (Chongo) Nunez, indicted on the charge of possessing marijuana by the grand jury earlier in the week, has been released on \$1,000 bond.

## Murder Trial Is Slated Wednesday

Murder trial of Samuel B. Gibson, Negro charged with the knife slaying of Juan Alague, 14, here early in November, has been set down for Wednesday in 70th district court.

## Legion To Hold Officer Clinic

First of a series of informational conferences, designed to acquaint all post officers and members with aims, policies, and operations of the American Legion is to be held in Big Spring tonight, at the local post's clubhouse. Starting time is 7:30.

## Beer Sales License Is Suspended Here

A 15-day suspension of the beer sales license issued to Buster's Cafe, 1103 West Third street, will shortly be invoked. J. T. Morgan of the Texas Liquor Control board has announced.

## Police Holding Thefts Suspects

Two Latin-Americans, both of whom listed San Antonio as their home, were detained in city jail last night following recovery of merchandise reportedly stolen from local establishments, Police Chief Pete Green reported this morning.

## J. N. Routh Jr.'s Body On Way Home, Abilene Rites Set

Body of J. N. Routh, Jr., former Big Spring resident, is to be returned to Abilene from overseas, and services have been set for the Laughter Funeral Home for 2 p. m. Sunday.

## CAP Applications To Be Accepted

Applications for the Civil Air Patrol will be accepted at a meeting of all interested parties at the Settes hotel, at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

## Civil Suit Opens 70th District Court

A civil suit, styled F. W. White vs. W. S. Christie, opened in 70th district court this morning following selection of a jury.

## WEATHER

Weather forecast for Big Spring and vicinity, including temperature and wind conditions.

## Clubhouse To Be Opened By Legion

The Legion clubhouse, in observance of the holiday season, is to be open each evening through December (Sunday's excepted), it was announced today by Post Commander Neel Barnaby.

## Santa

Legion Heights school Midway school, East Ward school, North Ward school, Central Ward school, West Ward school, Scout Troop No. 9, Howard County Junior College, College Heights P-T-A.

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## MARKETS

Market prices for cotton, wool, and other commodities in New York and Fort Worth.

## Aspermont Woman Dies At Hospital

Marion Geneva West, 50, Aspermont, died in a hospital here Wednesday after a long illness.

## How To Relieve Bronchitis

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## B. W. Keithley Funeral Held

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Adjudged To 'Take Christ As Partner'

Scores Gather For Dedication Of Garden City Church Plant

GARDEN CITY, Nov. 29—Scores of people who gathered here Sunday for the dedication of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, a new debt-free \$30,000 plant, were adjudged to "take Christ as a partner" and to "have big thoughts."

The Rev. Brown C. Welch, Lubbock, a former pastor, preached the dedicatory sermon and the Rev. A. A. Collins, who preceded the present pastor, Rev. Archer C. Durrant, performed dedicatory rites and offered the dedicatory prayer.

Mrs. Rube R. Ricker played the prelude and postlude, as well as the offertory selection and served as accompanist. Mrs. A. C. Durrant and Mrs. Marshall Cook sang a duet, "We Gather Together"; a mixed quartet, "Make Me A Channel of Blessing"; was sung by Mrs. J. L. Parker, Mrs. A. C. Durrant, Phil Smith and L. L. Watkins. Phil Smith sang a special song for the occasion.

Among the charter members present were Mrs. W. L. Lemmons, the only one still residing in Garden City, Mrs. B. P. Lovelace and Mrs. John Chaney, Big Spring. Mrs. Lovelace was an early secretary of the church, which was founded in 1907.

The new building is the second to house the congregation, the original building having been destroyed by fire in August of 1947. Besides subscribing to the building, now located west of the courthouse, friends and members of the church gave items of furnishings and furniture, many of them in memory of loved ones.

At noon a larger number of people enjoyed a basket picnic dinner, spread at the Garden City school luncheon room.

Numbers of out-of-town people were present for the special rites, including Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Cox and children of Eastland; Rev. and Mrs. Brown C. Welch, and children, Lubbock; Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Collins, Lovington, N. M.; Mrs. F. M. Cox, Comstock; Mr. and Mrs. Phil Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Chaney, and Mrs. B. P. Lovelace, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Kinslow, and Miss Maurine Fewell, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ratliff, Jr. and children, Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Rutherford, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Newland, Crane; Mrs. L. S. McDowell, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Lorin McDowell, Lees;

New Road Chief

WACO, Dec. 1.—Gilbert Smith of Fort Worth is the Texas Rural Roads Assn.'s new executive director.

FORESEES PROSPERITY

Government Asks High Farm Output

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The government staked more chips on continued prosperity today, asking farmers to produce extra poultry, milk, vegetables, sheep and lambs next year.

Anticipating "continued high consumer demands," the Agriculture Department announced these 1949 goals: Poultry—35,100,000 turkeys and 700,000,000 young chickens—a 10 per cent increase. It suggested, however, that this year's estimated total of 425 million laying hens be cut by 20 million. That would give each person an average of 370 eggs—instead of 380—during the year, and about four pounds of turkey and 23.5 pounds of chicken.

Milk—a three per cent boost to 120 billion pounds. Vegetables—with acreage increased to 717,850, the department suggested five per cent more lima beans, sweet corn and cucumbers; 7 per cent more snap beans; 12 per cent more sweet potatoes; four per cent more beets and watermelons and two per cent more tomatoes. Goals for peas, peppers, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower and asparagus will be the same as this year's, but a cut was advised on lettuce, celery, cantaloupes, honeydews and onions.

Sheep and lambs—the addition of at least 2 million to this year's flock of 28,500,000. The department already has called for a 17 per cent boost in the 1949 spring pig crop—to insure more pork chops for next fall and winter.

Since consumption of farm products tends to rise and fall with business and employment conditions, the call for increases was taken as a favorable straw in the economic wind.

Building Pace At New Record

A total of \$102,975 for November pushed building permits to a new all-time record here for a single year. F. W. Bettie, city building inspector, announced this morning.

The November activity boosted the year's total to \$1,283,565, excluding the Veterans Hospital project. The previous record for a single year was \$1,200,121, established in 1946.

If December maintains the average established during the first 11 months, the grand total for 1948 will exceed seven million dollars, including the \$5,642,650 Veterans hospital permit which was issued in March of this year. Such a figure will easily overshadow any previous records in the city's history.

Gains have been steady during most of 1948, Bettie said, with only June, July and October figures falling to exceed the 1947 rate on monthly comparison. The total for 1947 was \$1,178,765.

Although statistics have not been compiled on various types of construction, the increase is attributed to substantial gains in both residential and commercial building.

Garden City Infant Drowns

GARDEN CITY, Dec. 1.—Billy Morris, one-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Morris, drowned Tuesday in a small surface tank.

Efforts to revive him were fruitless. Services will be held at Comcho, near Paint Rock, Thursday afternoon, the Eberley Funeral home announced.

Billy wandered away while his mother was engaged in washing Tuesday afternoon. Minutes later she missed him and discovered his body in the tank. Joy Wikerson, unloading gas at the home on the Jim Neal ranch three miles north of here at the time, gave aid but all efforts to restore the child were in vain.

Besides the parents, Billy, who was born Feb. 23, 1947, is survived by two brothers, Charles and Herbert Morris; three sisters, Alta Faye, Ora Mae and Estelle Morris; his grandfather, W. A. Hudson, Eden, and an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Morris, Ozona, who arrived to be with the family Wednesday.

Committee Named To Give Texas Vote Laws Check

AUSTIN, Dec. 1.—The job of finding flaws in Texas' election laws today was in the hands of an 11-member committee announced yesterday by Gov. Beauford H. Jester.

The committee's first meeting was called for Dec. 8 here. Gov. Jester said the committee is to study the whole question of election law revision and report its findings to the governor, who will pass the information on to the legislature.

Named to the committee were Lt. Gov. Allan Shivers, Atty. Gen. Price Daniel, Speaker of the House W. O. Reed, Secretary of State Paul Brown, J. M. Patterson, Sr., of Austin, John Ben Sheppard of Gladewater, Judge E. C. Grindstaff of Ballinger, H. Grady Chandler of Austin, Vann M. Kennedy of Corpus Christi, Mrs. William Y. Fenn of Midland, and W. A. (Bill) Smith of Houston.

Work Begins On The Houses Of Shell Camp

GARDEN CITY, Nov. 29—Six carpenters have arrived to begin work on the houses of the Shell camp, just southwest of here.

All the porches are being torn off and will be restored with new material, including concrete foundations. A number of window facings will be replaced and other repairs made. H. A. Haynes, chief engineer, estimates the job will require a month.

Students home from college for the holidays were Anita Calverley and Juanita Ratliff from Sul Ross, Basil Keithley, Janet Hightower, and Leonard Bryants from Tech; James and Jerry Currie from the University of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Newland of Crane spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bryants.

Mary Alice Mitchell, Tahoka, and a student at Tech, spent the weekend in the Steve Currie home.

Mr. and Mrs. Foy Johnson and children, Curtis Dan and Chloetea, of Lubbock, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Watkins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hightower had their three daughters with them for the holidays, Janet from Lubbock, Marceline from Midland and Mrs. Ray Jean Hobbs, Lees.

Mrs. George Strigler and children left Sunday morning by bus for Stephenville, where she will visit her mother, who has been ill. Harry Love Calverley, student at Sul Ross, Alpine, is at home because of illness. He is in a hospital in Big Spring and will not be able to return to his studies for some time.

Dennis Wall Dies Suddenly At Del Rio

Dennis Wall, 42, member of the Saunders company staff, died suddenly in Del Rio at 2:30 a. m. Tuesday.

Cause of death was not known immediately. Mrs. Wall was with him at the time.

The body was being returned here Tuesday afternoon and will be at the Eberley Funeral home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wall had gone to Del Rio on a business trip, and together they had accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davenport, Del Rio, to a theatre. When they returned to the hotel after the show, he was apparently feeling well.

Later he became ill and a physician was summoned. He seemed to rally and was feeling better just before he died suddenly.

Wall, who made his home at 102 Dixie, had been a resident of Big Spring for the past six years, with the exception of time in the Army. He was an expert technician and had an interest with Marvin Saunders in the Saunders Company, wholesale pump and plumbing concern.

Twenty Grain Loans Granted

Approximately 20 government grain sorghum loans were granted through local personnel of the ACA Monday a spokesman announced.

A total of 2,105,740 pounds of the winter grain is now covered by loan and more is coming in daily. Amount of money involved in the loans is \$45,694.73.

Slightly less than one half of the grain produced in the county this year is protected under the loan plan. The other portion either has been sold or could not qualify because of moisture content, etc.

The grain produced within the county is in storage either here, in Lamesa or Fort Worth.

Farmers have through Dec. 31 to apply for the loan.

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El Paso Water Plan

BROWNSVILLE, Dec. 1.—A delegation from the Rio Grande Valley City Officials Assn. will appear before the board of water commissioners in Austin on Dec. 13 to oppose El Paso's application to draw up to 27,000 acre feet yearly from the Rio Grande.

The association voted last night to protest El Paso's application after A. L. Cramer, president of the Valley Water Conservation Assn., advised that diversion at El Paso would further curtail water supplies from the Rio Grande for the valley.

Commissioners Learn Progress Is Slow On Lomax Right-Of-Way

Progress on securing right-of-way on the omxax lateral road project is slow. W. S. Morrison, county judge, reported to the commissioners county Monday.

He said that only one deed had been secured for roadway needed to widen the lateral according to state highway specifications. Several others, however, had indicated their willingness to donate right-of-way to get the permanent, paved road. One property owner declined to give roadway for widening, said the judge, and no reply has been received yet from an out-of-state owner of another tract.

Work on the project can be started as soon as the deeds are signed, the state highway department has indicated. The four mile stretch, which would give Lomax its first paved connection, is part of the county-stage 75-25 road program.

Garden City Man Dies Suddenly

GARDEN CITY, Dec. 1.—Basil Keithley, about 40, died suddenly at his home here at noon Wednesday.

Mr. Keithley had been out on his ranch this morning and returned to the house at about 11:30 a. m. and advised his family that he was not feeling well. He died approximately half an hour later.

Survivors include the wife, one son, Basil Keithley, Jr., a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock; both parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Keithley of Garden City; two sisters, Mrs. J. L. Parker and Mrs. Fred Chaney, both of Garden City; a half sister, Mrs. James Cook, Garden City; and a half brother, Andy McCord, Houston.

Funeral arrangements were to be made later today.

Oil Fields Still Open As Flaring Hearings Proceed

AUSTIN, Dec. 1.—Fifteen oil fields which the Railroad Commission seeks to shut down because of alleged wasteful flaring of gas had secured temporary restraining orders by early today.

The court orders prevent the commission's crackdown from going into effect until hearings can be held in 19 suits that oil companies have filed thus far in 98th and 53rd District courts. Insurance of temporary restraining orders was completed for all fields as hearing of a suit involving the Heysler field in Calhoun and Victoria Counties entered its second day.

The state was expected to continue cross-examination of witnesses in its effort to prove that oil operators in the Heysler field have not been diligent in their attempts to stop the flaring of gas.

Ellis Chaney, Jr., testifying for A. A. Buchanan and the Blanco Oil Co. yesterday, admitted under questioning by First Asst. Atty. Gen. Fagan Dickson that Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co. has been willing since 1946 to build eight miles of pipeline to carry gas from the Heysler field.

Dickson sought an admission from Chaney that the flaring of gas could have been stopped before now if operators in the field had agreed on a plan for ownership and operation of a compressor plant to take care of the gas.

COLLEGE COEDS IN CHARM QUEST

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Murder Case Heads 70th Court Docket

Criminal docket in 70th district court was set down by Judge Cecil C. Collins to begin next Monday. First case to be brought to trial will be that of Broshay Franklin, an Austin Negro, charged with the murder of Arden Johnson here last summer.

Franklin was tried here in the September term of court but a "hung jury" resulted and the trial was re-set.

A total of 22 indictments was returned by the grand jury late Tuesday, one of them for murder.

Samuel B. Gibson, a Negro, was charged with homicide in connection with the death of Juan Olague here the night of Nov. 6. Olague was stabbed to death at the home of his parents.

A. L. Kennard, reposing in the county jail at the present time, was booked for forgery as were R. L. Graft, M. H. French and J. W. Kuykendall. Graft is being held in Hillsboro where he faces a similar count while French and Kuykendall are in confinement here.

Hubert Alford was indicted for robbery with firearms, William Cavett, a Negro, for attempted robbery, Ray E. Walker for burglary, Johnnie W. White, a Negro, for theft and James W. Ward and Johnnie M. Lane on two counts of burglary.

Two parties not yet in custody were charged with possession of marijuana. Two others were indicted for assault and robbery. One indictment was returned against a man accused of assault and attempted murder, two for burglary, one for driving while under the influence of intoxicants (second offense), one for embezzlement, one for felony theft and another for forgery.

Draws A Jail Term For DWI

James E. Knowles drew a jail sentence of 20 days and was fined \$150 and costs in county court Tuesday afternoon after he had entered a plea of guilty to the charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicants. Knowles was arrested on the charge last Nov. 24.

Knowles' driver's license was also suspended for the statutory period (six months).

In another case heard by Judge Walton Morrison, C. C. Whitefield was fined \$10 and expenses on a charge of employing a minor to sell beer on licensed premises.

Dennis Wall Funeral Held

Last rites were to be said at 3 p. m. today at the Eberley chapel for Dennis Wesley Wall, 42, who died suddenly in Del Rio Tuesday morning.

He had gone there on a business trip and Mrs. Wall was with him at the time. Doctors said he had suffered a heart attack.

South Flood Crisis Eases

ATLANTA, Dec. 1.—The worst of the flood threat appeared over today for most parts of the south, but some areas in Georgia and Alabama were still waiting for river crests to hit.

Tennessee's flood waters were receding rapidly and all danger was considered past. Eighty families evacuated when two creeks jumped their banks at Knoxville have returned to their homes. The creeks were back in their channels.

South Carolina's rivers reached record crests yesterday, but recession of water that overran some lowlands already has begun. Other lowlying areas, however, will receive the rivers' overflow for two or three more days. Swamp lands were expected to remain under water for several weeks.

Streams in eastern North Carolina continued above flood tide, but crests apparently would not reach a level sufficient to cause much damage.

Montezuma, Ga., and Selma and Camden, Ala., appeared to be the next spots that would catch the brunt of floodwaters. The Coast Guard has moved motor-power craft into the Selma and Camden areas to aid in evacuations, if expected crests develop.

AP Organizer Noyes Is Dead

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Frank B. Noyes, 85, one of America's pioneer newspaper leaders, died today.

Noyes, who helped organize the present Associated Press and served 38 years as its first president, had been in failing health for some time. But until last winter he had taken an active hand in the management of the Washington Evening Star, as its president and chairman of the board of directors.

A practicing journalist for more than 60 years, Noyes actually began his newspaper career at the age of six—selling extras upon President Grant's first inauguration. The years that followed saw him rise to the top in the Washington and Chicago newspaper fields, with national prominence resulting from his contributions to the Associated Press.

Motor Caravan Invades Kalamazoo

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Dec. 1.—A motor caravan invaded Kalamazoo early today, burst into two strikebound factories of the Shaker Co., smashed equipment and then fled after injuring several workmen.

Police Chief Howard Hoyt labeled the invaders "union goons" and said their cars bore license plates from Michigan, Illinois, Ohio and Indiana.

'Divorce Mill' Is Believed Smashed In New York State

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Dist. Atty. Frank S. Hogan moved today to inquire into some 9,000 Manhattan divorces after smashing an alleged ring charged with falsifying adultery evidence.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh. Why Dutch is Growing a Beard. That beard on Dutch Miller's chin doesn't mean that he's getting ready to play Santa Claus. He's simply paying off the election bet he lost to Cappy Swanson.

BANK ROBBERY BEGINS AS DREAM BUT ENDS WITH COURT SENTENCE. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 1.—It all began as a \$70,000 dream—then it went kerpunk.

Fishing In Night Depository. He left and counted his loot—\$532.96 in cash and about \$900 in checks. Bowers threw the checks into the St. Johns River and went back for another whirl with his gadget.

ICC Opens Hearings On Railroad Plea For Freight Raise. WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The Interstate Commerce Commission opens public hearings today on the railroads' plea for another 13 per cent freight rate increase.

Mahon Says Peace Plans Paying Off. The United States is locked in a great battle as the defender of democracy, George Mahon, representative from this (19th) congressional district, told more than 200 persons at the Settles hotel Wednesday noon.

Seaboard No. 2 Tops Reef Lime. Seaboard No. 2 W. C. Campbell, venture in the Vealmore area, was reported Wednesday to have topped the reef lime at 7,750 feet, and was taking a drillstem test at 7,755-7,770. It is in section 29-32-30-T.P.