

Supreme Court Will Not Rule On Warlords

Justices Claim No Authority On Sentences

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Supreme Court today refused to interfere with the International Military Tribunal which condemned former Premier Tojo and six other Japanese war lords to death.

The court by a vote of 6-1 decided it had no authority over the 11-nation tribunal.

With this decision the Supreme Court turned down requests by convicted Japanese wartime officials that it:

- 1. Consider their appeals; 2. Declare the international tribunal illegal; 3. Order their immediate release.

The refusal presumably seals the doom of Tojo and the other six who were sentenced to die on the gallows. General MacArthur confirmed their sentences, but stayed the executions until the Supreme Court acted.

Justice Murphy dissented from the court's decision but wrote no opinion. Justice Rutledge reserved decision at this time and said that announcement of his vote would be made later on. Justice Jackson took no part in the final vote.

The other six members of the high court—Chief Justice Vinson and Justices Black, Reed, Frankfurter, Douglas, and Burton—said in a brief, unsigned opinion:

"We are satisfied that the tribunal sentencing these petitioners is not a tribunal of the United States."

"The United States and other allied countries conquered and now occupy and control Japan. Gen. Douglas MacArthur has been selected and is acting as the supreme commander for the allied powers. The military tribunal sentencing these petitioners (the Japanese) has been set up by Gen. MacArthur as the agent of the allied powers."

"Under the foregoing circumstances the courts of the United States have no power or authority to review, to affirm, set aside or annul the judgments and sentences imposed on these petitioners and for this reason the motions for leave to file petitions for writ of habeas corpus are denied."

Ski Plane May Save Airmen

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 20. (AP)—Officials directing rescue operations said last night they may use a ski-equipped transport plane to try to pick up 10 or more U. S. airmen stranded on Greenland's ice cap.

Seven of the stranded men have been marooned since Dec. 9 when their C-47 made a forced landing. Two others tried to rescue them in a B-17 but it nosed into a snowbank.

Another one or two men were stranded in the failure of a glider "smatch" operation Saturday. The glider's tow line parted after a C-54 had picked up the glider with all aboard. The glider got back to the ice safely.

That was the third rescue attempt with a glider. First attempts failed because the glider's wheels had broken through the snow crust. The wheels were removed for the third try.

The men are said to have plenty of food, clothing and heating equipment to combat the 40-below-zero cold.

Tighten Press Wires From Batavia Area

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Dutch army issued new orders today tightening military censorship over press cables from Batavia.

Under the new rules nothing will be allowed to be transmitted but official communiques.

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FOUND GUILTY OF DESERTION—Millard J. Allison, 35, kisses his wife goodbye at Camp Hood, Tex., Dec. 16 as two of their children look on after Allison was found guilty by a court martial of desertion from the U. S. Army as a sergeant to join the Canadian forces. The court sentenced Allison to six months at hard labor and forfeiture of \$35 a month from his pay for period of his sentence. Allison's military record shows that he distinguished himself in combat as a Canadian soldier. (AP Wirephoto).

SOUTHWEST OF SNYDER

New Oil Field Is Found In Scurry

Lion Oil Company has discovered a new oil field in central-southwest Scurry county, 10 miles southwest of Snyder, at its No. 2 McLaughlin.

That wildcat flowed off at an estimated rate of 20 barrels per hour from the section at 6,578-6,610 feet, in the top of a lime section in the Pennsylvanian. Top of the pay in that horizon was at 6,562 feet.

The test was taken with a seven-eighths inch bottomhole choke and the tool was open one hour and 10 minutes.

Gas showed at the surface in five minutes. It was not gauged or estimated. Oil started flowing at the surface in 58 minutes, and flowed to the pits for 12 minutes, at the estimated rate of 20 barrels of oil per hour.

The tool was closed at the end of one hour and 10 minutes. The drill pipe continued to unload oil to the pits for another one hour and 10 minutes at the estimated rate of 20 barrels per hour. No water was developed.

Gravity of the oil was 43.2 degrees. After one hour and 10 minutes, the flow stopped. As the operator reverse-circulated all fluid the flow started again and the operator reverse circulated all fluid which was in the pipe, and as a result there was no recovery. The project is to deepen.

On a previous drillstem test on this new field opener, tool was open for 50 minutes from 6,500-80 feet. Gas showed to the surface in six minutes. It was not gauged or estimated. No fluid flowed out at the top. Recovery was 790 feet of 39.5 gravity clean oil and 510 feet of heavily oil-gas cut mud. There was no water. The project then drilled on down and took the test in which flowing oil was developed.

This prospect is 660 feet from the south and east lines of section 197-97, H&TC survey, and approximately four miles west of the Sun Oil company No. 1 Schattell, another discovery for flowing production from a Pennsylvanian lime. The Sun well was completed several months ago.

A & I Inauguration

KINGSVILLE, Dec. 20. (AP)—Ernest H. Poteet will be formally inaugurated as fifth president of Texas A&I College on April 2.

Reprisals For Vote Feared

FRIGHTENED GERMAN VILLAGE IS MOVED BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN

BERLIN, Dec. 20. (AP)—The tiny frightened German village of Stolpe moved behind the Iron Curtain today.

Stolpe, adjacent to the French sector of Berlin, has a population of less than 1,000, most of them farmers. It was given to the French by the Russians on October, 1945, so the French could build an airfield there.

The field never was built. The Tegel Airfield, inside the French sector, was completed last month for use by allied aircraft planes. The French, therefore, announced Stolpe was being returned to the Russians. A French communique said since an airport had not been built the village's transfer to the French "became devoid of purpose." The French tricolor was hoisted.

House Probers Want Chance To Quiz Eight

Investigators Are Racing Against Time

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Racing against time, congressional spy investigators hope to find out today whether the Justice Department will give them a chance to quiz eight key witnesses before the year ends.

The House Un-American Activities Committee wants to add testimony of these witnesses to its espionage inquiry report before the new Congress takes over on Jan. 3.

First, it wants to question the eight, or as many of them as the Justice Department say aren't needed in prosecuting indictments returned by a New York grand jury.

These indictments are against (A) 12 Communist party leaders on grounds they conspired to overturn the U. S. government; and (B) Alger Hiss, former State Department official, on grounds he lied in saying he never turned government secrets over to Whittaker Chambers, former courier for a Communist spy ring.

Acting Chairman Mundt (R-S-D) got out a statement—on pink paper—last night saying the committee would appreciate it if the Justice Department would let it quiz: Donald Hiss, brother of Alger; Mrs. Alger Hiss; Miss Elizabeth T. Bentley, who admits she was a messenger for a pre-war Red network in Washington; Chambers; Henry Julian Wadleigh; William Ward Pigman; Franklin Victor Reno; and Hedda Gompers.

That was the first time the committee had mentioned the last two. All the others except Pigman, a former worker at the National Bureau of Standards, have appeared previously before the committee. Mundt told reporters that Reno might be able to throw some light on "the Aberdeen Proving Ground situation."

That was a reference to statements of committee members that around 1938 the Russians evidently got information on the super-secret Norden bombsight out of a civilian at the army's testing station at Aberdeen, Md.

Mundt said Hedda Gompers can "throw a lot of light" on Communist activities here in Washington about 10 years ago. He added that she is no suspect.

Mundt said Miss Gompers is a former government employee and has appeared before the committee in closed sessions as a witness. He did not identify Reno.

Search Underway For Missing Ship

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 20. (AP)—A widespread search was underway today for the Honduran vessel, San Luis, and members of her crew.

At least three vessels were in the vicinity of Cape San Antonio, Cuba, combing the waters for some trace of the 607-ton craft and the undetermined number of men who were aboard her.

The Coast Guard said the last message received from the ship reported the men were taking to the boats. This was last night and no further word had been heard from her today.

Five Boston Men Freed Of Housing Bribery Charge

BOSTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Four city councilmen and a real estate dealer from the suburban beach community of Revere were free today of bribery and conspiracy charges in connection with a \$1,250,000 veterans housing project.

A superior court jury acquitted them yesterday after more than 39 hours deliberation. The trial lasted three weeks.

Son Of Late Newsman Is Shot In Stomach

RHINEBECK, N. Y., Dec. 20. (AP)—William Gordon Sorrells, 19, son of the late John H. Sorrells, ex-editor of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, was found shot in the stomach early yesterday on a dormitory porch at Bard College near here.

Sorrells was a freshman at the school. He was reported in critical condition at Northern Dutchess County Health Center today.

Circumstances of the shooting were not immediately determined.

DEATHLESS DAYS In Big Spring Traffic 376

U.N. Told Indonesia Interference Is Out

NEAR-RECORD WHITE BLANKET

New York Millions Struggle To Work After Heavy Snow

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP)—Millions struggled to work today through 19.5 inches of snow that blanketed the metropolitan area.

The snowfall—only an inch and a half less than the great blizzard of '88—left some people snowbound in the suburban areas.

Many commuter buses and some railroad services were tied up by snow-clogged roads and rails.

Subways and elevated lines were operating near normal, however, and surface transportation in the center of the city kept moving, although slowed.

The Long Island railroad, which was paralyzed by the record snowfall of 25.8 inches last Dec. 26 and 27, announced the cancellation of 24 regular morning rush-hour

trains to allow operation of snow-removal trains.

The snow, which started falling in the city at 6:20 a. m. yesterday, began to abate at 8 p. m. and ended at 2:10 a. m. today.

The storm, which roared up the Atlantic Coast with high winds was moving farther out to sea today after sweeping much of the Northeast and giving many sections their heaviest snowfall of the season.

Areas hit included large parts of New York State, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New England, Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia, and West Virginia.

The storm closed the metropolitan area's three major airports—La Guardia Field, New York International Airport and Newark

(N. J.) Airport. Schools were closed today in some metropolitan area suburbs and in other states.

A number of deaths here and elsewhere were blamed on the storm, most of them from over-exhaustion.

A forecast of clearing weather today gave hope that the city's force of almost 20,000 snow removal men with their thousands of trucks, plows and other apparatus would make quick work of the third heaviest fall in New York's history.

Mayor William O'Dwyer, who held an emergency meeting with key officials yesterday, marshalled all the city's facilities to cope with the storm.

Dutch Deliver A Memorandum To The Council

Group Meets To Consider New Fighting

PARIS, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Netherlands informed the United Nations security council today intervention is useless in Indonesia.

The Dutch delivered an official memorandum to the council, which met for an emergency discussion of the new fighting in the Republic of Indonesia but recessed until Wednesday because of the absence of the Russian and Ukrainian delegates.

The United States and Australian delegates brought the complaint against the Dutch, following the launching by Netherlands forces yesterday of an air, land and sea attack against the republic in Java and Sumatra.

During the 50-minute session today, Dr. Philip C. Jessup, the American delegate, said the United States feels "very grave concern" at events in Indonesia.

In the memorandum, the Netherlands said it had empowered the Dutch high commissioner in Indonesia to take any steps he thought necessary to establish stability in the Dutch East Indies.

"No intervention on the part of international organizations or friendly powers can be of further assistance," said the memorandum, presented by Jan Herman van Royel, chief Dutch delegate to the UN.

The Dutch statement, received by the council after its brief session, said further talks with authorities of the Indonesian republic were futile, since the republicans had failed to co-operate in carrying out agreements to create a United States of Indonesia by Jan. 1.

After meeting a U. S. delegation spokesman said the American government feels the Dutch have "broken faith" with the UN Good Offices Committee which has been trying to mediate the Dutch-Indonesian dispute.

He said that unless the Dutch forces withdraw the positions held before the attack, the U. S. will withdraw its representative from the G.O.C.

Dutch Units Race Ahead

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 20. (AP)—Dutch forces, clamping a motorcycle operation on the fledgling Indonesian Republic, raced unchecked through Central Java today after taking the capital, Tjepeo, the Republic's only oil center, seemed about to fall.

Dutch paratroopers and airborne troops seized the capital, Jogjakarta, in lightning moves yesterday. They interned the top leaders of the Republic, including the president, the premier and the Republican army commander.

Netherlands Marines who landed on the north coast of East Java early yesterday have reached the outskirts of Tjepeo, war-wrecked oil center inside Republican territory. Other forces occupied Toraan, 15 miles southeast of Malang.

On Sumatra—the Republic is made up of parts of Java and Sumatra—Dutch troops took Sol. This is in the middle of the island. Other troops occupied Singakarak, 15 miles to the north, on the route from Dutch-held territory to the north, on the route from Dutch-held territory to the most important Republican city of Sumatra, Bukittinggi.

The Dutch announced their forces smashed through truce lines at a number of points on Java and Sumatra. Units raced through Sumatra's rich rubber-producing area and were reported approaching Medan, a major city of the north. Thus far it has been almost a bloodless occupation. The Dutch call it "police action."

Border Loop Sidesteps Race Issue At Meet

EL PASO, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Border conference, which includes four Texas colleges, has sidestepped the race issue.

The question was placed before conference faculty representatives here Saturday by Arizona State of Tempe, which has refused to compete in athletic events from which Negroes are barred.

The immediate issue was whether Texas Tech, which was to have been host at the loop's spring track meet, would permit Negro participation.

The conference executive committee first ruled that all members must send at least eight athletes to the track meet, then permitted Texas Tech to withdraw as host to the event. Tech offered several reasons, including the weather, for its action.

Dr. J. William Davis, the schools representative, added: "It appeared a major problem that of Negro participation in athletics, could best be met by permitting some non-Texas school to become host to the meet."

New Mexico university at Albuquerque was substituted. Earlier this year, the race issue prevented Lafayette from accepting a bid to meet Texas College of Mines, another Border conference member, in the New Year's Day Sun Bowl football game at El Paso. West Virginia later accepted the invitation.

Sports Editor Bob Ingram of the El Paso Herald-Post said there have been no objections from El Paso fans. Sun Bowl officials or Texas Mines to Negroes playing in the annual contest. Reason for the ban, he said, was that the game is to be played in Texas Mines stadium, and Texas Mines is a branch of the University of Texas.

Phone Factions Still Scrapping

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20. (AP)—Representatives of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. and its 50,000 union employees resumed talks today in an effort to head off a pre-Christmas strike.

Both sides entered a meeting with three U. S. conciliation service commissioners at 10:40 o'clock this morning.

No strike date was set but Frank P. Longgan, vice president of Division 20, Communication Workers of America (Independent), said, "if no agreement is reached and there is no outside intervention, there will be a strike before Christmas."

Conciliation Commissioner A. E. Johnson called the situation "as deadlocked as it can be."

Texas Violence Kills 12 Persons

By The Associated Press The week-end toll of violent deaths in Texas was at least 12. Five persons died of gunshot wounds and seven in traffic accidents.

Two of the dead were Navy men stationed in the Corpus Christi area and en route to their Minnesota farms on holiday leave.

Heavy Fighting Is Reported In China

NANKING, Dec. 20. (AP)—Heavy fighting was reported today on the flatlands around Tientsin, teeming metropolis of North China.

Red forces severed rail and telegraph communications between Tientsin and its port city of Tangku, 27 miles down the Hwai River, pro-government newspapers said.

The stepped up North China fighting left both Tientsin and ancient Peiping, 90 miles northwest of Tientsin, isolated.

The Tientsin airport, 10 miles from town, was under Communist artillery fire. Ships, the newspapers said, were not permitted to leave Tangku, although the town itself still was in national hands.

At least two divisions of national troops were said to be trying to break Peiping's south airport, which the Communists had wrested from government forces.

Spencer Moosa, Associated Press correspondent in Peiping, said a battle for the southern suburbs was shaping. He added, however, that Peiping's future probably would be determined around the conference table rather than on the battlefield.

Coolies worked inside the old walled city to open Peiping's only airfield available to the Nationalists.

Canton newspapers, far to the south, reported Red guerrillas in a surprise raid had struck Kangshouwan. Some street fighting was reported in the southern city.

Nanking's approaches were quiet. Sporadic fighting on the Pengu front was reported.

Nationalist commanders, already forced to draw in their major defense line for Nanking, may have to face a new maneuver threatening the heart of Chiang Kai-Shek's regime.

Unofficial reports said Red Gen. Chen Yi was swinging his forces east from the Pengu-Suhshien sector and one-eyed Gen. Liu Po-Chen was moving other Communist troops in the same direction. Pengu is 108 miles northwest of here.

Abilene's City Attorney Is Dead

CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 20. (AP)—E. M. Overshiner, 74, Abilene city attorney, died in a Corpus Christi hospital just before midnight last night. He had been ill four months.

He moved to Abilene from Dallas in 1902. He was county attorney of Taylor County for 10 years and county judge for 10 years. The body will be sent to Abilene for funeral services and burial.

Formal Approval Withheld

BETHLEHEM PILGRIMS' WAY MAY BE BLOCKED BY ARAB-JEW ENMITY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 20. (AP)—Christmas 1948 may be the first since the time of the Saracens in which Christian pilgrims will be unable to travel the route from Jerusalem to Bethlehem, birthplace of Jesus.

With only four days to go, the frontlines of Arab and Jewish armies remained closed today to Christmas pilgrims.

SHOPPING DAYS LEFT BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Political Control Of Inquiry Flaunts The Power Of Truth

Men of science have lifted their voices, almost silently but powerfully, in protest against an attitude exhibited by Russia toward free scientific inquiry.

It will be recalled that a purge against Soviet scientists accused of "bourgeois activities and thinking" has been underway. This means that the scientific ideal of seeking the truth, wherever the truth lies and whatever it may be, is being subjected to political control.

In protest, men of science once decorated by the Soviets for outstanding achievements in their various fields have renounced their decorations. They are contributing to a solid front of protest against such tactics. For this they are to be commended.

Beyond that point, however, the situa-

tion ultimately will take care of itself insofar as Russia is concerned. Clear thinking surely would lead to the conclusion that imposition of political control on scientific exploration would in the end mean that research had every chance of being meaningless. In such an atmosphere the discovery of any truth might be squelched or denied if it was not deemed compatible with a particular political philosophy.

The scientist is devoted to seeking truths and, having discovered them, so describe their work that others may come to an understanding of them. Those who tamper with this are tampering with the impendable force of truth. Men can be blind to it, but truth will prevail nevertheless.

Major Struggle Shaping Over Excess Profits Tax In Session

A major struggle shaping up for the 81st Congress centers around the revival of demands for an excess profits tax. With corporation profits estimated at \$20 billion for the year, it is not difficult to make out a quick case for such a form of taxation.

The theory behind it would be twofold, to raise revenue and perhaps, by threat of taxation, bring about reduction in prices.

But there is such sharp disagreement over the effect of an excess profits tax that it should be examined with utmost care and deliberation before being embraced.

On the one side there can be little doubt that some corporations are laying in a supply of fat profits in anticipation of some leaner days. Labor has warned business that it would be wiser to reduce prices than to increase wages and dividends. There have been reports, too, of

some concerns deliberately checking production to maintain high prices rather than increasing output to reduce prices.

The evidence that this is general is not conclusive, however. Assuming that profits are at \$20 billion or three times the 1940 level, so are wages and salaries (estimated at \$138 billion). Dividends are pegged at \$7, about double 1940.

Reasons for this are listed as laying on the fat in some instances, but in greater instances providing capital in the absence of risk capital. And there lies the danger of the excess profits tax. Stagnation of risk capital increases pressure for government intervention, which would be a cancer on the system of free and competitive enterprise. With this in mind, plus the experience that the excess profits tax does far better at producing revenue than reducing taxes, business and statesmen alike are confronted with the need for statesmanlike consideration of the problem.

Affairs Of The World — DeWitt MacKenzie

Peiping Should Hold Secret Of Nationalists' Future

AN AP Newsfeature

FOR SOME DAYS NOW ANXIOUS CHINESE eyes have been turned toward the 3,000-year-old city of Peiping (Peking) as the oracle which would in its own good time divulge the fate of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's nationalist government.

The rebel Communist forces have drawn in close and partly encircled the beleaguered metropolis. Still there has been little gunfire, and the victorious Reds have appeared to be sparing for time. Communist spokesmen yesterday gave what purports to be an explanation for this mysterious procedure. They said:

"Peiping could be captured at any time we choose, but Fu (Fu Tso-Yi, governor of Suiyuan Province in which Peiping is situated), perhaps hoping to make some deal, is pretending to defend the ancient walled capital."

"He is trading on our known desire not to destroy this beautiful center of Chinese culture. No Chinese army will take the responsibility of destroying Peiping."

WELL, WHILE THAT'S A STORY WE have to take at face value, it could be correct. The question of whether the generalissimo should withdraw as head of state and let someone else take over is being debated in Chinese political circles,

although Chiang himself has given no indication that he intends to retire. So in the question of whether a coalition should be formed between Nationalists and Communists, maybe Governor Fu does hope to drive a bargain.

In any event, he would be a hardy general who dared lay violent hands on Peiping. This big metropolis, which normally has a population of more than a million and a half, has through the centuries been the intellectual center of all China. It has great traditions of learning and contains many schools and colleges. Marco Polo enthused over its magnificence some six and a half centuries ago, and the city then was in its third millennium.

In its early days Peiping was capital of Yen, a buffer state to hold back the Tartar hordes from the North. The great wall of China is only 35 miles northwest of the city, which was divided into two parts—the "Tartar City" on the north and the "Chinese City" on the south.

Peiping was the national capital some 900 years but most its standing in the nationalist revolution of 1911. It was the first capital of the republic but as the nationalist movement grew, with its focal point in the southern part of the country, the Peking government became ineffective and Nanking was made capital.

Nation Today — James Marlow

We Are Slightly Paralyzed In Our Chasing Of Spies

WASHINGTON, (AP)—HERE WE ARE, big and fat and full of bounce, but slightly paralyzed when it comes to dealing with spies.

So Tom Clark, attorney general, says he will propose to Congress in January some ways of strengthening our anti-spying laws.

The ones we have, it seems, are not good enough to do much in the spy case that is now getting headlines.

That's because of a little thing called the three-year statute of limitations.

GOVERNMENT LAWYERS EXPLAIN it this way:

You must be charged within three years after committing a federal crime—unless it's murder or a tax crime—or you can't be charged at all.

So that would put a three-year limit on making a charge for spying.

Even though the government later found out you had been a spy, you couldn't be charged with the spying unless you were charged within three years after you did it.

This point is made pretty clear in the case of Whittaker Chambers, who says

he was in a Soviet spy ring till he quit in 1938.

He has produced papers which, he says, were taken out of government files and slipped to him by people who were government officials.

Those officials, he says, were part of the same Soviet spy ring at the time they gave him the papers.

He says that happened in 1938—10 years ago—and none of the papers he brought out of hiding were dated later than 1938. The date's important:

ANYONE WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN jailed for slipping Chambers the papers would have had to be charged within three years of 1938, which means 1941 by the latest.

That's why government lawyers say they can't bring a charge of spying against anyone who did his dirty work in the Chambers' pre-1938 spy ring.

(Congress passed a wartime law which said that the three-year limit on making a charge against spies wouldn't apply during the war.)

So now Clark says he is going to ask for a change in the three-year-limit law. If Congress does change the law it will apply only to any future spying, not to what happened before 1938.

And Clark says he wants some other changes in the spy laws—called espionage laws—to strengthen them.

THOSE CHANGES WOULD BE DETAILS in the wording of the present laws under which the government can make charges against anyone—

1. Who is a government official or employe and hands over to the agent of a foreign power anything involving national defense.

2. Who gets information involving national defense and then willfully hands it over to someone who shouldn't have it.

3. Who conspires with anyone to do spying, even though the spying hasn't yet been committed.

For spying there are various penalties ranging from a fine of \$10,000 and 20 years in jail in peacetime to death in wartime.

"O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL"



Washington Merry-Go-Round — Drew Pearson

Maverick Pleads With President To Get Rid Of His Military Men

(Copyright 1944 by Bell Syndicate) WASHINGTON—Dynamic Maury Maverick, the ex-congressman from San Antonio, revisited his old Washington haunts the other day and in the course of things called on President Truman.

Maverick first knew Truman when the latter came to the congress, a very green, inexperienced senator from Missouri. Last week he talked to the President in the same blunt way he talked to him in 1934.

"Mr. President," said Maury, "you're a big shot now. You used to feel sorry for yourself, but you've been re-elected under your own steam and now, instead of being sorry for yourself, we want you to be sorry for us."

"Maury," replied the President, "I'm just a humble man." "No, you're not," countered the Texan. "You're a big shot, and you've got to do something for me, the people. You've got to give us a great administration. How about starting off with kicking out some of these generals?"

"Poor Gen. Marshall," mused the President. "He's just had his kidney cut out."

That was all Maverick could get out of Mr. Truman about the military men who play such an important part in his administration.

President Truman would be interested in a letter which his top economic council housing adviser, Robinson Newcomb, has just received from the head of the real estate lobby.

Written by Herbert U. Nelson, vice president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, the letter reveals how the lobby plans to thwart the President's public housing program in the next congress. Chummyly addressed "Dear Robbie," it may be significant that "Robbie" is the man inside the President's economic council who recently proposed a 15 per cent raise in rents across the nation.

In the letter, lobbyist Nelson makes the amazing claim that the real estate lobby never did anything to defeat public housing in the last congress.

"The present public housing program has gone sour from every point of view and ought to be abandoned," Nelson contended. "Nobody can pretend it is serving, or ever will serve, those who need it. It has become merely a job-holding bureaucracy."

"I do want to get rid of this foolish talk about the real estate lobby. Of course, it is all nonsense. We have never asked anything for ourselves."

To defeat the Taft-Ellender-Wagner Public Housing Bill for low-cost rental construction and slum clearance, Nelson discloses that the real estate lobby will attempt to sell congress and state legislatures on an alternate plan, calling for a state-controlled "co-operative housing" program, with the federal government sharing a big part of the cost, but having no voice in the administration.

Nelson makes it clear that the real estate lobby wants its "program" administered by state and local authorities, which real estate interests can control, rather than by federal housing authorities, subject to the President and congress.

Like a general who has the enemy at bay, but wants to be conciliatory in his "surrender" terms, Nelson adds this supposed-

ly subtle touch: "It is seriously worthwhile for the administration to give thoughtful consideration to this (the lobby's) program. No one needs to lose face if we will think about the problem to be solved."

"I wish you would talk to Leon Keyserling (economic council member) about this matter. He is an able man, but I recognize that some pride of authorship in connection with the present (Taft-Ellender-Wagner) public housing program might make it difficult for him to change. If you think I should do so, I want to talk to him as well as you, to go into the details of this great (the lobby's) program and see if we can't work out something fresh that everybody can be for."

ADVICE TO SENATOR

A very young Senator-elect Lyndon Johnson of Texas called at the White House the other day and gave the President a graphic picture of flood control and public power operations in Texas. In return, he received some presidential advice on how to be good as a senator.

"Lyndon," said the President, "I want to see you make as big a success in the senate as you did in the house. Speaking as a ten years' experience, maybe I can give you a few pointers."

"My advice to you is to work hard and take your full load of responsibilities. Your experience in the house will help you, but don't count on it. Get yourself appointed to committees for which you are best fitted and where you can perform the greatest service. Never miss a committee meeting."

"Give it all you've got," added Truman, "and the headlines will come later."

Johnson, a two-fisted pioneer for rural electrification and flood control, revealed that the four dams on the Colorado River soon would be increased to eight, with out any handouts from congress. Electric power revenues from the four existing dams, plus a state bond issue, will finance the new projects.

"Texas bows to no other state in the development of public power, flood control and irrigation," declared Johnson. "But there is still much to be done. Mr. President, three out of every four gallons of Texas rainfall run unused into the Gulf of Mexico. Think of the lost power potential. Why, it's like milking a cow and allowing three quarts to fall on the ground to one in the bucket."

The long-shanked, energetic Texan added that he wouldn't rest until "The soil-conservation program covered every acre of land and there is flood control, electric power and irrigation projects on every river in Texas."

"I'm all for you," replied Truman.

WORD-A-DAY

By BACH

PITTANCE

(pit' ans) NOUN
A SMALL PORTION, QUANTITY, ALLOWANCE, OR WAGE;
A DOLE

"BUT, SIR, I CAN'T AFFORD TO BE FAT AND JOLLY ON THE WAGES YOU PAY ME!"

Plan To Seize Power

BERLIN, Dec. 20. (AP)—Der Abend, an American-licensed newspaper, charged today the Communist rump government of eastern Berlin plans to seize power in Western sectors after the Christmas.

The newspaper said the plans included "spontaneous street demonstrations" and the occupation of public buildings by force.

Gelatins, of which more than 18 million pounds are used annually as desserts, is also used in photography and in medicine—to make capsules and to bind pills.

Around The Rim — The Herald Staff

Weapon's Effectiveness Doesn't Depend On Size

Perhaps the least effective weapon of destruction ever devised by man is his battle ship, an omnicious looking piece of machinery that requires the full time services of thousands of men to maintain and taxes a nation's treasury to the extent of tens of millions of dollars.

On the other hand the deadliest weapon in all history was probably the Roman gladius, a double-edged blade some 20 inches in length, used for cutting and thrusting, that could be and was produced in vast quantities for sums that did not force Caesar's exchequer to rewrite the budget nor increase the income taxes of the man behind the man behind the armor.

The superdreadnaught was the show boat of the United States and British fleets in both World Wars I and II. It made powerful propaganda in any tongue. The mere sight of it was enough to send anyone scurrying to the hills. Unfortunately, it was built principally for propagan-

da reasons. It proved such a bully, it could not lure anything else in the water into a fight, with the result that the damage it wrought was negligible.

The cruisers, the destroyers and the submarines did the bulk of the sea fighting, inflicted and absorbed the most punishment on the foe. The advent of the airplane practically made the big boy a museum piece.

The gladius, on the other hand, was an implement responsible for the death of millions upon millions of people. When Caesar's legions fought, they asked no quarter and gave none. In serving an ambitious ruler who eventually forged the world's first important—and probably its most impressive—empire, the gladius played a major role in shaping the course of history.

It was instrumental in forcing civilization upon a barbaric world that otherwise might not have accepted it — TOMMY HART.

Notebook — Hal Boyle

'Throwaway Day' Is Needed To Discard Petty Hatreds

NEW YORK, (AP)—YOU CAN GROW richer by discarding as well as by keeping.

And what the world could well use this time of the year is an international "throwing away day."

For years I have had a kind of informal throwing away day during the week before Santa Claus comes. It consists largely by cleaning my desk.

That doesn't seem like much of an adventure. But to me it is an epic task. For I am one of those forlorn folk cursed with a lifelong habit of being disorderly.

Each January the desk starts the new years as clean as the proverbial whistle (although a whistle could really be called clean only in comparison to a well-used tuba).

BUT THE DAILY SNOW OF LETTERS soon begins to hide its green surface. By spring the top no longer can be seen.

Month by month as the pile grows higher it plagues my conscience more and more. But when I finally gather up strength for my annual throwing away day, what do I find in this self-made hill of debris?

Nothing really very important. Only small problems postponed daily until they have become a great worrisome mound of care. I find that time has made the

problems of diminished significance. In half a day I remove this paper tumor that has caused me a year of needless vexation and frustration.

The desk is tidy, bare and new again, and I feel like I've had a nice clean shower. I am full of more virtue than the whole calendar of saints.

And in this mood I wonder why the same formula wouldn't work for mental ills that plague us as well as for this simple task of cleaning a littered desk.

WHY SHOULDN'T THERE BE AN INTERNATIONAL "throwing away" day? Instead of merely getting rid of an accumulation of answered letters, mankind could cleanse itself of all the petty hates and prejudices that set brother against brother, husband against wife, East against West, North against South.

Into the wastebasket with 'em. Yes, all of them—all the useless doubts, fears, grudges, confusions and groundless dislikes that clutter up life and keep us from the spirit of loving kindness.

And there the world would stretch new and clean and fresh again, fair to the eye and lovely to live in. Yes, the lion would lie down with the lamb (with the lamb outside him), and Fort Worth and Dallas—they'd love each other all year round. So would Minneapolis and St. Paul.

Matter Of Fact—Joseph And Stewart Alsop

Truman Again Contradicting Self On Economy, Defense

WASHINGTON—The extreme oddity that sometimes marks policy making in the Truman administration is being brilliantly illustrated at the moment. On the one hand, the President seems determined to demand from Congress strong economic controls and much higher taxes. And on the other hand, the President seems equally determined to enfeeble his whole foreign policy by cutting back the rearmament plans that were adopted with such drama and urgency last spring.

They are hidden ironies and concealed contradictions here which deserve careful investigation. In the first place, the President's more conservative economic advisers, Budget Director James Webb, Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder, and the chairman of the Economic Advisory Council, Dr. Edwin Nourse, are responsible for the rearmament cutback. They persuaded the President to impose the \$15 billion ceiling on defense spending. And it is this budget ceiling which is knocking into a cocked hat the services' plans for making America strong.

The sole motive of Messrs. Webb, Snyder and Nourse was to avoid the necessity of strong economic controls and higher taxes, which would certainly arise from defense spending above \$15 billion. But subsequent to the imposition of the \$15 billion budget ceiling, the expected struggle over the President's fiscal and economic policies took place anyway. And this struggle has now apparently been won by the other portion of the President's advisers, with Dr. Nourse's colleague on the Economic Advisory Council, Dr. Leon Keyserling, and the White House counsel, Clark Clifford, in the lead. They reminded the President that he had already twice publicly asked Congress for extensive economic controls, an excess profits tax and other unpalatable measure. And the President decided to renew his former requests without much change, and to insist upon them strongly.

Thus precisely what the sponsors of the \$15 billion service budget ceiling so much wished to avoid is now to be done after all. But thus far at his meetings with the service chiefs, the President has given no signs of grasping that this ought to alter the situation with regard to the budget ceiling.

If the president does not change his mind, the outcome will be different from what it would have been at the time of the great Seventy-air-group row last year. There has been a sharp reversal of thinking among Defense Department leaders, including Secretary of Defense James V. Forrestal. This time, if the budget ceiling holds, air rearmament will be cut back less than either ground or naval rearmament. But there will still be some reductions in planned increases of air strength, and there will be very severe reductions indeed in planned increases in Army and Navy strength.

The effect abroad, of course, will be to terrify all our potential allies. And it is immensely to encourage the Kremlin, in

truth, such a rearmament slowdown in this time of visible danger of eventual war savors of British policy in the mid-thirties.

The effect at home, moreover, is likely to be just as drastic. The Congress will be about as eager to adopt the President's proposals for strong economic controls and much higher taxes as to drink his health in a flowing bowl of Mickey Finns. There is one ground, and one ground only, on which the President can hope to secure acceptance of these proposals. That ground, of course, is the existence of a grave world emergency.

The world emergency required the draft of man power last summer. If the emergency now requires the draft of money and resources, no one can refute him. But he cannot make this point if he simultaneously makes nonsense of any plea of emergency by slowing down rearmament. If we do not need to be ready and strong by 1952, which is the target date for present rearmament plans because it is the first year when the Soviets are thought capable of producing an atomic bomb, one wonders why we need to be strong at all. The President cannot find any way over, under or around this inconsistency.

What makes the situation odder still is the way strange political bedfellows have been brought together. Secretary of Defense James V. Forrestal, the supposed banker-in-government, began talking of the need for controls and taxes many months ago. The chief advocates of controls and taxes, the supposed left-wingers, have emphatically not participated in the drive to enfeeble defense plans.

To be sure, these men advocate immediate legislation for housing, aid to education, health insurance and power development. But the whole resulting addition to the budget will not run much above \$1 billion, and this social effort is considered entirely consistent with a strong effort, always provided, the right economic safeguards are adopted. And the sense of world emergency is as much the motive for the Administration left's desire for economic safeguards, as it is in the mind of Forrestal.

Today's Birthday—BRANCH WESLEY RICKEY, born Dec. 20, 1881, on a farm near Stockdale, Ohio. The man who invented the "farm system" in baseball is said to earn the highest salary in the game. Having worked his way through school, he holds doctors' degrees in literature and law. His colorful athletic career was interrupted by tuberculosis. Former general manager of the Cardinals he is now president of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Engagement Of Anna Claire Waters To E. H. Boullion Is Announced

Anna Claire Waters, daughter of Mrs. O. M. Waters and the bride-elect of Elbert H. Boullion, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Boullion, Sr., was honored Sunday afternoon with an announcement tea held in the Waters home.

Hostesses were Mrs. D. W. Gagnat of Tahoka, Mrs. H. N. Robinson, Mrs. Herbert Keaton, Mrs. Hayes Stripling, Mrs. Mark Wentz, Mrs. E. H. Boullion, Mrs. O. M. Waters.

Entering a doorway trimmed with Christmas greenery, the guests were received by Mrs. Waters, the honoree, Mrs. Boullion and Mrs.

Gagnat. The honoree wore a corsage of yellow roses. All members of the house party were dressed formally.

Mrs. Hayes Stripling was at the register.

Miss Ware presided at the refreshment table centered with a double wedding ring announcement arrangement flanked with tall white tapers. Silver bubbles, greenery, pine cones and silver leaves formed the base for the setting. Tiny cherubs rang silver wedding bells placed above the rings which announced the wedding date, February 5.

Miss Waters is a graduate of Big Spring high school and attended Texas Christian University, Fort Worth.

Mr. Boullion is a graduate of a Florida high school and the University of Texas. He is associated

Cowpers Entertain

Dr. and Mrs. R. B. G. Cowper, 1500 Mountain Park Drive, entertained a large group of friends at an informal open house Sunday evening.

Christmas decorations and greenery were used throughout the entertaining rooms, making a bright holiday background for the affair. Guests were served from a refreshment table centered with an arrangement of red berries and gold leaves.

Approximately 175 guests attended.

Burr's Party, Dinner Given In Hutchins Home

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hutchins entertained with a party for employees of L. C. Burr Company at their home, 1806 Scurry. Dinner tables were decorated in the Christmas theme. Roses, cedar and holly composed the centerpiece. Snow men were used as favors.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Tucker and Richard, Patry Burus, Johnny Hooper, Mrs. Lucille Walker, Mrs. J. B. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hutchins and son, Bobby and Edward Boatman.

Loyce Kinman Becomes The Bride Of Robert Looney Saturday Night

Loyce Kinman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kinman, and Robert Looney, son of Mrs. O. L. Looney of Dublin, were married Saturday evening following the annual Christmas party held at Mead's Bakery.

Dr. P. D. O'Brien, pastor of the First Baptist Church, read the double ring ceremony. Candelabra formed the altar. Candles were lighted by Mrs. Roscoe Gray and Mrs. J. P. Morris. Ushers were J. P. Morris and Austin Aulds, Jr. Jeanette Kinman, sister of the bride sang, accompanied by Mrs. George O'Brien, who played the wedding march.

Mrs. Stinson Garner attended the bride. Stinson Garner of Abilene, was best man.

The bride wore a gray suit with black accessories and carried a white satin covered Bible belonging to her sister, LaVerne Kinman. On the Bible was placed a bouquet of red roses with white carnations and silver streamers.

For the traditional something old she carried a handkerchief from Italy belong to Mrs. Morris. Something new was her suit. Something borrowed was a lapel pin belonging to Mrs. Gray. Something blue

was a garter. She wore a penny in her shoe.

Mrs. Garner wore a black crepe dress with black accessories.

A reception was held following the ceremony. Covered with an imported lace cloth, the refreshment table held a centerpiece composed of a silver serving tray which held sequin trimmed bells. The Christmas theme was used in the decorations.

The three-tiered wedding cake was decorated with rosebuds and topped with a miniature bride and groom.

Mrs. Harlan Choate, Sr. served the cake and Mrs. Mary Lawrence the coffee.

Both the bride and groom are employed by Mead's Bakery and will make their home here.

Sorority Has Dance

Members of the Beta Omicron chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, held a Christmas party, banquet and dance at the Settles Hotel Saturday night.

Christmas decorations included Yule logs which served as candle holders for the banquet tables. Other arrangements included a Christmas tree. During the party, Phil pals exchanged gifts.

Don Juan's orchestra played for the dance attended by approximately 60 members and their escorts.

Billie J. O'Neal Entertains Youth At Party Sunday

Billie Jean O'Neal entertained members of the First Methodist Senior Youth Fellowship with a Christmas party Sunday evening following the regular evening church services.

The refreshment table was centered with a Christmas scene which was reflected on a snow-sprinkled mirror and flanked by red candles. Other entertaining room decorations carried out the Yuletide motif.

Christmas carols were sung and a box for a needy family was packed by the group.

Those attending were: Jan Robinson, Vevagene Apple, June Cook, Joan Gay, Marlein Guess, Lucille Hester, Richard Deats, Richard Laswell, George Clark, Billy Bob Watson, Larry Dillon, Rolly Seawell, Charles Rainwater, Jimmy White, Sonny Crocker, Mrs. J. P. Showen and the hostess.

To Meet Tuesday

Order of Eastern Star will have a regular, stated meeting and Christmas party in the Settles Hotel at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday. There will be an exchange of gifts and members are asked to buy inexpensive gifts. The party will be held on the mezzanine floor in the southwest club room.

Events OF THE COMING WEEK

BIG SPRING FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS will not hold a regular meeting as scheduled. The next regular meeting will be in January.

JOHN A. KEE REBEKAN LODGE will meet in the WOW Hall at 8 p. m.

FIRST METHODIST JUNIOR HIGH DEPARTMENT will have a Christmas party and council meeting at the church at 7 p. m.

FIRST METHODIST QUESTERS CLASS will have a party in the home of Mrs. B. M. Kees, 802 West 17th, at 7:30 p. m.

WOW AND CHATTER CLUB will meet in the home of Mrs. Jack Lightfoot, 226 Runnels, at 7:30 p. m. for a Christmas party.

TUESDAY

FIRST METHODIST JUNIOR DEPARTMENT will meet at the church at 4:30 p. m. for caroling and a party.

FIRST METHODIST SENIOR DEPARTMENT will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m. for caroling.

WESLEY METHODIST WSCS will have an executive meeting in the home of Mrs. W. D. Lovelace, 1008 Runnels, at 3 p. m.

WESLEY METHODIST WSCS will have a Christmas social in the home of Mrs. Tommy Lovelace, 1806 Runnels, at 3 p. m.

NORTHEAST BAPTIST WMS will meet at the church at 3 p. m. for a mission study taught by Mrs. Jewell Webb.

AIRPORT BAPTIST WMS will meet at the church at 2 p. m.

BIG SPRING REBEKAN LODGE will meet in the WOW Hall at 7:30 p. m.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR will have a regular stated meeting and annual Christmas party in the Settles Hotel at 7:30 p. m. There will be an exchange of gifts. Mrs. Gladys Daimont and Mrs. Eula Hall will be in charge of the program.

MODERN WOMAN'S FORUM will have a guest tea in the home of Mrs. Bernard Lamm, 500 Runnels, at 3 p. m.

MODERN BRIDGE CLUB will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. R. W. Hallbrook, 1111 Wood.

WEDNESDAY

FIRST METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE will meet for a caroling party at 7:30 p. m.

THE SUB-DEPT. REVIEW OF 1948 will be held in the Settles Hotel Ballroom at 8:30 p. m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHOR will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH CHOR will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHOR will meet at the church at 8 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY LADIES HOME LEAGUE will meet at the citadel at 7 p. m.

BIG SPRING GARDEN CLUB will have a Christmas tea in the home of Mrs. Gordon Bristol, 554 Hillside Drive, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. R. T. Finer will serve as co-hostess.

THURSDAY

ROYAL NEIGHBORS will meet at the WOW Hall at 2:30 p. m.



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Scientist Explains Atomic Fact, Fancy

NEW YORK, (AP)—True and false fears of the dangers in radioactive rays from atomic energy are set down by Dr. Bernard S. Wolf, director, Medical Division, Office of New York Directed Operations, United States Atomic Energy Commission.

In the minds of most, he says in the scientific journal *Nucleonics*, the following items seem to be the most worrisome:

1. You can't see, smell, feel or sense radiation in any way. As a result, you never know when you are being exposed to devastating amounts. Answer: True, but only true with the proviso that you don't try to take precautions. Ringing bells, flashing lights, and alarms of all kinds may be arranged when any possibility of overexposure exists. Also it is no feat of strength to carry a detector in your pocket.
2. Radiation penetrates into your very insides and produces all types of terrible, bizarre changes. Answer: True that it penetrates. Not true that it produces bizarre changes.
3. The effects of overexposure to radiation do not appear for months or years after the exposure has occurred. By that time, it's too late and you are literally cooked. Answer: Not true if this refers to large amounts of radiation delivered in a very short time. Some immediate effects are always observed in such cases, either skin burns, nausea and other symptoms. Even under such circumstances, treatment is not always hopeless. Smaller amounts of radiation are more difficult to detect and this latter type of overexposure is the

more important if it happens repeatedly over long periods. But even the smaller amounts give warning which doctors can detect. When some kinds of radioactive stuff is breathed in, swallowed or gets into the blood, so that the atoms deposit in the body, there is no way of getting rid of them.

4. Radiation causes sterility and impotence. Answer: Not true that it causes impotence, unless it is part of a fatal exposure. True that it can cause sterility. But there are no other changes of a serious nature to be anticipated as a result of sterility.
5. Radiation will make your children freaks. Answer: This is a highly technical subject on which the last word has not been said. Then in a long discussion Dr. Wolf makes it clear that human monsters are not due from radiation to their parents. Gross overexposure of an unborn infant might cause deformities. The worry of scientists is not about freaks, but about the slow, longtime effect of genetic, or heredity, changes which are expected from overdoses of radioactivity. He says that the human race has lived for two million years under exposure to cosmic radiation and natural radioactive materials, and that this means the germ plasm (the carrier of heredity) has the ability to live with low amounts of radioactivity.

Stan Musial, St. Louis Cardinal star who led the majors in batting, hit safely in 121 of his 155 games.

Japs Won't Get Military Buildup

TOKYO, Dec. 20. (AP)—Accelerated American plans to build Japan into a political and economic bulwark in the far east do not include any perceptible move toward making it a military bastion as well.

Instead, the evidence is that military planners here have not changed their long standing view that Japan would be a military liability in wartime.

A competent allied spokesman reiterated today that reports of a secret plan for building up Japan's military potential are "wholly without foundation." He also denied that any allied blueprint for increasing the size of the Japanese police had been forwarded to Washington.

Mrs. Wilma Ybarbo Will Not Be Given A Death Penalty

MARBURG, Germany, Dec. 20. (AP)—A U. S. military government court today all but ruled out a possible death penalty for Mrs. Wilma "Billie" Ybarbo, charged with the fatal shooting of her war hero husband.

The court held the prosecution had failed to show any premeditation in the shooting of Sgt. John Ybarbo of Gollad.

At the same time the court ruled an American woman can be tried for murder under German law, which authorizes beheading for murders. There was no possibility, however, that the penalty would be applied in the case.

Mrs. Ybarbo, 23-year-old mother from Malden, Mass., is accused of shooting her husband after a bitter quarrel in their home. Witnesses have testified before the court that they fought with their fists before the sergeant was shot.

Blind Dog Saves Home From Blaze

GLOUCESTER, N. J., Dec. 20. (AP)—The whining of a blind dog yesterday warned the animal's blind mistress that her house was on fire.

Mrs. Anna McGlinchey, 60, was awakened by the whining of her pet, "Yippie," and summoned help after making her way to a bedroom window.

A passerby, Samuel Cahall, helped Mrs. McGlinchey downstairs and then called firemen who confined the blaze to the dining room.

Greek Navy Has Orders To Sink Suspicious Ships

ATHENS, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Greek navy had orders today to intercept and, if need be, sink any unauthorized ships within five miles of the Peloponnese coast. The order was put out because of impending major operations in that sector of southern Greece.

The new shipping ban, broadcast in Greek and English over Radio Athens, said exceptions would be made only for Greek passenger vessels, plying between coastal ports.

Some 25,000 Greek troops recently were reported moved to the Peloponnese for offensive operations. One unconfirmed report said a full-scale attack was scheduled to be launched at midnight.

There have been frequent reports that submarines have been bringing in supplies to rebels in the Peloponnese. Several weeks ago a 500-ton ship carrying munitions, was sunk off the coast.

Kemper Cadet Will Address ABClubbers

Cadet George E. Oldham, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Oldham, a student at Kemper Military School and a member of the Kemper Lecture bureau will make a plea for traffic safety before the American Business Club meeting on December 31st.

The title of the short address is "Save a Life. It Might Be Your Own." Membership in the Kemper lecture bureau is obtained by a faculty vote on the bureau candidates. Each year a topic of national interest is picked by the cadets to talk about during their Christmas vacations.

American Women Are Causing Most Trouble In Japan

TOKYO, Dec. 20. (AP)—The occupation's deputy chief surgeon today blamed American housewives in Japan for causing him more headaches than combat soldiers.

The surgeon, Col. George N. Schurmann, addressed his statement "to the ladies" after several persons were poisoned by Japanese oyster cocktails at a private dinner. Several are still ill.

Col. Schurmann said it had become dangerously fashionable to serve Japanese shellfish in American homes. He pointed out that the eating of Japanese food by occupational personnel had been forbidden for more than three years. He cautioned the housewives that food inspection here is not comparable with that at home.

Barkley Will Spend Christmas With The Airlift

PADUCAH, Ky., Dec. 20. (AP)—Vice President-elect Alben W. Barkley is going to spend Christmas with American airmen flying the airlift to Berlin, he announced at his home here last night.

The senior Kentucky senator said he had planned to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the Interparliamentary Union, of which he is a member, in Paris Dec. 28 and 29.

He added that Air Secretary W. Stuart Symington asked him to leave early enough to spend Christmas with the American fliers on the airlift.

Barkley said he would leave here tomorrow morning for Washington and that he and Symington would depart from Washington by air Wednesday.

Auto, Handkerchief Child Slaying Clues

CHICAGO, Dec. 20. (AP)—A battered old automobile, tire tracks and a man's handkerchief were the only clues police had today in their investigation of the rape-slaying of 10-year-old Roberta Rinearson.

The body of the pretty blonde child was found Saturday morning in a ditch near a cemetery along the western Cook County line. She had been beaten and strangled.

China Wants 'Honor Peace'

NANKING, Dec. 20. (AP)—A cabinet pledged "to fight on until we can secure an honorable peace" was formed late today by Premier Sun Fo.

He did not rule out the possibility of a compromise peace with the Communists.

Sun said the cabinet selections would be presented to President Chiang Kai-Shek tonight and probably would be announced tomorrow.

At a news conference, Sun said: "I can assure you we will not surrender outright to the Communists."

He added such a surrender would mean that "China would become a second Poland or Czechoslovakia."

Asked if his cabinet might compromise with the Communists he replied: "It takes two sides to compromise. The cabinet is not a cabinet of surrender."

Gen. Wu Te-Chen, secretary general of the Kuomintang (government) Party, is the new vice premier. Former Premier Chang Chun, a peace advocate, reportedly had agreed to take a cabinet post.

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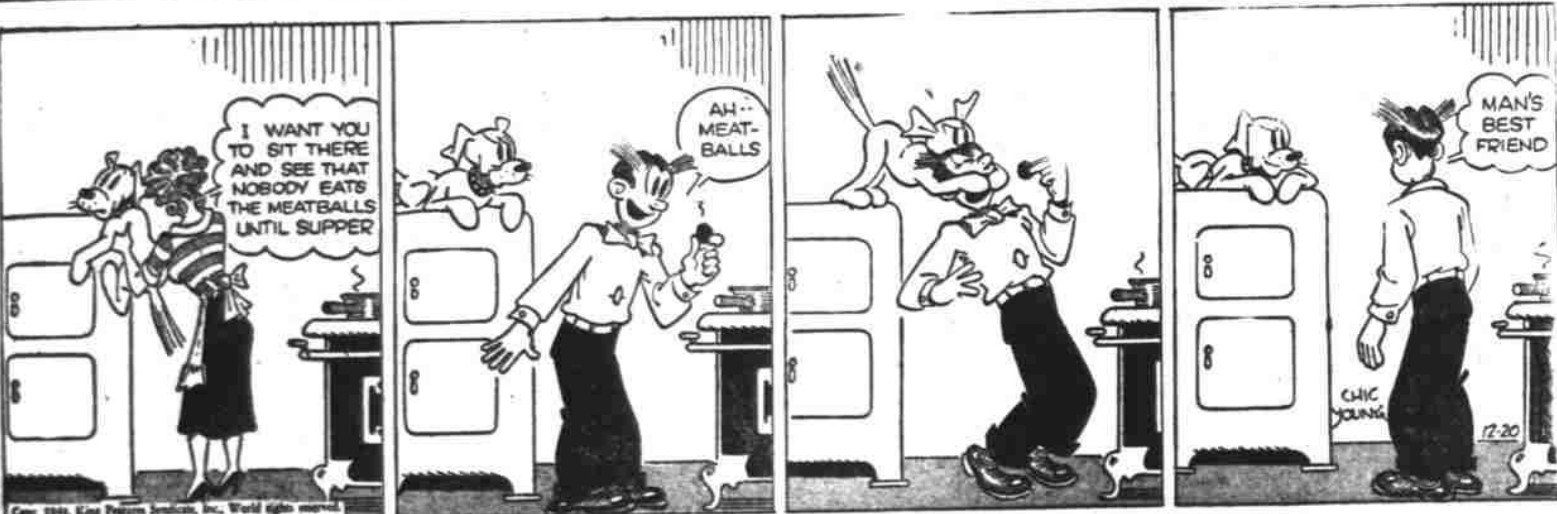
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Balanced Lineup Makes Herd Threat In League Activity

Locals Unbeaten In Six Starts

Just where the Big Spring high school basketball Steers will finish in District 3AA standings remains very much a puzzle but, if the resident quiet speeds across the finish line with as much enthusiasm and aggressiveness as it displayed when it broke the barrier, then all other entries had best prepare for the worst.

The Bovines are not "in"—far from it. These is no indication that they can even be considered among the top four teams in the seven-club circuit. Still and all, their record is unsullied after six starts, two of them against conference opponents.

Coch Johnny Malaise does not have an Eddie Houser on his team this year. But, whereas Eddie was virtually the whole show in 1947-48, the team appears better balanced this season. When opponents stopped Houser last year, they quered the whole Big Spring attack. Now Malaise has a half dozen or more boys of about equal ability around which to build his team.

The two standouts to date have been the Steers' co-captains, Howard Jones and Cui Grigsby. However, such operatives as Harold Rosson, Howard Washburn, Floyd Martin, Ray Walker, Jack Lee and Clemons Russell are only a step behind.

In compiling their record of six victories, the Steers have rolled up 250 points to 143 for the opposition. Howard Jones is the team's leading scorer with 68 points. Grigsby is only five points off that pace with 27 field goals and nine gratis pitches while Rosson has compiled 43, ten of which came at a very important time against Abilene.

The Steers get the acid test next week in an invitational tournament at Brownwood. They play the host city's Lions in a first round game Thursday Dec. 20. The Lions are supposed to have one of the top prep brigades in West Texas. The locals do not return to district competition until early January.

The Steer reserves have done almost as well as their varsity brothers. In six starts, they've won five times. Only Abilene defeated them but that was a bad licking (35-10).

The Steers turned back Colorado City twice, 32-19 and 21-14, subdued Snyder on two occasions, 32-22 and 42-20, and edged Sweetwater, 34-33.

In all, they tallied 171 points to 143 for the opposition.

Claude Horton Sports' Pilot

SWEETWATER, Dec. 20.—Claude Horton, who won eight games for the Sweetwater Sports while losing only twice, has purchased that Longhorn baseball league team's franchise and will serve as player manager in 1949, it has been announced.

Horton, who finished last season with Wichita Falls in the Big State League, succeeds Bill Gann as pilot of the Class D team.

Horton succeeds Pete Starnes as president of the club.

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LOOKING 'EM OVER

With TOMMY HART

His charges may not come anywhere close to winning the District 3AA basketball championship but Coach Johnny Malaise of Our Town has already strengthened the claim made for him that he is the best young cage coach in West Texas, if not the entire state.

You might say John started from scratch this year. He lost all 12 of the lads who won varsity letters last season and was faced with the task of heaving a club out of a B team squad that had only a mediocre record in 1947-48.

The job he has done with the material at hand speaks for itself. The Steers' record is unsullied after six games. His Longhorns opened no eyes winning easy practice tilts from Snyder and Colorado City. Then they started the league campaign with Abilene's Eagles, the perennial champions, and clawed their way to a 32-27 victory. In that one, they made a lot of mistakes but more than made up for their errors with their aggressiveness.

Sweetwater, heralded as the best Mustang club to come down the pike in a dozen years, came to the village last Friday night and the Steers punched them groggy with a 43-26 defeat.

How the Bovines will perform on the road against district competition remains to be seen but they're already exceeded expectations. Their record is a tribute to one of the smartest coaches in prep circles.

FORMER PREP STANDOUTS NOW AT MINES

Ever wonder what happened to Javier Montes, Bowie's great miler?

He's now in Texas Mines, playing freshman basketball. One of his team mates is Gerald Campbell, the former Odessa football flash. Still another member of that team is Richard Montoya, a standout cager for El Paso high in some of the Bengal's palmer days.

TONY FIARITO SOLD TO BORGER CLUB

Midland sources reveal Harold Webb, the Midland baseball skipper has sold Tony Fiarito, acquired in late season from Lamesa this year, to Borger of the WT-NM league.

Fiarito came close to winning the WT-NM batting title before going to Midland but had a lot of trouble hitting Longhorn league hurling. Too, injuries hampered him immediately prior to and during the playoffs.

Webb plans to work with Oklahoma City again next year. He's already signed two young infielders, Stanley Hughes and Warren Sliiter, to report for spring drills. Hughes is the property of the St. Louis Browns and spent some time with Pittsburg, Kansas, the past campaign.

El Paso's franchise in the Arizona-Texas league may be home-owned in 1949.

The Boston Red Sox operated the team in '48 but notified the Border City it was pulling out. Jack Corbett has offered to purchase the controlling stock in the organization.

Warren Cantrell, the part-time architect, part-time golfer who lived here for a while and then moved to Midland to serve as the links pro there, is vacationing in Cuba.

Leo Fields, Stanton's new high school athletic coach, was at Blackwell last year. He's an Abilene Christian college graduate.

Stanley Grzywacz, who hurled for the Lamesa Lobos in WT-NM league play last season, took unto himself a bride in Lamesa last week. Before seasons, he's an accountant for a cotton compress in Dawson City.

Fun Tries Olson Tonight In SAC's Principal Bout

Milt Olson, a very slick operative from Racine, Wisconsin, makes his second start at the Big Spring Athletic club this evening and, if he's as impressive in this one as he was in his debut, then the lads and laddies who pay the freight are in for an enjoyable time.

Olsen, who claims the Texas Junior Heavyweight wrestling title, looked every inch the champion in his tussle with popular Eddie Gideon of Springfield, Mo., last week. He's tough—in a nice sort of way—he's durable and he possesses all the ring moxie required of a champ.



MONTE LADUE
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The man from the Badger state goes against rugged Dory Funk of Hammond, Indiana, in the feature attraction. Funk, no doubt, will make him hustle like all get-out. The Hoosier is no slouch and can hold his own in any sort of company.

Gideon returns to test the mettle of newcomer Monte LaDue in the opener.

Edward may be hard pressed to hold his on in that one, too. LaDue is supposed to have the build of a French-Canadian lumberjack, the ability of a Sonnenberg and the confidence of a Paul Bunyan.

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Hoffman Enroute Home Following Round-World Trip

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 20.—Paul G. Hoffman, chief of the Economic Co-operation Administration, was en route by plane to Washington, D. C., today after a brief stop at his home here—the final visit on his round-the-world trip.

Hoffman told newsmen yesterday he had great admiration for Chiang Kai-Shek, with whom he conferred recently. He declined to say what he thought the future of the Nationalistic Government would be in China.

Hoffman said distribution of relief to the Chinese would continue in the cities that change hands in the current war if the new governments agree to all ECA conditions which already have been accepted by the present Nationalist Government.

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IT'S WONDERFUL Peace Is Near In Major Grid League Wars

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—The first real effort to end the three-year professional football war between the National League and the All America Conference was to be made today.

But the first announcement from the two leagues that their representatives will meet here to discuss peace terms brought a fresh flood of conjecture about how it can be accomplished.

The only definite information given out was the statement by Admiral Jonas Ingram, A. A. C. commissioner, that Ben F. Lindheimer of Los Angeles, Dan Lippincott of New York, Arthur B. (Mickey) McBride of Cleveland, James Breuil of Buffalo and Tony Morabito of San Francisco were on their way here to confer on a settlement. National League Commissioner Bert Bell added a one-sentence confirmation.

Both leagues ended their seasons yesterday with the Philadelphia Eagles emerging as champions of the National League and the Cleveland Browns winning the All-America Conference title.

The Eagles downed the defending champion Chicago Cardinals, 7-0, on a snow-covered gridiron here.

Cleveland took its third consecutive All-America Conference title by walloping the Eastern Division Champion Buffalo Bills, 49-7, at Cleveland.

There have been rumors the teams might clash in a playoff in New York Dec. 26, or possibly in Los Angeles. But whether anything along playoff lines would result from today's conference of rival moguls also was conjectural.

Temps of both leagues have reported financial losses due to rival bidding up of player salaries and competition at the gate.

While rumors of peace efforts between the two leagues developing at a one-a-minute rate last week, most of the National Leaguers insisted there had been no negotiations. But it has become increasingly evident that what they called "informal man-to-man talks," actually were something more than that, with Topping acting as an intermediary to carry proposals and suggestions between the two groups. Topping, a former National League club owner, switched to the All America Conference.

National League owners—who apparently feel they have the upper hand—remained closeted in a conference after their brief announcement and would not comment. One observer close to the scene predicted that they would "lay down their proposition and the All America would have to take it or leave it."

In any event, this proposition would put the All America out of existence as a separate league.

The National Leaguers admitted they would be glad to accept McBride's Cleveland club and Morabito's San Francisco team in their circuit.

Whether the remaining AAC clubs—under the reported NFL proposition—merely would go out of business, whether some of them would combine with NFL teams or whether some face-saving gesture, such as buying players from defunct teams, would be made still remained in the realm of conjecture.

Six-Team Loop Is Organized

CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 20.—A Clarr D six-team baseball team has formed for South Texas.

Corpus Christi, Laredo, Del Rio, McAllen, Donna and Brownsville will be members of the proposed Rio Grande Valley League.

A meeting was held here yesterday to form the circuit. George Trautman, president of the National Association of Professional Baseball, has been asked to approve the league as a part of organized baseball's minor leagues.

George Schepps, Dallas, owner of Greenville in the Big State League, holds the Corpus Christi franchise.

William Owsley, general manager of the San Antonio team of the Texas League, was elected president and treasurer of the new circuit.

The league may be expanded later to take in Eagle Pass and either Harlingen, Robstown or Alice.

Diana Lynn Marries

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Actress Diana Lynn, 22, and architect John C. Lindsay, 30, are honeymooning today.

Gus White Leads Texans To Win

Gus White, Jr., a Lamesa product who has frequently appeared here both as a football player and poloist, played an important role as the Texas Ranchers defeated the Chicago Ramblers, 13-11, in an International Polo league game at the International Amphitheater in Chicago Sunday.

White rammed home six goals. The score was tied at half time, 9-9.

Longhorns Set A Torrid Pace In S'west Play

By WILBUR MARTIN
Associated Press Staff

Jack Gray's University of Texas Longhorns are setting the pace in pre-conference play for Southwest Conference basketball teams.

The Longhorns have won six straight games after dropping their opener to Tulane. Last week they edged New York University, 58-57, and St. Joseph's of Philadelphia, 55-54.

The intersectional schedule for the seven conference teams is just about over. A few featured games are on the short schedule this week.

Rice, which could easily end up on top of the loop standings, meets St. Louis University at St. Louis Tuesday.

Southern Methodist has a pair of games with Missouri at Columbia, Mo., and Baylor plays the strong Oklahoma Aggies at Stillwater, Okla.

Conference teams bettered 500 in inter-sectional play last week, winning seven and losing six.

Phillips Oilers got even with Baylor, beating the Bears, 46-29. Baylor earlier this year had handed the Oilers their first loss to a college team since 1943.

Texas' Slater Martin held a narrow lead over Rice's Bill Tom in individual scoring. Martin has scored 117 points in seven games. Tom has 113 for the same number.

Season standings:

Team	W	L	Pts	Op	Pct.
Texas	6	1	378	340	.857
SMU	4	2	361	344	.867
Rice	4	3	390	358	.571
Baylor	3	4	304	344	.429
TCU	2	5	344	379	.286
Arkansas	2	5	310	385	.286
Texas A&M	1	5	283	295	.167

Last week's results:
East Texas State 42, Texas Christian 40; Kentucky 76, Arkansas 39; Rice 68, Sam Houston State 66; Sam Houston State 53, Texas A&M 50; Arkansas 79, Pittsburg Teachers 53; Texas 58, New York University 57; Baylor 45-49, Missouri 44-42; Louisiana State 58, Texas A&M 55, Hamline 66, Texas Christian 47; St. Louis University 61, Southern Methodist 49; Tulane 51, Texas A&M 28; Phillips Oilers 46, Baylor 29; Texas Christian 61, Emporia State 37; Rice 68, Southwest Louisiana Institute 38; Texas 55; St. Joseph's 54.

Stanley Musial Hailed Batting King Of Loop

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Stan Musial, the priceless batting star of the St. Louis Cardinals, is being hailed today as the official batting champion of the National League for the third time in his illustrious career.

Musial posted a lofty .376 mark to win the batting derby in a breeze. He also paced the circuit in runs batted in, 131; runs scored, 135; hits, 290; total bases, 429; doubles, 46, and triples, 18 according to final official averages.

Musial's .376 average is the highest since Arky Vaughan posted .385 for Pittsburg in 1935.

The Card star also hammered 39 homers, but Pittsburgh's Ralph Kiner and New York's Johnny Mize beat Musial for homer honors by clouting 49 apiece.

Not since Ducky Medwick, another Cardinal, led the league in batting in 1937 with a .374 mark has a player so dominated batting laurels as Musial. Medwick also showed the way in runs batted in, runs scored, doubles, hits, total bases and tied Mel Ott for the home run crown 11 years ago.

Musial became the fourth player in the league's history to capture the title three or more times. Honus Wagner, Pittsburgh's immortal, holds the record with eight. Rogers Hornsby is next with seven, copping six for St. Louis and one for Boston. Paul Waner is the other previously won the derby in 1943 (.357) and 1946 (.365).

The Card star, who finished 43 points ahead of Rookie Richie Ashburn of Philadelphia in the batting race, also tied a major league and two loop records.

He banged out five hits in one game four times during the season to equal the major league mark set by Detroit's great Ty Cobb in 1922.

Tar Heels Starting Fast Training Grind

HAMMOND, La., Dec. 20.—North Carolina's Tar Heels opened here today for their Sugar Bowl football game against Oklahoma in New Orleans Jan. 1.

Forty players arrived yesterday afternoon in a chartered airplane, to meet a rousing welcome from more than 2,000 persons gathered at the airport.

Ten other players, including most of the squad's married men, followed by train.

Varipapa Upset In Tournament

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Huge Connie Schwoeiger, making a big-time bowling comeback after shedding 60 pounds in the last year, put on a great rally last night to win the national individual all-star championship.

Andy Varipapa of Hempstead, N. Y., won second place in the final block.

Steve Nagy from Madison, Wis., was third.

Jolson Gives Estarr As Christmas Gift

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Waco, Amarillo Meet Saturday In Fort Worth

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associated Press Sports Editor

The Texas schoolboy football campaign reaches its weary close this week with every champion due to be undefeated.

Two titles will be determined Christmas Day to round out the 1948 picture of three state pennants for the first time in the 29-year history of the Interscholastic League.

Arlington Heights of Fort Worth wound up unbeaten but once tied with the City Conference championship. Saturday Amarillo and Waco settle the Class AA title at Fort Worth and New Braunfels and Monahans battle for the Class A crown at Odessa.

Records of the four teams that play this week-end are:

Team	W	L	T	Pts	Op	Pct.
New Braunfels	14	0	0	967	89	1.000
Monahans	14	0	0	359	29	1.000
Waco	13	0	0	354	24	1.000
Amarillo	12	0	0	298	24	1.000

Waco reaches the final round in the Class AA race last week by upsetting mighty Fort Arthur 13-6 and Amarillo plowed over Denison 20-6. Defeat of Port Arthur, rated the No. 1 team in the state since the start of the season, was accomplished by the great passing of Claud Kincannon, the Gil Johnson of schoolboy football. He completed 27 passes for 267 yards.

Amarillo leaped to three touch-downs in the first period then won on the defensive most of the way from there on in felling the most amazing team of the year—Denison's battling Yellow Jackets who weren't even supposed to be in the semi-finals.

New Braunfels, one of the high-scoring teams of Texas high school gridiron history—It has averaged 40.5 points per game—crushed New London, 12-0.

Well-matched in size are the Golden Sandies and Tigers. Waco averages 167 pounds to the man and Amarillo 165. Waco has a line averaging 174.8 pounds, Amarillo's averages 172.1.

Waco will be the favorite but there is little comparison between the two teams. They did not play a mutual opponent. Amarillo beat Woodrow Wilson of Dallas 28-12 and Woodrow Wilson lost to Highland Park of Dallas 12-7. Waco beat Highland Park 27-7. The comparison is so indirect as to be meaningless.

The Waco-Amarillo game will be in the Texas Christian University Stadium at Fort Worth, where 34,000 fans can be accommodated. Monahans and New Braunfels will clash in the new stadium at Odessa which handles 18,000. Both games start at 2 p.m.

Kentucky, St. Louis Appear To Be Top Collegiate Fives In Country

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—If junior wrote that he'd be home from college for Christmas, it's a cinch he's not a basketball player. A large slice of college cage talent will be half a continent or more away from its usual firesides when the man with the whiskers comes down the chimney.

Take a look at these travel plans: Four Big Nine schools—Ohio State, Michigan, Northwestern and Wisconsin—will be on the West Coast this week. Four Big Seven schools—Oklahoma, Colorado, Iowa State and Nebraska—will be in the East. St. Mary's of California will be in Minnesota, Hamline of Minnesota will be in California.

Georgia and Georgia Tech will shiver in New York's blizzard while Pitt enjoys Miami's sunshine, Yale and North Carolina State will jump from Coast to Coast. Arizona will come as far East as Pennsylvania and South Carolina will journey as far North as Michigan. And there are many more.

But one of the best games of them all may be one that's close to home—old Kentucky variety, that is.

This contest matches the Blue Grass country's famous Wildcats against the Green Wave of Tulane at Lexington Wednesday night. The Kentuckians closed an Eastern Invasion in New York Saturday by out-classing St. John's of Brooklyn, 57-30. They've won six without working up a good sweat. The Green Wave has rolled over eight opponents. It's the only team to beat Texas so far, but most of the opposition has been minor league. Neither has played a conference game.

St. Louis University, which continues to draw equal billing with Kentucky, is another stay-at-home. The Bills have only one game this week—against Rice Tuesday night—and should increase their season's record to 5-0.

The Palace at San Francisco, one of the newest arenas on the big team basketball circuit, draws some of the top inter-sectional games of the week.

Michigan 4-0; defending champion of the Big Nine, will meet Stanford (6-0) and Yale (4-0) will play St. Mary's (1-3) there tonight. Tomorrow the clubs reverse opponents. And on Thursday North Carolina State (4-1) will play San Francisco (5-1) and unbeaten Hamline will meet Santa Clara.



RICHARD GONZALES

Cal Dominates Net Rankings

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—California continues to be the tennis incubator of the United States. The National Amateur rankings for 1948, just out, are dominated by strokers from the Golden State with Dick Gonzales of Los Angeles and a transplanted Californian, Mrs. Margaret Osborne Du Pont, heading their respective divisions.

Mrs. Du Pont learned her lobs and drop shots in San Francisco but has registered from Wilmington, Del., since her marriage.

There seems no room for dispute in the No. 1 choices of the selection committee. Gonzales and Mrs. Du Pont earned the right to their lofty status by winning the national singles championships.

It may be different in the case of Ted Schroeder of La Crescenta, Calif., who was ranked second behind Gonzales in the men's division. After making the Davis Cup squad under criticism from some quarters, he played brilliantly to help the U. S. retain the trophy. Then he whipped Gonzales twice in tournaments on the West Coast.

The veteran Frank Parker of Los Angeles, who shared the singles assignments with Schroeder on the Davis Cup team, was ranked third, followed by Billy Talbert of New York and Bob Falkenberg of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Webfoots Are Due
DALLAS, Dec. 20.—The University of Oregon football team was due to arrive here today and indications were that the Webfoots would start stiff practice tomorrow for their Cotton Bowl date New Year's Day with Southern Methodist University.



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Postmaster Nat Shick Issues Last Call For Christmas Mail

Last call was sounded yesterday by Postmaster Nat Shick for patrons wishing to have Christmas cards and gift parcels delivered to cities any distance by Christmas Day.

Emphasizing that only five days remain until Christmas, the local postmaster warned late mailers that air mail and air parcel post facilities should be used exclusively. Otherwise, due to the unprecedented volume of mail now in transit, gifts traveling by slower methods face the probability of not reaching their destination in ample time.

He pointed out that mail going by air will reach any city in the United States overnight, and in some instances will reach overseas

points in 24 hours, particularly to United States possessions and territories as well as Canada, Mexico and Cuba.

There is an average lapse of only seven seconds between landings or takeoffs of scheduled mail planes flying over the 127,000 miles of domestic routes, according to Shick, while overseas bound planes leave every 30 minutes.

"With a modern postal system second to none, our 42,000 post offices stand prepared to expedite incoming and outgoing holiday traffic through the last minute. However, tardy patrons must take the responsibility from here on out unless they use our fastest transportation—which is air mail and air parcel post," said Shick.

Howard Commissioners Brush Off Routine Agenda, Schedule Cleanup

County commissioners brushed off a routine agenda Monday morning and set Dec. 27 as the date for a clean-up meeting for the year of 1948.

Reports indicated that only two pieces of right-of-way were being held up start of operations on the all-weather road from U. S. 80 to Lomax community. One is an out-of-state owner, whom officials have had difficulty in contacting, and one a resident owner, S. T. Treadway, district highway engineer.

Previously announced that work would be started almost as soon as deeds for the roadway are established.

Commissioner Earl Hull was to begin contacts this week on widening the Gail road in order to secure a major extension to it and to comply with state requirements to take over maintenance of the road. Both are joint projects under the state-county 25-75 program.

The court greeted news of authorization by the state of \$195,000 for completion of the Snyder road to the county line with enthusiasm. Previously, the court had expressed the hope that the state highway department would take early action on the project.

Consideration was given welfare cases including hospitalization, one case of malnutrition, and another of clothing and transportation of an indigent to the state tubercular

sanatorium. At the Dec. 27 meeting, which may extend to the following day, Judge W. S. Morrison said that outstanding minutes and business would be approved and that a survey on progress of a remodeling job on courthouse office space. Besides those mentioned, Commissioners G. E. Gilliam and Walter Long were present for the Monday session.

Automobile Theft Suspects Are Held

Doyle Ray Mears, 20, and his brother, Weldon Gene, 18, were taken into custody by Texas highway patrolmen here Sunday on a charge of car theft.

The two signed statements admitting they took a car belonging to Hayden Griffith and drove it to a spot near Morley, Colo., where they abandoned it due to a faulty battery.

Tips from Colorado parties, who reportedly saw the brothers driving the stolen vehicle, led to the arrest of the men.

Records revealed the younger of the brothers, Weldon Gene, is on probation from a Federal penal institution.

Gideons To Honor Charter Members

Marking the completion of five years of service, the Big Spring Gideon camp will honor charter members at its regular meeting Thursday.

The camp was organized in Dec. 1943, and has jumped from an original membership of six to 34. This year it had the honor of entertaining the state meeting.

Time and place for the Thursday session will be at 7 a. m. in the Methodist parlor, said G. G. Morehead, president.

Charter members, still active, are George O'Brien, Chester O'Brien, Dr. P. D. O'Brien, Bill Mead, J. D. Jones and Robert Stripling.

Vandals Smash Two Business Windows

Windows in two business establishments were smashed by vandals during the weekend, but only small amounts of merchandise were reported missing, police announced this morning.

A rock was thrown through a window early Sunday morning at the Army Surplus store on West Third street. Juveniles were believed to be involved in that incident. Officers said two or three pairs of Army sunglasses were taken.

Another window was broken Sunday night at the Conoco Service station, 401 N. Gregg. A few packages of these crackers were stolen there.

Three Are Fined On Assault Charges

Three persons, two of them Negroes, entered pleas of guilty to assault charges in justice court Saturday and each was fined \$25 and expenses by Justice of Peace Walter Grice.

Landro Juarez admitted fighting with another Latin-American, Alex Banks and Anna B. Jones, allegedly involved in a knife fight, were the Negro and Negroes held.

Charged With Murder

James McGruder, a Negro who confessed to the shotgun slaying of Herman Serrell here Saturday afternoon, was transferred by city police to the custody of the county over the weekend. He was charged with murder this morning.

Man Pleads Guilty To Charge Of DWI

Ignacio Gonzales, one of two persons picked up by state highway patrolmen here Sunday evening on charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicants, entered a plea of guilty in county court today and was fined \$100 plus expenses.

Herman H. Gresham, also under arrest on a like charge, was to be tried later in the day.

Army Has An Opening For Woman Recruit

The local US Army recruiting station has an opening for a former woman member of the Armed Forces, preferably a WAF, Lt. Frank Massey announced this morning.

If she is accepted for military duty, the woman will be placed on duty here, Lt. Massey stated.

Mrs. Bill Myers Succumbs Here

Mrs. Lenora A. Myers, 64, died at her home here Sunday at 2 a. m. following a long illness. She had been in failing health for the past four years.

She was a native Texan, was born Aug. 29, 1884, and had been a long-time resident of this county. Her husband, Bill Myers, died eight years ago.

Rites will be held at 3 p. m. Tuesday at Eberley chapel with E. G. Newcomer officiating, assisted by Harry Robertson.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. Emma June Thames; five brothers, H. C. Thames, Big Spring; F. S. Thames, Paige, J. W. Thames, Bay City; S. T. Thames, Gliddens; and G. E. Thames, Austin.

Pallbearers will be Miller Russell, Cleopne Russell, Clarence Russell, Wilmond Burks, Tom Cole, Edward Freeman.

Legion's Christmas Party Set For Today

Christmas party for the children of American Legion members has been set for 7:30 p. m. today at the Legion hall.

Santa Claus will be present to distribute gifts of candy and favors to all attending. If other gifts are distributed, they must be brought by the parents. Arrangements are in charge of Mrs. H. W. Whitney and all children of Legion members are invited to participate.

Shepperd To Be Banquet Speaker

John Ben Shepperd, past national president of the Junior Chambers of Commerce, has been selected as speaker for the annual chamber of commerce banquet.

In announcing the selection of Shepperd as the speaker, the board of directors set Feb. 10, 1949 as date for the annual affair. Shepperd, whose home is in Gladewater, is a widely travelled figure and regarded as an outstanding speaker.

Elmo Wasson, president, was authorized to name necessary committees on arrangements for the banquet.

The board named Harmon J. Morrison to the post of assistant manager of the chamber. He has been a member of the staff for several months.

In another action, all staff members were voted a bonus equivalent to one-twelfth of their yearly earnings with the organization.

Rotary Will Hold Christmas Party

Big Spring Rotary club members will hold their annual Christmas party at their regular meeting Tuesday in the Settles.

Club members will exchange gifts of toys which will be assembled later for distribution to community.

Bradley Ahead

MONTEBELLO, Calif., Dec. 20. (AP) — Jackson Bradley, St. Charles, Ill., retained his lead going into the final round of the 54-hole Montebello Open golf tournament today, despite defending champion Lloyd Mangrum's hole in one.

Bradley carded a two-below-par 70 yesterday for a total of 136.

WEATHER

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Fair to partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday; warmer this afternoon, cooler late Tuesday.

HIGH today 70, low tonight 53, high tomorrow 70. HIGHEST temperature this date, 78 in 1921; lowest this date, -3 in 1906; maximum annual this date, 123 in 1902.

EAST TEXAS: Fair, warmer tonight and in north portion this afternoon. Tuesday mostly cloudy with a few showers near the upper coast. Gentle to moderate variable winds becoming moderate to fresh southeast to south Tuesday.

WEST TEXAS: Fair, warmer this afternoon and tonight. Cooler Panhandle and South Plains late today.

TEMPERATURES

CITY	Max	Min
Abilene	52	38
BIG SPRING	56	33
Chicago	31	26
Denver	35	25
El Paso	56	35
Fort Worth	55	38
Galveston	66	47
New York	37	27
St. Louis	35	33

Sun sets today at 5:48 p. m., rises Tuesday at 7:45 a. m.

The way to decaffeinate coffee was finally discovered in 1903 when a shipload of coffee was deluged with seawater during a storm—and brine soaked beans reacted strangely. The reaction suggested a new process to scientists, fices and honors.

Chamber Votes To Sell Lots

Three 25-foot front lots in the 200 block of Scurry street will be offered for sale immediately by the chamber of commerce.

This action was taken by the board of directors, Monday upon recommendation of a committee headed by W. L. Mead.

At the same time the board voted to cash its holdings in U. S. bonds, approximately \$5,700, in order to meet a note to the Texas & Pacific Railway company, from whom the chamber purchased a quarter of a block of property, maturing Jan. 3, 1949. A small residue would be used to pay interest on a note, held by First National bank, as of the same date.

Directors set a price of \$5,000 for each lot, which would be immediately north of the American bus terminal. They will be listed with all accredited real estate agents in Big Spring. The executive committee was empowered to handle any of the details necessary for sale of the three parcels.

Proceeds would go to liquidation of all indebtedness against the property and leave the northern half of the tract unencumbered.

The property has been available to purchasers since the chamber acquired it, but this is the first time that a specific price has been placed on any part of it. At one time the possibility of erecting a community center on it was considered.

MARKETS

LOCAL MARKETS
No. 2 Milo \$2.15 cwt. FOB Big Spring. Kaffir and mixed grades \$2.10 cwt. Eggs candled 50 cents dozen, cash market; sour cream 45 cents lb; friers 40 cents lb; hens 29 cents lb; roosters 12 cents lb.

COTTON
NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP) — Cotton futures at noon were 21 to 40 cents a bale lower than the previous close. March 22.10, May 21.91 and July 21.61.

WALL STREET
NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP) — The stock market slumbered peacefully today with prices moving sluggishly in a narrow range.

Changes in either direction were mostly within a range of 3/8 of a point, and a number of leading issues were unchanged. The volume of trading was restricted after the opening flurry to executive weekend orders.

Among the major groups, rails displayed the most comparative activity and they were anything but lively.

LIVESTOCK
FORT WORTH, Dec. 20. (AP) — Cattle 2,500; calves 1,500; cattle and calves active and strong; medium and good slaughter steers, yearlings and heifers 20.00-24.00; common kinds down to 14.00; butchers and beef cows 17.00-19.00; canners and cutters 11.00-17.00; bulls 15.00-20.00; good and choice fat calves 22.00-25.00; common to medium kinds 17.00-21.00.

Hogs 1,200; butcher hogs and sows mostly steady; some sales 20 cents higher; top 21.25 paid sparingly; good and choice 19.75 lb. butchers cashed 21.00; good and choice 15.00-18.75; 19.00-20.75; sows 16.00-17.50; stocker pigs 12.00-14.00. Sheep 1,500; sheep around steady on all classes; good shorn lambs with No. 1 or No. 2 tails 22.00; cull and common slaughter ewes 1.50-4.25; mixed feeder and fat lambs 20.00.

Whitney And Greene To Attend Hearing

H. W. Whitney, city manager, and J. H. Greene, chamber of commerce manager, will be in Austin Tuesday for the hearing by the board of water engineers on the application by Colorado City and Texas Electric Service company to construct a dam across Morgan Creek.

TESCO wants rights to the water on Morgan creek to secure water for a steam generating plant and Colorado City is interested in securing, from TESCO, water for domestic purposes.

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JEWEL BOX

Gold-tooled leather jewel box with swing-up tray. **\$3.95**

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Sterling silver tie clip and chain, authentic emblem. **\$3.00**

STERLING CANDLEHOLDERS

Traditional beauty in these candleholders, sterling silver. **\$4.95**

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Six individual salt and peppers in sterling silver. **\$4.95**

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Bunche Says Palestine War 'Is Now Over'

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP) — The Palestine war "is now over" and a final solution of problems arising out of the creation of the new state of Israel is well on its way, Dr. Ralph Bunche says.

The acting United Nations mediator of Palestine added, on his return yesterday to this country, that the new Jewish state is "firmly established."

He said fighting in Israel now is a matter of "local incidents" and although it may continue for some time, "I would not regard it too seriously."

Bunche foresaw a "great future" for the new Jewish state and a "peaceful Palestine with friendly relations between Israel and the surrounding Arab states."

Israel's citrus, textile and diamond-cutting industries have particularly bright futures, the UN official said.

Japs Wait For Amplification Of Their New Austerity Plan

TOKYO, Dec. 20. (AP) — Business, labor and politics waited apprehensively today for amplification of a new austerity program ordered by Washington.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur warned yesterday that the program designed to remedy defects in the Japanese economy will not be subjected to debate by the Japanese on ideological grounds. MacArthur added that he would not stand for any interference by labor, business or partisan politics in the carrying out of occupation orders.

Naturally the Japanese, who appear to enjoy speculation and rumor mongering more than any other race on earth, are having a field day.

MacArthur yesterday ordered an overhaul of antiquated Japanese economic practices and stabilization of the national economy.

Today's crop of rumors included: That the country's yen will be frozen at the 300 billion mark; that

the yen will be devalued; that a new currency rate will be established with seized gold bullion as backing and that portions of wages and incomes over a certain level will be frozen; that an immediate 30 per cent personnel slash in administrative sections of the government will be made; and that year end wages, always important to the Japanese, would not be paid for some time while new plans are being worked out.

Diet members were worried over a rumor that there will be no Diet dissolution and that members will be kept at work for the next two months instead of being allowed to campaign.

The welter of rumors spread by the hour.

Great deposits of salt lie beneath the earth in Michigan and are removed through deep wells and with pumps forcing water in to dissolve the salt.

Hayworth, Flynn 'Least Cooperative'

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 20. (AP) — Rita Hayworth and Errol Flynn were in the headlines again today — with pats on their backs that closely resembled spankings.

The Hollywood Women's Press Club yesterday named them "the least co-operative" actress and actor for the year.

The club's "golden apples" as the most co-operative actress and actor went to Dorothy Lamour and Glenn Ford.

Actress Honored

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 20. (AP) — The National Conference of Christians and Jews has named Irene Dunne as the person "who has done most in 1948 to promote better understanding among peoples of all faiths."

Robert Douglas, born in Scone, Scotland, was a student of fruit chemistry and in 1912 was able to extract and prepare commercially the fruit ingredient pectin, which makes fruit juices jell.

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Plus "War News" and "Witch Cat"

Blue Baby Shows Recovery Progress

DALLAS, Dec. 20. (AP) — A six-weeks old baby, Richard Davis Manley, is recovering from a "blue baby" operation at a Dallas hospital. The child is believed to be the smallest in history to undergo such an operation.

The baby, which weighs less than eight pounds, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Manley of Canton, in East Texas.

Wichita Falls Music Director Is Found Dead

DALLAS, Dec. 20. (AP) — Miss Erma Nala Voss, supervisor of music in Wichita Falls public schools for more than 20 years, was found dead here yesterday afternoon in a Dallas hotel room. She had died of a heart attack.

Miss Voss had left Wichita Falls Friday for Dallas to visit her sister, Mrs. F. B. Saunders, and to see her physician. She had been in ill health for some time.

Police said a note found in the room said "I am sick. I am here to consult doctors." The note continued that if she became worse her sister, Mrs. Saunders, was to be called, or her cousin, Ben Simms, who also lives in Dallas.

Other survivors beside her sister are two sisters, Mrs. H. P. Boyd, Fort Worth, and Mrs. C. E. Springstun, Big Lake; one brother, Harry Voss of Gatesville, and a niece, Mrs. Arnold Jones, wife of Wichita Falls' mayor.

Aid Train To Move

RIO DE JANEIRA, Dec. 20. (AP) — "Solidarity train" organized under the auspices of Diarios Associados, a group of Brazilian newspapers, is preparing to leave Rio soon with

help for the victims of last week's disastrous floods in northeast Brazil. The train will carry food, medicine and clothes gathered through public subscription.

Forrestal Letter Eases Housewife's 'Security' Worry

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20. (AP) — A Philadelphia housewife has had her "suspicions" over the national security policy temporarily eased by a letter from Secretary of Defense James F. Forrestal.

Mrs. Clarence F. Hartman said yesterday Forrestal's letter satisfied her that a secret police force was just as distasteful to the Truman administration as it was to her.

"On the face of it," Mrs. Hartman said, "the letter clears up my doubts. Mr. Forrestal seems to be very definite when he says he has no thought of abolishing the FBI."

Mrs. Hartman had written President Truman for a statement of clarification on the administration's policy of national security. The secretary of defense replied in a 1,300-word letter.

Forrestal's letter was accompanied by a report of the Office of Civil Defense planning which Mrs. Hartman said she had glanced through, but not studied.

"For the time being, at least, my suspicions have been allayed," Mrs. Hartman said, "but of course, there's no way of telling how much co-ordination there will be. Sometimes you're told things that are legally so, but altogether different in practice."

Kilgore Pilot May Be In Dutch Hands

MANILA, Dec. 20. (AP) — Jim Fleming, 26-year-old American airman from Kilgore who has been bucking the Dutch blockade for the Indonesian Republic, failed to arrive here as scheduled yesterday.

His wife expressed fear that he may have failed to get his old amphibian off the Maguwo Air Field before the Dutch captured it. He had flown to the republican capital of Jogjakarta four days ago.

Fleming has been flying the blockade running job about two months. He took over after the disappearance in October of Bobby Freeberg of Parsons, Kans.

GIVE THE BIRDS THEIR CHRISTMAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP) — It's a little early to start talk about what to do with your old Christmas trees.

But the fish and wildlife service took time by the forelock today and suggested:

After the kiddies are through with it put your old Christmas tree up in the backyard as a bird feeder, substituting popcorn and suet for tinsel and fruit.

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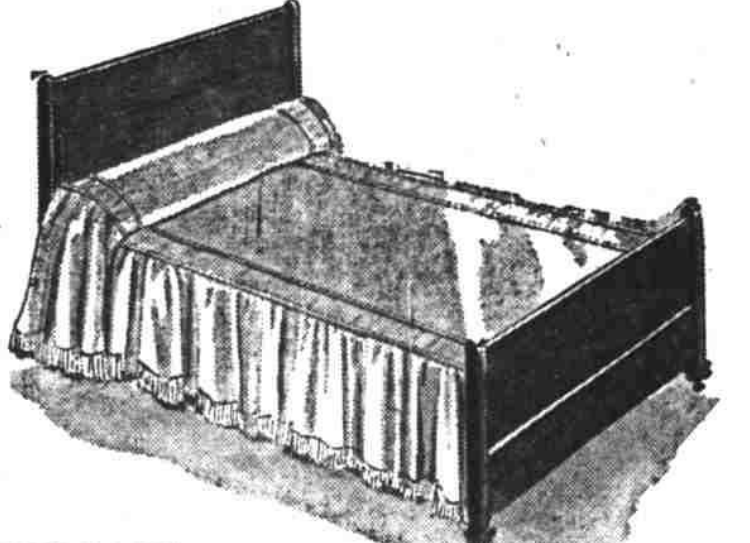


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