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CHRISTMAS WEATHER ARRIVES



Snowballing each other in Kansas, Neb. children are taking full advantage of the first big snowfall of the year which has blanketed parts of Kansas, Neb. and Missouri, raising hopes that it will be a White Christmas after all.

Western Union Strike Is Called by Union

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—AFL union employees of Western Union laid plans today for a nationwide walkout of 48,000 members the morning of Jan. 7.

Large Sum in Bonds Reported Lost Here

Mrs. Durwood P. Killgo, 500 North Hazel street, had the misfortune to lose between \$2,500 and \$2,600 in government bonds about 12:30 today, it was reported.

City-County Yule Party Set Tonight

Dr. Douglas Nelson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will be guest speaker at a Christmas party being held tonight at 7:30 for more than 100 city and county employees.

MOBEETIE MAN ON CARGO SHIP

W. K. Sims, boatswain's mate, second class, Route 1, Mobeetie, served aboard the attack cargo ship USS Hyperion, which travelled 75-75 nautical miles in the Pacific while carrying war cargo to scenes of important battle actions.

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HST Backs Army's Service Merger Plan; Byrnes Expected to Confer With Stalin

Molotov Has Luncheon for Foreign Heads

MOSCOW, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov entertained Secretary of State Byrnes and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin at lunch today before their formal conversations, in which the atomic bomb was reported to be of upmost importance.

The luncheon was given at Speridinofka palace with the full American and British delegations attending.

A spokesman at the United States embassy said Byrnes expected to confer with Generalissimo Stalin, recently returned from an extensive vacation. Neither Byrnes nor Bevin has yet seen the Russian leader.

Gen. Georges Catroux, French ambassador to Russia, conferred with Byrnes for 45 minutes during the morning at Spassov house in what was described as a "courtsey call." Byrnes saw the Chinese ambassador for a half hour Monday.

CONTROL OF JAPAN
The question of control of Japan appeared to be one of the topics of the "exploratory" talks.

WAGE INCREASE DEMAND
Negotiations between the union and company on 13 issues, including a 25 percent wage increase demand and additional annual holidays, became deadlocked last August.

Installation of Kiwanis Officers Set for Tomorrow

Sim Kelley, member of the Downtown Kiwanis club of Amarillo, will be the principal speaker of the installation banquet of the local Kiwanis club, to be held at 7:30 tomorrow night in the high school cafeteria.

Clyde Carruth will be installed as president of the local club, succeeding Ed Weiss.

Included among the guests will be Judge Howard Riggs, Wellington, district lieutenant governor, who will install the officers.

Jeff D. Bearden will introduce the guests. L. N. Atchison will make the presentation of awards and Joe Gordon will act as master of ceremonies.

Guests are expected from the San Jacinto, North Amarillo and Downtown clubs of Amarillo, and the Wellington, Borger and Stinnett clubs.

Ed Weiss, outgoing president, said that it will be necessary to start the program promptly in order to finish in time for members who wish to attend the Beta Gamma Kappa dance at the country club.

Other officers to be installed are F. E. Shryock, first vice president; A. C. Troop, second vice president; Hueyln Laycock, secretary-treasurer; and Jeff Bearden, Cecil Myatt, Bill Kelley, Morris Goldfine, Noel Dalton, W. A. Rankin and Harry Caylor, directors.

Retiring officers are President Ed Weiss; Clyde Carruth, first vice president; F. E. Shryock, second vice president; and A. C. Troop, C. P. Purley, L. G. Langston and H. W. Waters, directors.

CLEAN WORK AFOOT
NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(P)—Seventy-year-old Beverly W. Mayfield has walked many miles in the past 20 years and he expects to walk plenty more—operating a small dry cleaning firm. He delivers all his work on foot. "It's more friendly," he says.

Commission Will Open Sewer Project Bids

Bids for the construction contract on Pampa's huge sewer expansion program will be opened at a special meeting of the city commission tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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Executive Session Called to Consider How Much Longer Pearl Harbor Inquiry Will Last

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—The Pearl Harbor committee called an executive session for late today to consider how much longer the five-week-old inquiry shall continue—a question that may eventually bring on a hot fight in congress.

This was disclosed by Chairman Barkley (D-Ky.), as the senate-house investigators received records showing that in the spring of 1941 the Japanese were convinced that the United States was reading some of their secret codes.

Barkley, who returned to the committee after several days illness, did not confirm reports that democrats will favor only a 30-day extension of the hearing beyond Jan. 3, the date originally set for its conclusion.

Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) is opposed to such a limitation, saying the inquiry should go on as long as necessary. He has estimated this may take another 60 or 90 days.

Committee counsel William D. Mitchell and his staff have served notice they intend to quit early in January. Senator Lucas (D-Ill.) told reporters there was little chance of persuading the legal staff to continue beyond that time.

There were these other developments:
1. A move by Lucas to have Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short and Adm. Husband E. Kimmel, the Hawaiian commanders, called to tell their side before the first of the year.

2. A suggestion by Senator Brewster (R-Me.) that Owen J. Roberts, recently retired supreme court justice who conducted the first inquiry into the disaster, See PEARL HARBOR, Page 5

Industry Raps New Government Housing Program

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—Bitter industry criticism of the government's new housing program brought a "let's give it a chance" reply from federal officials today.

OPA, a principal target of sharp words leveled by industry leaders at the conclusion of a government-sponsored housing conference, said price increases to spur production already have been granted in a number of cases and that other adjustments are on the way.

To industry contentions the government had its mind made up about the program when it called this week's advisory conference civilian production administrator John D. Small replied:

"President Truman has outlined a critical housing problem, and he has instructed us to get homes built for veterans as quickly as possible. 'We are consulting with the industry to the fullest extent possible under the emergency circumstances.'

Douglas Whitlock, former president of the Producers' Council, Inc., said he had understood the conference was to be a cooperative project but that instead:

"We were told, here's a priority program and you are going to take it."
Whitlock referred to a new regulation, which will be announced late this week, earmarking about 50 percent of all building supplies to homes costing \$10,000 or less.

H. R. Northrup, secretary-manager of the National Retail Lumber Dealers association, and Whitlock joined in assertions that the major construction bottleneck is OPA's unrealistic price policy.

An OPA spokesman said the industry had applied for three separate price increases, had been granted two and the third would have been authorized by now if the industry had not delayed filing a corollary wage statement with the war labor board.

BANK OF ENGLAND
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REDUCTION IN POINT SCORE: ARMY ANNOUNCES ANOTHER CUTBACK IN REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—The army announced today another cutback in requirements for discharge from service, effective Dec. 31. It will make an additional 600,000 men and women eligible for separation.

The changes include a reduction in the point score for enlisted men to 50 and for officers to 70. For the first time, length of service will be computed in the case of WAC personnel. Enlisted Wacs will be eligible if they have had two years and six months of honorable service. WAC officers will be eligible if they have had three years and three months.

Truman Asks for Unified Direction

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—President Truman called today for merger of the army and navy into a single department of national defense with the air forces fully equal to the land and sea arms.

Stepping squarely into the middle of the long and bitter struggle between the army and navy top commands, Mr. Truman followed in virtually every detail the official war department plan for unification.

SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS
And he dashed one prime navy hope by declaring in a special message to congress:

"Further studies of the general problem would serve no useful purpose."

Navy witnesses appearing at senate military committee hearings on the merger proposal have pleaded against hasty action.

CABINET MEMBER HEAD
Declaring that "I urge this as the best means of keeping the peace," Mr. Truman proposed that the new defense department be headed by a single cabinet member operating with one undersecretary and several assistant secretaries, all civilians.

There would be a departmental chief of staff, with a commander for each of the three component branches—army, navy and air.

KEY STAFF POSITIONS
Either the President or the secretary of defense could take up directly with the separate commanders matters of basic military strategy.

See SERVICE MERGER, Page 5

Congress Clears Path for Action On Revised GI Bill of Rights

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—Striving for final adjournment tomorrow, congress paved the way today for action on an amended GI bill of rights.

Result of a compromise after weeks of bitter senate-house controversy, the veterans' legislation held top priority on today's business calendar.

BONUS PAYMENTS
But it faced one more fight in the house veterans committee—over the subject of future bonus payments, if any.

Chairman Rankin (D-Mass.) of the house veterans committee leveled his oratorical guns at a compromise recommendation that no payments under either the original or the amended GI bill of deductible from any further bonuses.

ORIGINAL GI BILL
The original GI bill set down as a future deduction all tuition unemployment compensation, or defaults on loans, but not the loans themselves. The house left this

GM Strikers To Continue Strike Until Demand Met

DETROIT, Dec. 19.—(P)—Determination to stand firm in its wage demands on two major fronts was voiced by the CIO united auto-hill workers today as President Truman's fact-finding board called its first hearing on the month-old General Motors strike.

After rejecting a Ford Motor Co. offer to raise wages 12.4 percent, the union declared it was "sticking to its guns" for a 20 percent increase from GM "unless the corporation can produce facts and figures to prove its inability to pay that much."

The UAW-CIO stand was reaffirmed in a letter from the top strike strategy committee to all local unions on the eve of the first government panel's session in Washington.

Representing General Motors at the Capital hearing were President C. E. Wilson and Vice President Harry W. Anderson. R. J. Thomas and Walter P. Reuther, holding corresponding positions in the union, led the UAW delegation.

The strike strategy committee's letter, signed by Thomas, Reuther and other union officials, said the GM strikers have voted by a 99 percent majority "to remain on strike until their demands are met."

The balloting was conducted on President Truman's appeal for a resumption of work pending a report by his fact-finders.

Amarillo Reports Low Temperature

(By The Associated Press)
Temperatures in Texas dropped to the lowest of the season in most sections early today (Wednesday) and the weather bureau said it would get even colder later tonight in the South and Central portions.

Other areas, gripped by far-below-freezing temperatures, can face no moderation until later in the week.

Coldest were Amarillo, with 5 degrees and Pampa with 6. A 3 degree reading was recorded for Pampa Saturday.

Rain or snow was light, and the state escaped what the weather bureau called a serious threat when conditions shifted last night and the predicted snow, glaze and sleet did not materialize.

Other low readings were Gainesville, Denison and Guadalupe Pass 19, Lubbock and Wichita Falls 13, Sulphur Springs 15, Texarkana 15, Dallas and Fort Worth 16, Wink and Abilene 17, Big Spring 18, Corsicana 19, Waco, San Angelo, Marshall, Paris 20, Poyte 21. Navasota and Austin 25, Lufkin 26, Tyler 27, and San Antonio 28.

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A total of 16 firms asked for copies of plans and specifications on the project and nine have sent representatives here to survey the site.

The project, along with a \$63,000 storm sewer project, was voted here in August in a bond issue. The project will cost nearly \$400,000.

Fact-Finding Board Looks Into GM Case

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—A government fact-finding board moved into the General Motors strike today, but its exact role appeared tied to an eventual White House decision on whether car prices should be considered.

The fact-finding board already has been raised by the CIO-union workers union whose wage dispute also is under study by a fact-finding panel.

But the oil board yesterday adjourned until Friday to permit the administration—President Truman in the final analysis—to decide whether this factor should be taken into account in any recommended wage increase.

HEARINGS TOMORROW
The General Motors panel called the CIO-union auto workers and officials of the motor corporation to a meeting to discuss procedure. Public hearings are scheduled tomorrow.

Since the price issue has been raised in this dispute, too, a quick decision by the government appears to be essential to getting started.

The GM panel consists of Lloyd K. Garrison, chairman of the retiring war labor board; Chief Justice Walter P. Stacy of the North Carolina supreme court and chairman of the recent labor-management conference; and Milton Eisenhower, president of Kansas state college and brother of General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The all workers and the striking auto workers are demanding 30 percent higher pay. The auto union, however, has said it "won't take a penny" if the arithmetic shows car prices would have to be hiked.

All of the CIO unions which currently are engaged in efforts to get a 30 percent increase, or its equivalent, contend that industry can absorb the raise out of profits.

OPA Office To Have Four-Day Holiday

Employees of local and area OPA ration boards will get a four-day holiday for Christmas and a three-day holiday for New Years, Ray McKernan, chairman of the local board announced today.

Holidays in Pampa, Canadian, Miami and Wheeler will be closed Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday for Christmas and Sunday, Monday and Tuesday for New Years.

However, the offices will remain open on Saturday, December 29, and Sunday, January 1, in order that employees will work the full 40-hour week.

Court Retires To Consider Verdict In McVay's Trial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—The general navy court trying Capt. Charles B. McVay, 3rd, retired at 10:54 a. m. (CST), today to consider its verdict.

McVay has been standing court martial on charges of negligence and inefficiency in the loss of his ship, the heavy cruiser Indianapolis, which was sunk by enemy action in the Philippines sea last July 30 with heavy casualties.

Under navy regulations, announcement of a verdict will be made immediately only in case of acquittal. A finding of guilty on any or all counts is subject to review through higher authority before any public disclosure is made.

The prosecution in the court martial of Capt. Charles B. McVay, third, presented its final arguments today, offering a summation of the evidence without making a specific recommendation on a verdict.

After detailing pertinent points developed in more than two weeks of testimony, the judge advocate, Capt. Thomas J. Ryan, Jr., closed by saying:

"This is believed to be a comprehensive summary of the evidence from the viewpoint of the prosecution and a statement of the basic law in this case."

Capt. John P. Cady, defense counsel, followed with his final argument concluding with:

"I feel entirely justified and confident in asking this court to fully and honorably acquit the accused of both charges and the specification thereunder."

McVay was sworn as the last witness yesterday. He defended himself vigorously against the accusation that as skipper of the cruiser he was negligent and inefficient in her loss with 880 of the 1,196 men aboard last July 30.

New Holiday Store Hours Are Revealed

Beginning tomorrow, Pampa stores, with the exception of grocers, will remain open until 9 o'clock for the convenience of late Christmas shoppers.

The new hours will prevail Thursday, Friday and Saturday, but all stores will observe regular hours Monday, December 24. Grocers will maintain regular hours.

It was pointed out however, that the city's automobile dealers would remain closed all day Monday and Tuesday.

City and county employees will get a two-day holiday Christmas. These offices will close at noon Saturday and re-open Wednesday morning, it was announced today.

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Clay, Terrell All-District

Randall Clay, right half-back, and Jim Terrell, left tackle, of the 1945 Harvester football team won places on the official 1-AA all-district team, chosen by the coaches and sports writers of District 1-AA.

Terrell, captain of the Harvester team, was a unanimous choice with 30 votes and Clay was close behind with 29.

Plainview's Bulldogs, although not district champions, placed four men on the mythical eleven. Amarillo won three places and Lubbock and Pampa won two each.

Amarillo dominated the second team with five players. Plainview and Brownfield placed two each and Borger and Lubbock placed one each. Pampa failed to land a player on the second team.

The first team:

Backs—Collins (30), Amarillo; Brewer (29), Lubbock; Clay (29), Pampa; Weldon (26), Plainview.

Ends—Houston (20), Amarillo; and Bond (29), Plainview.

Tackles—Juett (27), Amarillo and Terrell (30), Pampa.

Guards—May (28), Plainview, and Stoneham (19), Plainview.

Center—Presley (20), Lubbock.

The second team:

Backs—Williams (23), Plainview; Price (17), Borger; Seale (15), Amarillo; Eike (13), Brownfield.

Ends—Glasgow (19), Amarillo, and Davis (10), Lubbock.

Tackles—Snodgrass (11), Amarillo, and J. Price (15), Brownfield.

Guards—Thornton (10), Amarillo, and Rusk (11), Amarillo.

Center—Malone (13), Plainview.

Honorable Mention:

Backs—Alsbury, Bauman, Flaniken, Amarillo; Washington, Brown, Johnson, Neff, Pampa; Dunn, Borger; Graham, Plainview; Sikas, Lubbock.

Ends—Dunham, Pampa; Echols, Plainview; Dockery, Borger; Schmidt, Lubbock.

Tackles—Foster, Cobb, Lubbock; Hale, Amarillo; Simpson, Pampa; Sheelar, Clark, Plainview; G. Ware, Borger.

Guards—Wall, Lubbock; Covington, Turk, Borger; Wood, Fish, Pampa; D. Eise, Brownfield.

Center—Mukley, Spann, Amarillo; Scott, Borger; Loehart, Pampa; Jack Dunham, Pampa end, was edged by only one vote for a place on the second team. There were only two votes difference in the first team and honorable mention.

Third team ends gathering 29 votes, and Dunham getting honorable mention with 13.

In addition to Terrell, Amarillo's Harding Collins and Lubbock's George Brewer were unanimous choices.

Jack Weldon of Plainview was the only repeater. Houston, Amarillo and Clay, Pampa back, and May Plainview guard, were on the second team last year.

Two coaches and one sports writer from each city voted. A first team vote counted two points and a second team ballot counted one. No selector was allowed to vote on a player from his own team.

Dwight Dean Named Cotton Bowl Referee

DALLAS, Dec. 19.—Dwight Dean of Washburn college will referee the New Year's Cotton Bowl game between Texas university and the University of Missouri, game director James E. Stewart announced yesterday.

Jimmy Higgins of Southern Methodist will be umpire. Charles Swartz of Rice field judge and Louis House of the University of Iowa head linesman.

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Ben Bloodworth of the Decatur (Ala.) Daily, a fearless contributor, says as follows: "Note to Southern Cal: Alabama's crimson tide not only was Harry Gilmer and Vaughn

Mancha, but all this and Lowell Tew."

Wallace Wade, who put Alabama and then Duke on the football map, has the inside track on the Kentucky coaching job, says Buck Weaver of the Louisville Weavers. "And, should he accept, the word is that his choice of first assistant is none other than slinging Sammy Baugh. A more perfect set-up hardly could be found, and, boy-on-boy, would they pull the star athletics into Stoll field," exults the roughest Weaver.

Mustangs Win Over North Texas State
DENTON, Dec. 19.—Southern Methodist university defeated North Texas state college 98 to 88 last night in a basketball game marred by 34 fouls.

Burt Rollins, SMU guard, was high scorer with 17 points. Bud Hopkins, North Texas guard, was next highest with 14.

What this country needs is to be relieved of wartime controls at the earliest possible moment to allow the normal factors of the American economy to begin functioning.—Miami, Okla., News-Record.

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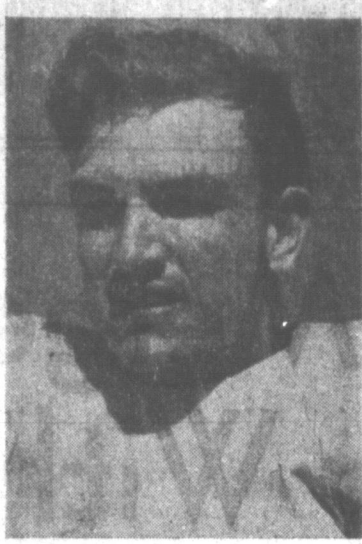
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50,000 Will See High School Grid Games Saturday

(By The Associated Press)

More than 50,000 are expected to jam stadiums at Fort Worth and Houston Saturday for the Texas school football semi-finals.

Sell-outs appeared certain at both places—in fact, all tickets offered yesterday for the Highland Park-Wichita Falls game at Fort Worth were snapped up immediately.

Reports from Houston indicated that Rice stadium, which takes care of over 25,000, will be filled to capacity for the battle between Goose Creek and Waco.

Fort Worth's Farrington field handles better than 20,000 and with all tickets at Fort Worth, Highland Park and Wichita Falls already sold, it was planned to either put in end one bleachers or sell 5,000 standing-room places.

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'Guess Who' Is Named 45's Best In Sports Field

By MURRAY ROSE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—It will come as no surprise to the nine teams that got in the way of the army steamroller that the mighty West Point football combination has been named the outstanding sports team of the year.

The big, speedy, invincible Cadets from the banks of the Hudson won the annual Associated Press poll in about the same manner in which they flattened their opponents.

Of the 76 votes cast by the nation's sports experts, 71 of the first place nominations were awarded to Army.

In the other five cases the National Collegiate football Kingspins drew second place ballots. All told the Cadets piled up a total of 223 points on a basis of three for first, two for second and one for third.

The 1944 Army eleven won last year's team of the year honors but not by so wide a margin.

The Detroit Tigers took second place in the voting, receiving one top nomination but plenty of seconds and thirds to accumulate 96 points. The world series winners finished 27 points ahead of another championship football aggregation—the Cleveland Rams of the National football league. The Rams scored 39 points but attracted two first place votes.

On the other first place votes, Alabama's Rose Bowl football team and the Fort Wayne (Ind.) Zollner Pistons, a crack pro basketball outfit, each received one. The Pistons finished in a tie for sixth while Alabama wound up tied for eighth.

The Oklahoma A. and M. basketball team, which won the National Collegiate title, annexed fourth place with 16 points and Indiana's Big Ten football champions took fifth with 13.

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Yuletide Party Held for Pack 22 By Sponsors

The City club rooms was the scene of a Christmas party held by the Business and Professional Women's club Sunday afternoon. English holly and white candles attractively decorated the room. Holly corsages were given for favors by Miss Maggitt. Hollis who presided at the guest registry. At the serving table the punch bowl was encircled by holly.

Mrs. Mildred Lafferty presented the program in the absence of the president, Tommie Stone. Inez French, accompanied by Eloise Lane, sang "White Christmas," and also led the group in singing carols. Gifts were then exchanged. Mildred Lafferty presided at the punch bowl. Arrangements were under the direction of Mildred Pickett, assisted by Vera Lard, Alice Maxwell, Frances Appleby, and Ann Chapman.

Those attending were: Geneva Clark, Leona Parker, Lillian Jordan, Madge Rusk, Bobbie Phillips, Myrtle Simmons, Ethel Richards, Pearl Mitchell, Frances Appleby, Gladys Robinson, Nina Ruth Robinson, Bertha Chisum, Viola Clendinning, Jessye Stroup, Dee Day, Katie Beverly, Elsie Gee, Muriel Kitchens, Mildred Lafferty, Vivian Lafferty.

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SOCIETY

Clubs Preview Holiday Festivities With Variety of Christmas Parties

Season's greetings and good companionship are expressed in the numerous Christmas parties and programs being held in Pampa by clubs and organizations before the holidays.

Christmas Formal

To Be Held by BGKs

Members of Beta Gamma Kappa will hold their annual Christmas formal Thursday, Dec. 20, at the Southern club.

Music will be provided by Ken Bennet and his orchestra. The dance is in honor of the pledges and new members.

Margie Hollis, Thelma Snyder, Vera Lard, Yvonne Jones, Eloise Lane, Inez French, Vicki Williams, Lillian McNutt, Margaret Dial, Patsy Dial, Mary Young, Carol Jean Wilson, Elna Vatterberg, Maurine Jones, Violet McAfee, Ruby Boss, Ella LaCasse, Lucille Foster, Janis Foster, Neva Burgan, Ruth Johnson, Millie Schaub, Laura Belle Cornelius, Jean and Lynn Cornelius, Vada Lee Olsen, Ann Chapman, Ida Hughey, Elsie Cone, and Dorothea Ward.

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ORIGINALITY SHOWN IN GIFT WRAPPINGS

Tinsel and Tissue Paper Back After 3-Year Absence

By KATHARINE SHERWOOD
NEA Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK.—Big news in the Christmas tinsel and tissue paper trade is the first reappearance since the war of silver and gold metallic paper. It's a token showing only, and brows of tradesmen are still furrowed as they wrestle with the uneven balances of supply and demand.

In general, Christmas wrapping supplies will not exceed last year's, with only a few new patterns. Cleverly wrapped gifts will continue to depend more on imagination than unlimited selection of materials.

Jingly little Christmas bells, tiny pine cones, wreaths and splashy rayon satin ribbons will be best bets for spicing up a package. Combine them with originality and you'll have a package that will make Christmas really merry.

Take, for instance, a large square box. It looks just like a box until you transform it with a sprinkling of cut-out snow flakes into a window from fairyland. Or it might become a snow-rimmed chimney, by pasting red crepe paper on it, marking the brick design with strips of heavy white paper, and pasted on two-inch band of white cotton.

Another cheerful addition under the Christmas tree is the red sleigh coasting in with its precious cargo wrapped in silver paper or white tissue. Measure the box and draw a sleigh pattern to fit on heavy red paper; cut out and fold. Place the "sleigh" over the box and tie all together with green ribbon. As a special fillip, add pine cones and run a red candy cane through the bow.

Odd-sized, or hard-to-wrap gifts are skillfully packaged in the fat white snowball, the sturdy red and white stocking, or a Christmas candle with a red paper flame. The gala horn or plenty spilling out its entrancing array of small gifts is simply a cardboard cone covered with paper and sticker stars and trimmed with a puff of colored seltophane straws tied to the end.

HOW TO MAKE A CANDLE
To make the Christmas candle shown, use a tube of heavy white paper, paste the edges together and cover with crepe paper, leaving about two extra inches at the top. Fringe the lower end of the tube into tabs an inch deep and a half inch wide. The heavy paper base is also crepe paper fashion, and is cut out doughnut fashion, and slipped over the fringed end of the tube. The tabs are glued underside.

Now, paste the whole business on a strong cardboard foundation, put in your gift and draw together the edges of the crepe paper at the top to form a flame. Tie with ribbon, spiral ribbon around the candle to the base, and pin flat. Wind more ribbon around the base and stick on a few holly berries or pine cones.

Party Planned for VFW Men and Women

Plans for a Christmas party with the Veterans of Foreign Wars post to be held 3 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 23, were made by Auxiliary members at a regular session Friday evening. It will be held at the American Legion-VFW hall.

All members, their husbands, and wives are invited. Gifts, not exceeding one dollar in cost, will be exchanged.

Mrs. E. S. Via was appointed chairman of the entertainment committee. Refreshments are in charge of Mrs. Bertha Chisum, Mrs. Lu's Purdy and Mrs. L. B. Haggard.

Stockings Hung by Beta Gamma Kappa

Members of the Beta Gamma Kappa sorority were entertained at a Christmas party in the F. M. Post home Sunday afternoon with Christmas nuts, and selections on the bell by Misses Barbara Vaughn and Peggy McDonald.

Decorations of evergreen and holly were used throughout the entertaining rooms. Christmas carols were softly played during the arrival of guests. Appropriate Yuletide readings were given by little Miss Janet Teague, after which red carnations and variegated holly corsages were presented to the sponsors, Mrs. R. E. McKernan, and Crawford Atkinson by vice-president, Mary Fleming on behalf of the sorority.

Miss Maudie Jones presented each member with gifts from stockings hung from a miniature fire-place. Refreshments were served buffet style with Miss Beth Mullinax presiding at the punch bowl. The table was laid with a lace cloth over red cellophane and centered with holly and red candles.

Members attending were: Messs. James R. E. McKernan, Ed Atkins, Ben Beaton, Bill Bridges, Bob Brown, Noel Dalton, M. C. Floyd Jr., Jake Garman III, Bob Cranner, Harriet Loury, N. L. Nicholl, V. L. Smith, Raymond Reid, Erwin Thompson, Jack Trimmer, J. L. Swindle, Bob Triplehorn, Vernon Utah, Betty Hastings, and Misses Acilene Brels, Georgia Brownings, Verue Dyson, Gladie Farmer, Merribel Hazard, Marguerite Jones, Jane Kerbow, Vivian Lafferty, June Mullinax, Eugenia Phelps and Peggy Stephens.



These several Christmas wrappings not only solve the problem of how to pack an odd-shaped gift, but will make it stand out among all the others.

Carols Featured By Pythian Sisters

Pythian Sisters were hostesses Sunday evening when they entertained with a Christmas party in the Temple hall.

The hall and tables were beautifully decorated with huge Christmas bells, wreaths, candles, streamers, tinsel and a large Christmas tree banked with sacks of candy, nuts and fruit.

Sister Loraine Payne, mistress of ceremony, opened the program with a greeting of welcome. Mose Johnson gave the invocation. Group singing of Christmas Carols was accompanied by Elmo Hudgins.

The Assembly of God quater, composed of Arthur Rohde, Wesley Bruce, Mrs. J. W. Barber and Elmo Hudgins, sang two numbers. Sister Opal Downs, dressed in old fashioned attire gave the reading, "I Never Knew."

With only the lights from the Christmas tree, the fire place and a few small candles, Sisters Kay Dudley, Vard Burnett, Bertie Brown, Dorothy Milant and Dorothy Woods sang, "Silent Night," accompanied by Gene Robins.

Sister Bertie Brown gave the reading, "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Masterly young daughter of Sister Sybil and Knight Clayton Dudley, sang "White Christmas," accompanied by Gene Robins. Mike Alloway, son of Sister Fay Alloway, sang "I'll Be Home For Christmas," accompanied by Meribelle Hazard.

At the close of the program pie and coffee was enjoyed by all. Santa Claus gave each child a sack of treats.

Social Calendar

Central Baptist W. M. S. will meet A. A. U. W. will meet at 7:30 in City Mrs. Roy Reeder will present pupils in recital at Church of the Brethren at 8 p. m.

Presbyterian church annual tea 2:30 p.m. at the church.
Central Baptist W. M. U. meets at 2 p. m. for Royal service program at the church.
Young Married Women's class of First Methodist church to have Christmas party at home of Mrs. Burl Brooks, 409 Magnolia, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY
T. E. L. class of Central Baptist church will have Christmas party at home of Mrs. J. B. Hilburn, 532 S. Cuyler, 2:30 p.m.
Christmas party at the Hopkins community hall at 2 p.m.
Rebekah lodge will meet at 7:30 in I.O.O.F. hall.
Ester club will have Christmas party.

Bethany class of First Baptist church to meet at home of Mrs. H. H. Keyser, 612 N. Sumner, 2 p. m. for Christmas program and tea.
Beta Gamma Kappa annual Christmas formal at the Southern club.
FRIDAY
Circle Five of the First Baptist W. M. U. will meet in the home of Mrs. Bob Triplehorn, 1291 Charles, for Christmas party, at 2 p. m.
Order of Eastern Star will meet at 8 p. m. in Masonic hall for Christmas tree.

Fidelis class of Central Baptist church will meet for buffet supper in home of Mrs. H. H. Ficker.
Entire Nona club will meet in home of Mrs. W. D. Benton for Christmas party.
Winona class of the First Baptist church will meet at the home of Mrs. Ann Dorel, 311 Northwest, for Christmas party, at 7:30 p. m. Husbands invited.

America's timber land, if placed together in a single plot, would make a forest 2500 miles long and 387 miles wide.

At the close of the program pie and coffee was enjoyed by all. Santa Claus gave each child a sack of treats.

Levine's Give Employes Annual Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party given employees of Levine's department store was held Monday evening at the Southern club.

Manager Jack Lazar and his wife entertained 65 employees and their guests.

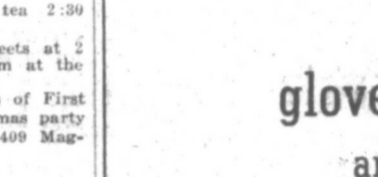
Dinner and Yuletide refreshments were served 125 persons.

Employees presented Mr. Lazar with an Eversharp pen and pencil set. All women present received a pair of nylon hose as a gift from the store, and \$2.100 in Christmas checks were distributed among the employees.

Following the dinner dancing was held.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lazar's daughter, Joann, home on vacation from the Colorado Women's college, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. Elton Lathrop, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Capps, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leder, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. B. Behrman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schwartz and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Goldfine.

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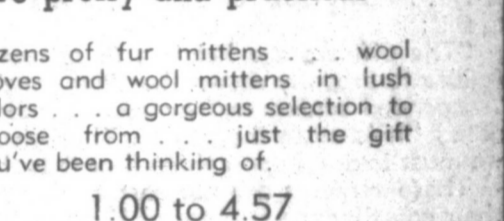
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CURBING THE PUBLIC ENEMY—THE CRIMINAL

If FBI instructions, as were given to Panhandle peace officers here Monday afternoon, are carried out thoroughly here and everywhere in the state of Texas—and for that matter throughout the nation—the incidence of crime, which has grown alarmingly larger in proportion since the end of the war, will have been pretty well nipped.

Crime has always been one of the plagues on the record of organized society. And it is true today, as it was 400 or 500 years ago, that curbing the activities of the wrong-doers often lies in educating men that there is indeed nothing in theft and murder except the fruits of retribution exacted at the hands of an indignant people through their servants, the public officials.

Crime is to be discouraged always, and it is much better, from the standpoint of all concerned, that the man be prevented from committing crime; rather than to be obligated to catch him after he has committed it.

That is the objective of these meetings being held over the state by the FBI—to anticipate the actions of the criminal and to prepare for them. If a man, then, is so foolish as to try to commit a crime against society, he will pay.

He will pay, provided he is convicted. That brings up an interesting statement made by one of those attending the conference here, Bill Adams, sheriff of Potter county.

Mr. Adams said the country and enforcement agencies are faced with a serious problem—how to get convictions in court. The sheriff spoke rather accurately, we think, when he said most people are always willing for their neighbors to do the serving on the jury. Consequently, he said, we do not get the best people on juries in all cases.

When a case goes into court, is tried by the most competent prosecutors, heard by the best judge, it will not receive proper dispensation if the jury is incompetent. A case is no longer in the hands of the state when it goes to the jury. That is the "people" the "society" which the law is seeking to protect.

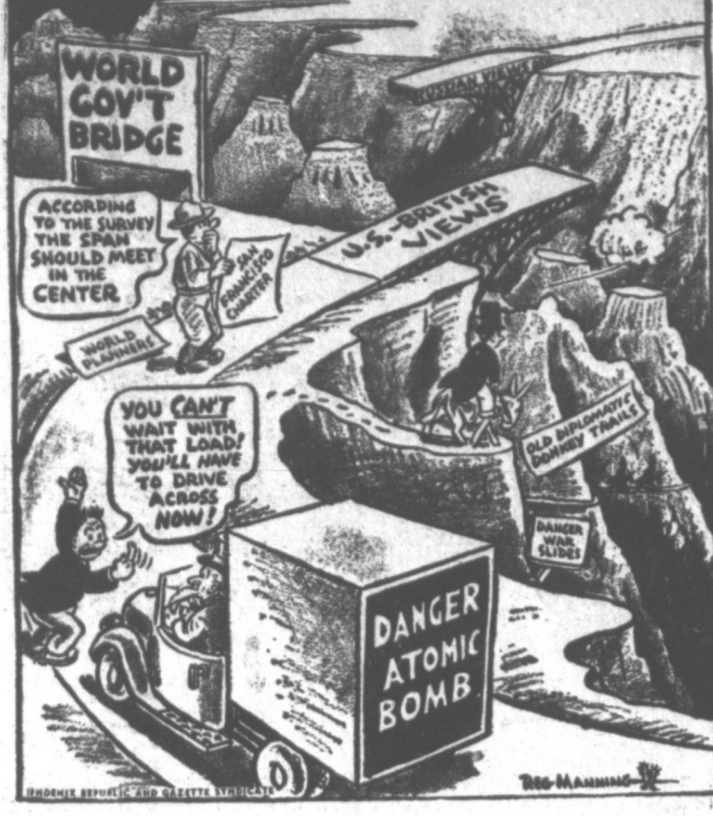
Mr. Adams gives us as good a summary as we could write to this:

"The officers are helpless to correct the situation." (Jury failure to properly assess the case, in which so many men get "suspended sentences," by recommendation of the jury—Ed note.) "It is up to the people. Through mediums of publicity, we must impress upon them that it is their responsibility."

These remarks are not cast at the judges. They preside in their court by the statutes of the state.

Could there be something wrong with the statutes? Some people think so.

Not Quite Ready For Heavy Traffic



News Behind the News The National Whirligig

By RAY TUCKER
OUTSMARTED—A rash of letters and telegrams from shipping interests that swamped Capitol Hill lies behind the failure to exempt the maritime commission along with similar quasi-judicial agencies from the operation of the government reorganization act finally passed by congress. The lobbyists outsmarted themselves at the last moment.

Ironically, the men who inspired the literary bombardment of congressmen were Vice Admiral Emory S. Land and Vice Admiral Howard V. Vickery, the chairman and vice chairman, respectively, of the maritime commission. With billions of dollars' worth of war-built vessels to be sold, they wanted to boss the job. They did not care to have their unit put under control of Henry A. Wallace, secretary of commerce. So, when the house bill left maritime to the mercy of unsympathetic re-organizers, the two retired sailors slipped to New York to address a private meeting of the proprietor club of that city. This national organization consists of those whose companies furnish supplies, materials and services to ships operated under the commission's control. It is charged that they have had the run of the place during the Land-Vickery regime.

LESSON—Senator George L. Radcliffe of Maryland persuaded the senate to accept his floor amendment eliminating maritime from the list of independent offices which could be abolished or merged or rescheduled at the discretion of the President. It was placed in a group of "untouchables" with such agencies as the Interstate Commerce, Federal Trade and Securities and Exchange Commissions.

Until the propeller club began to flood the congressional mailbags with identical letters urging the house-senate conferees to approve the Radcliffe revision, there was every expectation that the change would be okayed. But at one of the final meetings of the conference group the normally good-natured John W. Cochran of St. Louis blurted out:

"I don't know how you fellows feel about it, but I'm so sick of getting letters from these propeller boys that I intend to sit here until the end of the session and protest against the distribution of this bill. It's time to teach these lobbyists-y-mail a damn good lesson. My office staff is overworked without having to bother with their stuff."

His colleagues agreed that they were fed up, too, and the Land-Vickery scheme was defeated at the last moment.

FAVORS—The commission will probably be returned to commerce, where it originally belonged, because President Truman has detailed knowledge of conditions in the agency. He investigated several shipping transactions when he headed the senate committee that investigated the state of the national defense.

He discovered that the two top members, especially Admiral Vickery, make no bones about their constant and personal association with representatives of the large steamship interests. The vice chairman is frequently seen at downtown hotels at lunch or dinner with them. As the man actually in charge of the postwar disposal of millions of tons of shipping, his conduct has been regarded as somewhat indiscreet.

Admiral Land is quitting soon to become head of the air transport association. The C. I. O. is boosting former Congressman Raymond J. McKee of Illinois as its successor. He had trouble getting senate confirmation when he was appointed to the commission because of his P. A. C. activities in the 1944 campaign. He headed the C. I. O.'s political auxiliary in the midwest.

But it is believed that President Truman may seek to appease the Hillman-Murray group, especially the national maritime union of America, which does not require senate approval. Messrs. Wallace and McKee could do many favors for their labor friends along the waterfront if they dominate this agency's future policies.

HARD-BOILED—Former congressional colleagues from the west—California, Oregon and Washington—have advised President Truman that it will be politically dangerous for him to neglect the coastal area in future appointments and postwar economic planning. The suggestion was offered in a blunt spirit, but even his democratic pals told him they mean business.

Washington has a cabinet member in Labor Secretary Lewis B. Schwellenbach. But the west is chiefly concerned about such questions as the disposition of shipbuilding, air, airplane and industrial plants during the war, in the development of the Columbia river basin and in obtaining more navy yards. It has no representative in a position to influence the agencies which will handle these problems.

If Secretary James V. Forrestal leaves the navy soon, California may claim the place, noting New England's historic grip on the post has been broken for so long. Among those mentioned is Representative Harry R. Sheppard of Yucaipa. He now heads the house appropriations subcommittee which handles navy funds. He is a "big tree" man, but the "brass hats" might not relish his appointment. He is too hard-boiled and plain-spoken for them.

ACCOMPLISHMENT—Old republican friends are twitting Eugene L. Meyer, publisher of the Washington Post, for the editorial razing he recently handed out to Patrick J. Hurley. The two men served together during the administration of Herbert Hoover, and have been friends for years.

In commenting on the former China ambassador's performance before the senate relations affairs committee, Mr. Meyer permitted his editorial writers to say that, despite the fact that the senator had a department sabotage of the Roosevelt-Truman policy for Chungking, Pat merely wound up by "giving the Cherokee yell."

Indian war-whooping at parties has been one of Pat's social graces. He is a "big tree" man, but he came to the Capital.

Next to international peace, it still there is no more important question before this country than domestic peace in the relations of labor and capital—Sen. Carl A. Hatch of New Mexico.

UPTON CLOSE: What We Need Is Honest Report Out of Europe

What We Need Is Honest Report Out of Europe

My friend Mr. Francis Hickman, editor of the Cotton Trade Journal, one of the most esteemed trade publications without war, returned from two months' tour of Europe to make some very well considered observations. About Germany he says: "We have beaten the enemy and destroyed his productive capacity and educational institutions. Our job now is to re-educate and, by example, show that we have the best philosophy for living."

"To that end the American, British and French have made a bad start. Unless a drastic change is instituted we might just as well pull out without a shot being fired. The largest and most important policy in America and turn all of Germany over to others—To date, only Russia has won the war."

Mr. Hickman and his Cotton Trade Journal are far from traditional isolationists, since they represent the largest and most important policy in America and turn all of Germany over to others—To date, only Russia has won the war."

In Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Staff Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD—After all the publicity drum-beating about their first film roles since leaving the service, Vic Mature and Cesar Romero are out of "Three Little Girls in Blue." It was the year's most flagrant example of miscasting. The story has a rustic atmosphere, with most of the action taking place on a farm. Two weeks of shooting convinced studio bosses that Vic and Cesar looked more like a pair of traveling salesmen than rustics. The studio is junking what has been filmed, with George Montgomery and Frank Latimore now in the roles.

That "I can't stand Jack Benny because..." contest is the most daring stunt pulled in years. Only a fellow like Jack could take that chance. He received more than 50,000 letters the first week.

50,000 REGRETS
RKO would like to lure Lucille Ball back to the fold—as a salary EIGHT times as big as that in her contract there a couple years ago. . . . Karen Hale, daughter of veteran character actor Alan Hale, makes her film debut in a new Warner flicker, "Cinderella Jones." . . . The interest in baseball will be hyped by an all-kill baseball film, "Play Ball, Son." It was authored by Ben V. Dunne, S.M.P. Francisco advertising executive, and will be produced by Herb Lamb.

As if Warner Bros. hasn't had enough trouble with suspensions, there are now whispers that Ida Lupino isn't any too happy with the meagre roles she's been getting there. She wants to be a good girl for a chance. . . . Danny Kaye's shall have to leave the scene, for our people will never pay the expenses of permanently ruling another continent for the sake of the glory of a few bureaucrats.

Reading Mr. Hickman's reports, and in spite of his desire that we maintain strong force abroad for security purposes, the average American must conclude that we have very little to gain by staying. He will agree with Mr. Hickman that our number one need is the need for a respectful, but firm and resolute policy toward the Soviet Union. But we seem to be doing no permanent good, either for ourselves, the British or for the French, under our present administration of the conquered areas. And we are drifting into more and more basic friction with the one power in the world which knows what it wants to do and ruthlessly proceeds: namely, Russia.

Taking this stark and honest report on the European scene, and turning aside from the hoop and the pretenses of our professional optimists, we find full cause to agree with Jimmy Byrnes that he is setting off on the test mission whose results decide whether the world trends toward prosperity and peace, or misery and world war. Remember that to change the picture for the good, Jimmy Byrnes would have to take our vengeful and stupid bureaucracy by the back of the neck and throw it out of the European scene, as well as smother the obstacles of other selfish governments. And remember that he has shown no courage to do this in either the Asian or the Washington scene.

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80 Indonesians Killed As Fighting Continues

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 19.—(AP)—At least 80 Indonesians were killed Monday in bitter hand to hand fighting at Buitenzorg with a British Indian column which suffered 32 casualties, the newspaper of the 23rd Indian division reported today.

Three Indians were killed. A British officer and 28 Indians were wounded when the column encountered a road block.

Two hundred and fifty Europeans and Eurasians were evacuated from Bandoeang. Some of the evacuees said that Indonesians seized 33 persons there Dec. 9, and that nothing had been heard from them since.

Indonesians were reported to have occupied Ambarawa, which was evacuated recently by the British.

Chambers Will Back Industrial Expansion

FORT WORTH, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Urging local chambers of commerce "to back actively" industrial expansion, John M. Guild of Dallas told delegates to the 39th annual convention of managers of Texas chambers of commerce here yesterday that they must fight to bring industrial expansion from the East and West coast to Texas.

"Eastern states will not let us have their plants if they can help it," he said. "There is no doubt that the West coast will offer strong competition to the Gulf coast in industrial competition."

Placed over pollen-bearing tassels, paper bags prevent the cross-pollination of hybrid corn with other varieties.

Common Ground

By R. C. HOILES

"The ultimate effects of shielding men from the results of their folly is to fill the world with fools."—Herbert Spencer.

CIO's Publicity Stunt

The demand by the leader of the United Automobile Workers Union to see the books of the General Motors Corporation is just an act put on to give the union sympathy and to smear General Motors.

The facts are that General Motors Corporation issues a financial statement every three months. Anybody can step into any broker's office and look at any of the statistical compilations, such as Standard and Poors, and see the earnings, the invested capital and the total sales of the company. General Motors, like every other corporation, when soliciting proxies for election send out information giving the salaries and bonuses drawn by all the officers drawing compensation.

As an illustration of how public the records are, Standard and Poors statistics show that General Motors in 1944 did \$4,201,000,000 worth of business. On this the corporation made \$171,000,000, which is a very small fraction over 4 per cent on the total sales. The invested capital was about one-half the sales. So the earnings of the corporation in this year were 8 per cent on the invested capital.

But this does not mean the stockholders got 8 per cent, even if the whole amount were declared in dividends. The stockholder in the 75 per cent tax bracket would have only 2 per cent left on the capital invested in the corporation or one per cent on the sales.

And yet the labor unions would have the great mass of people believe that General Motors is keeping its records secret and has been making large profits.

It would be mighty little use to show statistics to the CIO officers. They would not understand them if they saw them, because they start with no principle of imperial rule, of how to arrive at values. Their idea of values is force—damaging other people by conspiracy of simultaneous stoppage of work.

It is a nice act the unions are putting on about the General Motors keeping its books secret.

MACKENZIE'S Column

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
AP World Traveler

LONDON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—England's august house of lords has evicted an extremely dangerous rival of itself by bowing to the will of the labor government and voting for the United States loan.

It is possible the lords might have destroyed themselves had they defied the government. The British press had published a headline which was a revolt on the part of the peers would spell DEWITT MACKENZIE their nd as a legislative body.

The house of lords lost most of its authority in 1911 when liberal Prime Minister Asquith jammed through the co-called parliament act which deprived the lords of their veto power over commons.

Asquith finally carried the issue to the country in a general election. With that commons passed the act depriving the lords of their veto, and the measure then came before the upper chamber itself.

Naturally the peers revolted against committing hara-kari and it was then Asquith threatened that if the lords didn't accept the act he would advise the king to create a sufficient number of liberal peers to ensure its passage—advise his majesty was bound to accept. So the lords bowed to the inevitable.

Under the parliamentary act commons has to pass and re-pass a measure through three separate sessions in order to nullify opposition to the lords. Thus the upper house can delay legislation.

It was because of the danger of delay in the matter of the loan that the old Asquith threat was revived in the press.

Because the lords have been shorn of their main powers, and because few of the 800 or more noble gentlemen turn out for the sessions (the attendance generally being from 50 to 70), the impression has spread abroad that the upper house is mainly a display room for emine and coronets. That's an erroneous idea.

It should be remembered that most, or at least many, of the peers are created because of distinguished public service.

Thus the active part of the house of lords comprises men of all walks. Obviously such a body of men comprise an invaluable advisory board for commons, and their debates have great influence on legislation in the lower house.

Delta Airlines Elects Officers
MONROE, La., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Collett Woolman was elected president of Delta Airlines Monday by the board of directors. He will continue as general manager.

Former President Clarence E. Faulk was elected to the new post of chairman of the board.

Although the United States probably has the best air-transport system in the world, it covers only 300 cities and towns, serving about one-third of the population.

Public Educators Lack Faith in Men
When we analyze the reason why people believe in tax-supported schools, the only conclusion that can be drawn is that they lack faith in men.

They do not believe that men will do their duty, that men of ability will properly assist others in securing an education.

Because of this lack of faith in the goodness of other men, these people are willing to adopt a compulsory method of compelling payment from those in whom they have little faith.

The trouble with these believers in tax-supported schools is that they have too much faith in themselves, in their ability to use power and not misuse it, and they have too little faith in others. Progress is based on faith—faith in oneself, faith in one's fellow educators, faith in the goodness of mankind.

Peter Edson's Column: JOHN LEWIS GOES BACK INTO HIS ACT

By PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent
WASHINGTON.—That old Shakespearean trouper, John Lewis, is back on never in better form than for the opening performance of the house labor committee, considering legislation based on President Truman's proposal for establishing fact finding boards to end strikes.

A lifetime of dodging the ripe eggs and juicy tomatoes heaped at him by the tough tycoons in the coal pit have taught John L. all the tricks of when to whisper and when to shout, when to scowl and when to laugh, when to beat on the table and when to pour on the bananas oil.

He always begins his act slowly, humbly, soothingly, crooning a lullaby of modesty and humility. "I speak only for the half-million men of the United Mine workers in the coal and 56 other industries."

He never reads from a prepared statement or scrip, like the radio actors. Always he recites his lines from memory, as a good trouper should. He comes quickly to his point.

"I speak in opposition to H. R. 4908. . . It would restrict the power of free labor. . . It would contribute to the general weakness of organized labor when dealing with those who employ them. . . Fifty million workers should not be placed in statutory limbo by legislation of this character. . . It would regi-

ment them to a maximum degree, substitute a government centrally controlled by a few men, take the first step to create a corporate state."

EMPLOYERS' WORDS FIND A NEW MEANING
He warms up as he comes to his favorite passages on the doctrine of free enterprise, quoting the employers' own words for meanings they never intended to endorse.

"The future of America rests on its increased efficiency to produce," he declares. "Show me a country where there is no organized labor to keep up that pressure and I will show you a backward nation."

He coins epigrammatic speech like a penny scale spouting free horoscopes with your weight:

"The only difference between freedom and serfdom is the right of voluntary contract."

"This is the first drastic thrust of the knife of absolutism into the heart of the American people."

He throws in a little of the Patrick Henry stuff:

"Take away my liberty and I'll fight you. Attempt it at your peril. Stop strikes. What for? To satisfy whom? I don't know. What's wrong? Nothing. Half a million workers on strike out of fifty million employed? What of it?"

"But pass this law and you will become the laughing stock of America. Has congress forgotten its own fiasco in passing the Smith-Connelly bill? Congress does not want

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Report On the War By General George C. Marshall

Biennial Report of the Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army 1943 to 1945, to the Secretary of War

This is the 33rd of 42 installments of material selected from General Marshall's report on the winning of World War II.

XXXIII
LEYTE

IN April 1944 the defense of the Philippines, the Japanese Empire of conquest in the south and west, the Netherlands, Indies, Malaya, Thailand, Borneo, French Indo-China, the Moluccas and New Guinea, had been in charge of Field Marshal Count Hsiangchi Terauchi. From his headquarters at Manila he controlled 17 Japanese armies totaling about 925,000 men. Terauchi was a typical Japanese jingoist. He had been Minister of War and commanded the armies which set out in 1937 to sack China. In the fall of 1943 he had assumed command of the southern armies with headquarters at Singapore. He moved his headquarters to Manila a half year later when the Philippines were added to his area. The 14th Area Army in the Philippines was then under command of Lt. Gen. Shigenori Kuroda. A month before the forces of General MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz were at his throat, Terauchi's staff had prepared for him the following estimate of American intentions:

Japanese Navy had been committed to the battle with disastrous results. The strike had miscarried, and General MacArthur's land wedge was firmly implanted in the vulnerable flank of the enemy. Terauchi no longer had an effective fleet to cover his forces in the Philippines or his communications to the empire of Malaysia so easily crossed two and one-half years before. There were 260,000 Japanese troops scattered over the Philippines but most of them might as well have been on the other side of the world so far as the enemy's ability to shift them to meet the American thrusts was concerned. If General MacArthur succeeded in establishing himself in the Visayas where he could stage, exploit, and spread under cover of overwhelming naval and air superiority, nothing could prevent him from overrunning the Philippines.

Terauchi decided that the battle must be fought in the difficult terrain of the Leyte mountains and rice paddies. He relieved Kuroda as commander of the 14th Area Army and replaced him with General Tomoyuki Yamashita, who had conquered Singapore in 1942 and then moved to the Philippines to wind up the campaign after Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma had been unable to budge the American forces holding out on Bataan. Yamashita was one of Japan's best known generals. For his victory on Bataan and in Singapore and Bataan he had been given the First Area Army in Manchuria, one of the two top field commands in the Kwantung Army.

To General Makina, commander of the 16th Division, then fighting a delaying action against the U. S. Sixth Army under General Krueger, Yamashita relayed this message:

"The Army has received the following order from His Majesty, the Emperor:

"Enemy ground forces will be destroyed."

General MacArthur's advance continued. After securing the high ground overlooking Leyte Gulf, Maj. Gen. J. R. Hodge's XXIV Corps penetrated inland to secure Dagami and Burauen. The X Corps, under Maj. Gen. F. C. Sibert, swept across the San Juanico Strait to seize the south coast of Samar and landed troops in a short amphibious operation on the north coast of Leyte.

Storms Increase Difficulties
By 5 November the American forces had reached the vicinity of Lamon at the northern end of the Leyte road leading to Ormoc, the principal Japanese installation on the island. Bitter fighting for Leyte was now in progress, rendered the more difficult by typhoons which inaugurated the rainy season.

During the naval battle and the weeks following, the Japanese were able to transport reinforcements to Leyte, but by mid-December General Kenney's land-based fighters and Admiral Halsey's carrier planes had strangled this stream of reinforcements. On 1 November United States air patrols located four large transport unloading, escorted by four destroyers and two destroyer escorts.

Army planes struck and sank one, possibly two transports. On 3 November, another three transports were seen unloading at Ormoc, but the Japanese maintained sufficient air patrol overhead and continued striking the United States field on the east coast so that their unloading operations could not completely be interrupted. On 7 November three large transports and four small transports unloaded, covered by seven destroyers and two destroyer escorts. On 9 November ten destroyers and two heavy cruisers brought in four more large troop transports. Kenney's planes attacked and sank two transports, one destroyer, and six freighters. On 11 November another convoy started into Ormoc Bay. Carrier planes, now reinforced after the great naval battle, attacked. Two transports were sunk. Four destroyers were also sent to the bottom and the fifth was badly damaged. One destroyer escort was sunk. On 7 December an entire convoy of six transports, four destroyers and three destroyer escorts were sunk in San Isidro Bay by United States planes. On 11 December three transports and three destroyers were sunk off Palompan, and the following day another destroyer was sunk and one destroyer escort and two transports were badly damaged.

(NEXT: Landing on Luzon)

Foreign Ministers

(Continued from page 1) that one of the advisors of Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov at yesterday's conference was Y. A. Malkin, last Russian ambassador to Japan.

BYRNES AND VINCENT They also pointed out that U. S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes conferred yesterday morning with John Carter Vincent, head of the far eastern section of the state department, as well as Dr. James B. Conant, atomic expert of the American delegation.

Another question reported to be high on the agenda was the Iranian problem. Both Byrnes and British Secretary Ernest Bevin conferred with their Iranian experts shortly after publication of a new statement by Ibrahim Hakim yesterday appealing to the United States, Great Britain and Russia to withdraw their troops from Iran.

There was no announcement after yesterday's meeting. Persons present at the gathering emphasized again the cordial atmosphere which prevailed.

The progress so far was pictured as follows: The first session was taken up with routine procedural matters, the second was devoted to filling papers by all three sides and getting the discussions lined up, and the third was devoted to exploration of the issues.

Veterans Will Plan Program at Meeting

A meeting to plan the 1946 program of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Veterans' building, corner of Foster and Fitzgerald streets.

Service Merger

(Continued from page 1) Key staff positions in department, Mr. Truman said, should be filled with officers drawn from all the services "so that the thinking of the department would not be dominated by any one or two of the services."

Mr. Truman said "the navy should, of course, retain its own carrier, ship, and water-based aviation."

He avoided any reference to the navy's land-based flying activities.

Of the marine corps, the President developed that "of course" it "should be continued as an integral part of the navy."

Mainly About Pampa and Her Neighbor Towns

Lt. Raymond Harrah, Jr., was expected to arrive in Pampa this afternoon.

Joann Lazar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lazar, is home on vacation from Colorado Women's college, Denver.

Mrs. W. W. Church, Krebs, Okla., is a guest at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Homer, 1317 Charles.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanna returned last night from a three-week visit in Santa Ana, Calif. and vicinity.

GI Bill

(Continued from page 1) provision in the proposed new law but the senate removed it and the conferees followed the senate.

Other senate-house recommendations:

- 1. Make loans easier to obtain by making the "reasonable value" of property the basic consideration rather than the "normal reasonable value."
- 2. Broaden the purposes for which loans may be made and increase the period of repayment.
- 3. Raise the subsistence allowance for GI students from \$50 to \$65 monthly for unmarried veterans and from \$75 to \$90 for those who are married.
- 4. Permit veterans to take correspondence courses and short-period technical courses at government expense.
- 5. Eliminate the present 25-year age limit at which it is presumed a veteran's education was interrupted by service.
- 6. Make Americans who fought for allied governments eligible.

The conflict between the British forces and Indonesian extremists has nothing to do with the Indonesian independence movement.

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Gala Christmas Dance, Christmas Eve at Southern club. Pinky Powell orchestra, \$1.20 per person. Including tax. 9 till? (Adv.)

Pearl Harbor

(Continued from page 1) might be asked to testify.

It is disclosed that all of the navy's spies in Japan had been liquidated late in 1941 and that the navy therefore was depending heavily on code-cracking to top off Japanese intentions.

The latter disclosure was contained in a Dec. 19, 1941, summary, Vice Adm. T. S. Wilkinson made for Adm. Harold R. Stark, then chief of naval operations, of Wilkinson's testimony before the Roberts inquiry commission.

Weather

(Continued from Page One) season's record low. Gainesville's 20 set a winter record for 1945.

Forecasts for later today were for colder in the Dallas area. In northeast Texas, a low of from 10 to 15 is expected; 18 to 24 in the interior; 26 to 32 on the upper coast, and 32 to 35 in the lower Rio Grande valley, where the reading this morning was 45 at Brownsville.

West Texas, which first felt the brunt of the cold wave, will remain cold, with a low of from 8 to 12 degrees in the Panhandle, and from 28 to 32 in the El Paso, Eagle Pass and Del Rio areas. The upper Rio Grande border will get colder.

Waste fat salvage was important for manufacture of the tools of war, but it is fully as vital if our peacetime production is to reach the proportions that are necessary for industrial prosperity.—Jackson, Mich., Citizen-Patriot.

HE ASKED FOR IT

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 19.—(AP)—George M. Lisatz, 47, told District Judge Harvey L. Neelen that when he told some men in a tavern at 1 a.m. that he had no place to sleep they suggested he turn in a fire alarm and he would be assured a night's lodging.

He said he followed their suggestion and turned in an alarm and was given a place to sleep—in jail. Judge Neelen said he would be sleeping in jail for the next 30 days the sentence for turning in a false fire alarm.

Great horned owl in mid-winter not successfully keep their wings warm in temperatures that drop to zero and below.

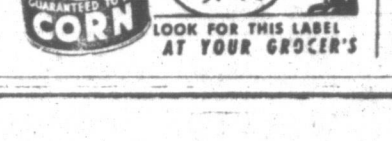
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Discharges

(Continued from page 1) to discharge personnel in this country who are no longer needed and who do not qualify for overseas duty, even though they do not have enough points or service for release, all other factors for discharge, including hardship or dependency or importance to the national health, safety or interest, will remain in effect.

Military personnel who have been engaged in scientific research projects also may be discharged if they meet requirements imposed under that provision.

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GI Bill (Continued from page 1) provision in the proposed new law but the senate removed it and the conferees followed the senate.
Other senate-house recommendations:
1. Make loans easier to obtain by making the "reasonable value" of property the basic consideration rather than the "normal reasonable value."
2. Broaden the purposes for which loans may be made and increase the period of repayment.
3. Raise the subsistence allowance for GI students from \$50 to \$65 monthly for unmarried veterans and from \$75 to \$90 for those who are married.
4. Permit veterans to take correspondence courses and short-period technical courses at government expense.
5. Eliminate the present 25-year age limit at which it is presumed a veteran's education was interrupted by service.
6. Make Americans who fought for allied governments eligible.
The conflict between the British forces and Indonesian extremists has nothing to do with the Indonesian independence movement. The British are simply putting down terrorism as would be done in any country in the world.—M. E. Denning, British foreign office observer.
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Pearl Harbor (Continued from page 1) might be asked to testify. It is disclosed that all of the navy's spies in Japan had been liquidated late in 1941 and that the navy therefore was depending heavily on code-cracking to top off Japanese intentions. The latter disclosure was contained in a Dec. 19, 1941, summary, Vice Adm. T. S. Wilkinson made for Adm. Harold R. Stark, then chief of naval operations, of Wilkinson's testimony before the Roberts inquiry commission.
Weather (Continued from Page One) season's record low. Gainesville's 20 set a winter record for 1945. Forecasts for later today were for colder in the Dallas area. In northeast Texas, a low of from 10 to 15 is expected; 18 to 24 in the interior; 26 to 32 on the upper coast, and 32 to 35 in the lower Rio Grande valley, where the reading this morning was 45 at Brownsville. West Texas, which first felt the brunt of the cold wave, will remain cold, with a low of from 8 to 12 degrees in the Panhandle, and from 28 to 32 in the El Paso, Eagle Pass and Del Rio areas. The upper Rio Grande border will get colder. Waste fat salvage was important for manufacture of the tools of war, but it is fully as vital if our peacetime production is to reach the proportions that are necessary for industrial prosperity.—Jackson, Mich., Citizen-Patriot.

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Colton Acreage For Texas Is Set At 7,000,000 Acres

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 19.—(AP)—A goal of 7,000,000 acres planted in cotton in 1946, nine per cent above the 1945 planted acreage, was accepted by farmers meeting here Monday with farm agency representatives to set goals for next year.

Sheep and lambs from 9,425,000 to 10,091,000. Among major products milk was set at 4,467,000,000 pounds, three per cent down; milk cows, 1,269,000, two per cent down; eggs, 230,818,000 dozen, 21 per cent down; chickens raised, 36,539,000, 18 per cent down; cattle and calves at end year, 7,600,000, one per cent up.

Wheat (acreage planted) 5,200,000 acres, 3 per cent up; corn, 2,950,000, 18 per cent up; oats, 1,830,000, 8 per cent down; barley, 434,000 acres, 1 per cent down; grain sorghums, 4,300,000 acres, 1 per cent down; sorghums for all purposes except syrup, 7,900,000 acres, 2 per cent down; peanuts for nuts, 605,000 acres, 24 per cent down; flaxseed, 100,000 acres, up 54 per cent; sweet potatoes, 56,000 acres, ten per cent up; all potatoes 61,000, 3 per cent down.

British army signal corps used 17,000 carrier pigeons in enemy territory during the war to carry out vital information.

Items From Out Canadian Way

CANADIAN, Dec. 18.—(Special)—C. D. Massey has purchased the ice plant here from the Paul Liebman estate, of El Reno, Okla. At present the plant is not in operation, but Massey will obtain ice from Pampa to supply his customers until the plant can be overhauled and put into operation.

have organized the Canadian Live-stock Transportation company. Collins has recently returned from service in the navy. Both men are experienced in the trucking business. Bryant, until recently, was in the implement business, and Collins operated a fleet of trucks before he enlisted in the navy.

Dallas News Editor Awarded Bronze Star

DALLAS, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The Bronze Star has been awarded to Col. William B. Ruggles, editor-in-chief of the Dallas Morning News on military leave, for meritorious achievement and writing ability displayed in compiling the official history of the U. S. Sixth army.

Gen. Walter Krueger, commanding general of the army, presented the star to Colonel Ruggles.

Jackrabbits are born fully covered with hair; cottontails are born naked.

Santa's Handy Shoppers' Hints 4 SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

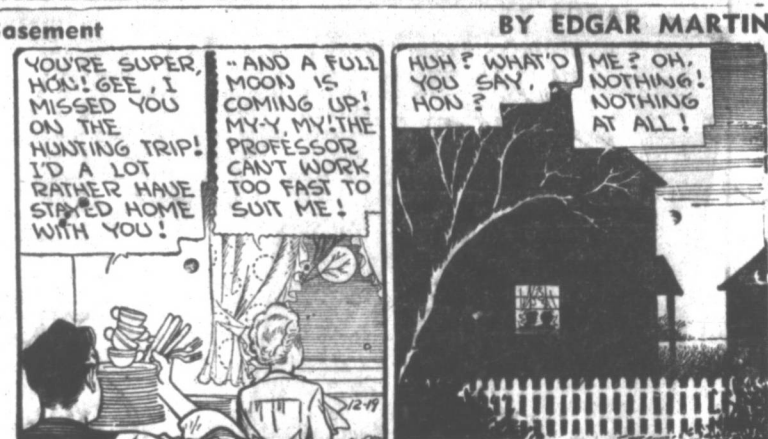
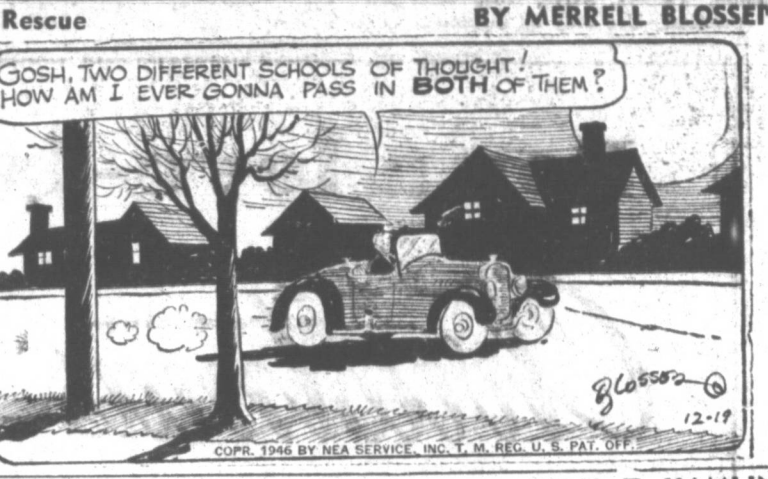
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YOU'LL HAVE so much enjoyment from new records during holidays. We have albums of classical, operatic, semi-classical and popular recordings. Tarpley Music Store has them.

ECONOMY FURNITURE STORE suggestions: Steel baby strollers, doll beds, youth's desks for her.

GET HER a 5 year diary only \$2.50—she'll like that—The smaller child will love those Polly Floozy floating toys to be found at Cretney's.

HAVE YOU forgotten someone? Then hurry in to Pampa Hardware and select a gift for them—There's still a nice assortment to be found.

THESE BILLFOLDS, fitted zipper shaving sets, pointed cans Prince Albert tobacco, cigarette cases, lighters, poker chip cases, etc., at Cretney's and we open late evenings.

MODERN BEAUTY SHOP has gifts for men and women in lovely cosmetic sets. We gift wrap for you. Call us too for an appointment for your individuality.

FLAINS DEXTER, across the street from Penny's. Wait for those new Dexter Washers. A good thing to save those bonus checks for.

OUR GIFT shop up-stairs is really a dream world of beauty—There you'll find lamps, glassware, pictures, center pieces and a lovely display of beautiful gifts—Shop Pampa Home Appliance for everyone.

STEPHENSON-McLAUGHLIN say: see our lovely new dinette sets before you buy her Christmas gifts.

FRANK LEDER has lovely costume jewelry in matching sets or single pins. Also beautiful watches, birthstone rings and diamonds for that special gift.

W. L. AYERS invite you in to see his new stock of lovely furniture at Maytag Pampa, home of Maytag washers and Gibson refrigerators.

PEARLS-CHOKERS and ear rings to match only \$4.98 and up. Also lovely compacts \$4.95 to \$5.95 at Behrman's.

WARM HIS HEART with a new sport coat. New color, new styles. Complete range of sizes at Friendly Men's Wear.

WONDENELLE BLOUSE SHOP, Duncan Building, Room 3 where you'll find handmade lingerie and blouses for her gift.

NEEL'S MARKET has in the choice nuts and fruits for your Christmas treats. Order your turkeys now.

SPORTSMEN and L'ORÉ toilet articles for men, Dorothy Perkins, Evening-in-Paris and Vida Ray sets for women. Also stuffed toys for the youngest at Berry's.

HERE'S YOUR chance to buy a saving. Our pre-Jan. 1st sale is on. All winter coats reduced 20% Guns, army style, rifles, etc., below cost, at Simmons.

JOHN EARSON at Star Barber Shop will give you 10 to 30% off on all purchases to Christmas Eve. Lovely gifts in cosmetics and costume jewelry.

THOMPSON HARDWARE has quality built blackboards, children's desks, games of all kinds, educational toys and many other items for entire family.

REAL VALUES in handmade cowboy boots, hatters' larger beautiful hand tooled outfits and hand tooled billfolds. Genuine Ranger belts, silver and gold handmade belt buckle sets, stock saddles, bridges, bits and spurs. We also have bargains in un-reduced diamonds, watches, etc. Shop our store for bargains. Pampa Pawn Shop.

ADAMS FURNITURE EXCHANGE has that gift of lasting beauty, furniture. Shop our store for children's furniture and extra pieces for the home.

LOVELY MIRRORS, all sizes and shapes, also pictures and lamps. The gift any woman will love and we have them at Pampa Home Appliance for your Christmas shopping.

WE HAVE those lovely chrome kitchen chairs with red leatherette coats, sewing cabinets, vanity lamps and all metal ware. An opener which any woman will appreciate. Economy Furniture Co.

FOR A Dainty and highly appreciated gift select a scarf at Penny's. They are in silk and woolen, 98c and \$1.49.

SEND THOSE soiled clothes in to Master Cleaners for a perfect job. We're here ready for any emergency. DON'T BE late to a party or date—call 94—Peg's Cab.

SMOKERS MAKE inexpensive but nice gifts for any man. See them at Pampa Furniture Co.

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Texas Today

By JACK RUILEDGE
At Staff Writer
Take your left hand, remove gloves, extend fingers and count. That's how many shopping days you have before Christmas, including what's left of today.

We realized that belatedly with something of a shock. But other people are smarter.
Take Sgt. Jimmie Owens of Sweetwater, Texas. He's been planning on what he's going to do Christmas for three long years.
Sgt. Owens, now in William Beaumont hospital, El Paso, was a prisoner of the Japs for 34 months. Last Christmas he had rice and one teaspoon of sugar.

This year Jimmie, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Owens of Sweetwater, is going to cook a Christmas dinner to end all Christmas dinners.

"No more rice!" he said. "I'm going to cook a sumptuous spread for the boys who won't be able to go home for the holidays. It will be the best gift I could receive. I've dreamed of this menu for three years."
It includes celery hearts, stuffed olives, roast turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce, mince meat pie, frozen egg nog, fruit cake and so many other things it makes us drool.

Over in Fort Worth, the Star-Telegram Goodfellows are doing their usual good job. Gifts will be distributed to the city's poor. They will include food, clothing, and as many as 2,000 pairs of shoes.
Cities throughout Texas are all dressed up with Christmas ornaments. It's the cheeriest Christmas since Pearl Harbor. But Pampa had trouble. Their shipment of ornaments was delayed by a truck strike. But, says D. L. Parker cheerfully, they'll be put up yet.
The majority of Texas towns are resuming Christmas lighting for the first time since the war began.
The Christmas spirit was seen in Tyler, too. Marriages exceeded divorces there. Saturday was what the local paper called "Reno Day" with 21 divorces. But cupid, aided no doubt by Santa Claus, counted 27 marriages.

Six men awarded Congressional Medal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP)—In a 30-minute White House ceremony President Truman yesterday awarded the nation's highest military honors to six fighting men of the army, navy and marines.
Grasping the hand of each and calming their nervousness with a friendly smile, the President presented the Congressional Medal of Honor to:

Navy Lieutenant Richard Miles McColl, Jr., Norman, Okla.; Marine Capt. Robert Hugo Dunlap, Galesburg, Ill.; First Lt. Frank Burke, an infantryman from Jersey City, N. J.; M/Sgt. Veto Bertoldo, Decatur, Ill.; S/Sgt. Vernon McGarity, Model, Tenn.; and Pfc. Mike Colalillo, Duluth, Minn.

There are approximately 52,000,000 sheep in the five leading wool-growing states of the Union.

Pampa's Young Write Letters To Santa Claus

Following are some letters to Santa Claus, sent to the Pampa Daily News to be forwarded quickly to North Pole. They'll get there.—Editor.

Dear Santa: I am five years old. Please bring me an airplane, a money bank, and some candy.
With love,
Doris Jordan.

Dear Santa: Please bring me an airplane and some candy.
With love,
Albert Jordan.

Dear Santa Claus: I am two years old; I would like for you to bring me a stick horse, a dump truck, and a "choo-choo" train. My little brother, Wilbur, wants a pink fluffy play dog. Please come early enough this year so that I can talk to you before I go to bed. I love you, Santa.
G. M. Walls, Jr.

P. S.: Don't forget the rest of the little boys and girls all over the world, Santa Claus.
Dear Santa: I am a little girl eight years old. I would like very much to have a doll with hair, and some dishes. Also some nuts and fruit. My home is at Shannon, Texas. But I am expecting to be at my grandmother's Christmas. So please come to see me. With love,
Sue Strickland,
406 Brewer St.

Dear Santa: I am 10 years old. I have tried to be a good girl. I would like for you to bring me a doll with hair, I live at Shannon, Texas, but am expecting to be at my grandmother's; and maybe my daddy will be there. So remember him and mother too.
With love,
Nancy Strickland.

Dear Santa Claus: We are two little sisters, aged two and four. We would like very much to have a table, chairs and dolls, and some dishes. Don't forget the other little boys and girls who have been good. Santa Claus, don't forget our daddy with the armed forces in Korea. Thanks very much,
Glenda and Beverly Burns,
412 Hill St.

Dear Santa: I want a buggy and a doll and a fuzzy play dog and a lock and a bird house. And that is all for today. I like you, Santa.
Donna Kay Herr.

Dear Santa: I want a ring and a gun and a football and a cowboy hat and a cowboy hat and a snow suit, and that is all for today. Thank you, and I like you.
Gary Gene Herr.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl five years old, and have two sisters younger than me, and a baby brother. We want a doll, house shoes, and some modeling clay and if you can find some other toys we would like to have some of them. But we would like for you to bring little brother a rattle or telephone.
Your little friend,
Wilma Darlene Darnell.

Dear Santa Claus: I am six years old. Please bring me a doll, a doctor set, and a set of dishes. And don't forget my sisters and brothers. Thank you.
Geraldine Long.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll and a ring with a blue set in it—like I like you, Santa. I will hang up my sock. Goodbye, Santa.
Maey Ann Batson.

Dear Santa: I am a good little boy six years old. I go to Sam Houston school. I want a wooden train, a big stick of peppermint candy and some stuffed animals. Bring my little sister, Mary, a doll and a set of dishes. Don't forget mother and daddy, grandmother and grandfather.
Phillip Griffith.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy three years old. I have been a good boy. Please bring me a table and chairs, a big dump truck and a doll. I have a little brother four months old. Bring him a teddy bear. We will be looking for you Xmas, Eve night. Don't forget my grandmother.
Billy Don and Mike Fabulan.

Dear Santa: We are three happy little children and have tried to be real good. I (Marlene) am seven years old and want a doll and desk. I (Patricia Sue) am four and want a doll and dishes; and I (Aubrey Allin) am two and want a rocking horse and gun. Thanking you, we are your little friends.
Marlene, Patricia Sue and Aubrey Allin West.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl seven years old. I would like a doll house or a game. I would like some candy or nuts or apples. Lots of love,
Twila Jo Holland.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a gun. I want rubber boots, I want a steamp shovel, too. Anything else you think a little boy five years old would like. Can you bring me some candy, nuts and apples?
E. W. Holford.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll buggy and a doll with real hair, some books and candy and nuts and fruit. Thanks for all the nice gifts last year.
Shella Shelton,
601 N. Roberta St.

Dear Santa Claus: I've been a real good girl this year. Please bring a big red hat and a big coat. Also some fruit, nuts, and candy. I'll be in St. Louis, Okla., at my grandmother's for Christmas.
Katherine Ann Williams.

Highways in This Area To Be Striped

AUSTIN, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Uniform center striping of important highways in the Amarillo and Waco districts has been approved by the state highway commission.
The commission appropriated \$5,500 for the Amarillo work and \$2,282 for the Waco job. Another commission order:

Taylor county—appropriated \$22,487 to supplement funds previously voted to cover cost of widening small structures from the intersection of U. S. Highway 84 to the Rannels county line, 14.3 miles on U. S. Highway 83.

'Fluzzy Fuzz IV' Sets New Record

HONOLULU, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The superfortress "Fluzzy Fuzz IV" was believed to have set a record yesterday by flying from Mather field, Calif., to Hickam field, Oahu, in nine hours and 25 minutes.
Pfc. James H. Greener, Littlefield, Texas, is assistant engineer of the Superfort.

Pitchblende, ore from which radium is derived, has been found in the Mojave desert in the United States.



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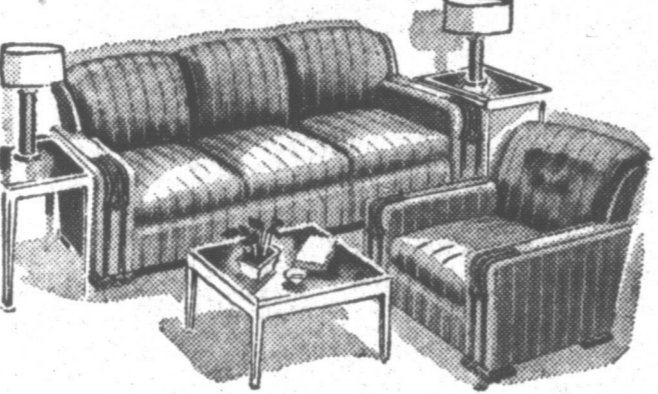
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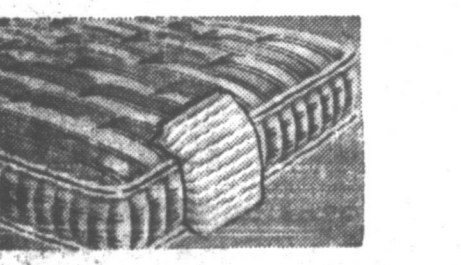


BREAKFAST SET—5-pc. white with red trim. 4 chairs and table, \$39.50. Others to \$107.00. Solid oak, extra large size.



LIVING ROOM SUITE—2-pc., good grade cover, wood trimmed. Spring filled cushions and back. Ceiling price \$149.50. Christmas special \$119.50.

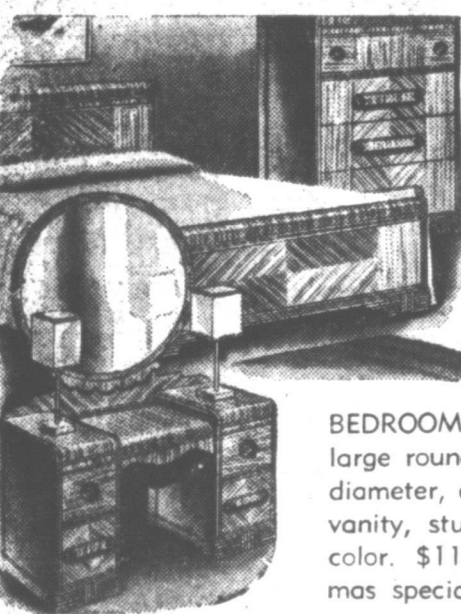
MATTRESSES—Now available. The famous Morning Glory mattress. Full size. Fancy ticking. Finest cotton in Texas. A Texas product. Nationally advertised price.



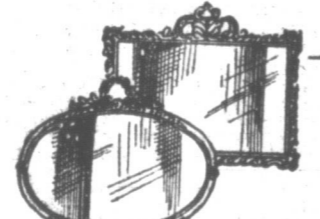
FLOOR LAMPS—Metal base and stem. Indirect lighting, nice shade, \$11.95.



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BEDROOM SUITES—4-pc. large round mirror, 40 inches diameter, extra size chest and vanity, sturdy bench. Walnut color. \$119.50 value, Christmas special \$98.50.

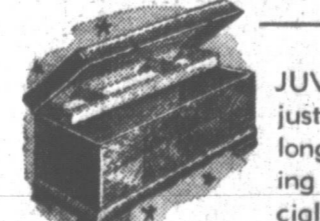


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- Rag Knit Throw Rugs Rainbow Colored \$1.98
- Children's Warm House Slippers 98c
- Boys' Knit Long Sleeve Polo Shirts 98c
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