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## Congress To Start Election-Year Session Tuesday

### Formosa Defense Plan Submitted To Arms Chief

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—President Truman has asked the Joint Chiefs of Staff to study a proposed Arms-For-Bases Deal to keep Formosa out of Communist hands, it was learned today.

The plan was advanced in Congressional circles to thwart an expected Chinese Communist attempt to seize the last real stronghold of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's Nationalist government.

It called for the United States to obtain a 99-year lease on one or more bases in exchange for limited shipments of weapons for super-vised use by Chiang's troops.

The Chiefs reportedly have revised an earlier opinion that Formosa's seizure by the Communist would be of little consequence.

Secretary of State Acheson will be given an early chance to discuss the plan and other foreign policy issues with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Chairman Tom Connally, D., Tex., said the group would want to hear Acheson "when it's convenient for him and convenient for us."

Supporters of the plan claim it has precedent in the late president Roosevelt's prewar swap of 50 over-age destroyers to Great Britain for long-term leases on Naval and Air Bases built on eight British possessions in the Western Hemisphere.

### Desdemona Man Dies At Snyder

Jonah White, about 45, formerly of Desdemona, was found dead in his trailer home at Snyder, according to information received Saturday by Sheriff J. B. Williams.

White had lived in the Desdemona area until recently. His home was destroyed in the Desdemona tornado and the trailer home was given him by the Red Cross. His father lives in Desdemona.

Death apparently resulted from natural causes. He had been dead for several days before the body was discovered.

Funeral services are incomplete. His father, of Desdemona survives.

Dairy cows are roughage eating animals. Give them plenty of good hay—as much as they want whenever they want and need it.

### The Weather

By United Press  
EAST TEXAS—Mostly cloudy occasional rain in north portion this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday. Considerable cloudiness in northwest portion Tuesday afternoon. Moderate southeast and south winds on the coast, becoming fresh Tuesday.

### TOWNSFOLK SUPPORT DR. SANDER IN HIS CRISIS

By Stan Calderwood  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 2 (UP)—Dr. Hermann N. Sander enjoyed the support of virtually all his fellow townfolk in suburban Candia today despite his arrest on a murder charge in the alleged mercy killing of a dying cancer patient.

The 41-year-old physician and former Dartmouth College ski champion was praised in a testimonial petition signed by 605 of the 550 registered voters in the town.

Volunteer workers including Rev. C. Leslie Curtis of the Candia congregational church obtained the signatures in only six hours.

Offering the petition for any possible use in Dr. Sander's defense, they said no one they approached refused to sign.

The testimonial said the signers wished to express to Dr. Sander "our continued faith in him as a professional man of outstanding ability and as a citizen of unquestioned character."

Another petition was circulated in nearby Goffstown, site of the Hillsborough County Hospital where the state charges Dr. Sander shot a lethal charge of air into the bloodstream of paralytic Mrs. Abbie C. Borroto, 59, of Manchester to speed her death Dec. 4.

More than 200 persons at a dance signed the petition which called on the Hillsborough County Grand Jury "not to consider any charges brought before you" concerning the bespectacled physician.

Dr. Sander was freed in \$25,000 bail Friday pending Grand Jury action expected tomorrow on the charge against him.

He used his temporary freedom yesterday to take his family across the road from their home to Rev. Curtis' colonial-style New England church where minister and parishioners alike gave encouragement to the Sanders.

Rev. Curtis looked directly at Dr. Sander, seated with his wife.

Members of the Band Boosters Club announced today that they are ready to start rehearsals for the first meeting of those who wish to take part will be held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at the Band Hall.

Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hamrick will direct the play and the club has asked that any person willing to help the band and take part in the play, please be at the meeting Tuesday.

and two daughters, when he reached a section of his sermon that said: "Let us have the courage to act if it benefits humanity."

The clergyman told newsmen that he did not have Dr. Sander in mind when he composed the sermon.

"But," he remarked, "the phrase was apposite to the case."

Rev. Curtis added that another portion of his sermon that might be applicable to the case was a quotation from the tragedy "Anthony and Cleopatra."

"What's brave, what's noble—let's do it," he quoted from Shakespeare's work. "Thus we should be proud to be called the children of God."

Rev. Curtis said he and the other townfolk felt Dr. Sander "did what he thought was right" and that though there was a "legal technicality" involved it was one which the world may someday see in a different light.

### Kills Stepfather To Save Mother

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 2 (UP)—Joseph Patrick Murphy, 15, told officers today that he waited until just one second before his stepfather was going to shoot his mother then killed him with a single shot from a .22 rifle.

Young Murphy was held for further questioning after he told sheriff's deputies that he killed Paul Reed, his stepfather, last night to save his mother's life.

Officers quoted Murphy as saying Reed, a 32-year-old gravel truck owner, leveled an automatic shotgun at his wife Elizabeth during an argument in the kitchen of their rural home and told her he was going to pull the trigger when he counted to five.

The youth said his mother stood petrified as Reed began counting slowly, "one-two-three," when the stepfather reached the count of four, young Murphy told officers, he filled him with one shot from his rifle.

### Flames Lick Detroit Plant



Firemen successfully keep flames from blowing up two 20,000-gallon fuel tanks only a few feet from the center of the blaze at the Gasoline Company in Detroit. Three persons were killed and four others injured. Two critically. Thirty-one fire companies answered the five alarms after a ruptured fuel pipe exploded and ignited several storage tanks. (NEA Telephoto)

### REPEAT PERFORMANCE OF STORM STARTED

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—(UP)—A blizzard struck the west today and began roaring across the plains, exactly one year to the day when a similar storm launched a six-week series of blizzards that killed 26 persons and wiped out hundreds of head of livestock.

The storm, consisting of heavy snow, high winds, and a cold wave, poured across the Canadian border into Montana and Wyoming. It was expected to wheel eastward into the Dakota rangelands by nightfall.

The blizzard struck as the nation was recuperating from a new year's celebration with one of the biggest collective headaches since the care free days before the 1929 economic crash.

The New Year was welcomed with a half-dozen Chicago shootings, a Los Angeles wife-swapping, a Dupont family reunion, and a Bible Reading marathon.

But the number of accidental deaths ran surprisingly low for the long holiday. A total of 251 persons died in accidents, including 150 killed in traffic, 33 in fires, six in plane crashes and 62 in miscellaneous mishaps.

Safety experts said bad weather across the nation apparently had much to do with forcing holiday celebrants to drive at reasonable speeds. The National Safety Council had expected 330 persons to be killed in highway crashes.

The weather, before the storm began moving into the west, was generally mild. But heavy rain and fog over many states slowed motorists on their rounds of saloons and night clubs.

The total of accidental dead was not expected to rise too greatly today because most Americans were recuperating from Saturday's big blow-out.

The celebration even included prisoners at Sing Sing Penitentiary. They were feasted yesterday on roast beef and treated to a basketball game.

Two Los Angeles couples visited divorce court, shed respective spouses, and re-married all within a matter of hours. Only each husband wound up married to the other's former wife. They had been friends for years and intend to remain so.

At the Dupont stronghold of Wilmington, Del., the famous and members strong-got together for the first family reunion in 50 years. It was not known whether any of those present counted as "poor relations."

Elsewhere the celebration was more routine. About 75,000 New Yorkers jammed Times Square and the Stark Club reported the biggest New Year's business in history.

One group of New Yorkers nursed no hangovers today, however. They were members of a club of alcoholics anonymous who held a party at the church of Heavenly Rest. They toasted the New Year with milk.

### Colder Weather For West Texas

By United Press  
Texans, their spirits already "dampened" by several days of fog and drizzle, apparently faced a siege of colder weather today—especially in west Texas.

The U. S. Weather Bureau at Dallas said freezing rain could be expected in the panhandle late tonight or early tomorrow, with the mercury predicted to plunge to 15 to 25 degrees.

Much colder weather was forecast for the south plains tomorrow.

The weatherman foresaw mostly cloudy and mild weather in East Texas through tomorrow except in the northwest portion, where considerably lower temperatures were expected.

### Brooding Girl Kills Mother, Brothers, Sister

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 2 (UP)—Driven out of her mind because her family laughed at her fears of being "disfigured", Lorraine Knapp, 21 shot and killed her mother, two brothers and a sister New Year's Eve, the committed suicide.

The victims of the shooting were Lorraine's mother, Mrs. Hazel Knapp; her brothers, Ernest, 3 and Fay, 12; and her sister, Winifred, 7.

The shooting took place while Lorraine's father, John Knapp, 55, was at work in the mountain Con Copper Mine, and two other brothers, George, 18, and Jack, 16, were at a neighbor's home.

George and Jack said Lorraine had been "brooding and acting strangely" ever since she returned home six weeks ago from working at a Dillon, Mont., garage.

They said she believed she had been "disfigured" somehow. The youngest children janted her about her fears. George said she twice threatened suicide, the second time on the morning of the massacre.

Authorities believed Lorraine took a .22 caliber single-shot rifle kept in the Knapp home into the living room. There she fired a single bullet into her mother's brain. Re-loading, she fired another through Ernest's head.

In an adjoining storage room, she methodically re-loaded the gun and fired another fatal bullet at Fay. She shot twice at Winifred. She went into the bedroom and lay down on a couch. Placing the rifle to her forehead, she pulled the trigger, possibly with her toe. Her body was found with one shoe off.

Authorities planned no inquest.

### Brother Of Mrs. Dixon Dies

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in Mingo for Otis Duke, brother of Mrs. Gaston Dixon and cousin of Mrs. Lottie Davenport and Mrs. L. S. Waddington.

Mr. Duke, the son of Mrs. M. A. Duke of Mingo, died Saturday morning in a veterans hospital in Dallas. He had been a resident of Mingo 54 years.

### Dallas Birth First In 1950

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2 (UP)—A daughter born to Mrs. Robert Holcomb in St. Paul's Hospital here at five seconds after midnight Sunday, Jan. 1, was believed today to have been the first child delivered in Texas in the second half of the 20th Century.

### EXPECTED TO BE ONE OF HOTTEST POLITICALLY

United Press Staff Correspondent  
BY RAYMOND LAMB  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP)—Congress assemblies tomorrow for an election-year session that promises to be one of the hottest politically in modern history.

Government spending and taxes, Civil Rights and Social Security are but a few of the big issues up for decision before the November Congressional elections.

Under Republican prodding, deficit spending has become perhaps the No. 1 issue and the economic claims to have the vote to make a much bigger dent in President Truman's cold war "Fair Deal" spending program.

Mr. Truman will touch off the wrangling Wednesday with his annual message on The State of The Union. The message, to be delivered in person at a joint session, will renew his demands for a wide range of "Fair Deal" measures and urge continued support of his Stop-Communism Program Abroad.

The cost—expected to be \$48,000,000,000 (B)—will be detailed in his budget message next Monday.

Administration leaders freely admit there is no chance for some of the proposals, but many of them will be pushed anyway to establish them as campaign issues.

Mr. Truman's tax proposal will not be known in detail until he delivers the economic and budget message. But there is tremendous pressure for a reduction of wartime excise taxes. Senate Democratic Leader Scott W. Lucas, Ill., believes this may be done but he favors boosting corporation taxes to make up the revenue loss.

Both the Senate and House convene at noon tomorrow but the opening session will be mere formality.

Senate Democratic Leaders scheduled a preliminary meeting today to discuss strategy. Both House and Senate Chairmen of the party will call at the White House tomorrow to talk over plans with the President.

Senate Republicans will begin framing their program tomorrow. The GOP Policy Committee scheduled a morning session and called the entire Republican membership into a party conference in the afternoon.

With the government running some \$5,000,000,000 (B) in the red for this fiscal year and another deficit likely in fiscal 1951, two veteran Democrats, both conservative, said they thought prospects were bright for sizeable spending cuts.

Chairman Kenneth McKellar, D., Tenn., of the Senate Appropriations Committee thought Marshall Plan aid for Europe could be cut by "at least \$1,000,000,000 (B)" and other budget cuts could be made "all along the line."

"By using care," he said, "we can reduce appropriations considerably below those of last year, and I'm going to do everything possible to get them cut down."

### Opposes Ned To Communist China

TOKYO, Jan. 2.—(UP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur is firmly opposed to American recognition of Communist China and believes the U. S. should take definite steps to help protect Formosa against attack, informed quarters said today.

These sources said MacArthur undoubtedly will express his determined views to the U. S. joint chiefs of staff when they visit the far east in early February.

The visitors, who will make their trip for a first hand check on China policy, will include Gen. Omar N. Bradley, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, and other top U. S. military leaders.

It was understood that MacArthur's reluctance to express his views in public because he feels that any statement he might make on Formosa would be taken as criticism of president Truman's policies.

It was understood that MacArthur has lost no opportunity to express his opposition to American recognition of the Chinese communist regime to prominent American visitors to Japan.

### Three Injured In Highway Crash

TEXOLA, Okla., Jan. 2 (UP)—Three Shamrock, Tex., residents were critically hurt here at 12:30 A. M. Sunday when a car in which they were riding missed a curve on U. S. Highway 66.

Oklahoma Highway Patrolman John Hayworth said William Henry Chandler, driver of the car, Wilburn Chatsad Yuhis his 17-year brother, and Orville Farmer, 27, were taken to a Shamrock hospital with grave injuries. Less serious hurt was Pauline Chandler, 23.

Mulberry trees planted in Philadelphia in 1769 under the direction of Benjamin Franklin led to the establishment of the silk industry in Pennsylvania.

Pray To Get To U. S.



In the bomb-scarred city of Trieste, Tian and Anna, 12-year-old twins, kneel and pray that they will get to Berkeley, Calif., for a reunion with their sister and her husband, U. S. Army Capt. Carmelo Lofaso, who is their adopted father. Captain Lofaso and his family are urging Congress to authorize entry into the U. S. of alien children adopted by Americans as non-quota immigrants. (NEA Telephoto)

The world's largest open-pit iron mine is at Hibbing, Minn. Since stripping started there in 1894, more material has been taken from the pit than was originally excavated in building the Panama Canal, says the National Geographic Society.

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**RECEIVES CHECK . . .** Dr. Lee, president of the Production Credit Association, is shown ready to receive a \$5,000 check from Tom Dickey of the Crockett Production Association. Others pictured are Weldon Smith of the Jasper PCA, Kermit Simank of the El Campo PCA, and Jack Langston of the Beaumont PCA.

## Production Credit Association Returns Money To U. S. Treasury

It is rare indeed when a group of people voluntarily return money to the United States Treasury, particularly in these days when there is such widespread dependence on the Federal Government for financial support. Nevertheless, this is what the Stephenville Production Credit Association has been doing since 1944, according to C. M. McCain of the Eastland office. Starting with \$285,000 of government-owned capital stock in 1934, and serving 10 Texas Counties the association completed the job of paying off on December 31, 1949.

The remarkable feature of this performance is the fact that the government had not set a definite time limit in which the capital was to be returned to the Treasury. In paying off the government capital the association became subject to Federal income and other taxes. Likewise, 21 other associations in Texas are paying off the last of the government capital. Of the 36 associations in the State, fifteen others paid out their Federal funds in 1947 and 1948. In returning the last of the government stock, the associations in Texas are well in the lead of the rest of the United States. Of the 467 associations outside of Texas, around 75 have paid off in full and about two-thirds of the total original capital stock investment by the government has been returned to the Treasury.

During the sixteen years since the association were organized it has been necessary for the Texas farmers and ranchers not only to raise about \$8,000,000 to replace the government's investment, but also another \$7,000,000 to get the capital and surplus needed to support the volume of loans they are now building.

The Stephenville association found it necessary to raise about \$100,000. extra capital by the stockholders in its ten county area. The job was completed in 1947.

Contrary to the belief of many people, these production credit associations are not government agencies and have never loaned any Federal funds. Each association is a separate business corporation operated under the direction of farmer-rancher directors elected by the stockholders. Two members of the board and the manager pass on all loans. The associations make loans for anything a farmer or rancher or dairy man needs in the operation of his farm or ranch except long-term loans on his land. In passing on loans, emphasis is placed on the applicant's ability to repay the obligations from income on his operation. A great deal of care is exercised in sizing up the man himself and a strong effort is made not to make loans which might be necessary to collect through the sale of his collateral.

On September 30, 1949, 32,479 stockholders in Texas associations owned \$14,597,494 in capital and reserves. The ten county territory

of the Stephenville association has 1,096 member-stockholders who owned better than \$445,000 in capital and reserves at the close of September. This does not include the \$5,000 government capital in the Stephenville Association which will be retired on December 31.

Loan losses for the sixteen years in all 36 associations are amazing. Out of \$867,000,000, loaned to Texas agricultural operators, less than one twentieth of one percent has been charged off. To make this easier, this is a nickel out of every \$100 loaned. This enviable record is attributed to proper selection of the credit risk, a thorough and friendly understanding between the member and the association, and financing the farm operation on a sound and business-like basis.

The Stephenville association recently bought a lot and plans are being laid for the construction of a new office building. Estimated cost of the building is around \$25,000. The building is going to be completely air-conditioned and modern in every respect. Future plans are under consideration for smaller buildings in each of the association's branch offices at Comanche, Eastland, Fort Worth and Decatur.

The directors of the association are well represented with regard to the territory served. Each director is elected for a term of three years. Present directors and officers are: R. E. Seay, President, Comanche; R. Cal McCurdy, Vice-president, Decatur; F. B. Shannon, Director, Stephenville; T. W. Winters, Director, Evans; and W. B. Starr, Director, Cisco. The other two officers are W. M. Irwin, Secretary-Treasurer and R. T. Norwood, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. Irwin has been with

## Three Held On Charges Of Rape

MARIANNA, Fla., Jan. 2 (UP) — Three men who allegedly raped a 15-year-old girl in a theater were held today on charges of raping her.

Albert W. Kyle, 19, St. Benets, Pa., and Joseph E. and Johnny Albert Edges, both of Miami, were picked up by Highway Patrolmen and J. C. Jackson, Cottontale Chief of Police, 15 minutes after the alleged assault.

Jackson said the men admitted obtaining the girl's name in a Cottontale street corner "kidding session" yesterday. They had her paged in a Cottonville theatre last night, Jackson said, and forced her to enter their car. The alleged attack occurred at the side of the highway just outside the Cottontale limits, Jackson said.

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## Baylor Offered \$100,000 Gift

WACO, Tex., Jan. 2 (UP) — William Fleming, prominent Baptist layman, has offered to donate \$100,000 to the Baylor University fund for construction of Tidwell Bible Building on the Waco campus.

The offer from the Fort Worth oilman-philanthropist, president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, was conditional, requiring that Baylor raise a matching fund of equal size.

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dent accepted and appointed his assistant, Gay Newman, to lead the campaign for matching money. Construction is scheduled to start soon on the Tidwell Building, a memorial to Dr. Josiah Tidwell, head of the Baylor Medical Department for 35 year until his death in 1946.

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### RJC. Weatherford To Play Here

Ranger Junior College will resume its basketball schedule here Thursday night when the RJC cagers meet the Weatherford College team.

today that the local team will play a conference game every Thursday in Ranger according to the present schedule and out of town games will be played on Monday night.

The game Thursday night is a conference game.

Coach Boon Yarbrough stated

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# SPORTS

## Bowling Briefs

The Bearcats downed the fourth place Towers, three out of four points to retain first place in the standings. T. L. Bush was high for the victors with a 483 series, while Dean Elder led his team with 448.

The Yankees, by taking three points from the Bums, earned a second place tie with the latter team. For the Yanks, Simpson took high series to a losing cause, which also established a new league record.

Buddy Hamrick led the Cardinals to a four point sweep from the Bulldogs, with a 403. Willard Swaney bowled 350 for the losers.

**Standings**

Team	Won	Lost
Bearcats	10	2
Yankees	7	5
Bums	7	5
Bulldogs	4	8
Towers	4	8
Cardinals	4	8

**Big Five (Game)**  
J. M. Bush—196.  
Ronald Williams—185.  
Billy Simpson—181.  
Junior Nail—180.  
T. L. Bush—176.

**Series**  
J. M. Bush—516.

## Two Couples Switch Mates

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2 (UP)—Two couples liked each other's mates so well that they switched spouses in simultaneous divorce and marriage rites.

The four were due home together today from secret honeymoon.

Mrs. Leno Moore, 31, divorced auto parts store manager Howard W. Moore, 35, in Las Vegas, Nev. Saturday, and her neighbor of 5 years, Mrs. Frances Louise Hardy, 35, divorced David J. Hardy, 43.

Then Mrs. Hardy and Moore were married by a Justice of the Peace, and Mrs. Moore and Hardy were wed in the Little Church Around the Corner. The newlyweds were to drive back here late today in Hardy's car.

"They weren't double ceremonies," the new Mrs. Hardy said. "That would be a little much out of the ordinary."

The two women lived together in Las Vegas while establishing their six weeks' residence. The husbands drove there from Los Angeles each week end to visit.

"It just worked out that Howard is a quiet sort of guy, a wonderful man, who is more Frances' type," the former Mrs. Moore said. "And David and I always hit it off so well."

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## MAN REPAYS DEBT OF 22 YEARS STANDING

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. Jan. 2 (UP)—It was cold on a night in 1928 at the city hall in suburban Homewood.

Firemen and policemen were huddled around a pot bellied stove. They talked and joked and at first, did not notice a guy slipping quietly in the door.

The tall, thin, clad youth walked slowly to where the men were seated, placed a battered suitcase on the floor and asked, "may I warm my self in here?"

"Sure," they told him, "come on up to the stove."

He stood with his back to the stove in silence. Someone asked, "Hungry?"

"Yes," he said, "I'm hungry." "Got a place to sleep?"

"No sir," was his frank reply. "I'm tired out. I've been walking all day, and I don't see how I can keep going without anything to eat or any sleep. Is there a place

here I could sleep awhile?" They fed him and gave him a comfortable place to sleep. The officers furnished him a good hot breakfast the next morning. He thanked them for being so kind, picked up his battered old suitcase and walked down the road.

The incident was forgotten during the next 22 years. But last night a man, wearing well-tailored clothes brightened by a silk shirt and a belt buckle inlaid with gold walked into the same city hall with a big smile on his face.

He told a new batch of cops the story of the youth who was befriended 22 years ago.

"I am that boy," he said. "And now I want to prove that a good deed is remembered."

He drew a \$100 bill from his billfold, hesitated a moment, and asked: "Do you fellows have any special work—anything that requires money—that you'd like to

put across." "Well, Sir," LA, Bob Nichols said, "We've been wanting to build a camp and bathhouse for our city employes down on the Coosa River. But we don't expect . . ."

"I know," the tall man interrupted, taking \$500 from his wallet. "But I want to do this. I've wanted to do it a long time."

He placed the money in Nichols' hands, walked out to the street and left in a long new automobile.

LT. Nichols identified the man as James A. (Bill) Williams of Houston, Tex., owner of four big restaurants there.

## Taxi Shooting Ends In Arrest Of Ex-Convict

WICHITA, Kans. Jan. 2—(UP)—Two police characters ended their friendship abruptly in a taxicab shooting scrape that sent

them both to jail, where they were held today on Federal kidnapping charges.

U. S. Commissioner James E. Noone fixed bond at \$50,000 for each and ordered preliminary hearing post Friday for R. H. Hutchings, 34, and ex-convict John Daur, 50, Lehiand, Pa.

Special FBI agent Dwight Brantley said they signed statements admitting the Thursday night kidnaping of E. B. McPherson, retired Shreveport, La., banker.

They forced him at gunpoint to drive them from Shreveport to Fort Scott, Kans., where they bound him hand and foot, left him in a roadside ditch and fled in his automobile.

The two were arrested here late Saturday because of a disagreement which resulted in gunplay in a moving taxicab. They declined to discuss the argument, but Hutchings had a superficial flesh wound in his back to show for it.

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### Personals

Mrs. Ethel Brookes Gilmore has returned from Abilene where she spent Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Clement A. Boult and Mr. Boult and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Metcalf left today to return to their home in La Marque after a holiday visit with Mrs. Metcalf's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roney Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Herweck have returned from a holiday visit in Oklahoma and Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Lovell have had as their holiday guests, the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Lovell and son, Jan Arles, and Jim C. Lovell, all of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Reeder and son, Ronald of Port Arthur.

Billye Jean Crawley has returned to Wichita Falls after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Crawley.

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## GAMBLER TO RECOVER FROM ATTEMPT ON LIFE

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 2—(UP)—Gambler Herbert "the cat" Noble, a frequent target for gangland gunmen, is expected to recover from a new assassination attempt, his doctor said today. The silver-haired, middle-aged Noble was ambushed at his home in Oak Cliff Saturday night as he stepped out onto the front porch. It was the sixth known attempt on his life, and the second within a month.

## Murder, Suicide Verdict Returned In Death Of Two

NORMAN, Okla., Jan. 2 (UP)—A coroner's verdict of murder and suicide was drawn up today in the death of Mrs. Myrtle Bernard, a 29-year-old waitress and mother of two, and her 33-year-old brother-in-law.

Mrs. Bernard was shot with a .32 pistol early Sunday in the cafe where she was employed. Woodrow Bernard, her assailant, then placed the muzzle of his pistol in his mouth and shot himself.

Mrs. Bernard had been separated from her husband, Bob Bernard, for several months. Peace Justice W. Ryle learned. He returned a tentative verdict of murder and suicide yesterday and was questioning witnesses against today before completing his coroner's verdict.

Two people saw the brother-in-law, who worked at a nearby beer tavern, enter the cafe and confront Mrs. Bernard in the kitchen at the rear. He said nothing before calmly pulling the gun from his pocket and firing twice at her, they reported.

He watched his victim fall, groaning, then carefully blew the smoke out of the weapon's barrel before placing it in his mouth and firing his third shot.

Mrs. Bernard has an 11-year-old son and a three-year-old daughter.

**Card of Thanks**  
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His wife, Mrs. Mildred Noble, was killed Nov. 29 by a dynamite charge planted in an automobile. Officers said that explosive blast, which rocked a mile section of Oak Cliff, was intended for Noble.

The Saturday night wounding of Noble was the third violent eruption of gang-style violence here in a month, starting with the blast that killed Mrs. Noble. On Christmas Eve, the "king" of the Dallas underworld Lois Green, was slain by shotgun fire as he left a night club.

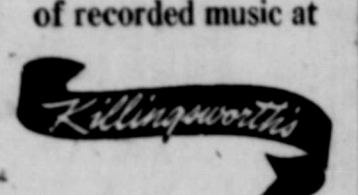
Noble showed up voluntarily and was questioned at length in the Green case.

One week later, on New Year's Eve, came the newest attempt on Noble's life. He had expected it, sooner or later, and blamed it on hired hoodlums, in the employ of a "big gambler out west."

Because of his "charmed" life, some of his acquaintances refer to Noble as "the cat."

Two police homicide officers

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questioned him briefly in his hospital room, which is under police guard, and came out shaking their heads and reporting they "learned nothing."

Noble's future plans were as much a mystery as the identity

of the gunman, who opened fire at him from an automobile. Two shots were fired, apparently with a high-powered rifle, from a late model Hudson sedan parked in the street before the Noble house.

One of the bullets missed and tore through the hood of Noble's Cadillac, parked in the driveway beside the porch. The other hit him in the left arm, crashed on into his left side and lodged against his spine.

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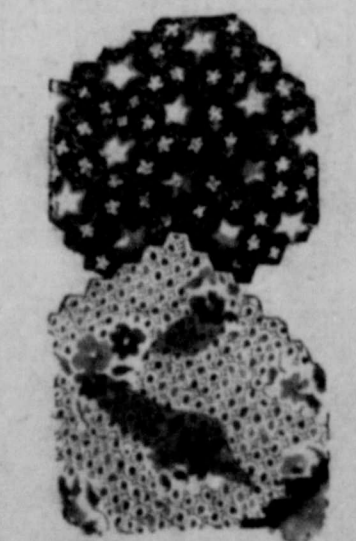
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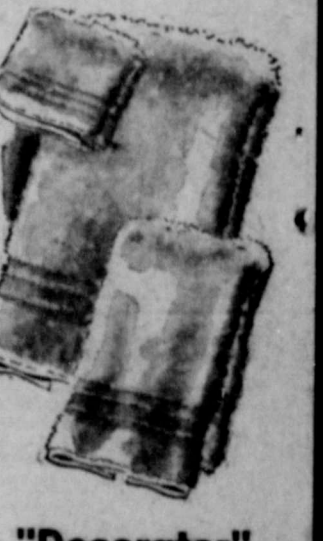
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