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Millions Prepare To Observe Christmas

By The Associated Press

Religious services in Christian communities throughout the world today quietly commemorated the eve of the day almost two thousand years ago when the Prince of Peace was born in Bethlehem.

Thousands of pilgrims gathered in Bethlehem to offer prayers for peace in a world which lives in the shadow of war. Many millions more made the short pilgrimage to their community centers of worship for Christmas Eve services.

The theme of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" was repeated in thousands of churches.

President Eisenhower said the theme of the Christmas story contained an ideal of all men, regardless of their beliefs. The United States will work toward that ideal, the President said in Washington just before lighting the national Christmas tree in the park behind the White House.

For many in the United States it was a day of irritation.

New Yorkers were still without their newspapers as a two-week-old strike of deliverymen continued. Thousands of travelers competed for plane space made scarce by two airline strikes. Many switched to crowded trains or buses. Many more couldn't get home for the annual reunion.

In Bethlehem, the schedule of Christmas Eve ran from noon through midnight services.

Between 4,000 and 5,000 foreign tourists crowded into the bleak little hilltop town 12 miles south of Jerusalem where Christ was born.

Another 1,737 Christians from Israel, mostly Arabs, received Israeli permission to cross the Palestine war truce line in Jerusalem to attend the Bethlehem services. About 200 foreign diplomats, clergymen and others from Israel also were given permission to visit shrines across the line in Jordan.

Peaceful conditions in the Holy Land which swelled the pilgrimages were reflected in the Gaza Strip between Israel and Egypt. Non-Christians from India took over most of the guard duty along that border while United Nations Emergency Force troops from Western nations enjoyed the religious holidays.

U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold and the UNEF commander, Canadian Gen. E. L. M. Burns, joined the troops at Gaza who were decorating 90 imported Christmas trees.

In Baghdad, Iraqi Premier Abdel Karim Kassem pushed back the beginning of curfew until 1 a.m. to permit Christians to attend midnight services on Christmas Eve.

Christmas brought no relaxation of tension in Germany, where the Christmas tree originated and 17 million were expected to be lighted this year. Residents of West Berlin prepared to celebrate the holiday but wondered if this would be their last free Christmas because of Soviet efforts to force the Western allies out of the city 110 miles behind the Iron Curtain.

The people of Russia's European satellites went to church as the West did, but in the Soviet Union Dec. 24 was just another day. Those whose faith has survived the Communist government's long campaign against religion schedule their holidays by the old Russian calendar and Christmas for them comes Jan. 7.

Westerners in Moscow planned Christmas parties and observances at their embassies.

Leaders of the Protestant and Roman Catholic churches from the United States were abroad to visit some of the thousands of American servicemen on foreign soil.

Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, president of the National Council of Churches and a Baptist minister from St. Louis, was in Morocco preaching at U.S. Air Force bases. He told airmen in Spain Tuesday that the East-West "deadlock "can be ended only through faith in God and a wholesome fear of his judgments."

Francis Cardinal Spellman, archbishop of New York and military vicar of Roman Catholics in the U.S. armed forces, was celebrating a series of Masses at American military chapels in West Germany.

Nearly 5,000 U.S. servicemen spent Christmas Eve in Hong Kong, where ships of the 7th Fleet were anchored. More thousands decorated trees in Formosa, Okinawa, Japan and South Korea.

The guns were silent around the Quemoy Islands off the coast of Red China, one of the world's few sites of a shooting war. But the silence was in accordance with the Communist policy of not shelling the Quemoys on even days of the month. The Chinese Nationalist commander in chief ordered his troops not to fire back on Christmas Day, but there was no indication that the Reds also would observe a truce on an odd-numbered day.

On another hot war front—Algeria — the French army parachuted 700 live turkeys to isolated outposts and helicopter delivered champagne and cognac.

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Special Services Scheduled Here

Special Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services have been scheduled by a number of churches in Snyder, while some others will have their regular midweek prayer services tonight.

Midnight services have been set by the St. John's Episcopal Church St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church and Guadalupe Catholic Mission. St. Elizabeth's will also have two services tomorrow, and one will be held at Guadalupe.

Other churches which have indicated they will have services tonight are the Colonial Hill Baptist Church, Grace Lutheran Church, and First Presbyterian Church.

The Colonial Hill Baptist Church, will have its prayer service early, from 6 to 6:45 p.m. according to the Rev. Jimmie Nelson, pastor.

A Christmas Eve service has been scheduled by the First Presbyterian Church, the Rev. R. Charles Spivey, pastor, said. The service will be at 7 p.m. and will include scripture lessons, carols and prayer in commemoration of the birth of Jesus.

The Grace Lutheran Church will observe the Nativity of Jesus with a 7:30 p.m. service at West Elementary School auditorium. Familiar Christmas carols will be featured, and the Rev. Walter Lentz, pastor will speak on "The Christian's Christmas."

Three masses have been scheduled by the St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church. One will start at midnight tonight, one at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow, and one at 10:30 a.m.

The church choir, under direction of Martin Lutkins, with Dottie Dugas at the organ, will sing the W. J. March choral mass at the midnight service. The choir will be joined by the Ryan Parochial School choir in the rendition of the mass. The midnight mass will be a "Misa Cantata," with the pastor, the Rev. Edward Chrisman, as the celebrant. The choir will also sing traditional folk hymns at the 10:30 a.m. mass tomorrow, and afterward the choir will be entertained at the parish rectory by the pastor.

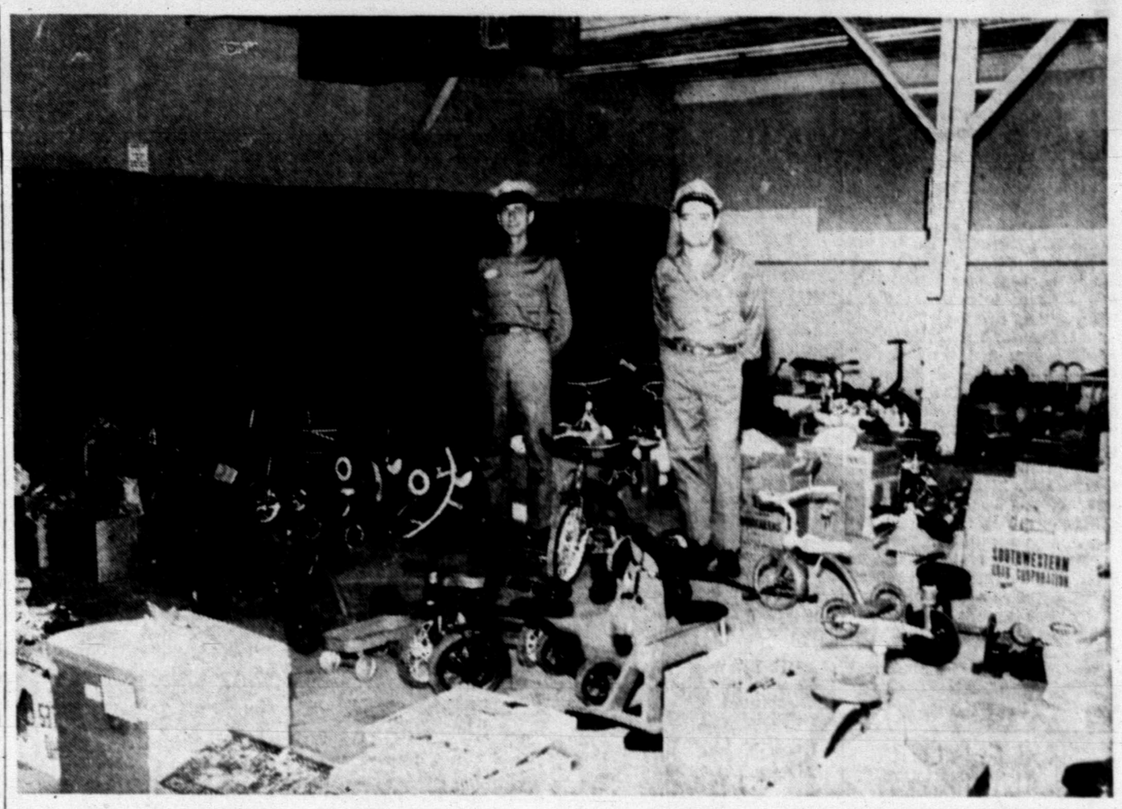
A midnight mass will be held at the Guadalupe Catholic Mission by the Rev. John Malinowski. The choir there will be under direction of Mrs. Mary Smith, who also serves as organist. There will be hymn singing during a 9 a.m. service at the mission.

The traditional midnight mass common to Anglican, Roman, and Orthodox churches for many years will be held at 11:30 o'clock tonight at St. John's Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Donald Hungerford, vicar, said the service potrays in liturgical pageantry the Gospel presentation of the nativity of Jesus. There will be two portions to the ceremony, the candle lighting service and the choral eucharist.

The candle lighting is based on the prologue to the Gospel of St. John, "Christ the Light of the World." The choral eucharist which follows is a musical setting to the Holy Communion by John Merbecke and is participated in antiphonally by the priest and people.

Well-known Christmas carols will be used as office and introit hymns. Celebrant will be Rev. Hungerford. Acolytes will be Patrick and Michael Alexander, organist Danny Redwine, and usher Bill H. Fry, warden of the mission.



TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS—Two city firemen are pictured above with a bunch of toys they and other members of the paid fire department have repaired and repainted for distribution to needy children here. The toys, food, clothing and other items will be distributed today by members of the Snyder Kiwanis Club. Hundreds of toys have been renewed by the fire department for today's project. The firemen above are Ed Shuler, left, and Bill Chambless. (Lee Watson photograph)

Crash Near Gail Kills 3

GAIL — Three persons died and three others were injured last night when two cars collided about 10 miles west of here.

They were Wilson Lee Wright, 32, his wife, Dixie Wright, 26, and their daughter Laurie Wright, 2, all of Winters.

Two other Wright children, Dennis, 10, and Brenda, 7, and the driver of the other car, Miles Williams, 26, of Lovington, N. M., were all critically injured and are hospitalized at Lamesa.

The Wright car was headed west and was on its way to Muleshoe for Christmas with Mrs. Wright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Holley.

Wright was in the house moving and trucking business. Arrangements for Wright funeral services were pending at Spill Funeral Home at Winters.

DAILY NEWS WILL TAKE DAY OFF

There will be no Daily News tomorrow, since the staff is taking Christmas Day off.

Merry Christmas!

Seven Killed, 12 Injured In Tennessee Bus-Truck Crash

PULASKI, Tenn. (AP)—A Greyhound bus collided with two trucks while trying to pass on a wet, fog-shrouded hill at twilight Tuesday, killing seven persons and injuring 12.

Flames burst out in the bus minutes after it crashed to a halt in a gully seven miles south of here. A majority of the estimated 23 passengers scrambled out before the fire got to them.

Three of the dead were badly burned. The others apparently were thrown from the bus.

The bus driver, who last summer received an award for 15 years of safe driving, was among the dead. He was Samuel Youree, 50, of Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Twelve persons, including one of the truck drivers, were treated at a hospital. Six were released. One was sent to a Nashville hospital in critical condition.

Officers pieced together this account:

The 40-passenger bus, bound from Birmingham to Cincinnati, was passing a coal truck in the fog when a southbound semi-trailer truck loomed ahead.

The bus whipped back toward the right lane, locked bumpers with the coal truck and then crashed almost headon into the tractor-trailer.

The impact broke the bus loose from the coal truck. The bus careened 75 yards further on and crashed to a stop upright in the gully, catching fire.

The coal truck stopped, its brakes locked, with one wheel off the shoulder of the road.

Luther Jim Beasley, 30, truck driver for the Brindley & Son Coal Co., Pulaski, who was not injured, said: "The tractor-trailer was blowing his horn and signaling with his lights. He was going mightly slow, if not stopped, when the bus hit him."

The collision opened a hole in the left side of the bus through which some of the passengers escaped. Others apparently used the emergency door at the rear.

Guy Mitchell, a Pulaski photographer, said: "The people who were in the bus didn't seem to know what happened. The colored people seemed to be lucky. They were in the back of the bus and were able to get out easier."

Seven bodies were recovered. One funeral home said it had charred parts of what could have been an eighth body. Officials decided later it was not.

Four of the dead were identified in addition to Youree.

They were: Charles H. Thompson, about 25, Cleveland, Ala.; Mrs. Billie Jean Holman, about 23, Brewton, Ala.; and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Parrish of Birmingham.

John H. McWilliams, 34, Elkton, Tenn., the most seriously injured, was transferred to a Nashville hospital.

William Eugene Clifton, 29, Birmingham, driver of the trailer truck, was released after treatment for cuts and bruises.

Holiday Mail Volume Here In Decrease

Mail volume at the Snyder post office for the Christmas season is below that of last year, but it is still very large.

James C. Stewart, superintendent of mails, said there were 322,000 pieces of mail cancelled in the post office from Dec. 1 through Monday.

Last year, during the same period, cancellations numbered 351,000 or about 30,000 more.

Stewart said it is possible the postal rate increase had something to do with the volume decrease. All postal rates are higher. Christmas cards are more expensive to mail, costing four cents if envelopes are sealed and three cents if they are not. Last year it was three cents and two cents.

All Christmas mailing has now passed the peak and is dropping off, Stewart said. Christmas card mailing is dropping off rapidly.

Christmas parcels are still coming in, and all will be delivered, even those arriving Christmas day, Stewart said. Only parcels and special delivery mail will be handled that day, however.

Surgeon Reveals A Modern Miracle

CINCINNATI, Ohio (AP)—Some people will pass this story off as mere coincidence. Others — those who believe strongly that God works in strange ways, especially in this season of Christmas—they will see it differently.

It's a story of a girl, Cindy Green, 6 months old. When she was 2 months old a doctor discovered she had a loud heart murmur. Her heart was so big it was filling up her chest and doctors feared it would cut off her breath if something were not done.

Something was done. Dr. Robert S. Green, a Cincinnati heart specialists, was called in on the case —a doctor whose surname is the same.

Dr. Green discovered that a small blood vessel in Cindy's body — necessary to the child in the pre-natal stage — had not closed as it normally should after birth.

A week before Christmas, a team of surgeons tied and cut off this dangerous blood vessel.

But, let Dr. Green finish the story in his own words—in a letter he wrote to Cindy after the operation was pronounced a success:

"You and I share the same last name, even though we are not related, and after the operation I found we were both born on June the second, you this year—I, too many years ago."

"Cindy, we took all those amazing facts about your case and fed them into one of those great big brain machines and the answer came back immediately.

"Coincidences like these just do not happen. God arranged them and Santa working with him brought you your new heart for Christmas.

"But, Cindy, there is a more important reason for this letter. We want to thank you. For even though you got the heart you needed so badly, you gave us much more.

"What I am trying to say, Cindy, is that giving to you enable us (the staff at St. Mary's Hospital in Cincinnati) in our small way to share in the spirit of the Christ child who gave the world so much."

Another Atlas Makes A Successful Flight

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The Air Force has shot an Atlas missile on a successful 4,000-mile flight across the Atlantic just six days after its predecessor became the nation's biggest satellite.

The latest Atlas triumph — the third big one in a row — was announced some four hours after the blastoff of the 80-foot rocket late Tuesday night.

There was no official word from the launching site, but Col. John Powers said at Air Force Ballistic Missile Division headquarters in Inglewood, Calif., that preliminary reports showed the Atlas test ran smoothly.

The spectacular Christmas fireworks display followed on the heels of last Thursday's satellite launching and the first 6,325-mile intercontinental range Atlas shot Nov. 28.

The four-ton Atlas now in orbit is signalling President Eisenhower's "Peace on Earth" message to the world.

Powers said efforts were being made to recover the nose cone of the rocket, after a blazing re-entry from space, but it was not known whether an announcement on this would be forthcoming.

Tuesday night's launching was the first appearance of a new Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile called the "C series." The missile featured some special modifications, most of them classified, which should result in lightening the Atlas payload by about 100 pounds.

The start of the shoot appeared to be highly successful as the 120-ton gleaming rocket burst up through a blanket of puffy white clouds and darted eastward like a fading star.

As the missile climbed, an eerie white glow was cast over the launching area by the Atlas' flashing exhaust tail reflecting off a low lying ground haze.

As the Convair rocket streaked out of sight, the Atlas satellite was making its 88th sweep around the globe in an orbit expected to last several more weeks.

The Air Force, which kept the satellite launching a super-secret last Thursday, announced Tuesday night that the shoot "was one of a continuing series of research and development flight tests of the Atlas weapons system."

The military rarely reports the results of a weapon shoot such as this.

Prior to the launch there were rumors that either another satellite attempt would be made or that something alive was aboard. Neither report could be confirmed.

The mission apparently was to see how the "Big A" would stand up under heavy stress now that the special modifications have been introduced.

Community Tree Tonight In Gail

GAIL (Spl.) — More than 60 persons are expected to attend Gail's 60th annual Christmas tree observance tonight at the First Methodist Church here.

The program will include distribution of candy and nuts to children by Santa Claus, carol singing, and the scriptural Christmas story, the same as the program has been since its earliest days.

A leader in the program and one of those who will attend tonight is Mrs. D. Dorward, 85, who has been in Borden County since the 1880s and helped with the first community tree.

Top Contest Entry Told

Mrs. Malven K. Stevenson, 2707 Thirty-fourth Street, won the Jaycee Christmas home decoration contest, which was judged here last night.

As winner, Mrs. Stevenson will receive a $25 savings bond from the Jaycees. Her decoration included a window painted like a church stained glass window and the message, "Peace on earth, good will to men."

Second prize of $10 cash went to Mrs. Walter Hales, 3749 Sunset, for her scene of the wise men.

The judges gave honorable mention to Mrs. T. T. Withers, 2607 Avenue I, for her impressive display of lights and music.

R. T. Roberts, Jaycee president, said judging in the contest took into consideration the degree to which religious themes were carried out.

There were seven entries in the contest.

WEATHER

SNYDER TEMPERATURES: High Tuesday, 61 degrees; low, 29 degrees; reading at 7:30 a.m. today, 30 degrees.

East Texas: Partly cloudy through Thursday. Cooler this afternoon and tonight. Lowest tonight 30 to 40 north and central.

South Central Texas: Considerable cloudiness through Thursday. Cooler this afternoon and tonight. Lowest tonight 35 to 45 north portion.

North Central Texas: Partly cloudy through Thursday. Not much change in temperatures. Lowest tonight 30 to 40.

West Texas: Partly cloudy through Thursday. No important temperature changes.

West Gulf: North and northeast winds 10 to 20 m.p.h. through Thursday except winds variable 5 to 15 m.p.h. southwest portion this afternoon. Partly cloudy weather.

Pilots Consider Contract Terms

By The Associated Press

Striking pilots at American Airlines today considered contract terms suggested by federal mediators to end their walkout. American accepted the proposed settlement.

The peace proposal covered a variety of contract issues, including wages, flight hours, sick leaves and vacations.

In accepting the proposals, American said it was hopeful the pilots would follow suit. A pilots' spokesman said they probably would reach a decision today.

The pilots' strike at midnight last Friday grounded a second of the nation's three largest airlines during the peak season of air travel.

Eastern Air Lines has been idled since Nov. 24 by a strike of flight engineers and mechanics. The twin disputes remain in deadlock.

Other airlines, bus companies and railroads have expanded service to handle the cries of holiday travelers. Accommodations have been scarce but generally available.

Despite the strikes, the enormous load of Christmas mail was reported moving smoothly.

The pilots, members of the Air Lines Pilots Assn., struck over dissatisfaction with their wages, hours and travel time. Their current pay range is $400 to $1,602 a month.

The company, however, claims its pilots are already receiving top pay. It offered a new ceiling of $2,334 a month. But, American said, the pilots also demanded 10 hours less flying time a month when operating jets. The current work month is 85 hours.

Hatred Fades At Yuletide Season

By JAMES CARY

TOKYO (AP)—The gray, balding American stood waiting at the gate of the Japanese steel mill. Down the street strains of "Silent Night" floated through the door of a bar.

From the plant yard a Japanese approached on a bicycle. He studied the waiting man's features, halted, gasped in astonishment, then turned as if to run.

"It's all right, Ishiguro-san. I just want to be your friend," Ellis Gordon said softly. "It's good to see you again."

The Japanes managed a weak smile.

Between them lay the gulf of a bitter war, of starvation, brutality and grinding labor, of defeat and surrender.

Shortly after the outbreak of World War II, Gordon, 60, whose home is in Los Angeles, had been captured on Wake Island, where he was a civilian employe. He spent almost four years as a prisoner of war of the Japanese.

Ishiguro was a guard at the steel mill, between Tokyo and Yokohama, where Gordon was forced to work long hours. Gordon was a 101-pound skeleton when he last saw the guard.

"I had sworn I would kill them all if I ever met them again," Gordon told the Pacific Stars and Stripes. "But over the years the harsh memories softened and I wanted them to know I bore no grudge."

"It became almost a mission," Gordon said. "I had been talking about coming back to Japan for years and now I've done what was in my mind since the war ended."

Formerly one of the managers of a trucking and storage company in Los Angeles, Gordon recently went to work for a firm in Yokohama which transports freight for servicemen.

The search for his former guards began this Christmas week.

Friday, at least six of Gordon's former guards will be his dinner guests. There will be Christmas gifts of candy and tobacco for all.

Why is he doing it

"I guess I just wanted to turn the other cheek," Gordon said.

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Settlement Efforts Fail

DALLAS (AP)—Representatives of Safeway Stores, Inc. and the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Workers Union failed to settle their labor dispute yesterday during a two-hour session with a federal mediator.

The talks were recessed for the holidays and will be resumed Monday should court hearings scheduled earlier in the day be completed.

The dispute concerns contracts in Safeway's Brownwood and Big Spring stores which led to picketing of the grocery chain's Garland distribution center.

Two workers from Big Spring picketed the center Monday and other workers refused to cross the picket line.

Safeway obtained a temporary restraining order to remove the pickets. A Safeway spokesman said all regular employes had returned to work yesterday.

A hearing on the temporary restraining order was set for 9:30 a.m. Monday before Dist. Judge Jack Thornton.

Union attorney Charles Morris said he had filed a motion with Thornton to dismiss the injunction suit. This motion presumably will be heard Monday also.

Morris also said he had filed a charge of unfair labor practices against Safeway with the regional federal mediation and conciliation office in Fort Worth.

Fraternity Does A Yuletide Good Deed

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The paint was peeling. The picket fence sagged. You might say the little cottage was an eyesore.

But to Miss Alice Wadsworth it is home. Has been ever since 1913.

Now once more, the place glows with warmth and cheer.

Ten pledges of UCLA's Alpha Tau Omega fraternity swarmed over the place with paint brushes and tools today. Their work was a Christmas gift.

Santa Claus Goes By Helicopter

DRESSLERVILLE, Nev. (AP)—A Stead Air Force Base helicopter squadron played Santa Claus to 70 Indian children in this remote Douglas County community.

The 66 members of Training-Flying Squadron 3638 and their wives collected $400 and staged a surprise Christmas party for the Washoe Indian nation youngsters.

Fox Chased Into Woman's Living Room

OXFORD, England (AP) — The hounds of the South Oxfordshire hunt cornered and killed their fox Tuesday on Mrs. Evelyn Lindley's new living room carpet; right in front of the Christmas tree laden with presents.

Mrs. Lindley was out for some last-minute shopping. No one was at home.

The hunt was in full cry, and the fox was cornered. With no place to go, it broke through a window into the Lindley parlor. Seven hounds came tearing in behind it.

Mrs. Lindley came home to find the living room a mess.

"There was mud and blood all over the lounge—newly decorated in lavender and gray," she said. "Some of the young men and women of the hunt were already busy with scrubbing brushes and buckets of water. They had our window repaired within two hours and have told me to put in a bill for cleaning our new red carpet and covers."

"It was a good scent," explained the secretary of the hunt, Col. John Ashton. "Hounds follow fox closely. Fox met a man on the road and diverged to the house. Fox jumped through glass door. Hounds followed naturally."

Crossroads Ruled Out

AUSTIN (AP)—State Highway Engineer DeWitt Greer has reminded property owners that no crossroads will be laid over the interstate highway system.

Greer said right angle roads crossing the proposed super roads would violate a basic safety principle of the new Federal Highway Act. He said Texas traffic and design engineers agree.

Instead of crossroads so familiar on most highways, traffic is angled into the road at key points through frontage roads.

Greer made his comment while the State Highway Commission studied whether Tom Hutton of Gainesville was entitled to damages because no crossroad will be built in front of his property facing a frontage road on Interstate 35.

He told the commission last week he had been promised such a road several years ago when preliminary plans were being made for the highway. Greer and the commission told him the state would lose all its federal aid if it violated the principle laid down in the Federal Highway Act and constructed the crossroad. But the commission agreed to consider whether or not Hutton was entitled to damages as a result of any agreement made with state officials.

Progress Made By Strike Mediators

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP)—Federal mediators have reported progress toward settling a deliverers' strike against nine New York City newspapers.

Mediator Walter A. Maggiolo tempered his report Tuesday night by saying there still remain a number of substantial problems to be resolved.

Maggiolo said all issues in the 15-day-old dispute were reviewed. The deliverers and the publishers were urged to re-evaluate their positions before further meetings today with mediators.

Asher Schwartz, attorney for the independent Newspaper and Deliverers Union, said in a statement:

"We have not made such progress as will accomplish a settling, but the mere fact that we are now talking is to us encouraging."

Barney G. Cameron, president of the Publishers Assn. of New York City, said in a statement:

"The federal mediators have asked both sides—the publishers of the nine struck newspapers and the striking drivers—not to disclose the issues under discussion in today's sessions.

"The publishers are going along with the mediators suggestion in the interest of a settlement."

No joint sessions were held Tuesday. The publishers and the deliverers met separately with the mediators.

It is understood that union negotiators, under the pressure of membership demands, are placing emphasis on a 35-hour week, improved vacations, a ninth annual paid holiday and a sick leave provision.

The publishers have offered a $7-a-week increase spread over two years, plus fringe benefits. The offer was rejected by the union membership.

The deliverers' basic pay under a contract which expired Dec. 7 was $103.80 for a 40-hour week.

The nine newspapers, the Times, Herald Tribune, Daily News, Mirror, Journal American, World-telegram and Sun, Post, Long Island Daily Press and Long Island Star-Journal, shut down Dec. 11.

Newsstands are virtually bare of papers. Radio and television broadcasts are trying to fill the news vacuum.

The city's newspaper industry has lost more than 20 million dollars in Christmas advertising revenues, as well as circulation revenues and wages to 15,000 idled nonstriking newspaper employes.

About 5,000 other employes are at work on standby duties.

The Newsdealers Assn. of Greater New York pleaded with both sides settle the dispute.

William Richter, lawyer for the newsdealers, urged a resumption of publication even without an end to the strike. He said papers would be delivered "by taxis, private vehicles and on the backs of newsdealers, if necessary."

San Antonio Election Set

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — City councilmen called yesterday a bond election for Jan. 13 in an effort to launch a municipally-owned city transit system.

The city would issue a total of $4,948,500 in bonds under the proposal—$1,750,000 for permanent assets to start the system and an estimated $3,198,500 in revenue bonds for buses and parts.

Councilmen said the San Antonio Transit Co.'s franchise proposals left them no alternative but to call the bond election.

The company has contended that it needs higher fares to get a fair return on its investment. Councilmen have contended that the firm already is making far in excess of a fair return.

Current basic bus fares here are

BIRTHS

A six-pound, 15-ounce daughter was born at 6:46 p.m. yesterday in Cogdell Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Allen, Box 1472.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Chunn, Avenue O and Hargrove, are parents of twin sons, born at 9:11 and 9:16 a.m. yesterday. Each weighed five pounds, 15 ounces.

Elusive Dog Is Captured

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (AP) —An elusive mongrel of diffusive ancestory has been trapped by crafty agents of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The mutt, called "more collie than anything else," was abandoned two months ago by her master at the New Brunswick traffic circle of busy U.S. 1.

The dog avoided even the most devious attempts of capture, and for a while seemed determined to wait for her master to return for her.

Photographers couldn't snap her picture and she didn't touch some doped meatballs left for her by the SPCA, which hoped that she could be caught if slowed down a bit by drugs.

But Tuesday, the reddish brown pooch with white spots on her head was caught with a tempting beef bone and a wire cage. And now, the SPCA will try to place the dog with another master.

The mongrel was checked by a veterinarian and was none the worse for her stay in the wintry weather.

Painting Opens Doors To Jail

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Edward Washington, 28, "saw the light" and turned to painting. He showed Judge Edward A. Kallick four paintings he had done since he was jailed last July for assault and battery.

There was one canvas of the Last Supper, another of Mary Magdalene washing Jesus Christ's feet.

The judge cancelled the rest of Washington's 9-to-23 month sentence and sent him home in time for Christmas.

Assignment Of Station Okayed

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Communications Commission approved yesterday the assignment of license of radio station KSIJ, Gladewater, Tex., to Frank Myers of KAMD, Camden, Ark., for $60,000.

It also approved assignment of license of Station KACT, Andrews, Tex., to Clint Formby, who has other Texas broadcasting interests, for $65,000.

The commission also received from Mid-County Radio of Port Neches, Tex., an application for a new daytime 500-watt station.

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WEDNESDAY
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8:45—NBC News
4:00—Sports, News, Wthr.
6:30—Martin Kane
7:00—Kruger Theatre
8:00—Kraft Theatre
9:00—Sea Hunt
9:30—This Is Your Life
10:00—News
10:10—Jax Sports, Wthr.
10:20—Late Show
12:00—Sign Off
THURSDAY
6:45—Mrning Devotional
7:00—Today
9:00—Dough-Re-Mi
9:30—Treasure Hunt
10:00—The Price Is Right
10:30—Truth or Consequence
11:00—Tic Tac Dough
11:30—It Could Be You
12:00—News & Weather
12:15—Paris Precinct
12:45—Matinee Showcase
2:00—Matinee Theatre
3:00—Queen For A Day.
3:45—Modern Romances
4:00—Comedy Time
4:30—Cartoon Clubhouse
5:00—Woody Pecker
5:30—Cartoon Clubhouse
5:45—NBC News
6:00—Sports
6:15—News
6:25—Weather
6:30—Patio Party
7:00—You Bet Your Life
7:30—Dragnet
8:00—People's Choice
8:30—Tenn. Ernie Ford
9:00—The Lux Show
9:30—Jane Wyman
10:00—News
10:10—Jax Sports & Wthr.
10:15—Sports
10:20—Late Show
11:30—Sign Off

KCBD-TV Channel 11 — Lubbock

WEDNESDAY
5:15—Tex. Curr. Studies
5:45—Hospitality Time
6:30—News
6:10—Weather
6:15—Here's Howell
6:30—Wagon Train
7:30—On The Farm
8:00—Milton Berle
8:30—Rifleman
9:00—This Is Your Life
9:30—Lawrence Welk
10:30—News, Wthr., Sports
10:50—Movie
THURSDAY
6:30—Con. Classroom
7:00—Today
8:00—Church Services
9:00—Dough-Re-Mi
9:30—Treasure Hunt
10:00—Price Is Right
10:30—Concentration
11:00—Tic Tac Dough
11:30—It Could Be You
12:00—Playhouse 60
1:00—Truth or Consequence
1:30—Haggis Baggis
2:00—Today Is Ours
2:30—From These Roots
3:00—News Cavalcade
3:30—1958 Sports Review
4:00—Channel 11 Matinee
5:30—Hospitality Time
6:00—News
6:10—Weather
6:15—Here's Howell
6:30—Decoy
7:00—Kenzie's Raders
7:30—It Could Be You
8:00—Behind closed doors
8:35—Erine Ford
9:00—Groucho Marx
9:30—Donna Reed
10:00—Rough Riders
10:30—News, Wthr., Sports
10:50—Movie

CHANNEL 4-12-13

Station Programs Same—Except Where Channel Number Shown

4:00—TV Hour of Stars
5:00—Take Five
5:05—Looney Tunes
5:30—13—Bugs Bunny
12—Bugs Bunny
4—Sugar 'n' Spice
6:00—13—News, Wthr., F.
12—News, Wthr., F.
4—Cosden Farm
6:15—Doug Edwards
6:30—13—This is Alice
12—This is Alice
6:30—4—Star Performance
7:00—Pursuit
8:00—The Millionaire
8:30—I've Got A Secret
9:00—Circle Theatre
10:00—13—Dick Powell
12—Dick Powell
4—News & Wthr.
10:15—13—Dick Powell
12—Dick Powell
4—Showcase
10:30—News, Wthr., & P.A.
10:30—4—Showcase
11:00—13—Showcase
12—Showcase
11:30—4—Sign Off
12:30—Sign Off
THURSDAY
7:50—Sign On
7:55—W. Tex. Weather
7:00—Capt. Kangaroo
8:45—Morning News
8:55—W. Tex. Weather
9:00—For Love or Money
9:30—Play Your Hunch
10:00—Arthur Godfrey
10:30—Top Dollar
11:00—Love Of Life
11:30—Search for Tomorrow
11:45—1958 News Review
12:15—News
12:25—Take Five
12—Man on the St.
4—Weather
12:30—As The World Turns
1:00—Jimmy Dean Show
1:30—House Party
2:00—The Big Payoff
2:30—The Verdict Is Yours
3:00—The Brighter Day
3:15—The Secret Storm
3:30—The Edge of Night
4:00—TV Hour of Stars
5:00—Looney Tunes
5:30—Huckleberry Hound
6:00—13—News, Wthr., F.
12—News, Wthr., F.
4—Cosden Farm
6:15—Doug Edwards
6:30—13—Whirley Birds
6:30—12—O'Henry Playh.
4—Sketch Book
7:00—December Bride
7:30—Derringer
8:00—Zane Gray Theatre
10:00—13—How to Marry A Millionaire
12—How To Marry A Millionaire
4—Showcase
10:30—N. W., Public A.
10:45—13—N., Wthr., Spts.
12—N., Wthr., Spts.
4—Movie
11:00—Movie
12:00—Sign Off

KRBC-TV CHANNEL 9, ABILENE

WEDNESDAY
6:00—News & Weather
6:15—NBC News
6:30—Wagon Train
7:30—On The Farm
8:00—Milton Berle
8:30—Bat Masterson
9:00—This Is Your Life
9:30—Science Fiction Th.
10:00—News
10:10—Weather
10:15—Com. Performance
THURSDAY
6:30—Con'tl. Classroom
7:00—Today
8:00—Today
9:00—Dough Re Mi
9:30—Treasurer Hunt
10:00—Price Is Right
10:30—Concentration
11:00—Tic Tac Dough
11:30—It Could Be You
12:00—Little Rascals
12:15—TBA
12:55—Daily Devotion
1:00—Truth or Consequence
1:30—Haggis Baggis
2:00—Today Is Ours
2:30—From These Roots
3:00—Queen For A Day
3:30—County Fair
4:00—Command Performance
4:15—Com. Performance
5:30—Little Rascals
6:00—News & Weather
6:30—District Attorney
7:00—Price Is Right
7:30—It Could Be You
8:00—Behind Closed Doors
8:30—Ernie Ford
9:00—You Bet Your Life
9:30—Masquerade Party
10:00—News & Weather
10:15—Movie
Sign Off

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WINNING DOOR—The second place winner in the Christmas door decorations contest at Snyder High School is pictured above. It is the door of Room 212, in which Mrs. M. M. O'Rear holds her English classes. Pictured with the door are two of her students Linda Shaw and Rodger Fields. (Lee Watson photograph)

WOMEN

NEWS FROM DUNN

By ELWANDA STEWART

Mrs. B. E. Walker has returned home from Quanah where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Northam.

Mrs. Bill Hunter of Coahoma spent Monday with Mrs. W. A. Johnston.

Charlene Johnston and Susan Stewart are ill this week. They have pneumonia.

Mrs. C. D. Gray Jr. and Monna Faye and Mrs. Don Laing and children made a business trip to Colorado City Monday.

Mrs. Ernest Sorrells and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sorrells and son have returned home from Winnsboro. They visited Mrs. Ernest Sorrells mother, Mrs. Ida Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Copeland and son and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Copeland and Ernie. Mrs. Copeland came home with her daughter. She will also visit Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ashley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie White and daughter of Houston are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Grady White and children.

Chester Johnston of Corpus Christi is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ferrel Nipp.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Neidecken are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bolding.

Mrs. Lawrey Spencer and children of Dayton, Ohio, and Mrs. Eupha Shield of Snyder visited Mrs. James Stewart Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sherrod and Benny, Bonnie Sherrod and Mike Bolding of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Nail of Alpine and Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Nail, Barbara, Renee and Jimmy Nail visited Mr. and Mrs. Royce Johnson and children all day Sunday for an early Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Geroge Cochran of Lamesa is spending this week with her daughter, Mrs. Dildy Smith and Dildy Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sherrod, Ronnie and Benny of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. George Bowers this week.

Rita Johnston of Snyder spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Johnston and Charlene.

College students home for the holidays include, Dicky Hardee, Thomas Carl Echols, Doyle Herring, Jerry Sorrells.

Robert Nail is spending the Holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Owen Nail. Robert is stationed in Virginia in the armed service.

John Mayse of Colorado City visited Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Nail and children Monday.

Recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brown included Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barnes and children of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown of Lubbock.

Mrs. Walter Brown was hostess for the community Canasta Club in her home Thursday afternoon. Christmas gifts were exchanged by the 13 members and on guest attending. Mrs. George Cochran of Lamesa attended as a guest.

UNION NEWS

By MRS. J. B. ADAMS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hickman of Mineral Wells visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Ledbetter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mebane and children of Pinnett, Tex., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Mebane.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thompson and Jim Ridley from Colbert, Okla., made a short visit Saturday with the Rev. and Mrs. Roy Womble.

Major H. E. Hall and family from Scott Field, Ill., are here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hall and brother, J. J. Hall and family.

The junior department of the Union Baptist Church enjoyed a Christmas party Thursday night at the church in the Fellowship Hall where they played games and exchanged gifts. Cookies and punch was served. Sponsors were Mrs. Bertie Langford, Mrs. Harty, Mrs. May Pate, and Loncie Hall.

Sunday visitors with Mrs. J. B. Adams were Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Adams, Joe Bayless and Mike Williams from Rankin and Mr. and Mrs. Don Adams and Mark from Snyder.

Protect nylons from fingernail snags by washing them in a mason jar half full of soapsuds. Cap the jar and shake thoroughly. Use same method for rinsing.

Shower Honors Mrs. Joe Bailey

KNAPP — Mrs. Gilbert Richter's home was the scene for a bridal shower last Friday night honoring Mrs. Harold Dean (Joe) Bailey, nee Peggy Neil Murphy.

Mrs. Ben Weathers read the poem, "What Is Home Without a Bible?" and presented the bride a Bible. Janice Bishop, cousin of the new bride, gave an "Essay on Husbands."

Numerous gifts were presented to the honoree. Refreshments of coffee, punch, cookies, nuts and mints were served the guests.

Out-of-community guests were Mrs. T. J. Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan von Roeder, Mr. and Mrs. Max von Roeder, Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Clark and family, Mrs. LeRoy Hurst, Edgar von Roeder, all of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bailey of Ira, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lockhart of Luther, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Murphy and Linda of Grady, N. M., Mrs. Doris Rudd and Mrs. Ernest Turner of Gail, and Mrs. Ford Spikes of Odessa.

Fabulous Foods

Have you noticed how people congregate in front of a window where revolving rotisseries turn fabulous looking meats? Meats roasted on a spit have been made popular at restaurants, but you can do them at home on a 1959 range. They present no storage problems for small kitchens as the rotisseries are built into the range. This modern age makes fabulous food possible at down-to-earth prices in your own home.

NEWS FROM KNAPP

By MRS. BEN WEATHERS

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dunlap were weekend visitors at San Angelo with relatives.

Mrs. Cora Weathers and Mrs. Essie Orms spent Friday night in the Ben Weathers home.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lovell and son visited Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gordon and family near Ackerly.

Mrs. Gilbert Richter, Mrs. J. E. Sorrells, Mrs. Ella Richter, Mrs. Frieda Murphy, and Mrs. Anna Ohlendorf visited Thursday with Mrs. Lena Bodaman at Lubbock, who was celebrating her 86th birthday.

Mrs. D. L. Bowles and daughter, Mary, were in Lubbock Friday to return Miss Dorothy home for the Christmas holidays.

Clyde Payne of Odessa was a supper guest in the Ben Weathers home Thursday night.

Mrs. Halley Browne and Janice, Mrs. Doyle Lovell, and Mrs. Vernon Todd and daughter attended the school Christmas program and tree at Gail Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Selman left Friday after school hours for their home near Houston for the Christmas holidays.

Sympathy is extended to relatives and friends of Edd Miller of Snyder in their recent loss.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Lynn of Levelland attended Sunday school and church at Knapp Sunday and were dinner guests in the Ben Weathers' home.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Murphy and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bishop and daughters, Janice and Jackie.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Coffee and children visited in the Hoyle Cary home and were pre-Christmas dinner guests in the J. W. Coffee home near Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sterling and children visited Sunday in the J. E. Sorrells home.

Miss Dorothy Bowles and Frances Weeg are spending part of the holidays at New Orleans, La.

SMOKED PORK-A-BOBS

2 pounds boneless pork lion
½ cup salt
¼ cup brown sugar
1-3 cup Spanish olive oil
6 peach halves (canned or fresh)

Cut pork into 1½ inch cubes. Combine salt, brown sugar and oil. Rub each piece of pork with this mixture. Place on skewers leaving space at each end for a peach half.

Add packaged smoke to charcoal at outer rim below the grill and cover food on grill with aluminum foil shaped like a tent. Smoke one hour.

For sauce:
¼ cup brown sugar
¼ cup soy sauce
1-3 cup water
1 teaspoon ginger
½ teaspoon dry mustard
½ teaspoon allspice

Combine ingredients and bring to a boil. Brush on smoked pork cubes. Broil over hot coals for 15 minutes; baste occasionally. Add peach halves and broil 10 minutes longer or until pork is well done. Turn frequently and baste.

SPICY SPARERIBS

1 large, meaty side spareribs
1 teaspoon mixed dry Italian herbs (rosemary, thyme, marjoram, oregano)
1 cup red or white table wine
1-3 cup catsup or chili sauce
1 tablespoon soy sauce
¼ teaspoon powdered ginger
2 tablespoons honey
1 teaspoon garlic salt

Cut ribs into serving portions. Cover with boiling, salted water and add herbs. Bring to a boil and simmer until just tender, about 50 minutes.

Drain and place in shallow pan. Blend remaining ingredients; pour over meat. Let stand in refrigerator until ready to barbecue.

Nurses Club Christmas Party Held

A Christmas banquet followed by a dance was held by the Scurry County Registered Nurses Club last Tuesday night at the Snyder Country Club.

Approximately 100 members of the club and guests attended.

The clubhouse was brightly decorated in the Christmas theme for the occasion.

The Rev. Walter Lentz, pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church, gave the benediction. He was introduced by Mrs. Ruby Lee.

Music for the dance was provided by a local combo directed by Tim Dennis.

BARBECUED BOLOGNA

3 pound piece bologna
½ cup white vinegar
¼ cup butter
1 tablespoon chili sauce
1 teaspoon brown sugar
1 teaspoon onion salt
1 teaspoon monosodium glutamate
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
½ cup poultry seasoning

Center bologna on spit and fasten securely. Combine all other ingredients in small saucepan and heat 5 minutes. Brush entire surface of bologna generously with sauce.

Baste bologna with sauce often during cooking period. Grill over moderate heat on rotating spit, 30 minutes. Slice loaf on whole wheat French loaf bread diagonally into 1-inch thick slices and bologna into ½-inch slices. Accompany with thin slices of onion and tomato for hearty open-face sandwiches.

Makes 18 to 20 ½-inch slices

WHAT'S GOING ON

MR. AND MRS. AUSTIN HIGGINS, 319 Twenty-third Street, have as their holiday guest Mrs. C. A. Turley of Fort Worth.

REV. AND MRS. WALTER LENTZ of the Grace Lutheran Church will visit parents of both at Sinton and Tynan from Dec. 29 to Jan. 2.

Don't use a comb that has broken teeth. The sharp, broken parts can break delicate hairs.

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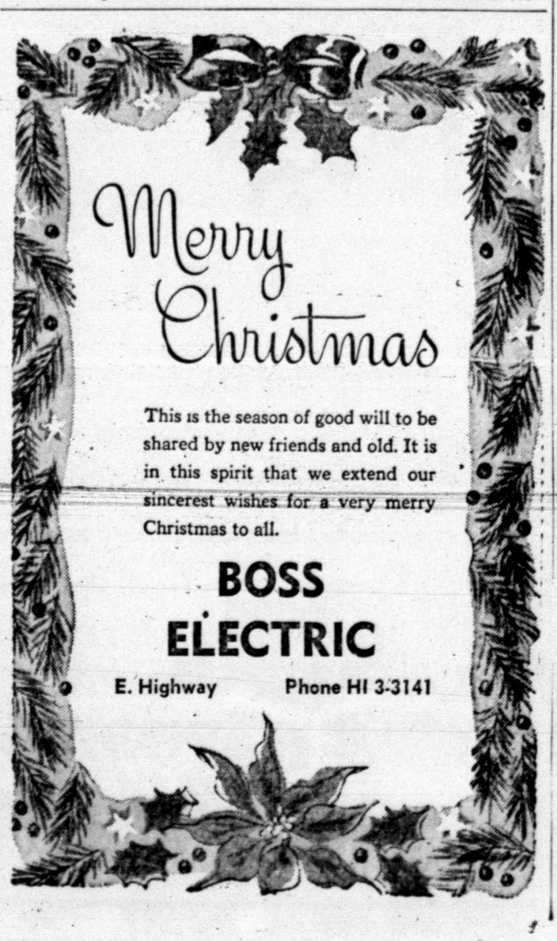

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MOMENT OF HORROR — Faces of parents mirror concern outside Our Lady of the Angels grade school as fire claims the lives of 90 in the Chicago school in December.

Veronique Peck Not Jealous Type

By DOROTHY ROE
AP Women's Editor

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Sometimes it pays to be a girl reporter, says Veronique Peck, who met her famous husband Gregory while interviewing him for a Paris newspaper.

"It was the longest interview on record," says the dynamic and strictly French Veronique. "Now I have Gregory and two beautiful babies, and I do not worry about headline hunting any more.

"I do not worry about the women who write mash notes to my husband either, or even about the beautiful stars to whom he makes hot love on the screen. Sometimes I give him pointers to improve his technique. I think he appreciates this."

One look at Veronique explains why she does not worry about the blandishments of other women. In the quiet, comfortable Peck home in Brentwood, surrounded by French Normandy antiques, the young Mrs. Peck is beautiful even when she is attired in slacks and shirt, with her short blonde hair as tousled as a little boy's.

Though she looks like a femme fatale, Veronique has the philosophy of a good French wife.

"I like to make a good home, a solid home," says this glamorous housewife. "Here we have great privacy, for Hollywood has become the quietest town in the world. People stay at home."

Veronique and Peck were married in 1955, after Peck's divorce from his first wife. The young bride inherited a ready-made family—Gregory's three sons by the first marriage: Jonathan, 14, Stephen, 12, and Carey Paul, 10.

The family group now has been increased by two: Anthony, 2, and Cecilia, 6 months old.

The three older boys are devoted to their stepmother, and she lavishes love, advice and French lessons on them. With her own two babies, she behaves like a modern and strictly streamlined mother, complete with coos and kisses and frequent remarks such as:

"Did you ever see such a sweet and good baby? Or one so beautiful?"

In January the Peck family—Mom, Pop, the two babies, a secretary, a French nursemaid and a French cook — will emplane for Australia, where Peck will co-star with Ava Gardner and Fred Astaire in a movie version of the best - selling novel, "On the Beach." They will be on location in Melbourns for at least four months — and Veronique intends to do it in comfort.

Veronique designs her own clothes and has them executed by her own dressmaker, but she has no aspirations to become a professional designer. She says:

"I have the greatest career any woman could ever want — that of a wife and mother. I believe this is a fulltime job worthy of the best talents a woman has."

Propaganda Stunt

VICTORIA, B.C. (AP) — The United States Atlas satellite now in orbit is a "rubbishy propaganda stunt," Edward Argyle, Dominion Astrophysical Observatory scientist, said Monday.

"The Atlas is a gross misrepresentation done deliberately to deceive the U.S. public," he said. "Their satellite program is still a year behind the Russians."

Argyle said the actual pay load of the Atlas is but 150 pounds and there is no scientific equipment aboard. He said the third stage of Russia's Sputnik III weighed 7,500 pounds and its payload, or the satellite which is still in orbit, weighs 3,000 pounds.

Popcorn is a money-making project, even outside movie theaters. Farmer A. C. Greene of the Brush Creek village in North Carolina says he gets about $500 worth of popcorn per acre from his crop.

Boom Viewed As '60 Possibility

By WALTER BREEDE JR.

Good business in 1959. Possibly a boom in 1960.

That's the business picture at the end of 1958 — the year that saw the third post World War II recession breathe its dying gasp.

Bankers, merchants, manufacturers and economists expect the recovery from recession which started last April to continue in the new year — but not at a whirlwind pace.

Some see 1959 as a transition or bridge to a new boom in 1960. But forecasts of a 1960 boom are hedged with an impressive array of "it's," "but's," and "maybe's."

Based on the predictions of those who usually make good guesses, here's what you can look for in the year ahead.

Business generally will rise to new peaks. Gross national product —the total output of goods and services — may reach an annual pace of 460 to 470 billion dollars vs. 450 billions at the end of 1958.

Living costs will hold steady for a few months, then resume their upward climb. The government may find it difficult to hold inflationary forces in check. By the end of 1959 your dollar will have lost a little more of its buying power.

Don't count on any major tax reduction.

Industrial production will get back into high gear, unless a steel strike upsets the apple cart. Autos will set the pace. U. S. factories should roll out more than 5½ million new cars in 1959. That's far short of the nearly 8 million produced in 1955 but a kingsized gain over the 4½ million built in 1958.

Jobs won't keep up with the rise in production — in today's modernized, highly efficient, automated factories fewer people turn out more work. Unemployment will continue to be a problem. There may be nearly five million Americans on the jobless rolls in January and February.

Things will get better as warmer weather permits more outdoor work, but not as fast as many economists would like.

It will be a big year for construction. Housing starts will probably match the 1958 total of about 1,100,000 — unless home buyers are frightened off by tight mortgage credit and high interest rates. Building costs will keep on going up.

Retailers are betting on a slow but steady rise in consumer buying. Department store sales in the next six months are expected to top the first half of 1958 by 4 or 5 per cent. Even during the recession months of early 1958, store sales held at a high level.

Consumers have not been panicked by recession talk. Chances are they'll loosen up when they're convinced good times are here to stay.

Farmers — just winding up a boom year — may find their incomes down a bit in 1959. Prices of crops and livestock are heading lower and costs of running a farm are up. The U. S. Department of Agriculture says the "realized net income" of farmers — what's left after expenses — will be down 5 per cent on average from 1958.

On balance it looks like a good year, but not an easy year. Rather, 1959 shapes up as a year of challenge.

Snuff And Beer Lead To Old Age

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Want to live to be 100 plus? Try a daily ration of snuff and beer, says Mrs. Annie Seifert, who was 101 Monday.

Mrs. Seifert topped her snuff and glass of beer with some ice cream and cake at a birthday celebration at the Little Sisters of the Poor home. Among the presents was a good-sized supply of snuff.

Experiment Saves Water For City

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)— This city saved about a 15-day supply of water from evaporating last summer in an experiment on Lake Hefner.

Water Superintendent Morris Cunningham said it was done by the chemical hexadeconal on the reservoir. Several governmental agencies conducted the experiment.

Season's Greetings

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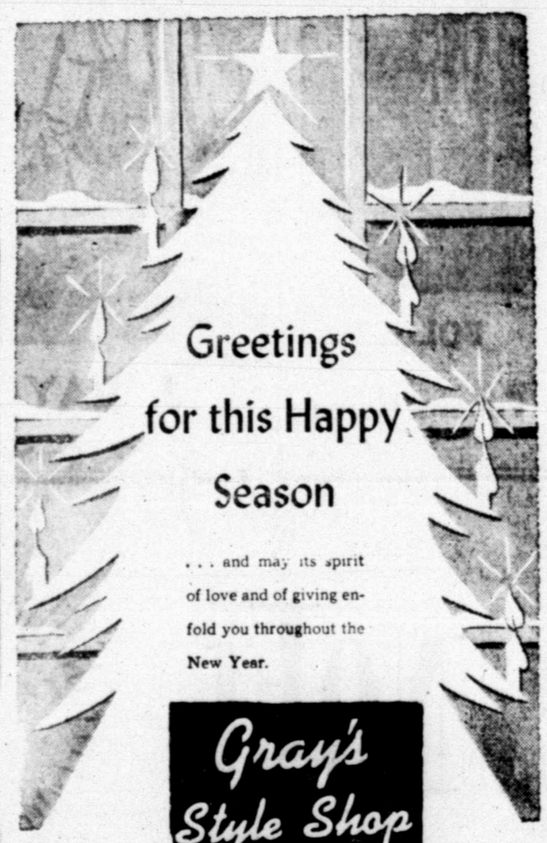

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By BUCK FRANCIS
News Sports Editor

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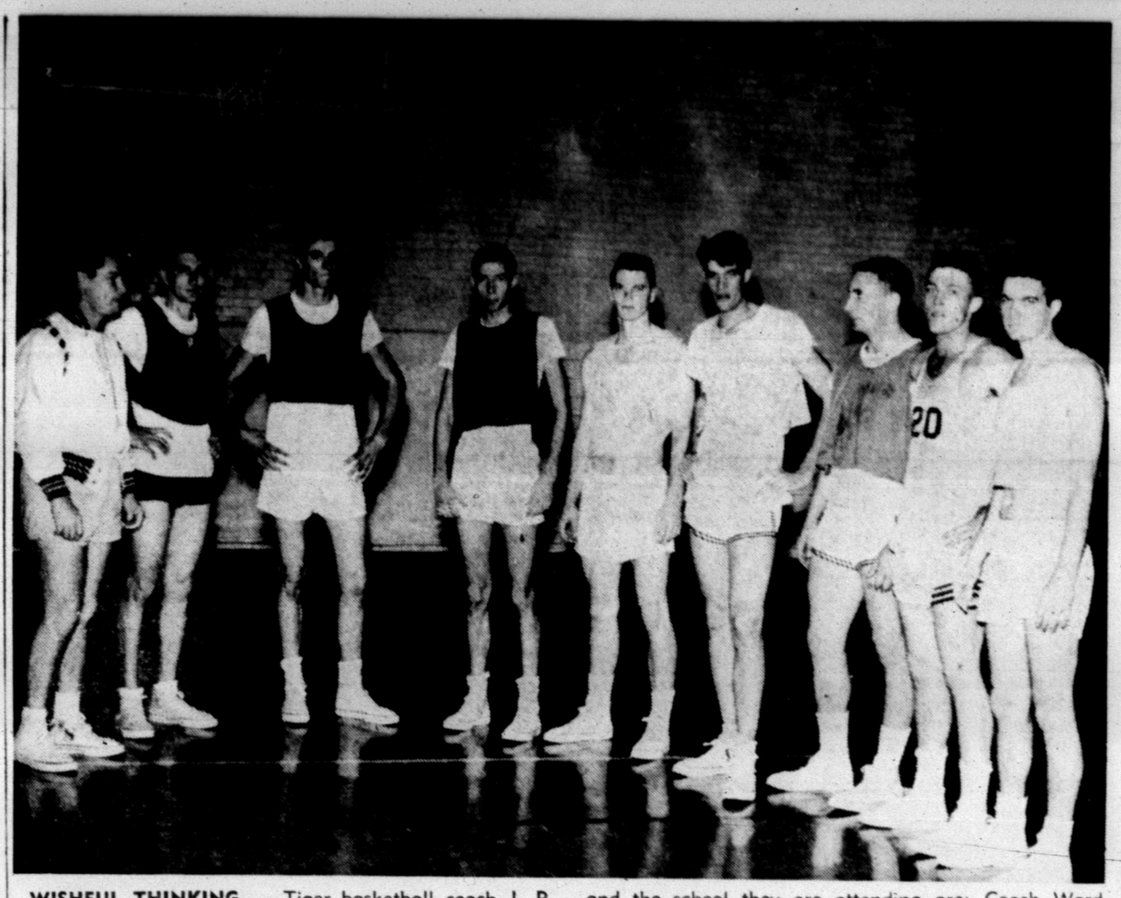
From the Sports Department



WISHFUL THINKING — Tiger basketball coach J. P. Ward, far left, looks wishfully over a lineup of former Tiger cage stars who are home for the Holidays. The above boys scrimmaged the current edition of the Tigers yesterday and recorded an "unofficial" 112-84 victory. All of the above are former pupils of Ward. Pictured from left to right, the year they last played for the Tigers and the school they are attending are: Coach Ward, Hubert O'Neal, 1955, Texas Tech; Dwayne Prince, 1957, not attending college; Lynn Tankersley, 1955, Texas Tech; Milton Ham 1957, TCU; Robert Dabbs, 1957, Rice; Jack Spikes, 1956, TCU; Powell Berry, 1957, Texas A&M; and Ronnie Smith, 1957, Texas Tech. (Lee Watson photograph)

MCKINLEY OUTPOINTS WHITTAKER

Two Local Lads Win At Abilene

Three members of the Snyder Optimist-Boys Club boxing team appeared on the big TV fight card last night at Abilene with two of them winning.

Snyderitres winning were David McKinley, 125, and J. A. Martin, 134. Burl Overman, 126, of Snyder dropped a close decision to Oscar Sims, a former regional Golden Gloves champion from Sweetwater.

McKinley outpointed the "pride and joy" of the Sweetwater team, Ronnie Whittaker, 125, for the second straight time. Whittaker, a veteran of 58 fights before last night's bout with McKinley, 51 of which he had won, was a former State TAAF champion.

But McKinley, who was fighting only his fifth bout of his career, punched out a clear-cut decision over the heralded Sweetwater lad.

McKinley used his left jabs effectively throughout the bout and he floored Whittaker once in the second round.

Although his lefts were his key punches, McKinley also threw some right that kept Whittaker off balance.

It was a pretty close fight all the way but McKinley won by a unanimous decision.

Martin felt out Don Armstrong, 135, of Abilene at the outset and began to find some openings to pile up points. Martin took advantage of every opportunity to get in some key blows and he too won going away.

Overman had Sims on the deck when the fight ended after throwing a terrific right jab into Sims' face but the taller Sweetwater lad had piled up enough points earlier to take the decision.

Sims' experience paid off but Overman made it close throughout.

Last night's bouts were sponsored by the Snyder Optimist Club. Another TV fight night will be held next Tuesday night at which time some other Snyder boxers will be getting in on the act.

Following are last night's results:

Wesley Acklin, 107, Abilene, dec. Robert Cisneros, 109, Abilene.
Lon McMillin Jr., 124, Abilene dec. Richard Herrera, 125, Sweetwater.
David McKinley, 125, Snyder, dec. Ronnie Whittaker, 125, Sweetwater.
J. A. Martin, 134, Snyder, split dec. over Don Armstrong, 135, Abilene.
Lyncho Castaneda, 132, San Angelo, dec. Johnny Gonsales, 133, Abilene.
Oscar Sims, 125, Sweetwater, dec. Burle Overman, 126, Snyder.
Freddie Martinez, 160, Abilene, dec. Mike Brewer, 168, Abilene.
Tony Johnson, 130, Cisco, dec. Bob Gonsales, 134, Abilene.
Bennie Pippen, 146, Abilene, dec. Glen Carter, 141, Abilene.
Ted Posey, 180, Abilene, dec. Wylie Fox, 177, Sweetwater.
Eddie Baker, 77, Cisco, dec. Mark Linburger, 80, Cisco.

Viking HB To Miss Tilt

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Missouri Valley's football team will have to get along without Ken Asbury, regular halfback and co-captain, in the Tangerine Bowl against East Texas State Saturday.

Coach Volney Ashford said yesterday Asbury will be unable to play. He was injured in the last regular season game and has been wearing a neck brace.

Both teams went through hard workouts yesterday and East Texas as scheduled another for today.

Coach J. V. Sikes of East Texas said "I am pretty well satisfied with the effort, but our form is still way off."

He has two injured players, both tackles, who will see limited action if any. They are Billy Lyles, who has a knee injury, and Jim Reed, with a back ailment.

Missouri Valley wound up most of its heavy work with two practice sessions yesterday in what Coach Ashford said was the warmest weather his team has practiced in. The temperature was in the mid-70s.

Both teams plan light workouts tomorrow and Friday.

Elliott Is 'Male Athlete' For 1958

By WILL GRIMSLEY
Associated Press Sports Writer

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP)—Australia's Herb Elliott, mile marvel of the age, has one driving ambition — that is to be the best marathon runner in the world.

"Speed is a gift," the phenomenal 20-year-old running machine said today. "Endurance is an achievement.

"I received some satisfaction from my mile performances of course — just from the knowledge that I had done my best — but nothing like the thrill I would get for instance from running and winning an Olympic marathon."

The sinewy, sharp - featured track wizard discussed his athletic philosophy in soft casual tones after being advised that he had been named The Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year.

He is the first athlete outside the United States to win the honor which is voted by American sports writers and broadcasters since Gunder Haegg of Sweden, another great distance runner, topped the voting in 1943.

Elliott won by a solid margin over Jimmy Brown, the rushing star of the pro football Cleveland Browns, and Bob Turley, the pitching star of the New York Yankees and World Series hero. The Australian received 67 first place votes out of a total of 206 and 236 points. Points were counted on a basis of three for first place two for second and one for third.

Brown had 39 first placers and 172 points. Turley collected 85 points. Rafer Johnson, decathlon world record holder from Kingsburg, Calif., was fourth with 82; Johnny Unitas, passing quarterback of the pro football Baltimore Colts, fifth, 73, and Ernie Banks, of the Chicago Cubs, the National League's Most Valuable Player, sixth with 72.

Elliott during the past year ran 10 miles under 4 minutes and set a world mile record of 3:54.5 and a 1500 meter record of 3:36.

St. Louis Quintet Looking Like Billikins 'Of Old'

By ED CORRIGAN
Associated Press Sports Writer

St. Louis, which has spent most of the years since the departure of Easy Ed MaCauley on the outside looking in, might just find the key to open the door this year.

A big order?

Definitely.

The Billikins' chief opponents in the Missouri Valley Conference are Cincinnati, the defending champion, with Oscar Robertson waylaying all opposition, and perennial contender Bradley.

Where does that leave St. Louis& Well, the Billikins have a new coach, John Benington, for one thing. Ed Hickey left for Marquette and a change sometimes can work marvels.

For another, Hickey bequeathed his successor a veteran outfit. There was only one departure by graduation. The 57-58 team posted a 16-10 record, far from sensational, but a year's experience counts a lot.

The Billikins whipped California 53-43, in an intersectional battle Tuesday night to push their record over the .500 mark, 3-2. They've been beaten only by Kentucky and Cincinnati, hardly a disgrace since these two are running 1-2 in the Associated Press poll.

Bob Ferry, 6-8, and Bob Nordmann, 6-10, were the St. Louis stalwarts in the defensive game. They controlled the rebounds for and that spelled the difference.

As for Bradley, ranked 13th in the nation this week, the Braves remained undefeated by winning their sixth game, a 50-44 decision over Dartmouth.

The Billikins are hoping that Bradley will stumble along the way, especially since Chuck Osborn's outfit suffered some serious losses by graduation. The Bills figure they'll have to help themselves against Cincinnati, whom they meet again in the final game of the season.

Akron scored the upset of the night by turning back Seattle, 70-63. Alex Adams scored 16 points in the triumph.

Once-beaten Illinois recorded its fifth victory by tolling past Stanford, 71-62, and Tulsa won No. 5 in a row by edging New Mexico State, 60-58.

Montana scored over Oregon, 82-75; Portland thrashed North Dakota, 78-49; and Idaho clubbed Kent State, 60-54, in other major games.

CAGE SCORES

College Basketball
By The Associated Press

Illinois 71, Stanford 62
St. Louis 55, California 43
Bradley 50, Dartmouth 44
Akron 70, Seattle 63
Tulsa 60, New Mexico State 58
Idaho 60, Kent State 54
Portland 78, North Dakota 49
Montana 82, Oregon 75
Pepperdine 89, Redlands 69
Hawaii 73, Westmont 71 (ot)
College of Pacific 67, St. Peters (N) 53
Fairleigh-Dickinson 79, Wagner 66
Queens (NY) 79, Hunter 72

Grambling Invitational
(Semifinals)
Langston 77, Southern Univ 75
Grambling 67, Prairie View 59

Kansas Conference
(Semifinals)
McPherson 96, Baker 75
Bethany 77, College of Emporia 64

A stork only occasionally uses trees for nesting purposes. But, Europeans have found out that they will almost always make a nest against a cartwheel which is placed standing up.

IN PRO TITLE GAME SUNDAY

Colts Favored By 3½ Points

By JOE REICHLER
Associated Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—The Baltimore Colts were made a 3½ point favorite to defeat New York for the National Football League championship next Sunday and Giant Coach Jim Lee Howell thinks the odds should be higher.

"The Colts are the best team in the league," Howell said. "They certainly are better than Cleveland and I expect a much tougher battle from the Colts than we got in any of the games with the Browns."

Howell may have been talking for effect. Big Jim's biggest worry is the fear of a letdown on the part of his squad which battled through five "must" games in succession to the Eastern Conference title.

"The Colts have a lot of power," Howell said, "and they are backed by a tremendous line. You can't do the things against them that you can do against the Browns.

"We learned that if you can stop Jimmy Brown and Ray Renfro, you can pretty well bottle up the Browns' attack. But the Colts have a bunch of great backs like Lenny Moore, Johnny Unitas, Alan Ameche and L. G. Dupre. Ameche may not be a Brown but he can get you that first down and he is a good blocker and pass receiver. And how that Moore and Dupre can run. Unitas, besides being a great passer, is a good runner.

"And then there's that gang of 300 pounders blocking and punching holes for the boys."

In their only hand-to-hand combat this year, the Giants managed to eke out a 24-21 victory. That was clouded by absence of Unitas, who was nursing a couple of cracked ribs.

The Giants are in good shape with the exception of Rosey Grier. The huge defensive tackle suffered an arm and knee injury last week and missed Tuesday's workout, along with guard Bob Mischak, end Kyle Rote and halfback Alex Webster. Grier is the only doubtful starter Sunday.

Guard Buss Guy, who suffered a slight bone chip in an ankle, worked out as did middle guard Sam Huff. The latter was thought to have sustained a cracked rib in the game with the Browns but X-rays showed no break.

East Squad 6½ Point Choice

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The East is favored by 6½ points for Saturday's 34th Shrine football game. It's enough to give East Coach Duffy Daugherty the jitters.

This is the third straight year the West has been on the short end of the odds but the Westerners won the past two.

West Coach Jack Curtice of Stanford confided he has an ace in the hole in Leon Burton, a speedster from Arizona State at Tempe. "He is so fast our blockers can't keep up with him," Curtice said. "So I told them to just get out of the way and let Leon run."

The West drilled twice Tuesday with emphasis on the aerial game. The squad also worked on defense.

Easterners ran through offensive patterns, but Daugherty has indicated the defensive work will be stepped up, starting today.

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Pastimes In Sports
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Christmas Hailed By West Berliners

By REINHOLD ENS

BERLIN (AP) — The 2,200,000 West Berliners today fervently hailed the coming of Christmas, hoping it would not be their last one in freedom.

Haunted by the new Soviet campaign against their isolated city, many were putting extra touches of gaiety into their celebrations.

Thousands of other Germans—from the historic Rhine in the West to the disputed Oder in the East — streamed into the city for a special reunion with loved ones.

This year, East Germany's Communist regime has made it much harder to get in and out of East Germany itself, so divided families were using Berlin as a meeting point.

West Berlin city officials estimated that about 80,000 West Germans were already in their part of the city or were en route.

The three Western airlines that fly the 110-mile route from West Germany put on extra flights. Special trains and extra buses were running.

Bishop Otto Dibelius, titular head of Germany's big Evangelical (Lutheran) Church, sharply attack the Eastern government in a special Christmas statement.

Dibelius said his Christmas wish for 1959 is: "That the system of force under which the Eastern part of Germany suffers will fall away at last and that the people who live there will once again be given the elementary human right to have freedom and self-determination."

West Berlin Mayor Willy Brandt in his Christmas statement said his city knows "the new year will bring many a test for us." But he added he is convinced that "the courage and attitude of the Berliners will remain the same during the new year."

In East Berlin, Communist Deputy Mayor Waldemar Schmidt issued a statement which fell on unconvinced ears in West Berlin.

Said Schmidt: "What a happy Christmas holiday West Berliners would have before them if the constructive suggestions of the Soviet Union were accepted."

Entr'acte is the French word meaning between acts of a show, otherwise "intermission." But, originally it was called "act-tune", meaning audiences could smoke or carry on conversations while an orchestra played soft music.

Study Of Policy Set

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower is asking Secretary of State Dulles to arrange with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for testimony by administration officials in the committee's broad foreign policy study.

This was disclosed in a letter from Eisenhower to Committee Chairman Theodore F. Green (D-RI) which Green made public Tuesday night.

Eisenhower said he appreciated the senators' interest in getting closed-door briefings from Dulles and other officials.

The committee has announced plans for a year-long, bipartisan study on the strategic situation of the United States.

Fifteen Soviet students now are studying in five American universities. There is one girl student at the University of California and her name is Aleksandra Vasilyevna Zhuravchenkova.

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THURSDAY PROGRAMS

KMID-TV Channel 2 – Midland

4:00—Comedy Time
4:30—Cartoon Clubhouse
5:00—Woody Woodpecker
5:30—Cartoon Clubhouse
5:45—NBC News
6:00—Spts. News. Wthr.
6:30—Patio Party
7—You Bet Your Life
7:30—Dragnet
8:00—People's Choice
8:30—Tenn. Ernie Ford
9:00—The Lux Show
9:30—Jane Wyman
10:00—News. Wthr. Spts.
10:20—Late Show
11:30—Sign Off

FRIDAY
6:55—Morning Devotional
7:00—Today
9:00—Dough-Re-Mi
9:30—Treasure Hunt
10:00—The Price is Right
10:30—Truth or Consequence
11:00—Tic Tac Dough
11:30—It Could Be You
12:00—News & Weather
1:215—Sehrlock Holmes
12:45—Matinee Showcase
2:00—Matinee Theatre
3:00—Queen For A Day
3:45—Modern Romances
4:00—Comedy Time
4:30—Two Gun Playhouse
5:30—Cartoon Clubhouse
5:45—NBC News
6:00—Sports
6:15—News
6:25—Weather
6:30—Jim Bowie
7:00—Pioneer Jamboree
7:30—Life of Riley
8:00—Highway Patrol
8:30—The Thin Man
9:00—Calvacade of Spor.
9:45—Comment
10:00—News
10:10—Weather
10:15—Sports
10:20—Lawrence Welk
11:20—Sign Off

KCBD-TV Channel 11 – Lubbock

4:30—Channel 11 Matinee
5:30—Hospitality Time
6:00—News. Spts. Wthr.
6:15—Here's Howell
6:30—Decoy
7:00—Kenzie's Raiders
7:30—It Could Be You
8:00—Behind closed doors
8:30—Ernie Ford
9:00—Groucho Marx
9:30—Donna Reed
10:00—Rough Riders
10:30—News. Wthr. Spts.
10:50—Movie

FRIDAY
6:30—Con. Classroom
7:00—Today
9:00—Dough-Re-Mi
9:30—Treasure Hunt
10:00—Tic Tac Dough
11:00—Concentration
11:30—It Could Be You
12:00—Playhouse 60
1:00—Truth - Consequences
1:30—Haggis Baggis
2:00—Today is Ours
2:30—From These Roots
3:00—Queen For A Day
3:30—County Fair
4:00—Channel 11 Matinee
5:30—Hospitality Time
6:00—News
6:10—Weather
6:15—Here's Howell
6:30—Rin Tin Tin
7:00—Disneyland
8:00—M Squad
8:30—Thin Man
9:00—Cavalcade of Sparts
9:45—Fight Beat
10:00—Top Plays of '58
10:30—News
10:40—Weather
10:45—Sports
10:50—Movie.

CHANNEL 4-12-13

Station Programs Same—Except Where Channel Number Shown

4:00—TV Hour of Stars
5:00—Take Five
5:05—Looney Tunes
5:30—Heckleberry Hound
6:00—13—News, Wthr., Fea
12—New, Wthr., Fea.
4—Cosden Farm Edt
6:15—Doug Edwards
6:30—12—O'Henry Ply'h.
6:30—4—Alex. Sketch Book
6:30—13—Whirlybirds
7:00—December Bride
7:30—Derringer
8:00—Zane Gray Theatre
8:30—Dupont Show
10:00—Star Performance
12—Star Performance
4—News Wth.
10:15—Star Performance
12—Star Performance
10:15—4—Movie
10:30—13—N. W. P. A.
12—N. W. P. A.
10:30—4—Movie
11:00—Chicago Wrestling
4—Movie
FRIDAY
7:50—Sign On
7:55—News
8:00—Capt. Kangaroo
8:45—News
8:55—Take Five
9:30—Play Your Hunch
9:00—For Love or Money
10,00—Godfrey Time
10:30—Top Dollar
11:00—Love of Life
11:30—Search for Tomorrow
11:45—Home Fair
12:00—Home Fair
12:15—News
12:25—Take Five
12:30—As The World Turns
12—Man on Street
4—Weather
1:00—Jimmy Dean Show
1:30—Houseparty
2:00—The Big Payoff
2:30—The Verdict Is Your
3:00—The Brighter Day
3:15—The Secret Storm
3:30—The Edge of Night
4:00—TV Hour of Stars
5:00—Take Five
5:05—Looney Tunes
5:30—Bugs Bunny Theatre
6:00—13—News, Wthr., Fea
12—News, Wthr., Fea
4—Cosden Farm Ed
6:15—Doug Edwards
6:30—13—Hit Parade
6:30—Union Pacific
12—Hit Parade
7:00—13—Trackdown
12—Disneyland
4—Trackdown
7:30—13—Jackie Gleason
12—Disneyland
7:30—4—Trackdown
8:00—13—Phil Silvers
12—Trackdown
4—Phil Silvers
8:30—13—Union Pacific
12—Union Pacific
4—Amos 'N' Andy
9:00—Line-Up
9:30—13—Person to Person
12—Phil Silvers Show
4—Playhouse
10:00—4—Final N. Wther.
10:00—13—M. Without a Gun
12—M. Without a Gun
4—Showcase
10:30—News. Wthr., Feat.
11:00—Showcase
11:30—4—Sign Off
12:30—Sign Off

KRBC–TV CHANNEL 9, ABILENE

THURSDAY
4:00—Santa's Mail Box
4:15—Com. Performance
5:30—Little Racals
6:00—News
6:10—Weather
6:15—NBC News
6:30—District Attorney
7:00—Price Is Right
7:30—It Could Be You
8:00—Behind Closed Doors
8:30—Tennessee Ernie Ford
9:00—You Bet Your Life
9:30—Masquerade Party
10:00—News
10:10—Weather
10:15—Com. Performance
Sign Off

FRIDAY
6:30—Con'tl. Classroom
7:00—Today
8:00—Today
9:00—Dough Me Mi
9:30—Treasurer Hunt
10:00—Price Is Right
10:30—Concentration
11:00—Tic Tac Dough
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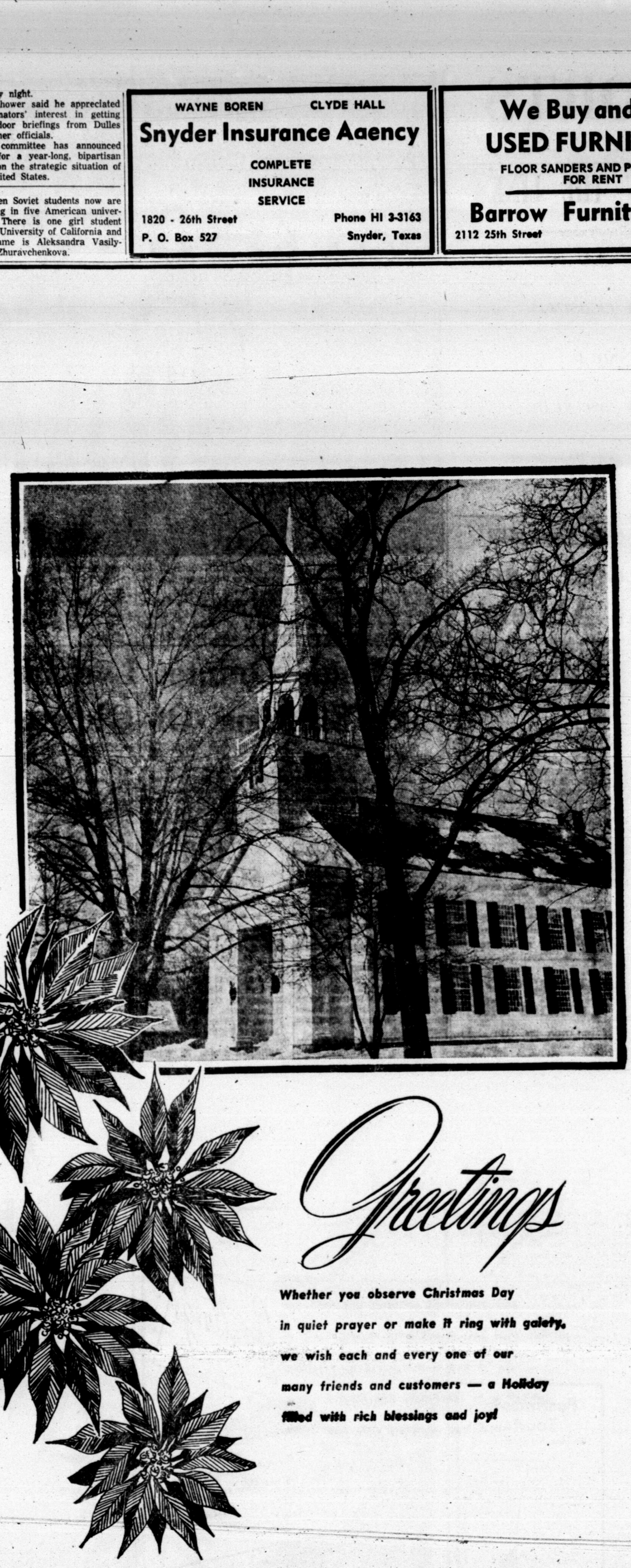

Greetings

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Austin Couple Has Exclusive List For Christmas Greetings

By GARTH JONES

AUSTIN (AP)—A happy, hard working couple here sends holiday greetings to what may be the most exclusive Christmas card list ever compiled—except by Santa Claus.

"We call them great guys, because they are great guys," Mrs. J. R. Flood says of the more than 1,000 select names in two rotary files on her dining room table.

"We've sent out about 625 cards so far but the printer was late this year," she added, not lifting her twinkling eyes from a card being addressed to Honolulu. The card before went to a long-time exchanger of greeting cards—Winston Churchill.

Lottie, a white-haired "21-plus," calls herself the "correspondent" for the "great guys gallery." Her husband, Joe, a spry 68, is "silent partner."

Three dogs and seven cats—"That was the count 10 minutes ago"—interrupt but don't hale the humming activity in the little white frame house on a dusty, unpaved street in northwest Austin.

This is about the 16th year that the floods have sent Christmas cards to "great guys" throughout the world. In between, they send greetings on birthdays and wedding anniversaries.

"Great guys started back in World War II," said Joe. "Lottie was listening to a radio commentator do a swell job describing combat conditions. She said 'Gee, I wish I knew what he looked like,' and I suggested that she write and find out. That's the way it started."

At first they wrote mostly to news commentators and war correspondents, asking for autographed pictures. A specially built display cabinet was quickly outgrown. Then the photographs were carefully mounted in large albums, whose numbers are still growing.

"It's a question whether we will run out of space or money first," quipped Joe.

The Floods also bought a tape recorder machine and made tape recordings of special war news programs. Sometimes they asked for, and got, the actual scripts used by commentators.

"We felt the overseas correspondents were doing a marvelous job and were not appreciated," Joe said. "They went into battle without weapons just to bring us the news. We wanted them to know that they were appreciated.

"It was not, and is not, a hobby with us. We want to pay tribute to the great guys who are doing a good job."

After the war the list of "great guys" was expanded to include columnists, editors, authors and statesmen the Floods admired.

"We believed that some statesmen were honest and wanted to do the right thing and ought to be appreciated," Joe said.

In 1955 the couple were guests at the New York Overseas Press times they have been interviewed for special radio network programs.

Joe retired in 1955 as sales representative in Texas for Encyclopaedia Brittanica. Now he tunes a piano once in a while—"I learned to be a piano maker when just a boy because our home was just across the street from a piano factory."

"We are very lucky people," said Joe. "We have had a lot of fun meeting all these swell people."

"It's hard for the great guys to know what they mean to us," said Lottie. "Please tell them to be sure and write this Christmas."

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa:

I'm a little boy almost four years old and I've been pretty good. Please bring me a big tricycle, blackboard, train, tractor and a banjo. Also my little sister, Janice is 10 months old. She wants a baby doll and a horsie. We love you.

Steven and Janice Davis

P. S. My Nennie and Grandaddy Smith and my Aunt Mary and Uncle Earl will be at my house. Bring them something, too.

stars

Dear Santa:

I can hardly wait for you to come. Please bring me a doctor kit, cowboy uniform and some guns with blue handles. Be sure to leave some candy in my stocking.

David Bowlin

stars

Dear Santa:

I've tried to be a good little boy this year, so would you please leave a cowboy uniform, a doctor kit, a cowboy set and some Paladin guns under my Christmas tree. Please make sure the cards and little derringer are with my guns.

Eddie Bowlin

stars

Dear Santa:

My name is Royce Starnes. I live at 3740 Dalton, Snyder, Texas. I would like to have an electric football game and rifle rack and a toy Winchester saddle gun. And a sweatshirt with a hood on it. The stockings are in the kitchen and the Christmas tree is in the den.

Royce Starnes

stars

Dear Santa:

I would love for you to visit my house, and bring me some nice things. I would like to have a big baby doll, some games, maybe a watch if you think that will be okay. Santa remember all of the kids and be as good to them as you have to me. I am six years old and I am in the first grade this year. I'm working real hard to make good grades.

Melissa Anne Sterling

P. S. Santa: Please remember Mrs. Mildred Smith (my teacher). She is so sweet.

stars

Dear Santa Claus,

I am four years old and I have a little sister nearly two. We have been fair this year.

We want, for me, two model trucks and for my sister a doll.

Come to see us and we will leave you some candy on the table.

Love,
Ralph and Janice Blackman
2218 Sunset

stars

Dear Santa,

I am three years old and I want really too many things, but if you have these things for me I'll be real happy.

I'd like a guitar, guns and holster, game football helmet and football.

Santa, I never miss your picture in the stores, I can hardly wait until Christmas.

Love,
John Robbie Sterling

P. S. Please bring some candy and nuts and don't forget any of the other children in the world.

Water Use Declines In November

Water consumption dipped in November, further reflecting a moist autumn, the monthly summary of the Colorado River Municipal Water District shows.

Deliveries to the member cities of Big Spring, Odessa and Snyder and to other customers amounted to 579,064,000 gallons as compared with 638,658,000 in November of 1957.

Revenues, however, were up due to rate adjustments at the first of the year to open the way for further capital financing. The gross revenues were $130,289 as compared with $113,480 in November of 1957. This included $56,006 from Odessa, $27,839 from Big Spring, $7,500 from Snyder, $27,607 from SACROC, $3,276 from Lion Oil, $4,478 from Sharon Ridge unit, $491 from Texas Gulf Producing, and $2,060 from rural users. Recreational facilities brought in $928.

Expenses of operation aggregated $32,251, leaving $98,038 excess available for transfers into the net revenue and other indentured funds of the SRMWD.

November disbursements included $2,997 for operation of the city water production systems, $2,431 for water royalties, $4,119 maintenance, $16,604 operating expense, $4,473 administrative and general, $1,624 recreational.

Revenues for the first 11 months amounted to $1,447,958 as against $1,340,566 for the same period last year. Expenses aggregated $1,501,514 as against $1,389,954, thus the net difference remained virtually unchanged.

Efforts To Jail Santa Claus Fail

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A minister failed to have Santa Claus tossed in jail.

Santa, or Joe B. Hyden as he is known outside his costume, is circulating a petition calling for repeal of Oklahoma's whisky prohibition law.

The Rev. W. E. Cook, a Baptist, said it didn't seem right to him for Santa to be looking for signatures boosting booze. Police told the pastor he would have to find a law that Santa was violating before he could sign a complaint.

Liz Takes Eddie Home For Dinner

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor watched Eddie Fisher's television show at the studio Tuesday night, then invited him home for dinner and a look at the rebroadcast of the show.

Fisher and the actress have been a romantic duo since the singer's breakup with actress Debbie Reynolds last September. Miss Reynolds has filed for divorce.

Miss Taylor watched Fisher's show from a control room. Afterward, she went to Fisher's dressing room while he attended an onstage Christmas party for cast and crew.

Two Murderers Are Favorites With Kids

ST. LOUIS (AP)—A couple of murderers were turned loose in a St. Louis orphanage Tuesday and the kids loved it.

Ulysses Grant Thompson, 40, and Leo Jones, 33, both serving 25 years in the Missouri Penitentiary for second degree murder, played Santa Claus to 114 children at St. Vincent's Orphans' Home.

Warden E. V. Nash accompanied the convicts, representing 2,000 inmates who donated gifts to the St. Vincent's children and an orphanage at Independence.

"In many instances the men gave their last nickel to see that some orphans will have a happier Christmas," Nash said.

Town Santa Remembered By Children

MONROVIA, Calif. (AP) — It was Christmastime, but none of the yuletide bustle filtered into the quiet room where the man lay, pale and gaunt.

His only companions were memories.

Memories of other Christmases when big-eyed children told him their dreams.

Memories of happy days when he was the most popular, rotund, bewhiskered Santa Claus in Monrovia, a foothill town 20 miles from Los Angeles.

Now he was alone in a hospital room, forgotten. A sadness welled inside him.

Suddenly, the door opened and two small children tiptoed in.

"Merry Christmas, Mr. Santa Claus," they chorused.

His eyes opened. Tears rolled down his emaciated cheeks.

The spirit of Christmas had returned to 81-year-old Tom Davies.

For years Tom has been Santa to thousands of San Gabriel Valley children. Several months ago he suffered a stroke.

The children who remembered Santa Tuesday were David, 4, and Debbie, 7, children or Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Dickerson of Monrovia.

The Dickersons started a movement to get Santa's young fans to write him "thank you" and "get well" letters.

"Tom was the best Santa we ever had," said President Jerry McBratney of McBratney's Department Store where Tom worked for eight years. "He was wonderful with kids. He even visited them at school. Tom knew the true meaning of Christmas."

After the Dickerson children had left the quiet hospital room, Tom looked at the letters they had given him.

"I always told the children when they sat on my knee to say their prayers at night," he said. "I thought that was the real way to teach them what Christmas means."

Detective, Store Play Santa Claus

CINCINNATI (AP) — A Cincinnati detective and a downtown department store made Christmas dreams come true for a sobbing 13-year-old, caught stealing a doll for one of her homeless five sisters and brothers.

Detective Paul Steuer, on a special shoplifting detail, saw the girl take the doll.

Then Steuer found that the family's home burned in October; they have been living with the Salvation Army since; her father is ill and can't work.

The store arranged to let the girl pick out an assortment of toys and gifts for her family.

PRESENTS FOR GRANDPARENTS—Three-year-old Mary Jean watches her laughing grandpa as the President and Mrs. Eisenhower pose in this family picture at the White House. The grandchildren—David, 10; Barbara Ann, 9; and Mary Jean — carry Christmas presents for their grandparents. Another grandchild, Susan, 7, is hidden in the group. Maj. John Eisenhower is standing back of Barbara Ann and his wife is almost hidden behind Mamie. (AP Wirephoto)

HOSPITAL NOTES

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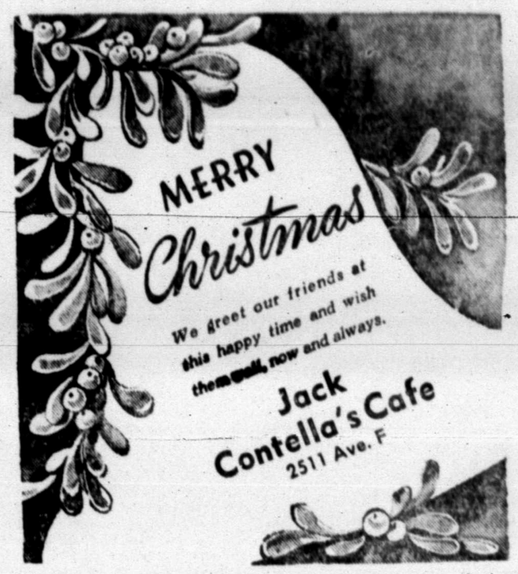

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GEORGE KILLAM
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Prima Ballerina In Top TV Role

TV & RADIO
By CHARLES MERCER

NEW YORK (AP) — Graceful and coordinated are two words describing Diana Adams, the tall, attractive prima ballerina of the New York City Ballet, who will dance the leading role of the Sugar-Plum Fairy in Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker" on television Christmas ni[ght].

The celebrated C[hris]tmas ballet will be presented [in] color, live from New York, on "Playhouse 90" (CBS-TV Thursday.)

Those who observe Miss Adams' gracefulness and coordination might be surprised to learn that she obtained an auto driver's license after considerable pains ("my feet and hands didn't want to work together") and the sharp criticism of an examiner ("he said I was badly coordinated.")

Ballet dancing, Miss Adams says, is unreleated to anything else in the world. To excel in it you must literally devote your life to it to the detriment of nearly everything else.

"A few times I've gotten on a tennis court and tried to hit a ball," she reports. "It was awful. I couldn't hit the ball and I was hideously awkward. Nobody could understand it. They didn't seem to realize that the muscles used in dancing are entirely different."

Miss Adams was born in Staunton, Va., and began studying dancing with her stepmother, Emily Hadley, when the family lived in Memphis, Tenn. She has been dancing ever since.

Except for an occasional vacation of two or three weeks she practices every day. She has learned that she must sleep at least eight hours a night in order to maintain the grueling pace of a ballet season. She never has to diet and finds that at the end of a season she has to regain 16 or 18 pounds.

A cast of 95, including 55 regular members of the New York City Ballet and 40 children will dance "The Nutcracker" [Christ]mas night in the production to be staged by George Balachine, one of the world's foremost choreographers.

"The Nutcracker" tells the story of Christmas Eve in a home where one of the boys, a nutcracker shaped like a soldier, comes to life as a handsome prince and takes the little girl of the house through a fairyland of wonderful adventures.

Christmas Turkey Is Cheaper Now

By The Associated Press

You can't go out in the woods and shoot a free turkey like the early settlers did, but you should be able to get a gobbler for Christmas dinner a little cheaper than last year.

The nation's supermarkets and neighborhood grocery stores are rushing turkeys this week, with the usual gradations in price according to size.

Four pence, incidentally, was the usual price charged by the Indians in Georgia for a whole turkey to colonists who would rather buy than shoot.

With the holiday coming on Thursday, most stores offer other items for next weekend. These include smoked ham, rib roast of beef, pork loin and leg of lamb.

As for the rest of the Christmas dinner menu, the picture is generally bright. Fresh cranberries and canned cranberry sauce both are in good supply. Walnuts and pecans are plentiful. Supermarket bagged coffee prices start at 59 cents a pound vs. 73 cents a pound a year ago.

If you want something new for the big meal, look for wild rice. Growing conditions for this delicacy were ideal and prices are down.

Potatoes head a fair-sized list of vegetables on the best buy list, others are topped carrots from Western fields, spinach and cooking greens such as collard and kale. Good buys also are on tap on endive, escarole, radishes, cabbage, lettuce, onions, sweet potatoes, peppers, eggplant and broccoli.

Celery is moderately priced, as are cauliflower, cquash and snap beans. Tomatoes are a fairly good buy.

Reward Is Offered For Cattle Rustlers

TUCUMCARI, N.M. (AP) — A $500 reward has been offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of cattle rustlers who stole 50 head of cattle valued at $10,000.

Rancher Ed Breen — a vaudeville performer with the late Will Rogers — said the cattle disappeared from a 4,500-acre pasture on his ranch.

Santa's on his way!

Greetings

The Christmas wishes we send you are meant to last as long as the green of the evergreen. And may it extend to all those you love, too.

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Pope Issues A Plea For Unity, Peace

By FRANK BRUTTO

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John XXIII, in his first Christmas address, urged the world to Christian unity and peace today. But he said his plea was not likely to be heard in Communist-ruled lands.

The 77-year-old ruler of the Roman Catholic Church asked men of faith to put aside military and violent thoughts.

Then, in the next breath, he warned them to be vigilant "in the night that is darkening" and ready to defend Christian principles against the "insidiousness of the enemies of God"—a clear reference to atheistic communism.

The Pope paid high tribute to his predecessor, the late Pope Pius XII, who during his long reign delivered 19 Christmas messages to the world in which he invariably pleaded for peace and Christian unity.

The new pontiff said man's unwillingness to submit to the grace of God in unity and peace "was the most terrible problem of human history and of the lives of individual men and people."

Pope John said the broken unity of "the heredity of Christ" continues to be a grave problem, but that his own efforts would be unflagging toward "those dear, separated brothers who bow to the name of Christ and read the holy Bible."

Then the pope added, in a sharp criticism of Communist-ruled lands, "in many parts of the world there is no ear for this invitation (to unity and peace)." In those areas, he said, the "most sacred concepts are suffocated or have been suppressed."

A 15-foot high cast iron gate taken from the entrance to a Paris subway station is one of the exhibits at New York's Museum of Modern Art. It was made about 1900 and is considered a work of art.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

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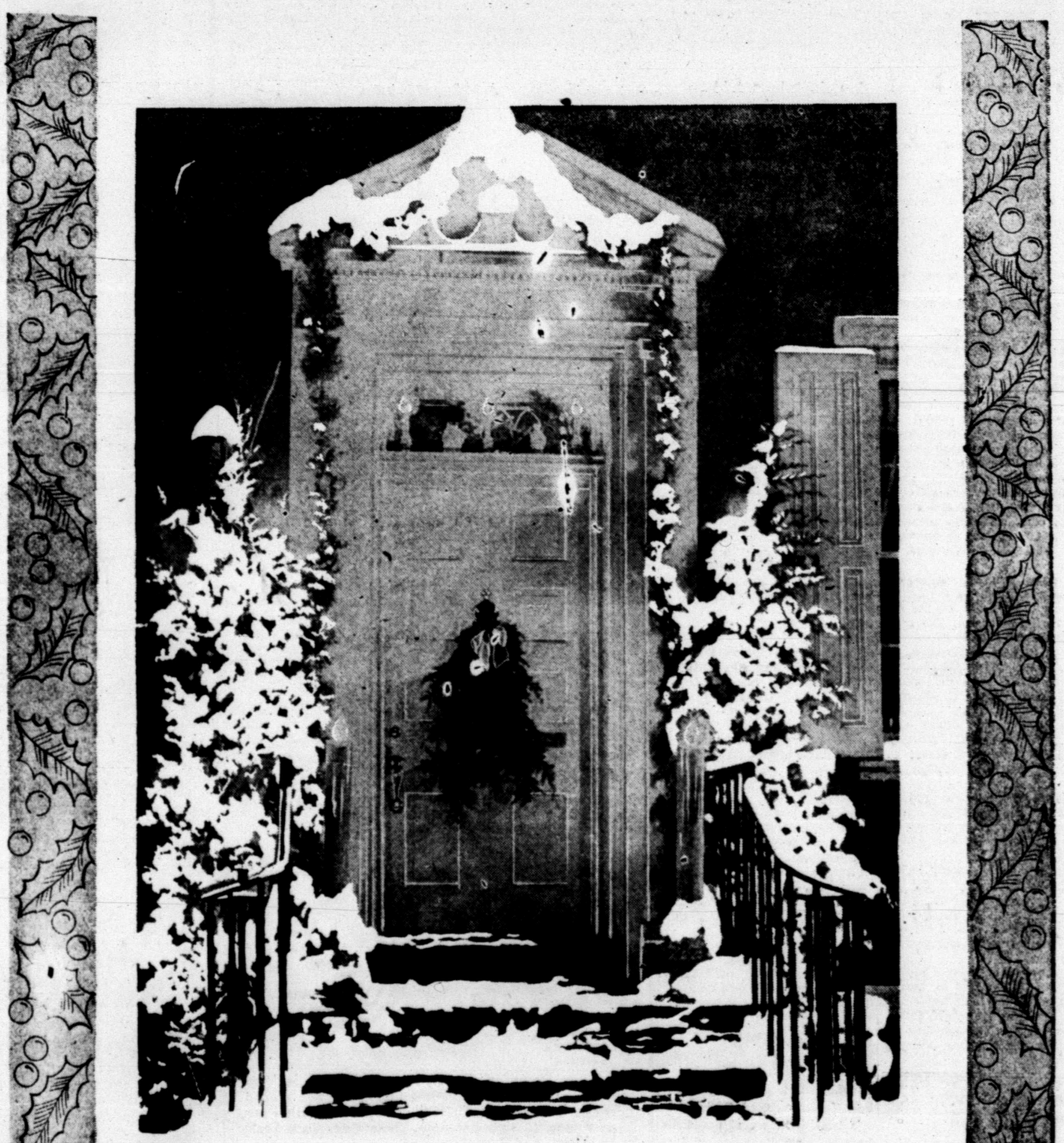

Merrie Christmas to All

We say Merry Christmas to all our friends and customers . . .

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OUR VIEW

The Gift Of All Gifts

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.

And all went to be taxed, everyone to his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which was called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

"And this shall be a sign unto you: ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Budget Prompts Cheers, Doubts

By SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK (AP) — President Eisenhower's proposal of a balanced budget next year cheers businessmen. But the cheers are mixed with doubts as to its attainment.

The President's 77-billion-dollar budget is based on two hopes:

1. That Congress won't spend more than he asks and will raise postal rates and the gasoline tax as he wants.

2. That the business recovery will proceed faster so tax collections on individual incomes and corporate earnings will furnish the 77 billion dollars he needs to avoid the deficit.

The federal budget is always eagerly awaited by business because it indicates what may happen along several lines:

1. Whether taxes will go up or down, and what taxes are involved.

2. How much the government proposes to spend, and just what industries will have a chance to get part of that money and how much.

3. And whether another federal deficit is in the making to add still further to the inflationary pressures that in the past have eroded the purchasing power of the dollar.

Many businessmen, like many congressmen, doubt that the new Congress will be in the mood to cut back government spending.

And some industries hope that the cuts won't be made in spending for their products.

A higher postal rate will cost everyone money. A higher gasoline tax will effect most businesses as well as individuals — and won't please the oil industry. Many businessmen doubt if Congress will vote either.

To increase revenues as the President's budget estimates would mean a rise in personal income totals next year of about 7 billion dollars and a gain in incorporate earnings of from 12 to 14 billion dollars.

The present pace of the recovery would have to be stepped up if these goals are met, according to many economists.

But none quarrels with the ideal of the balanced budget.

Although handled as expertedly as possible, the financing of this year's 12-billion federal deficit can't help but lay the foundation for further monetary inflation, the economists hold.

This won't show up in the cost of living as quickly as that other factor the wage-price spiral, but it will be felt in time.

If the President's goal is met, if the budget is balanced at a lower figure than first expected, that would mean:

A very Merry Christmas to you all.

Outpost Sets Yule Dinner

TIN CITY, Alaska (AP)—It will be a traditional Christmas—turkey on the table and gifts under the tree—at lonely outpost White Alice just 30 miles from Soviet territory.

The nine employes of the Federal Electric Corp. think nothing of spending the holidays within sight of Russia's Big Diomede Island and the towering, snow-capped peaks of Soviet Siberia.

"You get used to it after awhile," said Jim Spencer of Dayton, Ky., assistant supervisor of the electronic installation on the tip of Seward Peninsula.

Supply planes come frequently to in City, named for one of its principal building materials. The aerial supply line brings mail from home.

The Navy sometimes drops in for a visit too. Just the other day a reconnaissance plane parachuted a sack of candy, delicacies and Christmas gifts for the White Alice crew.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Cretan mt.
4. Lure
8. Fish
12. Gipsy
13. Singing voice
14. Sheepfold
15. Finger joint
17. Ecclesiastical law
18. Catch sight of
19. Institution of learning
21. Implores
24. Bohemian religious reformer
25. Youths
26. Dregs
28. Sunburn
31. Article
32. Passes
35. Negative
36. Cluster of wool fibers
38. Single thing
39. Roman date
41. Direction: Scot.
43. Legislative assembly
45. Serious in purpose
48. Carpenter's tool
49. Talks thoughtlessly: colloq.
50. Of sun's rays
54. Portended
55. Toward shelter
56. High in the scale
57. Crystal gazer
58. Ogle

DOWN

1. Annoy
2. Put on
3. Entertained
4. Cooked in an oven
5. Entire
6. Willow genus
7. Toward
8. Cigar fish
9. Upright
10. Minute particle
11. Dispute
16. Stop
17. Produce
20. Strong boxes
21. Scheme
22. Division of a highway
23. Slopes
27. Finial
29. Dillseed
30. Olfactory organ
33. Entices
34. Biblical mt.
37. Formal procession
40. Began to shine
42. Bury
44. Compound ether
45. Diminishes
46. Plant allied to the lily
47. Story
51. Eng. letter
52. Adjective suffix
53. "How" sounds
55. Indian mulberry

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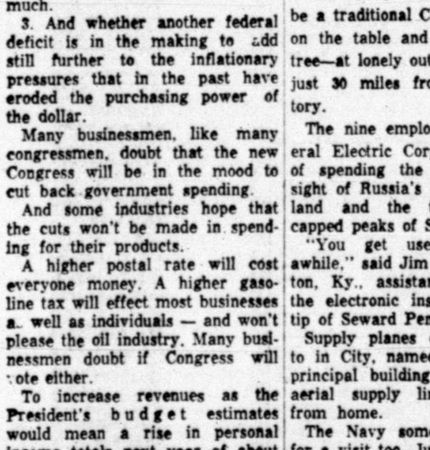
Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle



AP Newsfeatures 12-24

Oh Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa

By FRANCIS STILLEY

NEW YORK (AP) — Francis P. Church obviously was annoyed when given the assignment.

"He bristled and pooh-poohed at the subject," his employer recalled in later years.

Finally, however, Church went to his desk — "with an air of resignation" — and set to work.

Church was an editorial writer for the New York Sun, since merged with the New York World-Telegram and Sun. It was in September 1897.

Even though Christmas still was a considerable time away, a little girl of 8 had been thinking about it. And a great big question had popped into her mind.

She put the question to her father who suggested she write the Sun. It was her letter that was handed to Church with the request that he prepare a reply which could be published in the newspaper.

Church pondered the matter, then began to write.

How well he wrote he perhaps did not realize at the time — but in the years before his death in 1906 he came to know full well, indeed. It became a classic expression of Christmas sentiment.

The little girl to whom Church addressed his message still is living. She now is Mrs. Laura Virginia Douglas, a New York school principal and a widow with children and grandchildren of her own. She is 69.

But by courtesy of the World-Telegram and Sun, the editorial is published again here:

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus pro inently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

"Dear Editor:

I am 8 years old.

Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says "if you see it in the Sun it's so."

Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon,

115 West 95th Street."

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas: how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus: it would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unsen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a viel covering the unseen world which not the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

Books Are Ideal Presents For All

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)— To those who have everything—or those who have nothing—there is no better present than a book.

There is nothing like a book to help a man escape from the poverty of wealth, or to show him, if poor, a vista to the kind of riches Midas never knew.

And for the last-minute Christmas shopper, seeking the last-minute gift for the overlooked friend, there is no better bargain than a book. Good wine warms for an hour; good books warm for a lifetime both the hear that sends, the mind that receives.

But there is an art in giving books—in selecting just the right volume for the right person at the right time.

All in fun, we present again our annual mythical Christmas list of book gifts for people we all know:

"The Affluent Society" — Anybody you owe money to.

"All That Was Mortal" — The 1958 Republican National Committee.

"Aku-Aku"—Anybody you know in Walla Walla.

"Let No Man Write My Epitaph"—Adlai Stevenson.

"On My Own" — Gov. Averell Harriman.

"The Other Side of the Coin"—Nelson A. Rockefeller.

"Master of Deceit"—The people who try to keep up with the Joneses.

"The Mountain Is Young"—Bernard Baruch.

"The Prospects Are Pleasing" — Any Democratic presidential aspirant.

"The Rainbow Comes and Goes" — Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

"A Friend in Power"—Bernard Goldfine.

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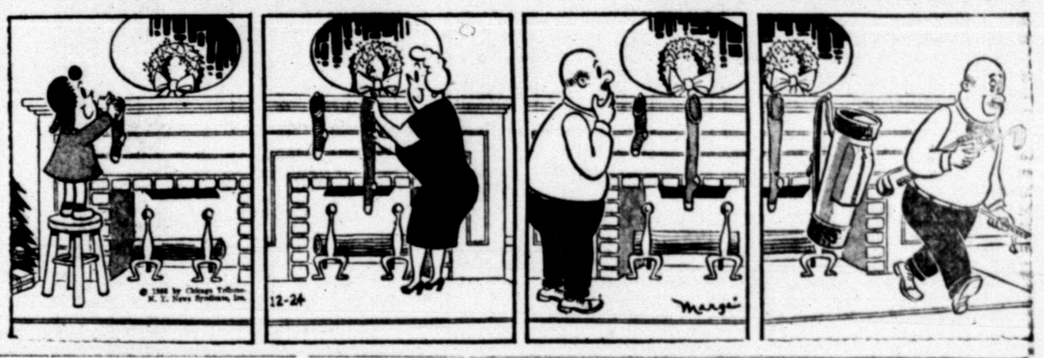

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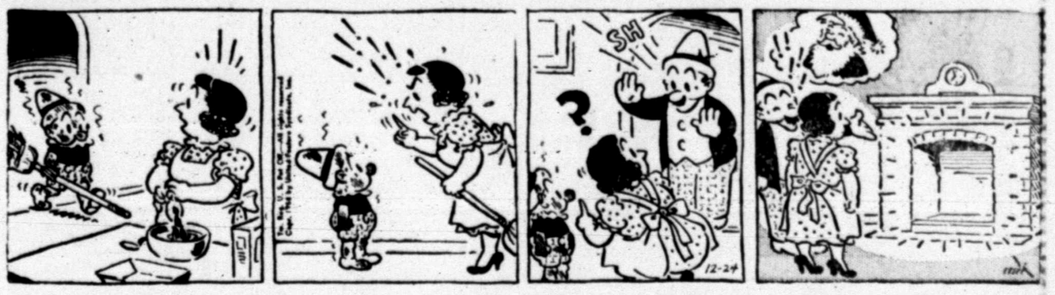

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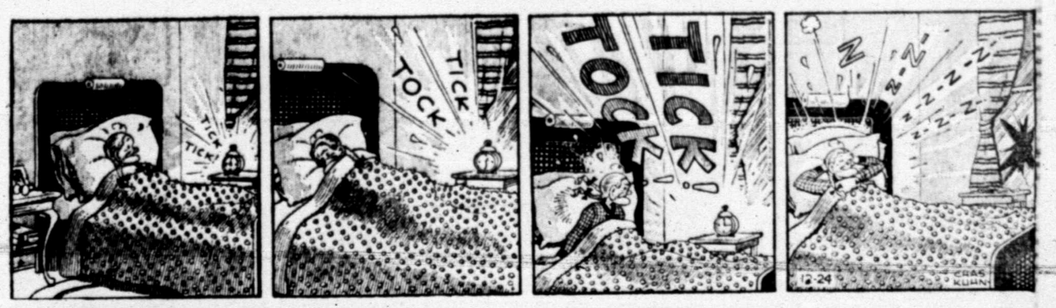

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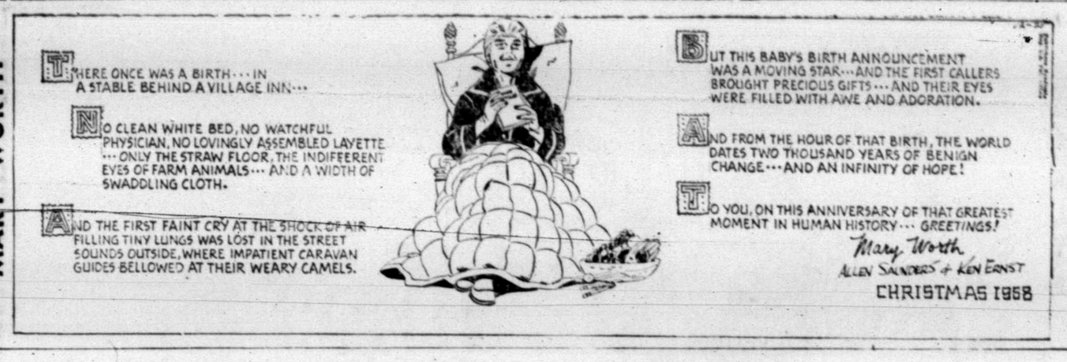

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GAS TRUCK BLAST KILL FOUR PERSONS—A piece of metal that was once a triple chamber butane tank and a twisted transport truck is all that remains after an explosion wrecked the truck and sent flames soaring and pieces of metal flying following an accident between the truck and a pickup at Brownfield, Texas. Four men perished in the flames and an estimated 160 other persons were injured. (AP Wirephoto)

President To Spend Holiday With Family

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower, like millions of other Americans, plans to spend Christmas at home surrounded by his family.

Jtining the President and his wife for a big Christmas dinner at the White House will be their son and daughter-in-law, Maj. and Mrs. John Eisenhower and their four youngsters.

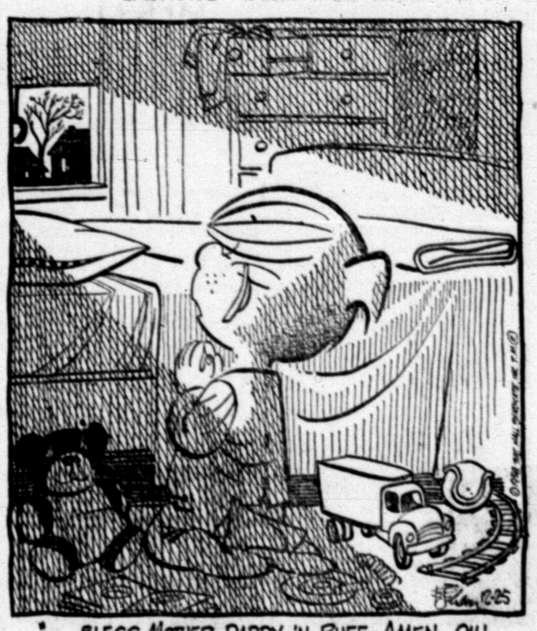
The presidential grandchildren are David, 10, Barbara Anne, 9, Susan, who will be 7 a week from today and Mary Jean, who celebrated her third birthday Sunday.

The president got official Christmas duties out of the way in advance. He and Mrs. Eisenhower sent out formal season's greeting cards to hundreds of dignataries all over the world. On Monday they held their yearly yuletime party for members of the White House staff.

Tuesday night Eisenhower pushed a button on the lawn south of the White House to set alight the 7,000 bulbs on the tall national Christmas tree.

On Friday President and Mrs. Eisenhower will go to their Gettysburg, Pa., farm, where Eisenhower will work on messages to be sent to Congress early in the new session. They will stay through New Year's Day.

DENNIS THE MENACE



Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Desired
7. Laundry product
13. Iroquois Indian
14. Judge's chamber
15. Delicious drink
16. Rubber
17. Shade tree
18. Insect
19. Indian
20. Sit for a portrait
22. Humor
23. Employs
24. Abstract being
25. Melancholy
26. Part of a circle
27. Checked
29. Process of extracting ores
32. 252 wine gallons
33. Glass container
34. Also
35. Read hurriedly
37. Set
38. Poet
39. Exclamation
40. Hog
41. Flying mammal
42. Appeared
44. Outcast
47. Concluding performance
48. Nook
49. Clouded
50. Thinner

DOWN

1. Conquered
2. One: Scot.
3. Obliging
4. Name
5. Cheese
6. Oriental abode
7. Perfume
8. Bitter
9. Wine vessel
10. Act of reviving
11. Mediterranean island
12. Rabbits
18. Help
20. By
21. Individual
22. Mass
23. Vase
25. Jap. soldier's pay
26. Mien
28. Father of Joshua
29. Month
30. Negative conjunction
31. Deity
33. Form notches
35. Rod
36. Roman senate house
37. Arranger in tiers
38. Italian boat
40. Hawaiian goddess of fire
41. Bundle
43. Droop
44. Buddy
45. Hail
46. Belonging to that woman

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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Pair Charged With Arson

HIGH ISLAND, Tex. (AP)—The manager and caretaker of a Port Bolivar Motel were held in lieu of $5,000 bond today following the explosion and fire at medical clinic here.

Charges of arson were filed against Biaggio Angelica, 51, motel manager, and Jack Orata, 48, the caretaker. Angelica and Orata were arrested on charges of vagrancy shortly after the fire.

An explosion of a crude incendiary device Monday night set off a fire that destroyed the $75,000 frame medical clinic owned by Dr. Carl Deginer.

The explosion was apparently caused when Constable Clyde Moore unplugged the incendiary device. He had gone to the clinic to investigate a prowler report.

Police theorized that the explosion and fire was intended to destroy the building following a narcotics burglary.

Gets Two Gifts

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Members of Gov. George D. Clyde's administration gave him two Christmas gifts Tuesday. They called them the "keys to success in balancing the state budget."

The items: A rubber slide rule and a tiny press that prints fake money.

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CHILD CARE H-3

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RENTALS L

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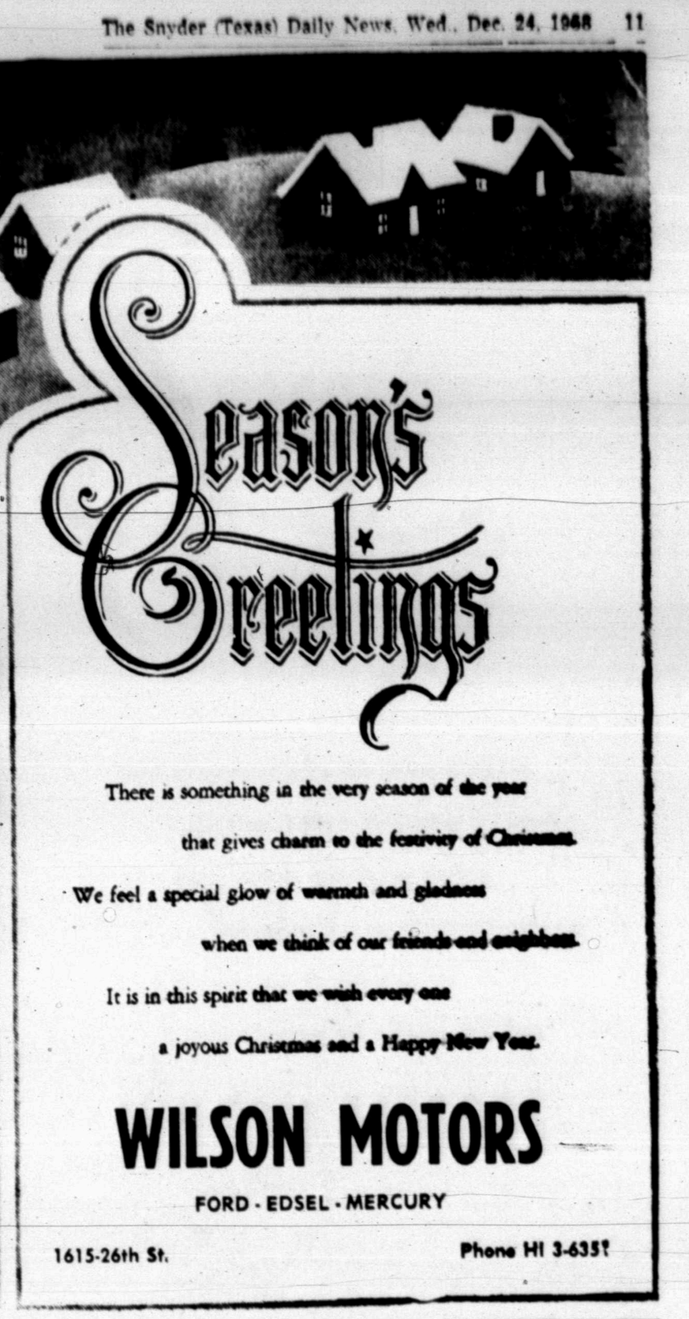

There is something in the very season of the year
that gives charm to the festivity of Christmas.
We feel a special glow of warmth and gladness
when we think of our friends and neighbors.
It is in this spirit that we wish every one
a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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It is our fondest
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moments for you! And that the New Year brings
you the fulfillment of all the sincere wishes that
have been extended to you in the spirit of the Holiday Season!

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Life offers us nothing more precious than the loyalty and understanding of real friends.

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May you enjoy a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Peace Pledge Renewed By Eisenhower

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower used the occasion of lighting the national Christmas tree Tuesday night to pledge again that the United States wants peace, not war.

"The people of the United States do not wish to enslave or control any other nation or any other people," Eisenhower said in a brief address.

"The United States will never use its strength to break the peace."

Eisenhower made no reference to his earlier Christmas wish of "peace on earth and good will to men everywhere" as recorded and broadcast from the Atlas satellite last week. But he said that Christmas message, not limited to this nation or the free world, "is a universal, divine spark that lights the soul of mankind."

A crowd of 7,500 persons watched as he spoke and then pushed a button to set aglow the 7,000 lights on a giant spruce tree erected in a park near the White House. A gentle rain fell during the half-hour ceremony.

INGRID'S WEDDING PICTURE—Actress Ingrid Bergman stands with her husband, Swedish businessman Lars Schmidt, shortly after they were married in a quiet civil ceremony in London's Caxton Hall registry office. The 42-year-old actress and her 41-year-old spouse, her third husband, left for their home near Paris after the wedding. (AP Wirephoto)

Big Bombers Being Junked

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP)—All but a few of the only American airplanes which could drop hydrogen bombs on the Soviet Union and return home without refueling are being junked.

The mighty B36s are obsolete. The 10-engine bombers are no match for supersonic missiles.

A few of the big planes will be kept in service at Carswell Air Force Base in Texas. The rest of them are being assembled at Davis-Monthan AFB in Arizona, where they'll be scrapped for salvage.

The Air Force built more than 300 of the B36s at a cost of three million dollars each. It won't say exactly how many are to be junked, or how much money the government hopes to reclaim from the planes.

The B36 once was the most deadly weapon of the Air Force. It can carry 84,000 pounds of load and fly nonstop in 28 hours from Maine to Japan.

Young Mother Going Home

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A young mother was all smiles today waiting to fly home to Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Shirley Weber, 23, was returning home from a visit with her soldier husband, Raymond, at Ft. Sill, Okla., when the stork surprised her. She entered a hospital December 14 and Sherry Lynn was born.

An airline official heard of Mrs. Weber and began trying several days ago to help her get home. Mrs. Weber boards the plane this afternoon. She will spend Christmas with her husband—who went ahead — son Joseph, 2, and the couple's parents at Hellam and Lancaster, Pa.

Canon Acquitted Of All Charges

FT. HOOD, Tex. (AP)—Lt. Col. Jack Canon, former provost marshal at Ft. Hood, was found innocent by a court maitral yesterday of all charges brought against him.

The court martial found Canon innocent in two charges of shooting cattle on the Ft. Hood reservation and of withholding information about the theft of ammunition.

The other charges had been dismissed earlier.

The court - martial acquitted Canon on a charge that he concealed knowledge of the theft of two tires by Sgt. Jesse Dean.

To the charge that he killed two cows on the reservation, the showing he was in the Middle East at the time. His military orders showed he left the Central Texas post on July 23 and returned in August.

Canon told newsmen after the trial, "I had a fair trial. I knew the rest of the Army could not be like this headquarters" (Ft. Hood).

The 35 to 40 spectators, both military and civilians, applauded the court's decision.

A native of San Antonio, Canon was a Korean War veteran and a roving intelligence officer for many years before his assignment here.

While testifying, Canon called by their last names several officers whom he said had conspired against him in bringing the charges.

Asked by trial counsel Victor Defiori if he felt resentment, Canon said he felt none against the enlisted men but that he did resent actions of some officers.

Asked about his confinment in the psychiatric ward at Brooke Army Hospital in San Antonio, Canon said:

"I was treated like an animal."

He was taken there soon after the charges were brought for a mental examination. He said after many requests, he finally was allowed to make three calls: to a broker, the FBI and to his attorney.

UF Workers Urged To Make Reports

Workers in the Scurry County United Fund were still being urged this week to complete their contacts and get their cards in before the end of the year.

The United Fund campaign committee has made a recommendation to the board of directors that the campaign be extended a month, beginning early in January. Division chairmen are attempting to get all cards turned in by that time, so a study of the drive may be made before the extension.

So far, $32,248.11 has been raised, or about $10,000 short of the goal.

Season's Greetings

In the spirit of the season we send you warm-hearted greetings and best wishes for a joyous Holiday.

Mary M. Killam

CANYON INSURANCE AGENCY

1824-26th St.

May the truth and light of this holiday bring happiness to all and may you have a Wonderful Christmas . . .

Derrick Barber Shop

CHRISTMAS Wishes

Here's a cheerful little earful of Christmas wishes for all our friends. May your homes and hearts abound with holiday warmth, happiness and good fellowship.

WESTERN AUTO

ASSOCIATE STORE

East Side of Square Phone HI 3-3702

Season's GREETINGS

All the joys that go with a Holiday full of heart-felt happiness—these we wish you this Christmas Season.

BILL'S AUTO SALVAGE

Roby Highway

Greetings

May your heart be light and your home be bright with every Christmas joy

SNYDER HEATING and AIR CONDITIONING CO.

Big Spring Hgy. Phone HI 3-4411

Greetings and Best Wishes

Our cheeriest Yuletide sentiments harmonize with the merry notes of Christmas bells as they ring out—Joy to the world and Happiness to all.

Sears-Roebuck Co.

608 E. Hwy. Phone HI 3-4676

as gay as Christmas

Wrapped up in every package with our label and gift ties, are the spirited wishes of all here who have served you in the past year . . . we say to you: Have a GAY, EXCITING CHRISTMAS!

The Village

1005-25th St. Phone HI 3-7113

WE WILL BE CLOSED

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

December 25th., 26th., 27th., & 28th.

Joy to the World

The infinite joy that Christmas brings, serves to remind us that all good things in life come from Him and His teachings.

May you have a Merry Christmas, in all the fullest, richest and deepest meaning of those happy words.

Snyder Wholesale

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Christmas WISHES

A wealth of health, happiness and contentment are our wishes for all our friends and neighbors on this most joyous holiday.

CADDELL'S

WASHING MACHINE REPAIR SERVICE

2508 Ave. I Ph. HI 3-3333

BEST Wishes

Our Christmas wish for all is that the Holiday Season may hold the promise of peace and prosperity for the coming year.

M&M Radio-TV & Electronics

1910-26th St.

Phone HI 3-4722

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DEATH WAS BELOW—A dangling coach and open drawbridge mark the tragedy of Jersey Central train which plunged 48 to death in Newark Bay in September.

Ballad, Hero Subjects Of A New Book

AUSTIN — A border ballad and its hero, Gregorio Cortez, familiar to South Texans, are the subjects of a new University of Texas Press book, "With His Pistol in His Hand," to be published Dec. 29.

The author is a University folklarist, Dr. Americo Paredes, assistant professor of English and former Brownsville newspaperman. Paredes has combined a study of the ballad and its variants with an authentic biography of Cortez and a brief history of the South Texas region where Latin-American and Anglo-American cultures overlap.

"El Corrido de Gregorio Cortez" grew out of an incident that occurred June 12, 1901, on a farm 10 miles west of Kenedy. After a misunderstanding, there was a gunfight between Cortez and Sheriff W. T. Morris of Karnes County, and Morris was killed. The chase, capture and imprisonment of Cortez climax the story.

Dr. Paredes collects folk songs and is himself an accomplished guitarist and folk singer. While working in Brownsville as a newspaper reporter before World War II, he also had a weekly radio program on which he played and sang songs — some of them his own compositions.

He also writes fiction and has won prizes ($500 cash and $500 in books) for a novel ("The Shadow") and short story collection ("Border Country"). He teaches folklore and creative writing courses at the University.

Dr. Paredes was born in Brownsville and worked on the Brownsville Herald from 1936 to 1943, when he entered the Army. He was a political reporter for Stars and Stripes, Army newspaper, and covered the trials of Tojo and his associates in Japan after World War II. Paredes spent five years in the Far East (Japan, China, Korea), with the Army, the Red Cross and as a civilian Army employee.

He attended Brownsville Junior College (now Texas Southmost College) before entering newspaper work, and upon his return to Texas he resumed his higher education. Coming to the University of Texas in 1950, he earned the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1951, Master of Arts in 1953 and Doctor of Philosophy in 1956. He began teaching English part-time in 1951.

Paredes is married and has two sons, Alan, 7, and Vicente, 4.

BEIRUT WATCH—U. S. Marines man machine gun emplacement high over Beirut street in July after U. S. landed troops in Lebanon to stabilize peace in the area.

Bank Robberies Increase Sharply

WASHINGTON (AP)—Bank robberies rose sharply this year as part of an over-all increase in the crime rate.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover reported that federal bank robbery, burglary and larceny violations rose more than 30 per cent over the 491 committed in 1957. His report to Atty. Gen. William P. Rogers noted also a 5 per cent increase in embezzlements and similar offenses by banking personnel.

New Observatory May Track, Guide Space Ships In Future

BIG PINE, Calif. (AP)—They've dedicated a 1½-million-dollar radio observatory near here that some day may track and guide space ships as they speed far out into the universe.

It's believed also that once both of the observatory's two 90-foot dish antennas are in operation scientists will be able to peer 30 billion light years back into time and space.

Built by the California Institute of Technology, with Navy help on financing, the observatory is located in the Owens Valley, 250 miles north of Los Angeles.

Rear Adm. Rawson Bennett II, chief of naval research, told a dedication audience Friday: "This observatory may be able to reach far enough back into time to see our own world as it was billions of years ago — perhaps while it was still being formed."

The admiral was referring to the Einstein concept that time and space are like a doughtnut — that if you go far enough and fast enough you come back where you started. And, since you are sneaking up from behind, you get there prior to the time of your departure.

A light year represents the distance that a beam of light—racing along at 186,000 miles per second—travels in a year.

The farthest man has been able to see out into the universe thus far is two billion light years. This is the range of the 200-inch hale telescope on Mount Palomar in San Diego County.

Actually, there isn't much point in building a bigger visual telescope because of the distortion of light waves by the earth's atmosphere. But the atmosphere has no effect on radio telescopes.

Even now, with only one of this observatory's antennas in operation, radio signals have been picked up from stars a billion light years away.

When the second 90-foot mesh dish is ready next spring, observatory Director John G. Bolton expects to begin receiving radio impulses from stars up to 30 billion light years away.

The observatory will be able not only to receive radio impulses over tremendous distances, but send them as well. That's where the tracking and guiding of space ships comes in. It's also where the Navy's interest is keen.

"More than $1,300,000 of the construction cost was provided by the Office of Naval Research," Adm. Bennett said.

"The research we do here is expected to improve navigation of ships and planes. In bad weather, the stars man has steered by for centuries are not visible. Before long, fliers and mariners will be guided not by the light from the stars but by the radio impulses from them."

UNDER FIRE—Presidential assistant Sherman Adams, under attack for alleged influence dealings, leaves Washington home to go to his White House desk. Adams' resignation climaxed story that made headlines.

France Gets Tough On Wild Drivers

PARIS (AP)—France is getting tough on wild drivers and jaywalkers. The lowest fine for bad driving is $14 — a sevenfold increase—and the maximum is $86 and days in jail. It's much more and a prison term for a repeater. Jaywalking can cost $1 to $5. Road accidents in France last year killed 10,000, injured 150,000.

Canine Comfort Is Tops In Kennels

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP) — It's far from a dog's life for the canines belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Carli.

The kennels in which they raise German short-haired pointers have air-conditioning, radiant heat for winter, and a sound system through which music is piped.

HAPPY HOLIDAY

ALL of us here extend to you, our loyal friends and customers, best wishes for a happy and Holy Christmas.

BOOK NOOK & GIFT SHOP

3004 Ave. T — Phone HI 3-4177

A HEART-FELT SENTIMENT

This time of year, as we count our blessings, we always recall our many faithful friends. To those of you whom we were honored to serve, and helped us achieve such a successful year — we say, with pride and gratitude.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

TOYLAND

1711-25th St.

A Merry Christmas

This greeting goes to all our friends, With a special note of cheer — "We wish you joy on Christmas Day and happiness throughout the year."

SNYDER RADIATOR SERV.

Frank D. Stephenson

"The Radiator Man"

1105 Ave. T — Ph. HI 3-4131

Greetings

May the serenity and happiness of the Joyous Christmas Season last you forever! This — is our good wish to our many loyal customers whom we have so enjoyed serving!

LEON AUTRY

Mobil Products

1511-26th — Phone HI 3-4461

Christmas Greetings

MIXON Tire & Supply

"Your RCA Victor Teelevision & Whirlpool Appliance Dealer"

811-25th St. — Phone HI 3-6362

Christmas Greetings

Once again we pause as another joy-filled Yuletide season arrives, to wish our many patrons and friends prosperity, health, contentment and peace this Christmas Day and throughout the year to follow.

The Deffebach Agency

2606 Ave. R — Phone HI 3-5611

EPIC VOYAGE — The nuclear sub Nautilus ties up at Portland, Eng., at end of voyage from Hawaii which included historic underwater crossing of the North Pole.

Economists See New Round Of Price Increases In '59

By STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most Washington economists believe the turn-of-the-year leveling of prices is just a pause. By mid-1959, they predict, inflation will resume its march.

Halting that advance has become the foremost domestic goal of the Eisenhower administration. It has proved itself willing to risk delaying the business recovery to prevent further shrinkage of the dollar.

Some top officials, including Secretary of the Treasury Anderson, are even prepared to retreat from the ironclad anticontrol policy of the Republican administration if this proves to be necessary.

Anderson has let it be known he would consider asking Congress for a standby consumer credit control law if it appeared that free wheeling installment credit was spinning prices up. Right now it is not.

In fact, the fall of 1958 brought the first significant interruption in three years to the steady rise of the living costs. In that time the consumer's dollar lost 8 cents worth of buying power.

Defying the business recession for a full year, the consumer price index pushed upward until it reached an all-time peak in July at 123.9 per cent of the 1947-49 average. In August it dipped to 123.7; there it leveled off.

Government economists now privately predict it will hold approximately the present level for perhaps six months more, because the three kinds of cost that go into the average family's budget are moving in three directions:

Goods — appliances, clothing, cars, furniture—are holding level. Services—transportation, repairs, medical care, laundry and the like—never have stopped rising. Only food is cheaper; it has been declining as it should after a bumper harvest.

This balance of trends may prevail well into 1959.

The view that it will take heroic measures to prevent creeping, walking or galloping inflation was reinforced by recent experience. Wages and prices both rose during the recession.

Consumer prices went up more than 2 per cent. Hourly earnings of workers in durable goods factories — the hardest hit plants — rose 3.2 per cent.

In the opinion of Dr. Arthur F. Burns, former chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, this provided "new evidence that while there may well be pauses in the process of inflation, as in the last few months, the underlying trend of the price level is still upward."

Steel Industry Is Going Half Speed

By JOHN MODDY
AP Business News Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The steel industry—equipped to produce 140 million tons of steel annually — used little more than half its mammoth facilities during much of recession-ridden 1958.

Steelmen predict better things for the new year but warn that a long strike—which no one is willing to discount—over a 1959 labor contract could easily upset early forecasts.

Even a fourth-quarter business upturn couldn't save 1958 from going into the record book as the worst production year since 1949.

Profits and employment reflected empty pages in order books. Customers preportedly lived off reserve stockpiles built up in times when steel was hard to come by.

Auto manufacturers, steel's biggest customer, had a touch year and trimmed their steel ordering far below expectations.

Workers—those who escaped the furlough ax—got the final wage increase provided by the three-year contract signed in more prosperous 1956. The increase was followed by a jump in the price of steel.

Whether the total tonnage is a little over or a little under, 1958 goes into the books as the first year since 1954 that annual production did not exceed 100 million tons.

Many steel executives have predicted 1959 production will total between 108 and 110 million tons.

Profit returns, while not cut back as far as production figures, were not bright.

Final earnings reports will not be totalled for several weeks but industry profits for the first nine months of 1958 totaled $494,698,674 compared with $974,851,145 in the first nine months of 1957.

The steel industry and the United Steelworkers Union signed a three-year contract in 1956.

During the two-year negotiating lull USW President David J. McDonald has been talking about big gains for the steelworkers in 1959.

Many executives of big steel companies have indicated that the industry is going to be a difficult unit to bargain with next year. There have been predictions of a long strike if McDonald insists on big gains in wages and benefits.

Newsprint Plentiful During 1958

By WALTER BUSSEWITZ
AP Business News Writer

NEW YORK (AP)—U.S. newspaper publishers had no problem getting enough newsprint in 1958.

There was such a bulge of supply over demand the North American newsprint producers paused in their big expansion programs.

The U.S. and Canadian mills were able to serve their customers without drawing on around 15 per cent of capacity.

Consumption should rise in 1959, along with the expected improvement in the nation's economy. But producers are sure they can handle even a sudden strong spurt in demand.

The American Newspaper Publishers Assn. reported consumption for much of this year ran about 4 per cent under 1957.

During the past two years, North American newsprint manufacturers carried out a 350-million dollar expansion, which boosted productive capacity by 20 per cent.

Despite the growth of newsprint manufacturing in the U.S., the domestic industry still is less than one-third the size of Canada's.

Newsprint is selling on a contract basis in New York at a delivered price of $134 a ton. The last general boost of $4 a ton came in March 1957.

As the year neared its end, Sir Eric Bowater, head of Bowater Paper Corp., was asked about the future of newsprint prices. He said:

President Franklin D. Roosevelt died on April 12, 1945.

A Roundup of Christmas Wishes to All Our Friends

B&B STEAK HOUSE
We will be closed Jan. 1st to Jan. 4th
East Hwy. Phone HI 3-9164

Christmas Cheer

With holly, mistletoe and Holiday cheer, may your Christmas be a merry one, your joy complete.

To all our friends and customers we would like to say 'Thank You' for making this year such a prosperous one.

Sportsman's Headquarters
Vic Baze—Owner
1918-25th St. Phone HI 3-4703

To our many friends at Christmas time...

We wish to express our appreciation of our long association and to say thanks for your continued patronage! . . . May your holiday be merry and laden with blessings. . . .

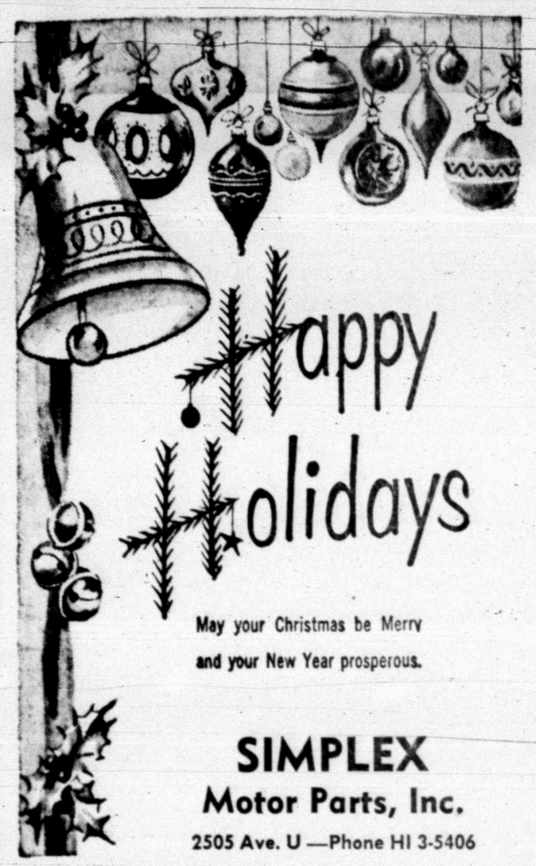
MONTGOMERY WARD & CO.
1923-25th Phone HI 3-3566

Hearty Greetings

The Christmas bells resound with lively jubilation carrying the tidings of the Season to everyone, everywhere! May they bring you a message of joy and good cheer!

Thompson Cleaners
No. 1—1003-24th. No. 2—1405 Ave. S
No. 3—1906-37th.

Happy Holidays



May your Christmas be Merry and your New Year prosperous.

SIMPLEX
Motor Parts, Inc.
2505 Ave. U —Phone HI 3-5406

Santa's on his way!

We Sing Out our Sincere Thanks

For Your Patronage, And your Good will... We hope you find as much pleasure from our greeting to you—as we do in extending it: A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Jones Drive-In Grocery
2704-25th Phone HI 3-9227

We extend our gratitude to our loyal customers whom we have so enjoyed serving — May Christmas bring you many blessings!
Ad 113 form 11

Grimmett Bros. Dirt Contractors
1807-14th St. Phone HI 3-4102

It is at this time of the year that we realize how many friends and wonderful people we have come to know and love in Snyder and Scurry County.

We will soon be leaving you as business friends, but we shall always remember you and our wonderful association together for these many years.

We wish you and your loved ones a Very, Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Myron and Evelyn Fenton

SINO-SOVIET SMILES — Soviet Communist boss Nikita Khrushchev and his Chinese counterpart, Mao Tse Tung, smile during August meeting in Peiping, China.

American Motors Has Only Gains

By DAVID J. WILKIE
A.P. Automotive Writer

DETROIT (AP) — For all but one of the nation's auto makers 1958 was the worst year in recent automotive industry history.

It was a year that saw a decline of more than 1¾ million car assemblies and a retail sales drop of nearly 1¼ million units from the preceding year's volume. The year brought losses of profit cuts for all makers except American Motors.

Amercain Motors, riding high on a bulging demand for smaller, lower priced cars, built and sold nearly twice as many vehicles in 1958 as it did the preceding year.

When the 1958 production and sales are finally tabulated they probably will come to nearly 4¼ million domestic car assemblies and about 4,780,000 reail deliveries. The latter figure would include about 300,000 imported car sales.

For the year ahead sales are expected to number 5½ million U. S. cars plus up to 400,000 imported cars.

Outstanding events of 1958 included:

Expiration of union labor contracts and months-long negotiations leading to new agreements.

Top-heavy inventories that brought sharp production cutbacks and were further leveled off by work stoppages that followed the new labor agreements.

Sharp criticism of car styling that brought some hurried last minute changes for 1959.

Continuing rise in the the demand for smaller, lower priced cars.

Ahead for 1959 undoubtedly is a better year for the car makers. Predictions of a sales volume in excess of 6½ million cars come from nonautomotive economists who sprinkle a liberal number of "ifs" in their appraisals. Major stipulation, if course, is the availability of expendable income. Another is the appeal of substantially altered styling.

The cars that were criticized as too gaudy in 1958 are making less lavish used of bright trim generally. But already there has been some criticism of cars too long and too wide among 1958 models.

More smaller, lower priced American-built cars undoubtedly.

Farmers Set New Records During 1958

By OVID MARTIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers produced a record-breaking volume in 1958 to help boost their income 20 per cent over the previous year.

But in doing so they laid the groundwork for a possible reversal in their returns in 1959.

Long a plague of producers, surpluses of some products climbed to new peaks, foreshadowing possible lower prices during the new year.

In a remarkable display of agriculture's technological advance, crop production climbed 11 per cent above the previous record set in 1948 and matched in 1956 and 1957. This was accomplished on an acreage reduced rather sharply by federal planting controls and a soil bank land program.

The year also brought expansions in livestock production—expansions that may have set the stage for later oversupplies and distress prices.

With agriculture far from stability, it was not surprising that controversies continued over government farm policies. As in other recent years, the Eisenhower administration's secretary of agriculture—Ezra Taft Benson — was the center of this fight.

Agriculture Department econmists predict farm income will dip 5 to 10 per cent in 1959. They expect farm prices as a whole to decline. Government payments will be smaller. Farm production costs are expected to continue a long upturn that will eat deeper into receipts.

On the other hand, the upward trend in income of farm people from nonfarm sources, interrupted by the 1958 recession, will likely be resumed in 1959.

About 400 surviving "Cedars of Lebanon" are guarded as a national treasure on the eastern Mediterranean. King Solomon of Biblical times built his Temple with Lebanese cedar.

. . . So Shall He Reap

New Pennies Are Designed

WASHINGTON (AP)—There'll be new pennies in your pockets after Feb. 12—really new for the first time since 1909.

President Eisenhower Saturday approved for minting a Lincoln one cent piece with a different reverse side as a feature of the Lincoln sesquicentennial observance. It becomes the permanent design.

The White House said production of the new coin will begin Jan. 2. Both the Philadelphia and Denver mints will have a supply for distribution on Feb. 12, Lincoln's Birthday.

The portrait of Lincoln on the face of the cent will remain unchanged. However, the new reverse side will show the Lincoln Memorial as viewed from the front of the entrance. Above the memorial is the motto, "E Pluribus Unum," and above this, following the curve of the border, the words, "United States of America." Below the memorial, also following the curve, will appear the denomination "one cent."

Seasonal Crime

NORFOLD, Va (AP) — A night watchman at the Upton Produce Company here reported to police that a thief broke into the warehouse and took a shotgun, a pair of hunting boots and a hunting coat. It was the night before the opening of the duck season.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,

Will you please bring us a new set of dishes?

We are good girls and work so hard, our dolls are okay. We will be so proud.

We love you, Santa. Our names are Viola and Lillie.

By-By

* * *

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl 8 years old, and I have a little sister that is 5 years old.

We would like for you to bring us a doll, a record player, a doll bed, a housecoat size 6, house shoes size 12, housecoat size 3 and house shoes size 9. And some pajamas size 6, pajamas size 3.

Santa, if you bring the record player it will be for both of us.

Yours truly,
Paula and Susan Bradshaw
2710 Avenue K

* * *

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to have a play safe and a wagon train set and a battleship explodes under attack. And I would like to have a hen target game and a Winchester saddle gun and a marine field set.

Sincerely,
Don Ledbetter

* * *

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Carol Tate. I am six years old. I have been a good girl this year so will you please bring me a doll with high heels and grown-up clothes, also a doctors kit. If the doll's clothes are not made up already it's okay, because Mommie siad she would make some for my doll.

My brother is 1½. His name is Jon. He meddles but he is a good boy and he would like a rocking horse or something to ride and any other toy you think a little boy would like to play with.

Please don't forget all the little children throughout the world who need food and clothes and give them lots of toys, Dear Santa, to help make them happy again.

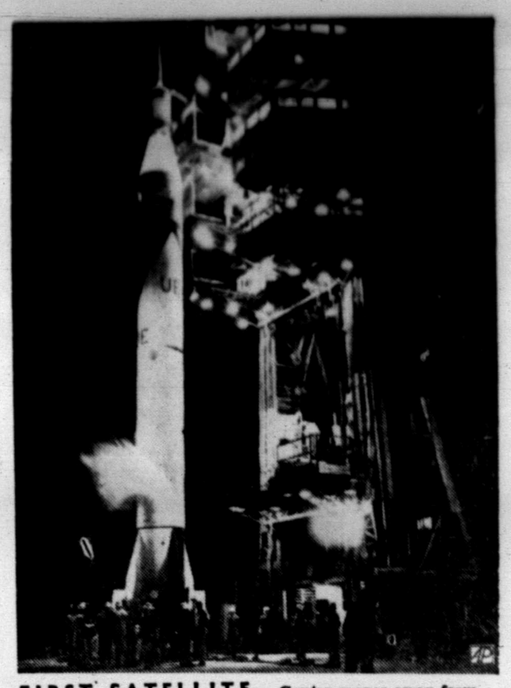
Thank you very much.

I love you,
Carole Tate
3109 Thirty-eighth Place

Deadline On Request

CENTRAL CITY, Ky. (AP) — A radio station received a postal card from a jail inmate asking that a number of records be played "before Tuesday."

One of the prisoners was to be released on that day — and he had the only radio.



FIRST SATELLITE — Gantry moves away from Jupiter C missile prior to January launching which carried the first U. S. satellite into orbit from Cape Canaveral.

UT Students Will Return On Jan. 5

AUSTIN—University of Texas students began their Christmas vacation after classes Dec. 20 and will be free until classes resume Monday, January 5.

Many of the 18,000 Main University enrollees will be on the highways. The Daily Texan, student newspaper has been printing daily articles and editorials on safe driving.

Students remaining in Austin during the holidays may study in the main library, which will be open on a limited schedule. Most departmental libraries will be closed, however.

A number of faculty members will attend professional meetings between Christmas and New Year's.

The Easy Way

PONCA CITY, Okla. (AP) — Harold Kanady has solved his grass cutting problem. He has rigged up his power mower to a rope that is tied to an upright pipe. The mower cuts in circles and as it revolves around the pipe the rope shortens, leaving him only four small corners to cut in the usual way.

After washing slacks or trousers, hang them by the legs to dry so that most of the wrinkles will fall out as the garment dries.

Joy at Christmas

May the wonderful holiday spirit of joy and peace be with you and yours at Christmas time.

TOT-2-TEEN

2617 Ave. S Phone HI 3-6770

Greetings

With grateful hearts, we sing out to our many friends and customers, "MERRY CHRISTMAS !"

Donnie's Beauty Service

1909-40th Phone HI 3-5341

The Merriest Christmas

. . . and the happiest New Year is our wish to all our many friends.

WHITE'S AUTO STORE

2510 Ave. R Phone HI 3-6592

Merry Christmas

We cheerily add our greetings to the many in store for you.

YOUR BUSINESS IN THE FUTURE AS IN THE PAST IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED!

CLARK & SMITH BUTANE CO.

JAMES A. CLARK, OWNER

1604 Ave. S Phone HI 3-4731

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

ALL

Snyder National Bank

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

TO ROME AND THE WORLD — Pope John XXIII, wearing symbolic triple-tiered crown, raises hand to impart blessing from balcony of St. Peter's Basilica. Blessing followed his coronation in November as 262nd Pontiff of Roman Catholic Church.

Soft Coal Market Has Weak Spots

By JOHN MOODY
AP Business News Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Soft coal operators traveled a bumpy road in 1958. Orders from the industry's two biggest customers declined and the export market weakened noticeably.

Total consumption of bituminous coal in the U.S. dropped from 414 million tons in 1957 to 370 million tons. Exports skidded from 76 million tons last year to 51 million tons in 1958.

Mine owners forecast production for 1959 at some 450 million tons.

Coalmen had been braced for a lean year in 1958 but the final results were far worse than early forecasts indicated. Many firms estimated their earnings would be from 30 to 50 per cent behind 1957.

The decline in domestic consumption was the second in two years. Coal consumption in 1956 just topped 500 million tons.

Even the U.S. consumption figures don't tell the whole story. Some of the fuel came from stockpiles built up before this year.

Despite the sagging business picture the United Mine Workers negotiated a new soft coal contract calling for a two-stage $2-a-day wage hike.

Bituminous miners will get a $1.20 a day wage boost Jan. 1 and another 80 cent a day hike April 1. This will boost wages to $24.25 a day.

A major feature of the new contract is an agreement by commercial mine operators to refuse to handle non-union produced coal. About one fifth of the nation's coal production now comes from non-union mines.

The non-union clause was not included in a separate contract signed with coal operators producing exclusively for steel and electric utility firms.

Much of the coal story can be summed up by saying the steel industry, experiencing its own business problems, used 31 million tons less coal this year than it did in 1957.

Mine operators who produce metallurgical coal for the steel companies had expected to sell 104 million tons of coal. Instead the total came to 77 million tons.

Electric utility firms gave advance indication of plans to burn 167 million tons of coal this year. But the final results showed 153 million tons of coal went to electric producing plants.

Coalmen said the utility firms took advantage of an excess of fuel oil and natural gas that came into the market at what the coal operators referred to as "dump" prices.

The business lag coupled with constantly improving mining methods cut further into the ranks of production workers.

What To Do If Fall Cold Strikes Family

Chances are that you or a member of your family will come down with at least one cold this fall.

According to medical authorities, changeable weather at this season contributes to making fall one of the peak cold periods of the year. Re-opening of schools, crowded transportation facilities and full office and plant staffs increase your chances for exposure.

Fortunately most of these colds are comparatively minor discomforts which can be cleared up fairly quickly if you take care of yourself. However, even the simple sniffles are highly contagious, so that one of the most important precautions you can take is to isolate that cold from others.

Here are a few simple suggestions offered by health authorities that will make the cold victim more comfortable at the same time they safeguard other members of the family:

Remain in bed for a day or two, or at least until the worst stages of the cold are over.

If you run a fever, call your doctor.

Drink losts of liquids, such as fruit juices, soups and water.

Relieve dried lips and nose by using special creams or lip balm to soothe the sore areas.

Keep a box of tissues nearby for those sneezes and coughs, and to avoid re-infecting yourself, use a clean tissue each time; then dispose of it at once in a paper bag, kept handy just for that purpose.

Many Ideas For Legislation Advanced In Pre-Season Talk

By ED OVERHOLSER

AUSTIN (AP)—A lower voting age, more welfare and veteran benefits and a state atomic energy commission are among the legislative ideas being tossed around in pre-season play.

The Associated Press mail poll of members of each house turned up the usual large number of pet projects in addition to concern over weighty matters such as taxes, appropriations and schools.

One of the most imaginative proposals calls for creation of a state program to assist the federal government in discovering and developing peaceful uses of atomic energy.

The state AEC plan was a plank in the platform of Sen. Henry Gonalez of San Antonio, defeated for governor last summer. He said he still likes the idea. He also wants to extend the veteran's land program to permit buying and repairing of homes under the same long-term, low-interest rates charged in the original GI aid plan.

Freshman Rep. Roger Daily of Houston thinks the voting age in Texas should be reduced from 21 to 18. Georgia and Kentucky allow 18-year-olds to vote but all other states require a voter to be 21.

"I have had numerous people contact me recently," said Sen. Jep Fuller of Port Arthur, "urgently in need of institutional help for mentally retarded and-or physically handicapped relatives, particularly children." He said that "Although as a rule I have not advocated any specific spending it seems we have a dire need for this."

Another Port Arthur lawmaker, Rep. Roy Harrington, said he would propose a constitutional amendment to give a $3,000 tax exemption to citizens 65 or older on all property taxes.

A constitutional amendment also was proposed by Rep. Marshall Bell of San Antonio to abolish the state ad valorem tax of 42 cents per $100 evaluation, most of which is funneled into the school fund.

The popular welfare angle also appealed to Rep. Charles Whitfield Jr. of Houston who called for a custodial home for severely handicapped persons.

Sen. George Parkhouse, Dallas conservative, advocated a law to prohibit unions from using dues for political purposes. He also said he wanted "other laws to try to make union officers recognize there responsibilities to their members."

Dallas Rep. Bill Jones believes the time for granting a divorce in Texas should be extended from the present 60 days to one year.

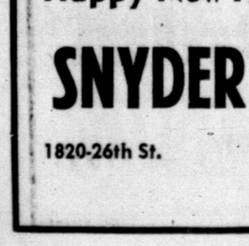
Speed limits must be brought in line with road conditions and a policy of strict enforcement should be backed up with mandatory license suspensions for offenders, said Rep. Tom James of Dallas. Stronger driver responsibility laws also will be pushed by Reps. Ted Myatt of Cleburne and Don Gladden of Fort Worth.

James also proposed that the Department of Public Safety's budget should be expanded with more radar units provided and the number of patrol cars doubled.

Sen. Jimmy Phillips of Angleton was concerned because there is no law requiring school boards to call for bids before awarding a contract for expenditures over $1,000. Most other political subdivisions are required by statute to advertise for bids.

Family Reunion

PETERBOROUGH, Ont. (AP) — More than 1,500 members of the Staples clan gathered here for their first reunion in 33 years. The group, estimated at 6,000 in Canada, comprises descendants of Richard Staples who emigrated from Ireland in 1818.



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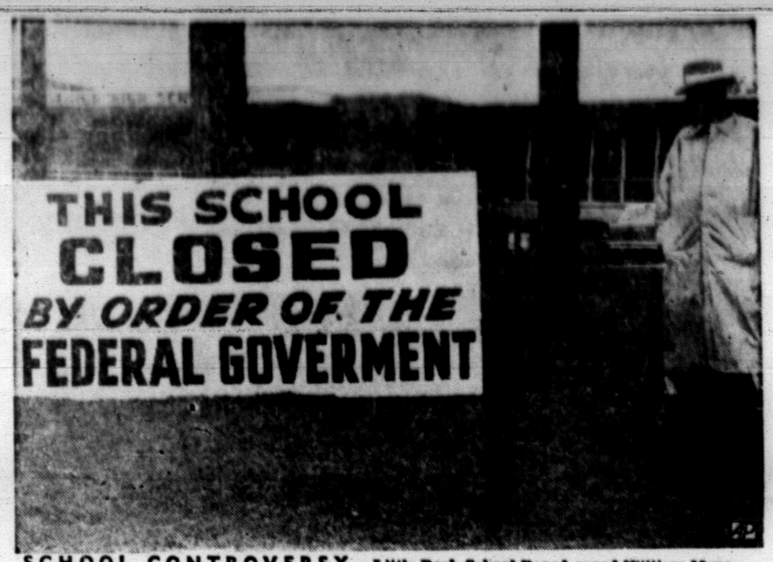


SCHOOL CONTROVERSY—Little Rock School Board guard William Mansfield stands beside misspelled sign announcing closure of Hall High School in September. Little Rock high schools were closed in the controversy over integration of Negro students.

West Berlin Still Gay For Yuletide

BERLIN (AP)—Children singing carols as U.S. Army tanks rumble by . . . Minks and diamond studs at gay holiday parties and tattered refugees from the Communist East. . .A city blessed by prosperity and nagged by fear.

This is West Berlin at Christmas time — five months and four days before the Russian ultimatum for the withdrawal of Allied troops expires.

"We West Berliners are no heroes," says a newspaper editor. "But we will keep our nerve. There is no other choice."

So the 2,200,000 West Berliners celebrate Christmas in their traditional way. They try to forget their isolation in the heart of Communist East Germany.

Yet under the city's skin, there is a gnawing apprehension of the Russians, blockade and war.

It doesn't show plainly in the newspapers or in casual conversation.

"Pray this Christmas that the Russians don't gobble us up," said a young streetcar conductor.

When the Soviet ultimatum runs out, the Russians say they intend to end the four-power status of Berlin. Then the Reds might close the East Berlin border and block East Germans from traveling to West Berlin.

West Berliners think the danger of war will become acute when the Russians transfer to the East German satellite regime their controls over Allied supply lines to West Germany.

The United States, Britain and France say they will resist East German controls. And the Russians are retorting that an Allied effort to ram through to isolated West Berlin by force might trigger World War III.

West Berliners, surrounded by 400,000 Russian troops, know what their fate will be if war comes. Nevertheless, they have defiantly and overwhelmingly rejected the Soviet bid to convert their metropolis into a defenseless "free city."

Bathtub Is Used For Bed

DETROIT (AP) — Peter G. Griggs, 53, was taken to recorder's court after he was found sleeping in a bathtub on the sixth floor of a hotel.

Hotel manager Mrs. Ella Payton told Judge W. McKay Skillman she had ordered Griggs out of five other bathtubs on other floors.

"It was warm in there," Griggs told the judge.

"You'd be in pretty bad shape if somebody turned on the water," replied the judge.

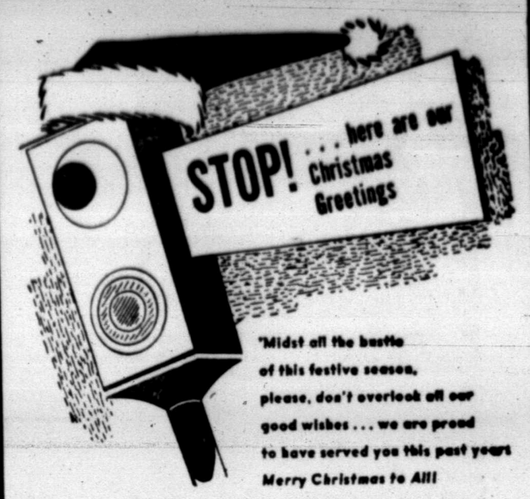
"Oh, that's all right," said Griggs, "I always sleep with one eye open."

Thirty days for vagrancy, said Skillman.

Man For Detail

GLEN GARDNER, N. J. (AP) — Here's how thorough T. Herbert Hand is:

When he made a model of an early American room measuring 18 by 24 inches and complete with hand carved colonial furniture, he blackened the wall of the stone fireplace for realism.



'Midst all the bustle of this festive season, please, don't overlook all our good wishes . . . we are proud to have served you this past year. Merry Christmas to All!

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Betty And Robert Young Are Wed Thrice Without Divorce

By DOROTHY ROE
Associated Press Women's Editor

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — It's not often a girl gets to marry the same man three times, with no intervening divorces.

This is the unique accomplishment of charming, red-haired Betty Young, wife of the screen and TV star, Robert Young, and mother of four daughters.

The first Young wedding was performed by a justice of the peace in Santa Ana, Calif., when Bob and Betty were very young. The second took place on their 25th wedding anniversary, last March, in the Episcopal chapel of the Bishop School at La Jolla, alma mater of all the Young daughters who are old enough. The third showed up as an episode in Young's long-standing TV series, "Father Knows Best," just a few weeks ago.

"I don't know whether it was the children's idea or ours," says Betty, "but everybody agreed that since we haver had had a church wedding it was high time to have one, and our silver wedding anniversary was a good date.

"So we went through the whole ceremony at the beautiful little chapel on the campus of the school which has been a sort of second home to our daughters. The ceremony was performed by the chaplain, Canon Frederick J. Stevens, and Bob's best man was the J.P. who married us the first time — only now he's Superior Court Judge Kenneth Morrison. My attendant was my best friend, Mrs. Louis B. Mayer, and all four of our daughters looked on.

"It was all solemn and lovely, and gave us a nice, glowing feeling, since both of us had become serious Episcopalians through our eldest daughter, Carol Anne.

"I had no idea they were going to use the whole thing on Bobby's show until I saw the program a few weeks ago, while I was in the hospital recuperating from some minor surgery.

"It gives you a strange feeling to see your own life being played on a television screen by your own husband and his TV wife. But I enjoyed the film version of my wedding almost as much as I did the first two real ones."

Many episodes of Young's TV series parallel events in his own lively family, although both he and Betty insist they never interfere with the script writers. His screen family consists of actress Jane Wyatt as his wife, and three children.

His real family consists of Betty and their four daughters: Carol Anne, now Mrs. Arthur Proffitt and a teacher at the Buckley School in Los Angeles; Barbara, 21, student at U.S.C.; Betty Lou, 15, a student at the Bishop School and Kathleen, 13, who is in the seventh grade at the Buckley School, where her sister teaches.

The Young home in Beverly Hills is headquarters for half of the younger generation of Hollywood, with boyfriends and girlfriends of the young daughters always welcome and always present.

"Bobby and I always put our family first," Betty says, "And I guess that's why he's able to be such a convincing father on the screen."

Television Stolen While Viewer Naps

DETROIT (AP)—David Barton, 30, told police he was watching a late movie on television when he fell asleep.

When he awoke, the room was dark and he thought the picture tube had burned out.

He turned on a room light and found the $300 set had been stolen.

Season's Greetings

With the approach of Christmas, our thoughts revert gratefully to those whose good will and confidence we have learned to treasure throughout the years. It is to these old friends and our many new ones that we wish to extend our warmest wishes for a cheerful and joyous Christmas—a happy and prosperous New Year.

SNYDER DRUGS

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No. 1—West Side of Square

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Season's Greetings

We hope that all our many friends will be stocking up on the wealth of good wishes sent your way by our entire staff . . . May your Christmas be sock-full of happiness and every good thing in life!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Launching Of Satellites Will Be Routine Business In '59

By ALTON BLAKESLEE
AP Science Writer

Rockets in 1959 will blast open the doors to human space travel.

Once a month and oftener, U. S. satellites weighing up to 1,300 pounds or more are scheduled to zoom into space carrying mice, monkeys and instruments to pave the way for man.

These launchings will show how to protect man in orbit, and how to recover safely the satellite capsule in which he rides.

Some experts predict the Soviets will actually send a man up and bring him home within the year.

In 1958, the Soviets announced two main achievements, both pointing toward early human space flight. In May they launched Sputnik III, weighing 3,000 pounds, a veritable cosmic laboratory equipped with a variety of instruments to measure conditions in space. In August, they lofted two dogs 283 miles high inside a rocket, and parachuted them safely back.

Characteristically, the Soviets tell nothing about advance plans. But surely they have high adventures and surprises in mind.

Making up some lost ground in the space age, U. S. rocket men in 1958 successfully launched three Explorer satellites and one tiny Vanguard. The Air Force tried three shots at the moon, one wheeling 79,000 miles from earth, and the Army launched one which climbed 66,654 miles into space before falling victim to the earth's gravity and plummeting back.

Russia also is expected to try to hit or orbit the moon, and perhaps tried to do so without success in 1958.

Both countries hint at space probes aimed at Venus or Mars, or racing out at such high speed that they become little manmade planets circling the sun.

Planned are satellites equipped with TV systems to see weather in the making on the earth below, or to engage in military surveillance — the beginnings of space stations and satellites serving as global communications networks.

Special, sensitive instruments aboard satellites will extend the rich new knowledge being won concerning space.

The prime discovery by satellites in 1958 was the curious band of unsuspected radiation ballooning like a doughnut high above the earth. It appears lethal to man, unless he is given protection by shielding. Coming satellites will learn its extent, and more about its meaning.

This radiation band is a new factor in gaining a clearer understanding of the electromagnetic forces in space and on the sun. Such forces certainly have effects upon the earth, probably in influencing our weather.

Part of this new understanding was won through the massive scientific study known as the International Geophysical Year. Major aspects of this worldwide cooperative study will continue as the International Geophysical Cooperation — 1959.

Our sun, kept under almost continuous surveillance, yielded secrets about its X-ray emissions, new concepts of magnetic triggers in storms on the sun's face, of solar effects on earth. Scientists gained new evidence that the sun's outer tenuous envelope seemingly embraces the earth itself, and that the earth's blanket of air extends to higher altitudes than suspected.

A new kind of astronomy — ultraviolet astronomy — appeared in 1958, to gaze revealingly at the sun and stars with ultraviolet-sensitive eyes. And rockets soared up above obscuring clouds to see the sun during an eclipse.

Coming in 1959 are balloon flights equipped with telescopes, rising above much of the earth's atmosphere for clearer photographs of the sun and Mars. These pictures could resolve the mystery of Martian "canals."

The United States took initial steps toward using atomic energy for space rockets, and Russia was reported already flying an atom-powered airplane. Nuclear scientists cleared up a puzzle about the makeup of the nucleus or heart of atoms.

Medically, 1958 brought new drugs to succor sick human minds, and more evidence that at least some mental illness is due to faulty chemistry rather than worried thinking. A few more fragments were added in the jig-saw puzzle of causes of cancers and heart diseases, with this research continuing into 1959 at increased tempo and greater promise.

Biologists and other scientists made progress toward the birth of a revolution in biological knowledge which might come in 1959. They are searching for human organs and spare parts, how to postpone death, and to solve basic mysteries of inheritance and of life itself.

Work Is Wasted

ST. ANNE, Ill. (AP) — Big Beaver Creek is the workshop of a lot of eager beavers. They built a dam 25 feet wide and about five feet high and backed up water for 1½ miles. The creek drains about 43,000 acres of farm land. A game warden had to dynamite.

GOP WINNER — Nelson A. Rockefeller raises arms in salute as returns indicate his election as New York governor despite the nationwide Democratic landslide.

Collection Of Poems Is Selling Fast

LONDON (AP) — The fastest selling thing in British bookshops just now a book of poems.

"John Betjeman's collected poems," the work of a versatile author and television personality, is selling at the phenomenal rate of about 1,000 copies daily.

"It's an absolute mystery," the 52-year-old writer exclaims.

His publisher says there's been nothing like the instantaneous success—the book has only been out three weeks — since publication of Lord Byron's "Childe Harold."

What is Betjeman's attraction?"

A London critic described him as the best bad poet now living.

He loves pathos and tenderness. He describes buildings and suburban life. Middle-class homeowners can understand what he's writing about. He has a confident light touch. For example:

"Pam, I adore you, Pam, you great mountainous sports girl,

"Whizing them over the net, full of strength of five. . .

"And full of pent-up strength, she swipes at the rhododendrons."

OUR WISH . . .

FOR THIS GLORIOUS HOLIDAY SEASON IS

A Merry Christmas

AND THAT

EVERYONE WILL DO THEIR BEST TO MAKE THIS HOLIDAY THE SAFEST EVER!

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QUEMOY CASUALTY — Wounded mother feeds infant in Quemoy shelter in October. Red Chinese harassed Nationalist-held island with alternate-day shelling.

Liz Taylor Is Hollywood's 'Most Talked About' In '58

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — It was a year of triumph and tragedy for Elizabeth Taylor. An onrush of events made her Hollywood's most talked-about woman of 1958.

The year started in crushing tragedy for the onetime child star. Her third husband, fabulous showman Mike Todd, fell to a flaming death in his private plane.

Liz was desolate. Among those who hastened to console her were Todd's dear friend, singer Eddie Fisher, and his wife, Debbie Reymolds. No one then knew what portent that held.

After a few weeks of mourning, Luscious Liz returned to MGM to finish "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof." She said she had little desire to work again, but she was doing it for Mike. He predicted "Cat" would win her the Oscar she had lost to Joanne Woodward the previous year, when she was up for "Raintree County."

Film Triumph

"Cat" established Liz as the hottest female star in films. It lingered an amazing two months on top of the box office winners list, and the critics hailed her acting skill. Free from her MGM contract, she was able to make fabulous deals, such as a half-million dollars and 10 per cent of each box office dollar to do "Two for the Seesaw."

In late summer she found herself again in the headlines, this time in a less sympathetic guise. After a fling with Liz in the East, Eddie Fisher announced a separation from his wife, and Debbie's fans accused Liz of husband-stealing.

Liz admitted that the adverse publicity might affect her Oscar chances. At any rate, it appeared to be a tight race among the female contenders.

Oscar Contenders

Susan Hayward, who left Hollywood to live in Georgia with her husband, Eaton Chalkley, returned to register an electrifying performance as Barbara Graham in "I Want to Live." Jean Simmons demonstrated her maturity with a topnotch job in "Home before Dark." Ingrid Bergman, always a strong contender, scored again with her sensitive work in "Inn of the Sixth Happiness."

The girl to watch in the future was pretty young Millie Perkins. A New York photographer's model, she was catapulted to stardom with the leading role in "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Behind Scenes

Other women proved you didn't have to be an actress to make a mint in Hollywood. Grace Metalious won a contract estimated at a half-million dollars for film rights to her new novel plus a sequel to her sensational "Peyton Place." Rona Jaffe, 26-year-old former office worker, penned a novel about her co-workers, "The Best of Everything," and sold it to 20th Century-Fox for $150,000.

And film writer Ketti Frings won the Pulitzer prize for her sensitive stage adaptation of Thomas Wolfe's "Look Homeward, Angel."

ELIZABETH TAYLOR

Television Actress Is Granted Divorce

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Television actress Elinor Donahue, 21, was divorced on testimony her husband drank too much.

Miss Donahue, who plays the older daughter in the TV series "Father Knows Best," said her husband, Richard T. Smith, 27, studio sound technician, also ignored her and their son, Brian, 21 months.

Superior Court granted her custody of the child and $50 monthly for his support.

Woman's World Is At White Sands

WHITE SANDS PROVING GROUND, N. M. (AP) — About one-fifth of the 9,000 persons working for the Army Missile Test Center, the Naval Ordnance Missile Test Facility and private industry contractors at this proving ground are women. Members of the fairer sex hold down jobs ranging from technical and engineering positions in the guided missile program to clerical and stenographic work.

Christmas Cards Gone To College

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Christmas cards of a California insurance company have gone to college.

The Occidental Life Insurance Co. said it is not sending out elaborate multicolored cards this year. Savings in printing costs for smaller, more simple cards will be used for three $1,000 college scholarships.

Texas Fields Held To 122 Days In '58

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas prorated fields were permitted to produce only 122 days this year as the state's crude oil production slipped 13.9 per cent from 1957.

The Railroad Commission said yesterday the total production days were down 49 from the 171 days permitted last year.

Excessive inventories and a weak demand were the big factors although above - normal weather the last part of the year and the mild were important causes.

The commission said the "drastic cutbacks in Texas' crude oil production during the last two compared to 1,057,997,396 produced last year.

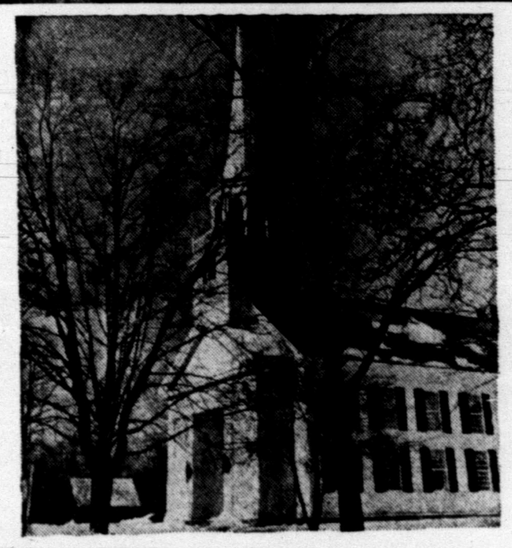
Oil well completions totaled 12,086 compared to 14,984 for 1957. Drillers brought in 2,704 gas wells during the year compared to 7,275 for 1957.

The commission also reported a decline in regular drilling applications—19,616 from 22,163 in 1957.

As of Dec. 5, total stocks of crude and principal products in the nation were 583,200,000 barrels, a drop of 37,700,000 from a year ago. The commission said that "although the industry still has on hand more gasoline, distillate and residual than it would like its statistical position is much improved over a year ago."

Casinghead gas production decreased from 1,827,840,699 MCF (Thousand cubic feet) to 1,651,962,538 MCF during 1958.

Santa's on his way!



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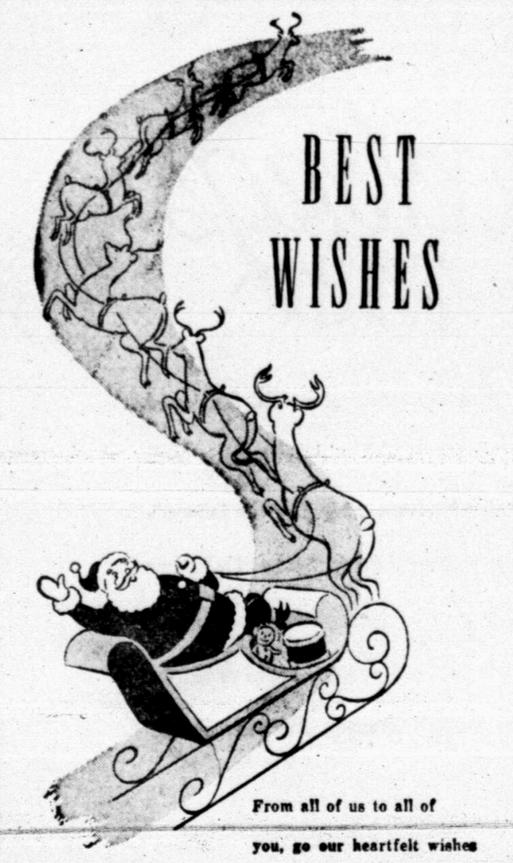

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From all of us to all of you, go our heartfelt wishes that you may enjoy A Very Merry Christmas!

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Christmas Cheer

Happy holiday to all! We are grateful for your loyalty in the past and wish you and all your loved ones — *A Very Merry Christmas!* . . .

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

There are days for selling furniture
And days to send a bill
But this one day of all the year
We send you just GOOD WILL!

Once again its Christmas time. And for all the nice favors you have shown us we want to take this opportunity to say a big "THANK YOU" . . . and wish you one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

We have sincerely appreciated your past business and we will strive to earn your continued good will in the coming years.

May you and yours enjoy a wonderful Holiday Season, with the New Year of 1959 the very finest year of your whole life. This is our Christmas Wish for all of you.

Sincerely,
Modern Furniture & Appliances
208 East Highway

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Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy two years old. I want you to bring me a red tractor I can ride, with a trailer, a farm set, a car, also a road grader.

Your friend,
Nelson Eckert
Fluvanna

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy two months old and I want you to bring me a pull toy and a rubber toy, and also a rattler.

Your friend
Gary Don Eckert
Fluvanna

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a large tiny tears doll and kit.

Thank You,
Deborah Hanback
3766 Avondale

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 8 years old an in the second grade. I have tried my best to be a good girl. For Christmas I would like to have a doll with a bathinette, a doll house, and a baking set.

Santa, I have two little brothers who are kinda mean, but you know who little boys are. They want boxing gloves so they can fight it out. And they want a farm and a basketball and net. Their names are Alfred and Alan. Alfred is 6 years old and Alan is 4. Alan wants a cowboy suit, too.

Santa, be good to my mommy and daddy and don't forget my grandparents.

I Love You,
Jo Anne Smith
2706 Avenue Z

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Dear Santa,
I'm a little boy 4 years old. I don't ask for much, just a small tractor and a few attachments. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Thank you for the bicycle last year.

Love,
Donald Ray (PeeWee)
Sellars
Knapp

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Dear Santa:
My name is Boo Boo. I am four years old, will be five in February.

Santa, this is what I would like to have for Christmas, if you have them. A bike, a Roy Rogers set, a gun, bullets, a radio set. Thank you very much.

I have been a good boy, and I have helped my mother and daddy. I have been good to my sister.

Boo Boo Whittenberg

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Dear Santa:
I will be a good boy till Christmas if you will please bring me a pickup and trailer with a horse in it, a record player, a tool set, drum, station set, dump truck, a car that turns, bowling set, that's all.

I will fix you some cookies and milk.

Joe

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Dear Santa Claus,
I have asked my mother to write this letter for me.

I want a bow and arrow, a boat and submarine, and a plane. Thank you for the train you brought last year. Thank you for my fire engine and drum. I'll have a cup of coffee and cookies for you.

Love,
Jack Babcock
218 Thirty-sixth Street

P. S. We don't have a chimney, so Daddy promised me that he would leave the door unlocked so you can come in and get warm.

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Dear Santa Claus,
Chuck is 8 years old. He wants a highway patrol suit, a scope rifle, an army belt and an army canteen. A game of any kind.

I have another little brother named Rusty. He is 6 years old. He wants a lone ranger suit, paint set, scope rifle, and a game of any kind.

I have a little sister who is 5 years old. Her name is Pat. She wants a bride doll with blonde hair, clothes, suitcase, dishes, buggy, beauty set, nurse set.

Chuck wants a doctor set. Rusty wants a doctor set. A blackboard for all three of them.

Signed,
Mary

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Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Bid Allen Cooper and I live with mother, Daddy, Arnetta, O. L., and myself in Snyder, Texas. We live at 3717 Dalton Drive next to the Phillips. I hope you are feeling good and don't mind bringing me a few presents that I like real well. I have been a pretty good boy and would like to have the following presents if you come by my house:

I would like to have a big filling station with a whole lots of cars, and a whole bunch of little men, and a elevator with it, and with a thang like that, that the cars go down on.

Santa Claus, this is what I want the most of all and I hope you will bring it to me on Christmas Night. If you have some extra nuts and fruit to put in my stocking, I will have it hanging close to my bed.

Thank you Mr. Santa Claus and I like you.

Bid Cooper
3717 Dalton Drive

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little three year old girl and would like for you to bring me a pretty red tricycle. If you run out of red ones, a blue will do.

I have a baby brother and want you to remember him. Please remember all the little girls and boys.

I love you,
Lynda Rae Burgess
2210 Forty-first Street

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Dear Santa:
I've been a good girl and been saying "yes ma'am" and no ma'am."

Please bring me a record player, bride doll and some new records.

Eloise

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Dear Santa:
I just want a cry-baby doll.

Patsy Jean

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Dear Santa:
I want a doll and a baton and a nurse kit.

Brenda

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I want a gun and cook set and doll.

Debra

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I want a guitar and a gun and football game.

Freddie

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Dear Santa:
I am a little girl three years old. I can't write so may aunt Kathy is writing this for me. For Christmas I would like to have a lady doll whose dress has a fur collar. Also I would like to have an ironing board, iron and a telephone.

I would like to have some candy and nuts if there is enough to go around. I have been a pretty good little girl.

Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Pat McCright

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Dear Santa Claus,
I am writing for my sister and me.

This is what my sister wants. A tiny tears, Ivory Snow, skates dishes, cosmetic bag with an umbrella on it.

This is what I want. Skates, Cindy school doll, cosmetic bag with an umbrella on it.

With love,
Gail Sadler
3106 Forty-second Street

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Dear Santa,
I want a surveyor's kit and a mountain hunter air rifle for Christmas.

Your friend,
Dennis Grizzle
Box 130, Ira

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Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I have tried to be good.

This year please bring me a baby doll, a bicycle red and white, lipstick set, polish, tinker bell set.

Lana McMillan
2811 Avenue T

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Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 9 years old. I want a bow and arrow and a bb gun and a chemistry set and a watch.

Lane McMillan
2811 Avenue T

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Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 5 years old. My name is laddie. Please bring me a little bb gun, boxing thing with gloves, sharp dart thing.

Laddie McMillan
2811 Avenue T

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Dear Santa,
Bring me a big tiny tears please.
Have you got a wife?
I would like a typewriter.
In case you don't have room you don't have to bring it.
If you don't, I'll get my mother and daddy to get it.

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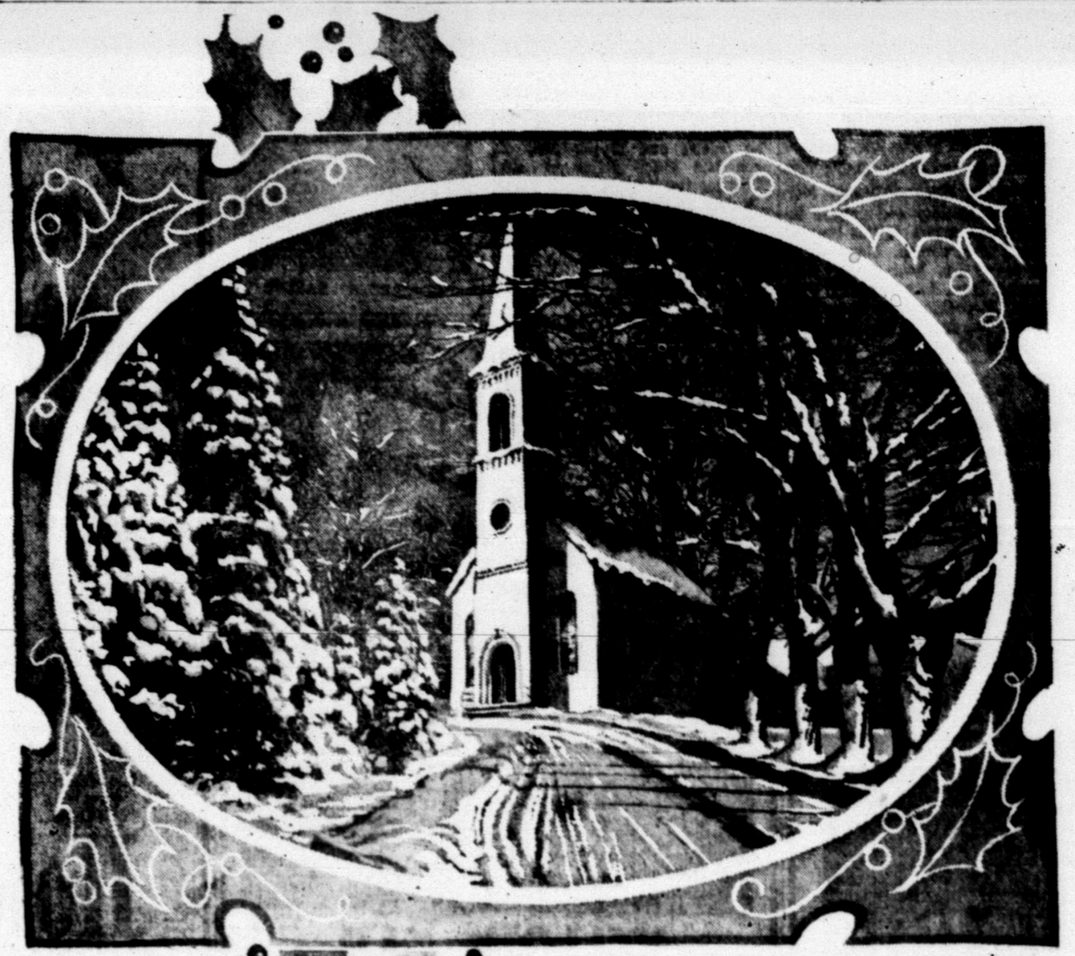

Christmas Greetings

In the spirit of an old-fashioned Yuletide... warm with good fellowship and rich in friendship... we wish you the season's heartiest greetings. May your Holidays abound with good health and high happiness and leave you with a treasure trove of bright memories to cherish through the year ahead.

Forrest BUILDERS SUPPLY

Junior Editors Quiz on Christmas

QUESTION: How did the legend of Santa Claus start?

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ANSWER: Oddly enough, the original Santa Claus was a bishop in a city in what is now Turkey. He is called that today because English settlers in colonial America couldn't quite pronounce the name of the gift-giving Saint Nicholas of their Dutch neighbors.

Legend has it that Nicholas, bishop of Myrna, used to give bags of gold secretly to girls whose fathers were too poor to provide dowries (marriage gifts). A group of Italians stole Saint Nicholas' bones in 1087 and carried them home to Bari.

They built a new basilica in Nicholas' honor and started a wave of popularity for him among European Christians. Dutch sailors, the great traders of their day, carried the legend of generous Saint Nicholas home to Holland. Dutch settlers brought it to America.

In Europe, Saint Nicholas is the children's saint. He was always pictured as riding a white horse in his church robes and mitre (bishop's high hat) to bring gifts to the children — usually on December 6.

But when the English settlers caught the idea from their neighbors in this country, they mixed Saint Nicholas with their own Christmas celebrations on December 25th. Santa Claus was portrayed as a skinny fellow until a famous artist, Thomas Nast, drew him as the fat, jolly, bearded character we know today. In recent years, Santa has crossed the ocean to Europe but he is still primarily an American figure.

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FOR YOU TO DO: Color this picture of Saint Nicholas, the original Santa Claus, talking to a little Dutch girl. Can you picture Santa Claus as a skinny fellow?

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(For this question, Mike Kress of Lansing, Mich., gets $10. Send your question on a postcard to Violet Moore Higgins, AP Newsfeatures, care of this newspaper. Tomorrow: What holds a soap bubble together?) 12-25

Costly New Weapons Bring Manpower Cut

By ELTON C. FAY
Associated Press
Military Affairs Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States in 1959 will increase its ability to fight a big missile war.

Whether it also will be prepared equally for coping with actual or threatened little wars — like 1958's Middle East and Formosa Strait crises — continues a subject of debate in the Pentagon and in Congress.

As 1958 approached its end, the military succeeded in firing an Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile over the full 6,000-mile distance.

Before 1959 is over, the Air Force expects to have at least two ICBM launching bases ready for use and technically trained units to fire the long range missiles.

Encouraging Progress

There is hope but not certainty that the weapons themselves will be "operational" during 1959. But the fact that an ICBM has been sent the full distance does not mean the Atlas can now be delivered to troops. Much more work remains to be done in refining the guidance system to a point of complete reliability — to the state of perfection where the missile will take off at the press of a button, fly 6,000 miles and hit within a 30-mile circle. Defense Secretary Neil McElroy said recently that "we are coming closer to the time of operational capability for the Atlas," but he didn't specify the time.

In the field of intermediate range ballistic missiles, the new year will find the American military much further along. The first Thor IRBM has been set in position in England, others are following.

The bright prospects in the missile field does not mean that the manned bomber will disappear from the American arsenal in 1959 or even for years after that. Bombers like the B52 heavy and the B47 medium will continue to be the backbone of the Strategic Air Command next year.

But the B52s will begin to get a new lethal punch during the year. Into them will go equipment for launching the "Hound Dog" missile. That new missile totes a nuclear warhead, and can be launched from a bomber flying as much as 400 miles out-side a heavily defending target zone.

This spring the first nuclear-powered Polaris missile firing submarine will be launched. It is one of nine planned. The goal is to have the first submarine and the first missiles ready for trials, as a complete unit, in 1960.

There appears to be a chance that the Air Force will start preliminary flight testing of an atomic powered plane — a feat which some recent reports say Russia already has accomplished.

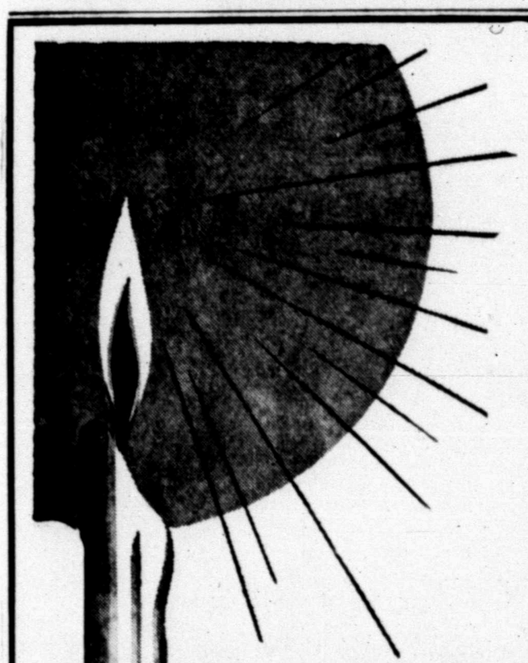
Some of these things are tools for massive, all-out nuclear war.

What might the military do in 1959 about augmenting its capabilities for fighting smaller localized conflicts?

Fewer Men

One immediate answer seems to be there will be fewer fighting men for heading off or winning little wars. By next June 30 the manpower strength of the armed forces will be about 70,000 less than now. The heavier part of the cut will be in Army strength. The Army brass contends this reduces the capability for limited war action, but indicates it will not make an issu of the matter. However, some Congress members may challenge the administration decision when the lawmakers meet again in January.

Santa's on his way!



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Uncle Sam Finds Spending Just Grows; Tough To Curb

By FRANK CORMIER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Spending has a way of happening, whether you like it or not. Ask Uncle Sam.

His budget is deeper in the red than ever before in peacetime. Yet even as he plans to economize, experts tell him he's spending more than his budget indicates.

For the third time since last summer, government economists have increased their estimates of future federal outlays for goods and services.

These are the estimates that give an advance clue to the government's contribution to national output. The fact that they have again been raised indicates federal spending will continue to add zip to the business recovery for at least the next six months.

Beyond next July the outlook is clouded because it will be several weeks before President Eisenhower sends Congress his new budget for the 1960 fiscal year that begins July 1. A lot depends too on what Congress does to that budget.

The odds are, however, that federal spending will remain a significant prop under the economy throughout 1959.

In the current fiscal year, the government is spending roughly 80 billion dollars. This compares with about 72 billions in the last bookkeeping year.

About two-thirds of this spending is for goods and services—missiles, trucks, office machines, buildings, pay for federal employes, etc. Money spent in this fashion moves directly into the economy.

Six months ago, government economists estimated that federal purchases of goods and services would reach an annual rate of 55 billion dollars by next June.

Now they say it probably will be closer to 56½ billions by June.

Even if Congress and the administration hold the line on spending in fiscal 1960, a mere continuation of the projected April-June level would produce an average of 56¼ billion dollars for calendar 1959.

That would mean an increase of about 3½ billion dollars over the 1958 average—enough to be a significant plus factor in the 1959 economy.

With a $12,200,000,000 deficit forecast for the current fiscal year, the new Congress will hear plenty of talk about economy in government.

As in 1958, however, the administration and Congress may discover that spending tends to happen faster than expected.

Robert College and the American College for Girls, both American educational institutions, are located near Istanbul, Turkey. Most of the students are Turkish, but they also have students of 15 other nationalities.

Gas Industry Has Good Year In '58

By WALTER BUSSEWITZ

NEW YORK (AP)—The natural gas industry got boosts from the weather and the courts in 1958 and wound up with one of its better years.

What was good news for the companies was not necessarily so pleasant for the consuming public.

Early in the year utilities distributing natural gas enjoyed a boomlet as severe cold waves swept large sections of the country. Gas sales skyrocketed, particularly in areas where gas is used heavily for home heating.

In parts of the Southland, some companies ran into periods in which they had to discontinue almost all industrial sales, many commercial sales, close schools and ask home owners to lower thermostats.

Going into the final quarter, gas sales for 1958 were about 5 per cent ahead of 1957, according to the American Gas Assn. Utility and pipeline revenues were up 13 per cent and earnings were up almost 17 per cent.

Pipelines got a lift in December when the supreme court tossed out the so-called "Memphis decision." The tribunal cleared the way for the pipelines to raise their rates, subject to refund, without first going through a rate proceeding at the federal power commission. Under the Memphis decision, the companies were required to get consent of their customers before any proposed rate increase could go into effect.

Industry leaders forecast the ruling would mean a sharp increase in expansion in 1959. Despite some cancellations as a result of the Memphis decision, the industry spent $1,870,000,000 on expansion projects in 1958, almost as much as the year before.

Ford, Bacon & Davis, an engineering firm associated with the gas industry, said consumption of natural gas will continue to grow at a rate of better than 5 to 7 per cent a year. The industry's main problem, said the consulting firm, is to put a check on rising field prices and increasing costs of capital construction.

Gas companies were encouraged when some of the bigger name manufacturers introduced a wide array of new gas appliances. The industry hoped some of these would provide stronger competition with the well entrenched electric appliance industry.

The late W. C. Handy, composer of "The St. Louis Blues", said that a real blues song had 12 bars, the "C" seventh after the first four bars; and the "F" chord to follow. Swing steps up the 12 bars of the blues to 24 or 32 bars.

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Oil Industry Facing More Readjustments

By MAX B. SKELTON

HOUSTON (AP)—The oil industry's centennial year of 1959 inherits numerous problems from 1958, a year that began and ends as a period of readjustment.

There is indication the worst effects of oil's share of the industrial recession are over but many phases of operations still are far below the record levels of 1956 and early 1957.

Optimism for 1959 is tempered by caution and uncertainty.

U.S. crude production at year-end is expected to exceed 7,100,000 barrels a day—the highest level in 18 months—but exploratory and drilling operations continue to decline.

Gasoline price wars of early 1958 have subsided but sagging crude prices have wiped out about half the 25-cent per barrel boost, the first since 1953, posted in early 1957.

Company income improved the last half of 1958 but low production allowables kept many small operators n financial difficulty. Some Southwest banks were reporting at year-end that as much as 80 per cent of their loans with small operators were for sellouts instead of for financing explorations and drillings.

Demand for crude and products in 1958 was above 1957, which showed a gain of less than one per cent, but well below the average post-war year increase of 4.5 per cent.

The new year is expected to bring new demand in excess of four per cent but the domestic producer's share of the gain is clouded by the prolonged dispute over oil imports.

A new formula for the voluntary curtailment of imports is to become effective Jan. 1, and this and the new Congress will receive considerable attention from the oil operator, large and small.

Oil had a quiet year in Congress in 1958. The major legislation approved was defense amendment changes that strengthened the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act's authoriation of the imports curtailment program that began July 29, 1957.

Oil's major congressional victory was accompanied by warnings of tough battles ahead and the results of the November general election emphasized the industry's plans for vigilance in 1959.

Senate floor efforts to cut the industry's 27½ per cent depletion tax allowance were defeated in September but proponents of the cuts picked up strength. Sponsors of the proposed cuts were re-elected in November and immediately announced plans for new attacks in 1959 on the 32-year-old tax allowable that the industry considers vital to exploratory drilling.

The challenge to depletion was responsible in part for numerous year-end suggestions by industry spokesmen that oil operators take a more active interest in practical politics. Another factor was speculation Congress will be asked in 1959 to approve a two-cent per gallon boost in gasoline taxes.

Oil's period of readjustment began with the start of the Suez crisis in November, 1956, at a time when the industry already was being pinched by the recession.

Domestic crude production soared to record levels during the Middle East emergency as oil was rushed to Western Europe. The bottom dropped out, however, with the reopening of the canal, and late November crude output still was slightly below levels existing at the time bombs began to fall on the canal.

Imports, however, made a rapid recovery after the emergency and, despite the curtailment program, were at record levels in late November as the White House continued study of the proposed new formula developed by a special Cabinet committee.

Domestic crude output jumped from 6,981,000 barrels a day the week of Nov. 2, 1956, to a record 7,818,400 the week ending March 22, 1957. Readjustment dropped output to a low of 6,220,385 the week ending last May 9 and gradual improvement had restored the level to only 6,974,835 by Nov. 21.

Higher December allowables were expected to boost output over the December allowables were expected to boost output over the 7,100,000 mark by the end of the year.

Imports the four weeks ending Nov. 2, 1956, averaged 1,442,900 barrels a day, including 430,500 in products and 1,012,400 in crude. By the time the voluntary curtailment efforts began, however, they had soared to a record 1,680,300 or 1,289,100 of crude and 391,200 of products—for a similar period ending Aug. 16, 1957.

At the time of the domestic industry's May 9 low, imports had dropped to 1,479,200—969,400 crude and 509,800 products—but by Nov. 21 another record of 1,818,600 was in the books, including 1,029,000 barrels of crude daily and a whopping record 789,600 in products.

Middle East output meanwhile reached a record 4,530,300 barrels a day in September, compared to 3,873,000 when the crisis began to develop 24 months earlier.

Movies Work On Pattern For Survival

By BOB THOMAS
AP Movie-TV Writer

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — The motion picture industry was still working out its pattern for survival in 1958. At year's end, the solution was not yet found.

Plagued by TV and apathetic audiences, film business remained in an unsettled state. Theaters could get tremendous returns with films like "The Vikings," "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof," "South Pacific" and "Bridge on the River Kwai," But business lagged between such hits.

An index of the troubled condition in the industry was the production slate. The number of films produced dropped 34 per cent, from 293 in 1957 to 194 in 1958.

The principal casualty was the run-of-the-mill picture. Hollywood seemed to be specializing in two kinds of films: The big budget epec with top stars and the fast-buck exploitation picture with monsters and-or juvenile delinquents.»

With all its other problems, the producers were encountering another major one: The overpricing of stars. A dozen or so top male stars and a few female stars had achieved such prominence at the box office that they could demand and get fantastic salaries. Movie makers screamed, but still were willing to shell out a million dollars for names like Marlon Brando, William Holden and John Wayne.

And so Hollywood enters 1959 with some apprehension and wonder.

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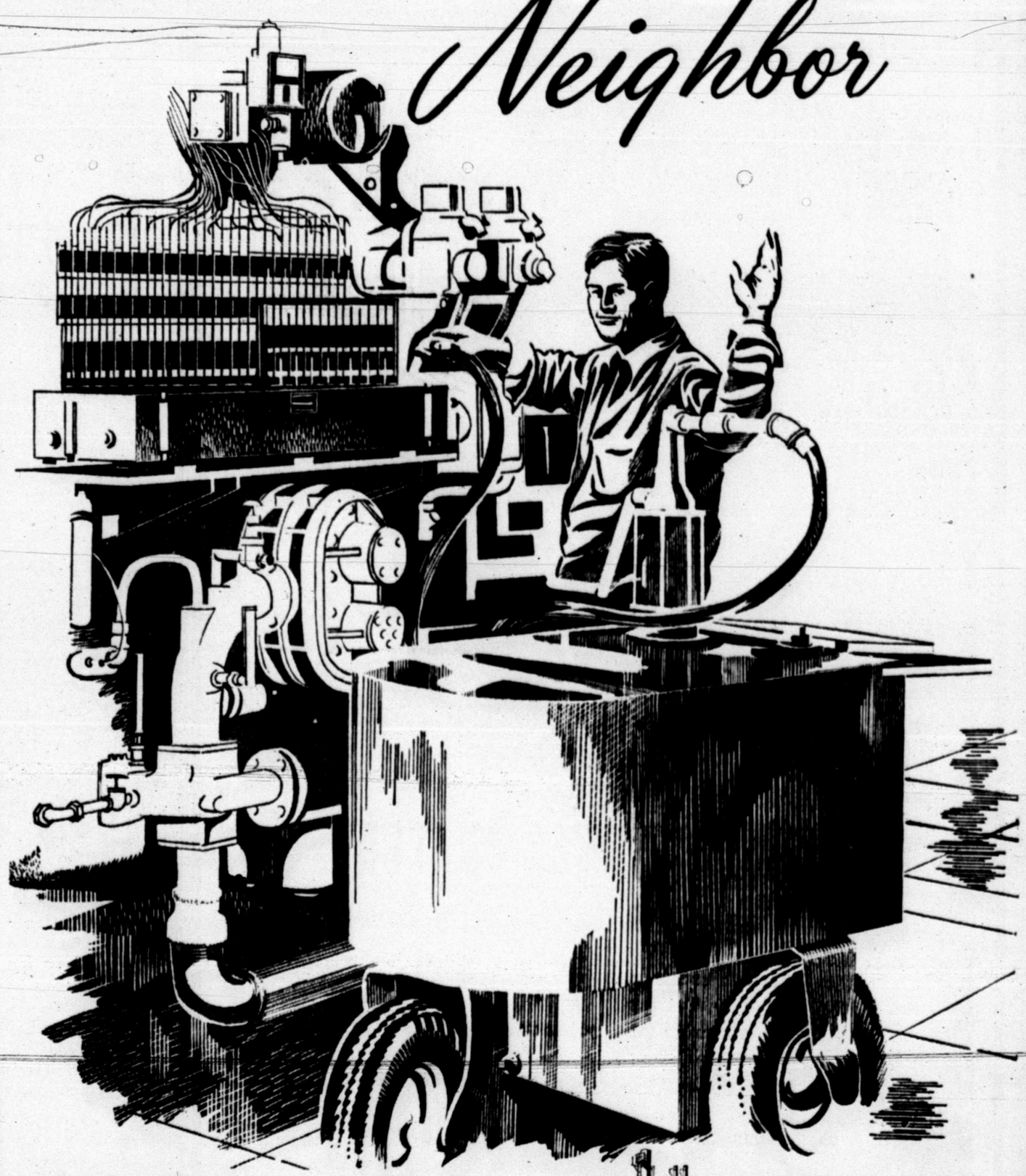

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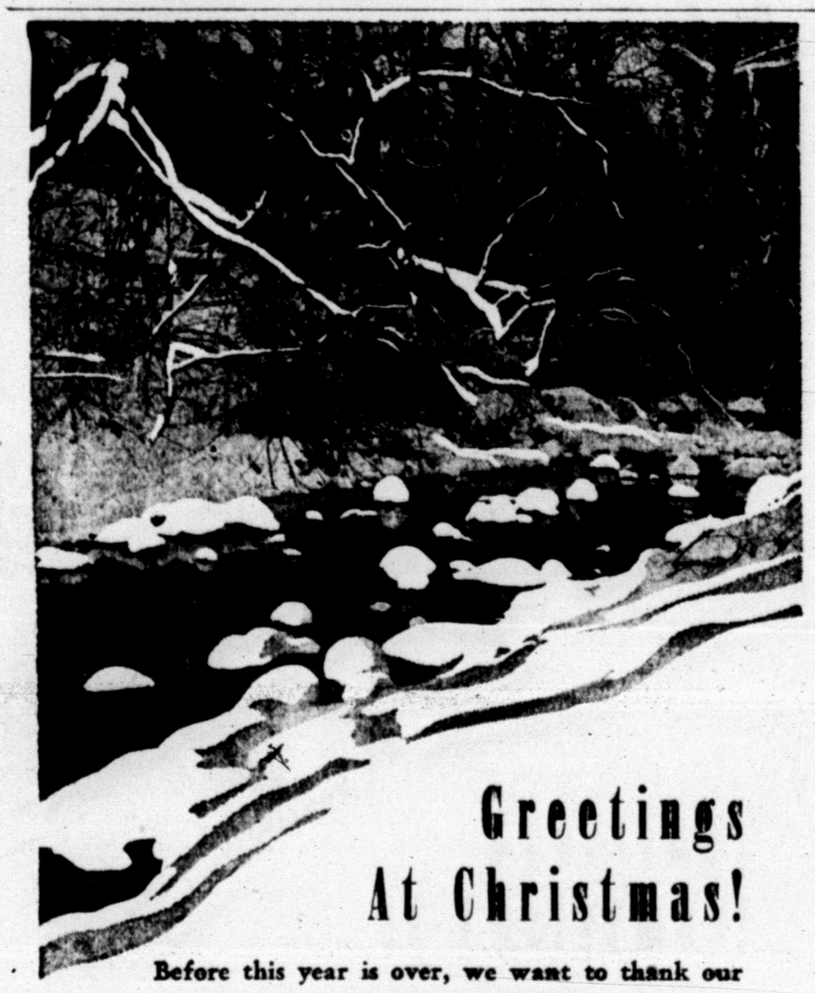

Greetings At Christmas!

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Junior Editors Quiz on Christmas

QUESTION: How long has Christmas been celebrated?

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ANSWER: The exact day of Christ's birth is not known, but the early church settled on December 25 more than 1,600 years ago. The date probably was selected in order to replace the traditional pagan mid-winter festival with a Christian celebration.

The Romans and pagan European tribes held a feast in December just when the short winter days began to grow longer to celebrate the return of light. The Christians, of course, taught that Christ was the light of the world.

Early Christians — often persecuted for their faith — remembered the birth of their Lord quietly, going to hidden fields to burn their candles. For about 300 years after his death, his birthday was celebrated at various times. One of the oldest church holidays was Epiphany or Twelfth Night on January 6.

In Greece and other Eastern countries, Epiphany was regarded as the celebration of Jesus' baptism or spiritual birth. Western countries called it the Feast of the Magi, or the day the three Kings visited the baby Jesus and the light appeared in Jordan's skies.

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FOR YOU TO DO: Color this picture of early Christians celebrating Christmas in the fields. Many people still carry candles to church at Christmas time.

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(Interesting questions are given a $10 award. If you have one, send it on a postcard to Violet Moore Higgins, AP Newsfeatures, in care of this newspaper. Tomorrow: How did the legend of Santa Claus start?) 12-24

Santa's on his way!

1958 Crops Top All Records; Storage Facilities Overflow

CHICAGO (AP)—Never in the history of American agriculture have there been such bin-bursting crops as those produced this year.

They jam every available inch of grain storage space and have even put thousands of producers themselves into the storage business as agents of the government. To help in easing the emergency, these growers built facilities on their own farms and offered them to the government at the going storage fee rates.

In most instances, the facilities hold the farmer's own yield which he first placed in the government price support loan as an alternative to a lower commercial market price.

The government investments in price support programs climbed to new record highs, to more than three billion dollars in surplus wheat alone. The amount committed to corn price supports is almost certain to exceed that figure in the final accounting of the record high 1958 yield.

Long before the harvests of corn and soybeans, the government crop loans was 10 per cent larger than at the same time in 1957 with a total of almost 7½ billion dollars.

Although he did not wholly deny government responsibility for solution to the problem of agricultural surpluses, President Eisenhower did say in a midsummer statement that the time has come for farmers to adjust their production to market requirements rather than to default of loans in government storage.

In late autumn, Sen. Clinton Anderson (D-NM), a former secretary of agriculture, said that agricultural benefits were costing the government 53 cents for every dollar taken in by farmers.

The record high yields of the major crops were all the more staggering because they were grown on the smallest planted acreage in 40 years.

While technological advances have been credited with much of the increasing production in recent years they had the added boost this year of ideal weather, a combination not likely to occur again soon.

Although the Department of Agriculture reduced price supports this year on the major crops of wheat and corn and market prices have been rather substantially below those of 1957 most of the time, farm income from these sources was expected to be fairly well maintained because of the much larger harvests. For a short time in late October cash corn in Chicago was down to $1.07 a bushel, lowest price in 15 years.

American agriculture goes into the new year with its largest supplies in history and with no hope that adequate markets can be found to bring supply and demand anywhere near a balance.

Institute Is Given Grant

AUSTIN — The University of Texas Clayton Foundation Biochemical Institute has received $104,743 from the Clayton Foundation in Houston.

The funds will support research and provide salary supplementation for a six-month period.

Also, $10,000 of the total was designated as the second installment of a $50,000 appropriation to finish the part of the Experimental Science Building which houses the Biochemical Institute.

"In 1940 when the Biochemical Institue was organized, the Clayton Foundation donated $15,000 to support the research work of three to four scientists. Now, 18 years later, the Institute receives more than $200,000 each year to support the research of 80 scientists," Dr. Roger J. Williams, Institute director, pointed out.

The Institute concentrates on research problems in cancer, alcoholism, mental disease and nutrition. Institute scientists have made major scientific advances in the nutrition field with discovery of several of the B vitamins.

New Yorker Seeks Ride In Satellite

WASHINGTON (AP)—Somebody in New York City wants to be the first man to ride in an American satellite.

"If the United States doesn't want my services, I'll offer them to Russia," said the voice on the other end of the long distance phone call to the Pentagon.

The Atlas satellite-inspired man who wants a mission—he did not give his name—started trying to find someone in the Pentagon interested in his offer. His call was shifted from one week-end depleted office to another and finally to the public relations office.

AT PROBE — Boston magnate Bernard Goldfine displays wrist watch at House probe in July. He said watch was one of two given to him by presidential aide Sherman Adams. Later he was cited for contempt of Congress.

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More Activity Seen In '59, But No Boom

By STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON (AP)—Washington's business forecast for 1959: High and steadily rising activity. No boom.

National output somewhere between 460 and 470 billion dollars—a record, but not spectacularly above the 1958 yearend rate of around 450 billion.

Cost of living quite stable until midyear. Then resuming its rise to new peaks.

Employment improving month by month from 1958 levels. But not reaching "full employment" before 1960.

That appraisal is a consensus of the views of administration and congressional economists given in private interviews as the country closed the books on an 18-month cycle of recession and recovery.

Some officials are more bullish. A few believe production will exceed a 470-billion-dollar annual rate by midyear and push on to 490 billions a year from now.

That could happen, all agree—especially if inflationary forces break loose again. But a majority look for—and hope for—a more gradual advance. A pell-mell rush into another boom, they hold, would hasten the next bust.

Looking back, they are gratified to note that the recession, meaning the downswing phase, was one of the shortest of the past century. It started in August 1957 and hit bottom in April.

The recovery since then has been steady and widely shared. Its pace has been satisfactory though slower in several respects than the comeback from the two earlier postwar recessions.

The 1957-8 slump therefore gave reassuring evidence of the resiliency of the American economy. In that connection, two aspects of the downturn drew special comment here:

First, nobody panicked. Consumers kept right on buying.

Second, the economy's built-in stabilizers worked admirably. Total income, like retail sales, was on the rise before business generally stopped going down.

Comparatively few of the laid-off workers were entirely without income. Unemployment compensation took over when paychecks stopped. Relief payments rose.

President Eisenhower's ceiling on military outlays was lifted and Well aware of the problem and its own share of responsibility, the administration has accepted as its No. 1 economic goal the halting of the price rise which has taken an 8-cent chunk out of the buying power of the consumer's dollar since 1955.

To minimize the government's share in forcing prices up, Eisenhower this fall issued hold-down orders to government agencies drafting their fiscal 1960 budget requests. The Federal Reserve Board clamped down on credit even before the recovery was complete. The Treasury tried to divert its borrowings from commercial banks into less inflationary channels.

In most respects 1959 shapes up as the best-ever year.

The gross national product, or total value of all goods produced and services rendered, probably has moved up to a rate of 450 billion dollars a year.

White House advisers expect the rate to march to new highs quarter by quarter throughout 1959.

Today, nine months after the recession found bottom, the durable goods producers have recovered most of the lost ground. The soft goods industries—textiles, apparel, foods and beverages—have more than made up the decline. Construction is heading into its first 50-billion-dollar year.

Profits are expected to recover rapidly, as they generally do when productivity advances rapidly. Consumer buying power should advance in step with production.

U. S. Food Industry Still Riding High

By RIP WATSON

NEW YORK (AP)—America's steadily expanding food industry took the 1958 recession in stride.

The industry did so well, in fact, that it helped the over-all economy through increased output of food products, more purchases of farm goods and higher weekly earnings of food processing employes, says Paul S. Willis, president of Grocery Manufacturers of America, Inc.

What's more, he added, the industry plans an increase of 7 per cent in 1959 on expenditures for plant and equipment normally running around 600 million dollars a year.

Retail food store sales in the first 10 months rose about 7 per cent, compared with a decline of about 1 per cent for all retail stores, Willis said. Over-all food consumption — including restaurants and institutions — rose to about 75 billion dollars from 71 billion last year, he estimated.

The GMA head predicted expenditures will reach 79 billion dollars in 1959 and may hit the 100-billion-dollar mark by 1965.

He added, however, that profit per dollar of sales from a representative sampling of 89 food companies shrank to 2.7 cents from 2.8 cents in 1957. The figures compared with 4.1 cents in 1946 and 4.6 cents in 1939.

Government cost of living figures showed that food costs rose from 118.2 of the 1947-49 index in January to 119.7 in October, although part of the increase generally was attributed to ruinous growing weather in Florida and California fruit and vegetable areas.

Dun & Bradstreet's food index, which represents the total cost at wholesale of one pound each of 31 foods in general use, exceeded the comparable year-ago figure by 1.1 to 9.7 per cent every week until early December. If lower wholesale prices continue and are passed along at the retail level, this may indicate cheaper food in 1959.

This view is supported by an Agricultural Department report predicting most foods will be much more abundant and a bit cheaper next year.

You'll Be Better Off In '59 Than In '58, Economists Say

By L. A. BROPHY

NEW YORK (AP) — You can count on being better off in 1959 than in 1958. Economists are not agreed, however, on how much better off.

The recession is over. Recovery started in the spring of 1958 and continued at a steady pace until fall. Then, the economic indexes began to slow up over the rate that had been predicted.

Reading these figures as a fever chart, it might be concluded the patient had a slight relapse. However, the economists say he is in good shape and that fully recovery will come by the end of the new year.

Your situation in the new year shapes up something like this:

To the nearly four million out of jobs, the immediate prospects for a resumption of paychecks is not bright. There probably will not be a measurabe cut in unemployment until the middle of the year.

There are several reasons for this. Automation in industry is going ahead at such a fast clip that fewer workers are able to turn out more and more products all the time.

While the economy is steady and going forward, the kind of production that will enable extensive rehiring of workers, is not expected to come until about mid-year.

If you are selling things, the prospects are brighter. Consumer buying was maintained during the recession and constituted one of of the really comforting aspects of the downturn. The indications are that people will be in more of a buying mood in 1959 than in 1958. Personal income is expected to increase and, in point of fact, it rose for seven straight months, beginning in February last year, but declined slightly in October. Labor disputes in some major industries were held responsible for the dip.

The National Assn. of Manufacturers said three out of every four businessmen in a national poll expect their company sales to be higher in 1959.

People fear further inflation, which may have a softening effect on buying. But, government economists are hopeful that the price lines will hold relatively steady for the first half of the year. After that, if the momentum of recovery continues as expected, price increases are expected.

The University of Michigan, which does a good job of anticipating consumer temper, reports its latest poll showed more families now say their financial situation has improved; they have hopes for higher income and a better year in 1959 all around.

The gross national product, the total of all goods and services, is expected to reach 460 to 470 billion dolars in 1959. It was around 450 billions at the end of 1958. That pretty well tells the story of what's ahead for the new year — good times but not boom times.

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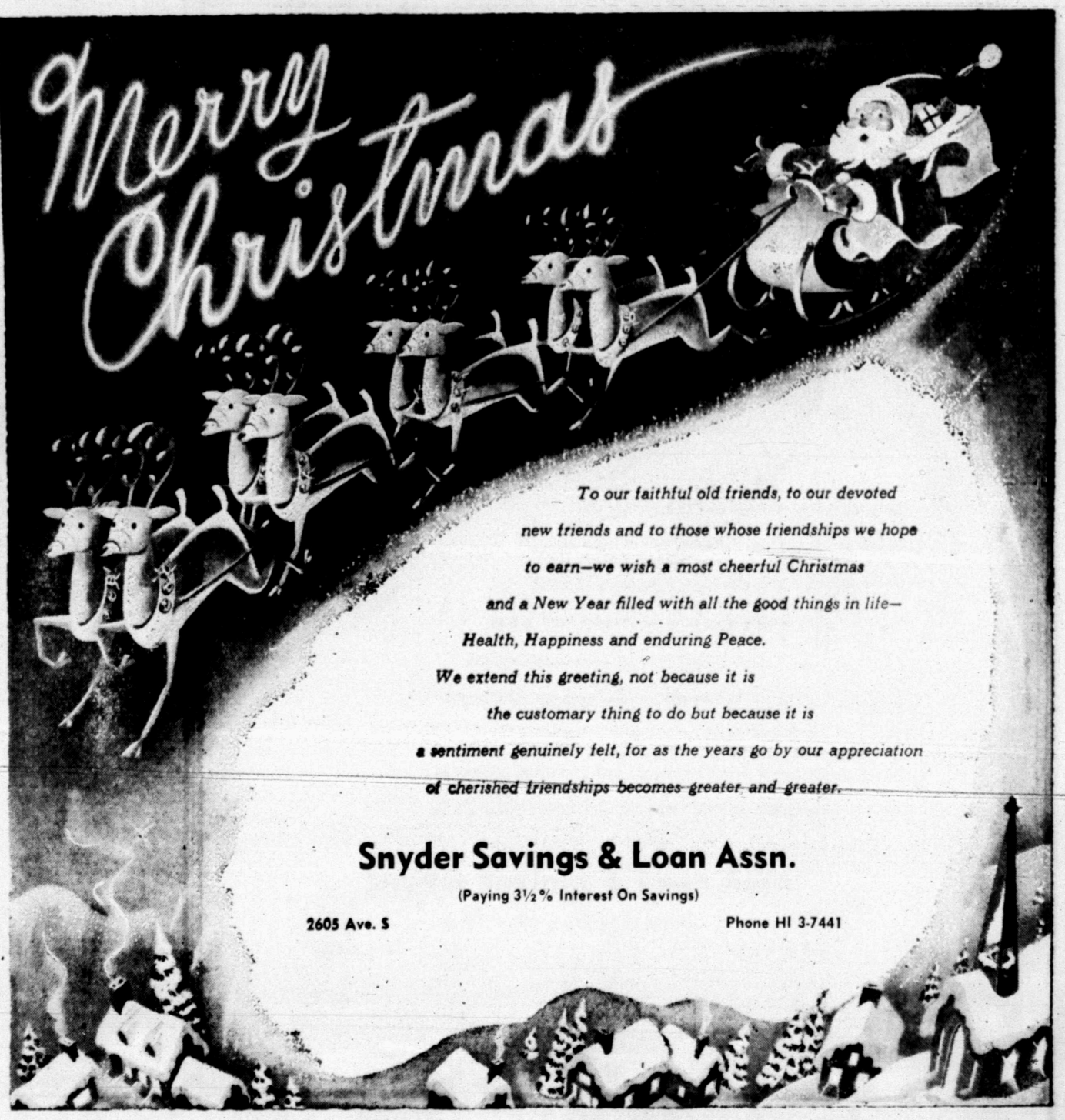

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Afghanistan Jumping From Camel To Plane

By WAYNE W. PARRISH
Editor and Publisher
American Aviation Magazine
Written for The AP

Afghanistan is jumping from the camel to the airplane.

The mountainous Asiatic country—which hasn't a single mile of railroad track and less than 100 miles of paved streets and roads—is being boosted into the air age by two sharp rivals, the United States and the Soviet Union.

So far the United States is on top, thanks to a handful of Americans trying to operate an airline and install facilities with limited funds and constricted authority.

The Americans are aiding and managing the civil airline Ariana. They are installing air navigation and communications facilities and improving airports except at the capital, Kabul. The Russians are aiding and training the air force and are to improve the civil airport at the capital.

It is the most mixed-up aviation deal the United States has ever gotten into. But it's working, even though the timetable has been missed by at least a year.

At the request of the Afghan government, Pan American Airways purchased 49 per cent of the stock of Ariana. PAA also agreed to provide management. The U.S. government, through International Cooperation Administration and other funds, has provided financial backing and about two million dollars of the finest sort of radio equipment. But the airline is Afghan, and the American goal is to aid and advise—not to attempt to do the whole job as an American enterprise.

By a strange bit of circumstance, the airline partly owned by Americans happens to be the sole general agent for Aeroflot, the Russian airline which operates to Kabul from Moscow and Central Asia.

As agent, the local airline sells tickets and handles procedures for the Russian airline at Kabul.

And, because of an artificial and ery favorable rate of exchange between the Afghan and Russian currencies, it greatly undercuts the parent company, Pan American, whenever it sells tickets to European points via Russia. Passengers bound for European and North American points can save a substantial sum of money by traveling via Moscow instead of by PAA and other carriers via Karachi.

Ariana also has to depend on Russia for most of its fuel. The Soviet gas is of poor quality, but there is none other available except some at Kandahar, 300 miles south of the capital. It has some of its aircraft engines overhauled in Copenhagen, and some other engines overhauled by Indians. It employs Indian pilots.

Adapting Afghanistan to the air age has been pretty hectic. Not a single female Afghan secretary is available, because all women are veiled and kept out of sight—and certainly out of offices. So Ariana has had to import secretarial help from wherever it could get it.

There is not a single paved runway in the entire country and the Civil Aeronautics Administration is behind in getting this work started, through no fault of the agency. The Russians are beginning to pave a military airport runway 20 miles north of Kabul, but have made no start on the runway at the civil airport at the capital.

Meanwhile, the two million dollars' worth of airways and radio equipment sits in a compound at Kandahar, waiting for somebody to give a go-ahead for installation.

Since Kabul is situated in a valley surrounded by rugged terrain, the country's major international airport is being constructed at Kandahar. It should be ready sometime during the first half of 1959 and will be capable of taking the largest types of jet transports. It will put the country on the world air map for the first time.

Afghans like to fly. Merchants, traders and businessmen are now able to reach the capital in a few hours. Caravans used to take weeks. Buses, wherever there are any, take many days.

Meanwhile, the Russians keep offering and pressuring the Afghanistan government for permission to install a Soviet-equipped and trained airline. It is quite apparent that the Russians dislike having any American aviation enterprise immediately adjacent to their own country. But the Afghans have remained firm that they want military assistance from Russia, and civil aviation assistance from America.

Lecture On 'Cussing' Is A Favorite

GEORGETOWN (AP)—A lecture with the title, "The Art of Creating Cussing," sounds like a natural for the pool hall crowd. Instead, it's a favorite with church and student groups.

Dr. James Clark Hares gives such a lecture frequently. Sometimes he uses it for a sermon. "There aren't many sermons on the subject," he says with considerable understatement.

He is professor of religion and philosophy at Southwestern University, the 118-year-old Methodist school here. He also is a minister.

Dr. Hares declares use of profanity, swearing or any expletive, even the simple "Gee Whiz" stems from complex causes.

He lists them as immaturity, inability to use words well, lack of self control, and frustration—"one doesn't want to take the blame for something and immediately seeks to find a cause outside himself."

The professor has four children. Do they swear

"This is an adult matter," he said in an interview. "All children will use profanity if they pick up the words from their associates. Some will use substitute words."

What is the cure for profanity?

Dr. Hares agrees that substitutes like "darn it" to replace profane words are better than the originals. "They're socially acceptable," he says, "But they are not a cure."

What does he say when he hits his own thumb with a hammer.

"I call myself a clumsy ox," he said.

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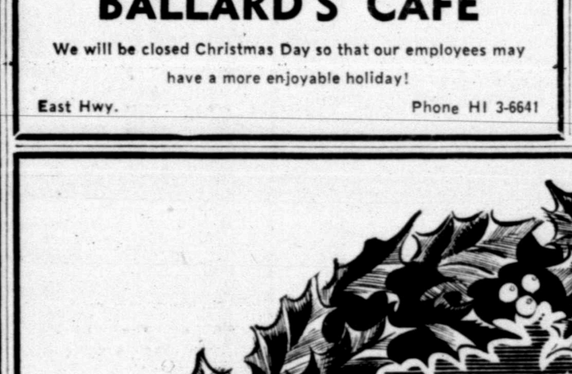

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UNFRIENDLY WELCOME — Jeering mobs crowd close to Vice President Nixon's car in Caracas, Venezuela, during South American tour in May. Car was stoned.

Soviets Will Continue Hunt For Weakness

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The next two years threaten to build up the most dangerous period of crises the world has known in a decade.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, having finally achieved total power in Moscow, is clearly determined to expand the frontiers of Communist authority.

Probing pressures against the defensive system held by the United States and its Allies are his major tactic for seeking a weak spot through which Soviet power may spread. The successive emergencies of 1958 dramatized the pattern. They provide, as the new year begins, a basis of forecast for things to come.

Several reasons bearing directly upon the nature and conduct of the East-West conflict have persuaded high officials in Washington that the next two years may be of crucial importance.

Balance Shifting

Foremost among these is the shifting balance of military power between the Communist bloc and the West. The balance was badly upset on Oct. 4, 1957, when Russia launched man's first earth satellite and thus demonstrated its ability to fire an intercontinental ballistic missile. The United States did not catch up, with Explorer I, until Jan. 31, 1958. Khrushchev is now working on a long range campaign to make the Soviet Union industrially and militarily superior to the United States.

Secretary of State Dulles told associates after Sputnik I soared into the heavens that Khrushchev could be expected to embark on a diplomacy of probing for weakness, division and lack of resolution in the West. His forecast was grimly borne out by the 1958 crises in the Middle East the Far East and Germany.

What makes the next two years particularly risky, however, is the fact that the United States and therefore the whole system of anti-Communist alliances it leads will be under the direction of a lame duck administration. One of the certainties of international life now is that the Eisenhower-Dulles direction of U. S. foreign policy will come to an end on or before Jan. 21, 1961. This is a circumstance which contributes to political weakness and, given the Democratic majority in Congress, puts extraordinary importance upon maintaining a bi-partisan base for the conduct of foreign affairs.

Form Unpredictable

While the aggressive nature of Khrushchev's policies and the defensive, wait and see attitude of the West are unquestioned in high quarters here, the exact form by which the Soviet chief will seek to profit from his initiative is less predictable. If it follows the 1958 pattern he will combine the skillful use of war threat and peace hope, sometimes threatening a conflict over Berlin or Formosa or some Middle Eastern hot spot and at other times urging international conference and feeding hopes of compromise for peace.

Khrushchev has shown he is capable of very rapid change of pace. Early in 1958 he was bombarding President Eisenhower with letters pressing for a summit conference. By mid-year, however, after a sudden and mysterious journey to Peiping during the Middle East crisis, Khrushchev scuttled all summit prospects and concentrated on threatening Sputnik diplomacy.

The Quemoy-Formosa crisis followed the Middle East uproar, beginning on Aug. 23. As the United States and Nationalist China refused to give way under pressure, there were widespread fears of at least a limited war over Quemby.

It was the second time in a short space that Khrushchev had whipped up troubled waters with the evident purpose of spreading fear. Then from the Far East the center of international tensions suddenly shifted on Nov. 10 to Berlin which, 10 years earlier, had been the scene of the first great test of strength between Russia and the Western Allies. Khrushchev announced that the time had come to end the occupation of Berlin and that he intended to turn over occupation functions to the East German Communist government.

West Adamant

London, Washington and Paris, as well as the West German government at Bonn, were immediately alarmed by fears of a new Berlin blockade. They declared their determination not to be driven out of Berlin.

Khrushchev, who never seems to lose the advantages which come with maintaing the initiative in international relations, then suddenly granted a six-month breathing spell by announcing that he was willing to wait that long while negotiating to make West Berlin a "free city."

As 1958 drew to an end there seemed to be no doubt that Khrushchev had once more returned to the tactic of high level negotiations with the Western powers. The chances of a foreign ministers' meeting or an eventual summit conference appeared to be increasing though they were not so great as they had been just a year earlier. Nevertheless there was pressure from America's allies in Europe on the theory that talk at least stalls off the crisis and minimizes the danger of military conflict.

Two other lines of development also pointed toward the possibility of high level political meetings.

Russia and the Western powers surprisingly succeeded in agreeing last summer on the scientific requirements for an inspection system which could effectively police a prohibition of nuclear test explosions. This agreement among scientists was followed Oct. 31 by the opening of negotiations at Geneva for a political accord.

The Soviets also entered into negotiation — in response to an early initiative by President Eisenhower — to see whether they could work out methods by which the dangers of a surprise attack by any of the great powers could be prevented. As in the case of a nuclear test ban, the central issue was an inspection system. This negotiation also was paralyzed by wrangling.

Misleading Appearances

The fact that East-West disarmament talks continued despite disagreements seemed to contradict the danger signals which appeared during the year in the Far East and Germany. But Washington officials said the appearance of contradiction was misleading.

Segregationists To Face New Attacks

By BEM PRICE

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the South's pro-segregationists, 1959 may well be the toughest year since the U. S. Supreme Court outlawed school segregation on May 17, 1954.

A series of broad attacks against segregation in the South both in the courts and in the forthcoming Congress appears to be in the offing.

Further, even in the Deep South there appears to be some internal dissension over the school issue.

With the opening of the 86th Congress, the South's ancient weapon against passage of meaningful civil rights legislation, the filibuster, will be under powerful attack.

Then there is the abiding suspicion in certain Democratic circles here that the Justice Department intends to become more active in prosecuting charges of civil rights violations in the South.

The object? To split the conservative, pro-segregation Southern wing of the party from the more liberal Northern wing prior to the 1960 presidential campaign.

At year's end 16,400 high school students in Virginia and Arkansas were without public school facilities. The schools had been closed rather than permit any degree of racial integration.

Unless there is some retreat by Southern political leaders determined to maintain all-white public schools, the prospect of adding thousands of additional students to the list of those without public schools is good.

Arlington County, Va., which has 23,000 students in its school system, is under federal court order to begin desegregation in January.

The public schools of Atlanta, Ga., are confronted with a federal court suit to bring about integration.

Georgia led the way in the South in declaring opposition to any form of public school integration.

Georgia has assorted laws designed to block any integration including a school closing law.

In the face of the possible closing of its excellent public school system, Atlanta's Mayor William B. Hartsfield has demanded that the people of Atlanta be permitted to determine whether they want public schools or no schools at all.

Further, members of the county's state legislative delegation have been stumping the area — civic meetings, garden clubs and parent-teacher gatherings — asking that people demand local option.

Publicity-wise 1958 was a bad year for the South. The new year may be no better.

Delayed Drinks Are Bought For Hunters

SHERIDAN, Wyo. (AP) — In 1942 Joseph Skatula stuck a note in a bottle and left it in Big Goose Canyon deep in the Big Horn mountains of northern Wyoming.

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Orville Wright and Darrell Shafer found the bottle during the big game hunting season this fall. They went to Sheridan and found Skatula. They got their drink.

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PREMIER'S PLEA — Gen. de Gaulle asks Parisians in September to back his new constitution. Overwhelming acceptance led to formation of Fifth Republic.

Lawmakers Have All Eyes On 1960

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats take over top-heavy command of Congress in January for a year of decision likely to have heavy bearing on their chances for regaining the White House in 1960.

Disorganized Republicans, squeezed into their smallest minority corner since the days of the New Deal, face a sharp uphill climb.

The sweeping Democratic election victories presented the party with some new responsibilities and accented some old problems.

With majorities approaching 2-1 in both houses, the Democrats are likely to find the average voter is going to hold them much more responsible than in the past for the condition in which the country finds itself in 1960.

The Democrats will be writing their record for 1960 at a time when their serious party division over civil rights has been spotlighted by the election of liberals likely to be much more demanding of action than some of those they defeated.

This adds up to additional difficulties for Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, who is among those being mentioned as a possible candidate for the party's presidential nomination two years hence. Johnson has said he doesn't see any need for new civil rights measures now. Other Democratic senators who are viewed as potential presidential or vice presidential timber: Kennedy of Massachusetts, Symington of Missouri, Humphrey of Minnesota, and Gore and Kefauver of Tennessee.

Lacking a congressional forum, Govs. Robert B. Meyner of New Jersey and G. Mennen Williams of Michigan and Gov.-elect Edmund G. (Pat) Brown of California can be expected to find plenty of opportunities on the job and elsewhere to advance their possible candidacies.

On the Republican side, Vice President Nixon leads the much more abbreviated field available for the GOP's top nomination. Because of his handsome victory in New York against the general Democratic tide, Gov.-elect Nelson A. Rockefeller has been elevated into the ranks of those who might be available for top place on the Republican ticket.

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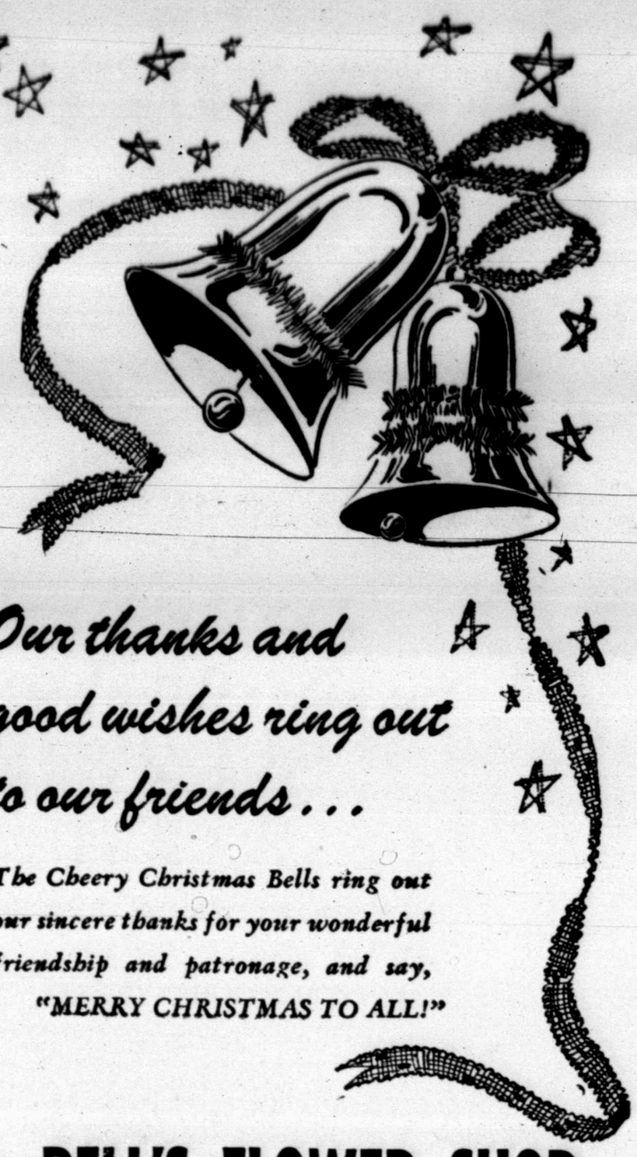

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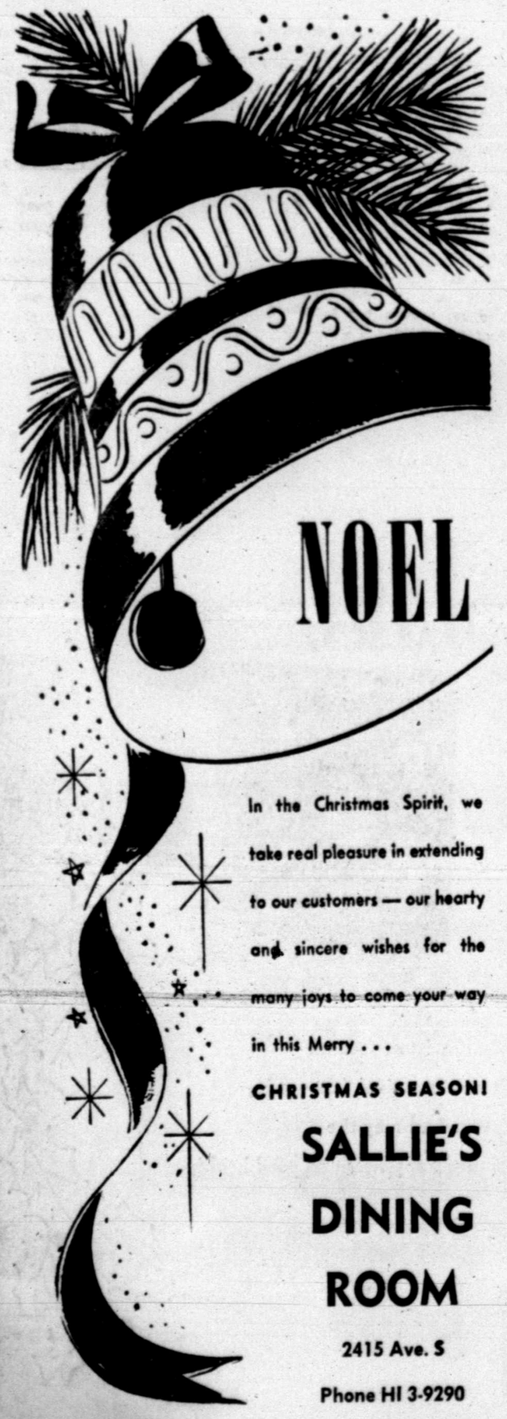

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