

Winter Comes To Texas With Blue Norther

By The Associated Press
A norther which brought snow to the Panhandle was expected to veer to the East today and miss Central and South Texas.

The Weather Bureau said at mid-morning that two fronts were in the state. One, coming from the northwest, caused sub freezing temperatures in the Panhandle and was expected to bring low temperatures to the Red River Valley today and tonight.

Another front, described as cool, moved from the west to the east this morning, dropping temperatures somewhat and causing light drizzle at several points in North Texas.

Forecast for West Texas was for partly cloudy weather and a few snow flurries in the Panhandle this afternoon. Temperatures are expected to drop to 12-22 degrees in the South Plains and Panhandle and 20-32 elsewhere tonight.

The East Texas outlook was for much colder with a few snow flurries in extreme northwest portion this afternoon. Tonight's minimum temperatures were expected to be 20-28 in the Red River Valley and 28-32 in remainder of the northwest and extreme north portions tonight.

Showers were expected in the far east this afternoon. Temperatures dropped to 15 degrees at Dalhart just before dawn. Amarillo had 19 degrees at 6:30 a.m. Snow was falling at both places.

Clarendon had 26 degrees and Childress 32 degrees early this morning and a freezing drizzle occurred at both places. El Paso, in the far western tip of the state, had snow just before midnight, but the skies cleared later and the temperature was reported at 30 degrees.

Rain fell during the night in parts of North and East Texas ahead of the norther. Sharp electrical storms were reported over the northern part of the South Plains above Lubbock last night. Hale Center had rain and a hail storm, but no damage.

Temperatures ahead of the norther were more fitting for April than for late December. Laredo sweltered in an 84-degree reading yesterday. It was 82 at Alice and 79 at Brownsville.

Continued Cold in Big Spring Forecast
Big Spring will probably be missed by snow flurries forecast for West Texas, but the mercury is expected to continue its dive to a low of 20 degrees tonight, local Weather Bureau officials said.

Weather is to remain fair and much colder tonight and Thursday. High temperature Thursday is predicted at 40 degrees while high anticipated for today was 52.

POW ISSUE INVOLVED
Reds Quit 4-Power Council For Japan
TOKYO, Dec. 21. — Russia angrily stalked out of the allied four-power council for Japan today rather than discuss Soviet failure to complete repatriation of Japanese war prisoners.

By the walkout, the eight-man Russian delegation avoided hearing Gen. MacArthur's conclusion that 374,041 Japanese have died in Soviet prison camps from brutal treatment in "disregard for humanity."

The dramatic Russian exit elicited a bitter argument over council procedure. Russia's Lt. Gen. Kuzma Derzhaniko argued the four-power group—the United States, Britain, Russia and China—had no business discussing repatriation. American Chairman William J. Sebald overruled him.

White with anger, the stocky, bull-necked Russian general stalked out. His delegation followed. Repatriation has long been a sore point of the occupation. Russia has returned some 1,300,000 Japanese prisoners in four years. American and Japanese authorities have been pressing for the return of more than 300,000 others. As supreme commander, MacArthur has scored the Soviet attitude.

The Russians sent 94,000 home last summer and announced that was all except 10,000 "war criminals" who would not be returned. The U. S. placed the matter on the council agenda at the request of the Japanese Government, which has been besieged by relatives of still-missing soldiers.



O'DWYERS LEAVE ON HONEYMOON—Mayor and Mrs. William O'Dwyer wave to the crowd from their honeymoon yacht, Almar II, as they leave Stuart, Fla., harbor on a week's cruise in the Florida keys. (AP Wirephoto).

PEACE KEYNOTE SOUNDED
Russia Hails Stalin On 70th Birthday

MOSCOW, Dec. 21. — Russian leaders hailed Joseph Stalin on his 70th birthday today with a massive celebration, and the Soviet leadership took the occasion to renew Russian claims that Communism and capitalism can exist together in peace.

George Malenkov, deputy prime minister and considered close to Stalin, sounded the peace-keynote in Pravda, the official newspaper of the Communist Party by laying heavy stress on previous statements by the prime minister that peace was possible between the two ways of life.

At the same time the peace theme was underscored by the announcement of the presidium of the Supreme Soviet that it had established, in the prime minister's honor, an International Stalin peace prize to be awarded each year on his birthday, beginning next December.

The special 12-page edition of Pravda honoring Stalin today also carried an article by Vyacheslav M. Molotov, former foreign minister, who relinquished that post to devote himself to duties as deputy prime minister.

While Malenkov spoke of peace, Molotov lashed out against the United States and Britain, charging them with preparing for a new war, and with planning world domination "with the help of any aggressive means, including the atom bomb."

Organization of the most tremendous celebration ever tendered one man spread from Moscow over nearly half the world. Workers under Communist rule sent glowing pledges to "the genius Stalin," promising greater production, greater loyalty, greater struggle for peace and greater purges of Communism's enemies.

Birthday gifts poured into Moscow in an unending stream of freight cars, trucks, carts, airplanes and sleighs. Cities and streets and mountains in every corner of the vast area which now pays obeisance to the Soviet Union had their historic names changed—there were Mount Stalins, Stalin Boulevards and Stalin cities.

MOSCOW, Dec. 21. — The United States sent birthday greetings to Prime Minister Joseph Stalin today. Ambassador Alan G. Kirk sent the following message to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky:

"I have the honor on behalf of the government of the United States of America to request you to transmit to Generalissimo Stalin, chairman of the council of ministers of the USSR, best wishes to the occasion of his 70th birthday."

SA Christmas Fund Increased to \$576
Contributions to the Salvation Army's Christmas fund amounted to \$576 Tuesday night, Capt. James A. Harrison, officer in charge, reported.

The organization will maintain a kettle and wishing well posts downtown until Saturday night in the drive to raise \$1,000 to assist the needy families during Christmas. Capt. Harrison said. Contributions of food and assistance from other organizations in preparing Christmas baskets were also reported by the officer.

Ex-Convict Charged With P. O. Robbery
DALLAS, Dec. 21. — A 46-year-old ex-convict was in jail today, charged with burglary of the Kemp Postoffice in Kaufman county.

Blasting Of UAW Building Attempted

Plotters Fail In Desian By Hair's Breadth
Large Stack of Explosives Found At Side Stairway

DETROIT, Dec. 21. (AP) — Dynamiters made an attempt to blow up the CIO United Auto Workers' headquarters last night.

They failed, but only by a hair's breadth. A stack of 39 sticks of dynamite, wrapped in tape and colored Christmas gift paper, was found at a side stairway of the union building.

Two fuses had burned to within an inch or less of the explosives before they sputtered out, harmlessly. Except for two night workers, the union building was empty. However, lives were imperiled in a neighboring General Motors building.

As a result, authorities were confronted today with a new task in solving mysterious acts of violence against the big auto union and its leadership. Within less than two years would be assassinated to kill two of the UAW's prominent Reuther brothers.

Walter Reuther, president of the UAW, was shot by an unknown assailant in April of 1948. He almost lost the use of an arm.

Victor Reuther, the union's educational director, lost an eye in a similar shotgun attack last May. Both of the shootings still are unsolved.

Police immediately linked last night's incident with the attempts on the Reuthers' lives. There is "no doubt" of it, according to Inspector Joseph A. Krug of the police special investigation squad.

Krug said he was convinced it was a deliberate attempt to blow up the building. One long-held theory has been that a vengeful conspiracy is afoot against the Reuthers and the union.

An anonymous call to a Detroit newspaperman led to what was at first a vain police search at the union headquarters. Later two union employees came upon the wrapped sticks of explosive, tied up in gay red and white Christmas paper.

Disposal Of Land In City Planned By Three Counties
Three counties are making plans for disposal of approximately 35 acres of land in Big Spring. County Judge J. E. Brown announced this morning.

The tract involved is located north of the baseball park and was formerly a gravel pit. It was acquired in 1922 by Howard, Midland and Ector counties, and all three counties obtained gravel for roads from that location for several years.

Howard county owns 40 percent interest in the land while Midland county owns 42 percent and Ector county 18 percent. All three counties are interested in disposing of the land and definite plans probably will be completed soon, Brown said.

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THE PROBLEM IS HATS—President Truman (center), jovial and tanned after his Florida vacation, discusses with Secretary of State Dean Acheson (left) and Secretary of Interior Oscar Chapman (right) the problem of hats and their blocking as he arrived at National Airport in Washington. (AP Wirephoto).

HOODOO GUN USED
Youth Dies After Killing Sweetheart

COVINGTON, Dec. 21. — A stocky, dark-haired youth died early today from a pistol bullet he fired into his head after killing his beautiful childhood sweetheart.

"Now that pistol has figured in two tragedies," said Sheriff Charles Garrison. "I think I'll take it and throw it in the deepest well I can find."

George Clements, 19, pumped three bullets into blue-eyed Marilyn Forston, 17, yesterday. She died instantly, and he shot himself. He died at 1:25 o'clock this morning in Memorial Hospital at nearby Cleburne without regaining consciousness.

Last summer, George's brother, Robert, 27, used the gun to kill his father-in-law, Charles Avery, 68, in a family quarrel at his father-in-law's farm home at Itasca. After fleeing to his grandparents' home north of here, Robert, then a soldier at Camp Hood, shot himself to death as officers surrounded the house.

Yesterday, he stalked silently into the D. O. Donham hardware store about 1:35 o'clock in the afternoon. Miss Forston was sitting at a wrapping counter. He shot her in the back, witnesses said, and fired twice more as she fell and lay on the floor. Then he stepped away and shot himself.

The young couple had dated in school here, but recently they had broken up. Miss Forston was home on Christmas vacation from Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth. Clements, a native of Covington, where he lived with his parents.

Last summer's shooting involving Robert Clements occurred on June 13. He killed Avery, 68, in a family quarrel at his father-in-law's farm home at Itasca. After fleeing to his grandparents' home north of here, Robert, then a soldier at Camp Hood, shot himself to death as officers surrounded the house.

Deathless Days 742 In Big Spring Traffic
Southwestern Bell Strike Authorized

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21. — The 50,000 union employees of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. have authorized a strike by a margin of about four to one, a union official announced today.

A final tabulation of ballots returned here after a vote conducted by mail has not been completed, but most of the ballots have been counted, he said. The official, Vice President Frank P. Lomagan of Southwestern Division 26, CIO Communications Workers, said earlier there is "a definite probability of a walk-out before Christmas."

Truman Says U. S. Must Be Ready For War

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. — President Truman said today there would never be another war if the peoples of the world "think of blood-letting" could have their way.

But while captive peoples "are made to respond to our handiwork with a mailed fist, we have no choice but to stand ready in self-defense" he declared.

The President spoke at Arlington National Cemetery, accepting a carillon memorial to the war dead from the American Veterans of World War II, allied diplomats from many nations, and high ranking military and civilian officials were in the audience.

It was only coincidence that Mr. Truman spoke on the birthday of Soviet Russia's Premier Stalin and he did not mention Russia by name.

But allusions to the Russian threat to peace were plain and repeated. The President said that by generous sharing of material goods the United States has restored to many peoples faith in themselves, in freedom, and in certain triumph of confidence over fear.

Local SA Selling 300 Gift Christmas Trees
The Salvation Army unit here went into the retail business Tuesday as the result of a gift by a New Mexico man.

John Hackley, Sapello, N. M., turned 300 fresh-cut Christmas trees over to Capt. James A. Harrison, officer in charge of the SA unit, when he decided to return home in time for the Christmas holiday. The New Mexico firs are on sale at the Salvation Army Citadel, 306 Alyford street.

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Tulsans Missing
TULSA, Okla., Dec. 21. — Three Tulsans were missing 48 hours today on a private plane flight to Dallas and are feared to have crashed.

Ban Travel To Red Hungary

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. — The State Department has banned travel by Americans to Communist Hungary and is reported considering further actions. These include the possibility of closing Hungarian consulates in New York and Cleveland.

The travel embargo was announced late yesterday in a stinging note of protest against the treatment of Americans in Hungary. The State Department made no estimate of how much effect this order might have on Hungary.

It reinforced a demand for the prompt release of Robert A. Vogleler, an American communications official, who has been held incommunicado by the Hungarians for more than a month. Officials said the reported arrest last week in Budapest of Israel Jacobson, head of the Hungarian office of the American joint distribution committee.

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It seems that the sun and the Planet Mercury are in the sign of Sagittarius, among other heavenly goings-on, and Uncle Joe's red star was never brighter — for the first part of 1950, at least. Sagittarius, by the way, is the archer. No connection, however, with cupid.

Helene Paul, "confidential adviser to executives," says Stalin's stars show him to be "humble when it suits his purpose, very proud and very dictatorial by nature."



FLYING SANTA TAKES OFF—Edward Rowe Show, New England's "Flying Santa" jokingly waves from an engine cowling before taking off from Boston on his annual mission to drop Christmas presents to lonely lighthouses along the coast. Snow, historian of the New England seacoast, has been making the trips since 1936. In recent years he has flown north into Canada and south through New Jersey. (AP Wirephoto).

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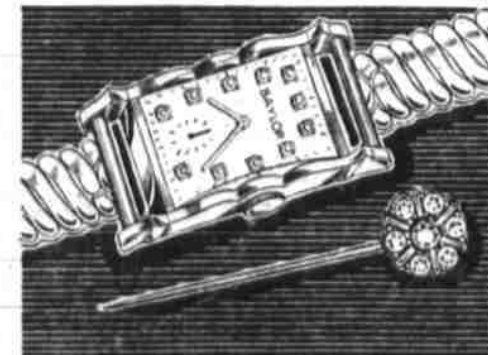
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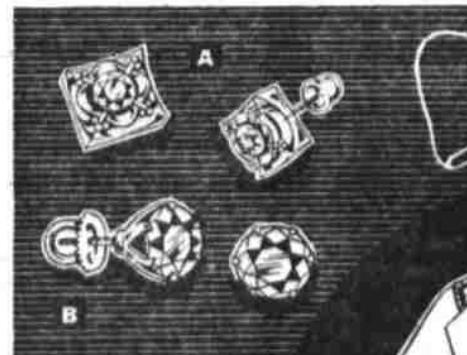
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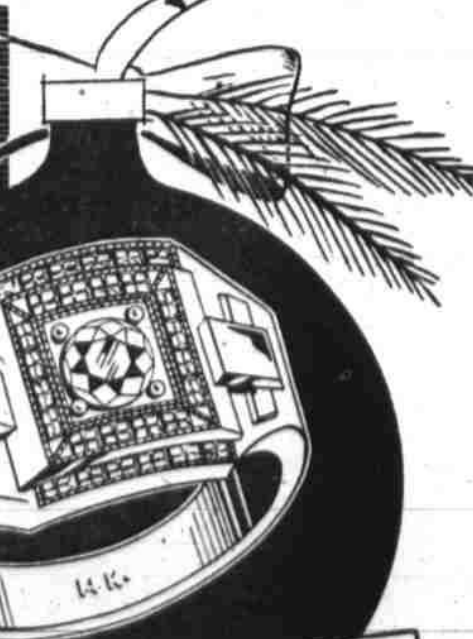
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## Exact Day Of Winter's Arrival Is Uncertain

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP) — Winter arrives at 10:24 Central Standard Time tonight, bringing with it the shortest day in the year.

But which day, today or tomorrow, Time experts aren't sure.

The fellow who checks on time for the U. S. Naval Observatory says he's willing to bet today is the shortest of the year in the eastern time belt.

But for the records, he's playing it close. He'll just say today and tomorrow will be the shortest days.

There will be only a few seconds difference and it would take hours of tedious calculating to determine which day actually will be the shortest.

The difficulty is this: Winter arrives at the moment the earth has its northern axis tilted at its maximum away from the sun. This moment occurs each

year around Dec. 21. The exact moment this year is 10:24 o'clock tonight, Central Standard Time.

That is so close to midnight about half of the effect of the factors that create the shortest day to the year falls on the 21st and half on the 22nd in the eastern time belt.



**IMPRISONED** — Former Field Marshal Erich von Manstein (above) was sentenced to 18 years in prison for atrocities against Poles and Russians committed by German troops during the war. A British Military Court in Hamburg, Germany, passed sentence on von Manstein, last of Hitler's generals to be tried by the victorious Allies. (AP Wirephoto).

## Royalty Jigs With Servants

LONDON, Dec. 21. (AP) — The queen danced with the footman and the princess danced with the clock-winder last night in Buckingham Palace's annual household Christmas Party.

The palace staff gave the traditional party. Queen Elizabeth, in diamond tiara and flowing green gown, waltzed with the liveried footman. Princess Margaret, sleek in rose and pink, swirled over the glassy floor with the man in charge of the palace's famous collection of French gilt clocks.

Until the wee hours of the morning they danced with other members of the household staff.

King George, still recuperating slowly from a long-suffered leg ailment, sat on the sidelines and watched until shortly before midnight. Then he retired.

## Two Infants Killed In Fire-Explosion

LUBBOCK, Dec. 21. (AP) — Fire following a kerosene stove explosion killed two infants in a one-room North Lubbock home yesterday.

Jennifer DeLois Carmen, 18 months old, was found burned beyond recognition in the ruins of the house. Her brother, Billy, four months old, died in a hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Carmen, the parents, escaped without serious injury. Another child, Dwight Owen, 3, received first and second degree burns.

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## Negro Girl Is Raped, Beaten

WRENS, Ga., Dec. 21. (AP) — A Negro school girl was attacked and brutally beaten near here and Sheriff James Hubbard announced he had charged a life-term white convict with attempted rape.

"And if she dies," Sheriff Hubbard added, "then it will be murder."

The sheriff named the convict as Pete Coleman, 30, and said he received his life term for the slaying in 1947 of Bertha McIntire, called the "Good Samaritan" because of her community benefactions in Savannah.

Hubbard said the girl, 14-year old Dorothy Carswell, was attacked Monday morning on the way to school. Her head was battered and she was tossed into a briar patch to die.

Another Negro, Ed Carroll, found her at 10 p.m.—after she had lain unconscious for 14 hours. He took her to a Louisville, Ga., hospital where Dr. J. W. Pucher said she was so critically injured he could hardly touch her for examination. He commented that in 18 years as a law officer he had "never seen a more horrible crime."

## Kerens Claims Biggest Santa

KERENS, Dec. 21. (AP) — Kerens' Santa Claus isn't the jolly old elf of "the night before Christmas."

He's a jolly old giant—42 feet tall and 26 feet around the part that's supposed to shake like a bowlful of jelly.

It took citizens of this little Central Texas town two weeks to build their St. Nick. They claim he's the biggest in the world.

New thousands of visitors come from Corsicana and other nearby places to see Santa. His frame is made of structural steel. A 200-pound, four-by-five foot head towers atop shoulders that span 14 feet. His arms are 13 and a half feet long, and his boots are size sevens—seven feet long from heel to toe.

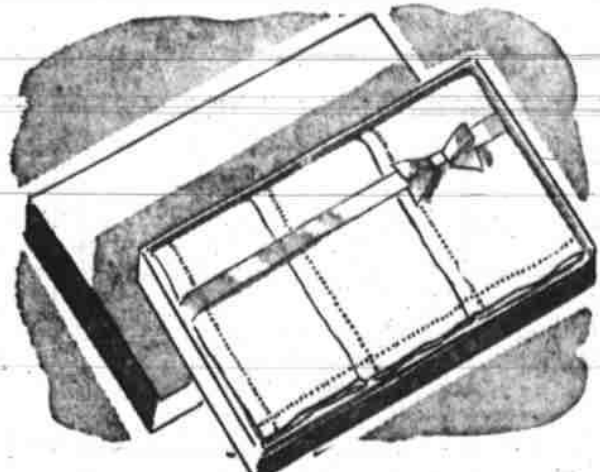
One hundred feet of inch and a quarter rope went into his beard. His suit was made of 171 yards of red, white and black oil cloth. His white plywood buttons are nine inches in diameter. His belt is 18 inches wide and has a buckle 18 by 24 inches.

Chamber of Commerce Manager Howell Bristel had the idea. A couple of six-footers—O. S. Spurlock and Hardy Mayo—were the models.

# Montgomery Ward Last-Minute Savings

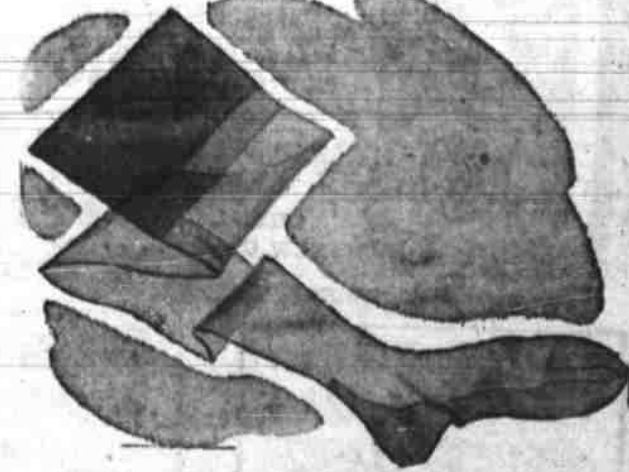
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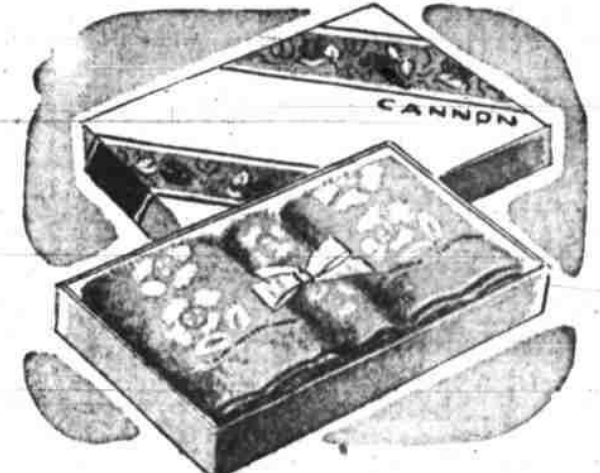


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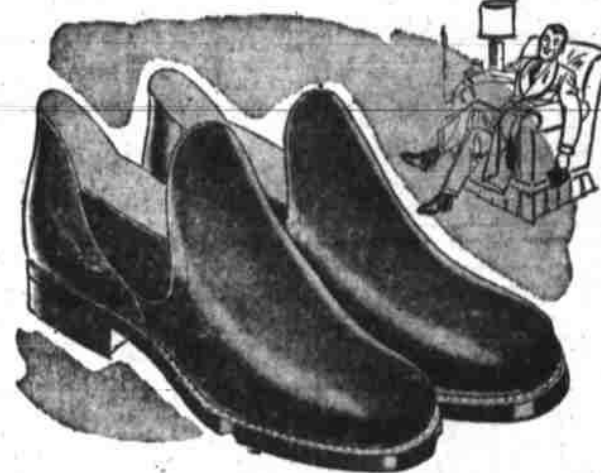
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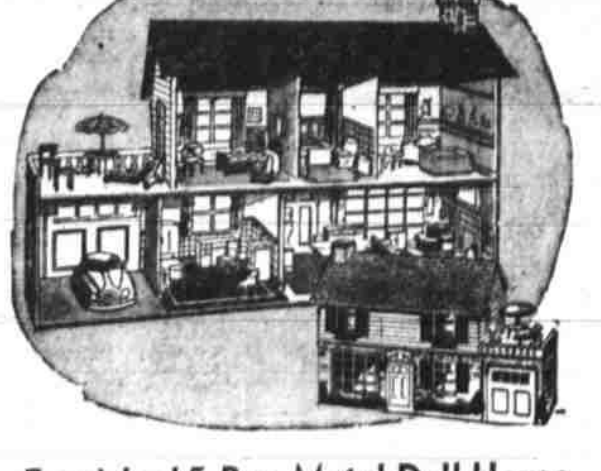
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# GOP Labels Truman Program 'Socialism'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Republican critics of "socialism" in Washington, while President Truman flexes his program, are heralding what may be the most interesting struggle in the new session of Congress.

The reconvening of Congress two weeks hence will signal the marshaling of forces for the conflict. The House and Senate face decisions on what Mr. Truman calls the "fair deal" and the opposition assails as the blue print for a "welfare state" or "poor house state."

In Congress the issue is bound to be cut clear for the congressional elections next year and for the presidential campaign in 1952.

Perhaps the biggest fight of all will settle on taxes, when Congress gets to considering how the government is going to pay for the things it is being called upon to do. The administration opposition already is booming for slashes in spending, to thwart any tax boosts. There may be actual cuts in excises.

No one can say for sure what will happen in the crucial second session of the 81st Congress that convenes Jan. 3. But this is about the picture as it looks now.

1. Social security—Right here is where the President can hope for a solid victory. Claims of credit may be divided: many Republicans joined with Democrats in supporting the 1949 expansion of this government program, when it passed the House.

2. Health insurance—This program appears doomed in the 81st Congress. Some lawmakers who follow Mr. Truman on other aspects of his program have balked at the idea of the government levying new payroll taxes to pay the doctor, hospital and drug bills of the citizens.

3. Housing—The first session of the 81st Congress earlier this year overrode opposition shouts of "socialism" and approved a multi-billion dollar bill for the construction of publicly-owned housing for low income people throughout the nation.

Mr. Truman, in the State of the Union Message, may ask for another housing program—this time to aid middle-income families.

4. Farm—Many Republicans feel that their greatest hope for the future lies with the farm vote. Mr. Truman got a huge number of ballots in the rural areas in 1948, in old Republican strongholds.

The administration has proposed the "Brannan Plan" for agriculture. If adopted, it would let farm products sell for what the market would pay. Then the government would pay a subsidy to

the farmers, to give them what it considered a fair income. Price supports now are maintained through government loans and purchases that keep price-depressing surpluses out of the markets.

Mr. Truman has bumped into real trouble here. Even the author of the new plan, Secretary of Agriculture Brannan and Sen. Anderson (D-NM), former agriculture secretary by Mr. Truman's appointment, are split on the proposition.

5. Education—The states now finance education. The senate has passed Mr. Truman's bill proposing a \$300 million federal appropriation to help the states. This is tied up tight in the House, in a religious controversy.

## Gossett Hits Illegal Entry Of Immigrants

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP)—Two members of Congress say thousands of aliens are getting around U. S. immigration laws with "a little money or a little ingenuity."

The report comes from Rep. Ed Gossett of Wichita Falls (D-Tex.) and Rep. J. Caleb Boggs (R-De.) after an investigation in New York City. Both are members of the House Judiciary Committee which handles immigration legislation.

They said the aliens frequently enter "for subversive purposes."

"There are perhaps 200,000 aliens in New York City who are there illegally," the statement said.

For this situation, the lawmakers blamed "numerous loopholes in immigration laws, inadequate immigration forces, and the absolute refusal of the New York courts to enforce such immigration laws as we now have."

Gossett said he will ask Congress to assign military intelligence personnel periodically to the immigration service to help round up illegal aliens and cope with "the menace of what might be termed foreign invasion."

## Key Smithwick Witness Sought

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 21. (AP)—Chief Deputy Sheriff Pete Saenz of Duval County says officers have been unable to locate a missing key witness in the Sam Smithwick murder case.

The witness is Juan Faustino Saenz.

Smithwick, a former deputy sheriff of Jim Wells County, is charged with the murder of W. H. (Bill) Mason, a radio broadcaster, on an Alice street last July 29.

On Dec. 12 his attorneys obtained postponement of the trial until Jan. 16 because of the absence of "several witnesses, Juan F. Saenz in particular."

Henry Taylor, Sr., of Temple, a defense attorney, said Juan F. Saenz was near the scene of the shooting and would testify he saw a scuffle between Smithwick and Mason.

Judge Wesley Dice issued a writ of attachment for Juan F. Saenz to find him and put him in custody so he would appear Jan. 16.

"We haven't been able to locate him," Deputy Sheriff Pete Saenz said yesterday.

## Man Charged With Theft Of \$2,000

LUBBOCK, Dec. 21. (AP)—Charges of "theft" from person were filed against David Arnold Geuse, 21, of Raymondville last night after a man grabbed an estimated \$2,000 from a food store manager and fled down a crowded street.

Cash scattered on the sidewalk near the store as the robber ran. Two store employees and a bystander tackled a man and pinned him to the sidewalk.

Alfred Rushing, manager of a Furr Food Store, said the robber snatched about \$2,000.



CHINESE RED CHIEF IN MOSCOW—Mao Tse-tung (left), military boss of Communist China, returns salute of honor guard on his arrival at Moscow airport. Soviet Prime Minister V. M. Molotov (center) and Marshall N. A. Bulganin (right) met Mao at the airport. Reason for Mao's visit was not disclosed. (AP Wirephoto).

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# Lion Kills Woman Animal Trainer As Children Watch

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif., Dec. 21. (AP) — With a roar, a savage lion sprang at a widely known woman animal trainer and quickly killed her while her horrified children tried to save her.

Mrs. May Kovar, 42, was in the cage yesterday with the lion, Sultan, attempting to break him into training. The powerful animal lunged at her, bore her down and bit her in the neck, severing the spine.

Her children, Michael Kovar, 18, and May Kovar, 14, were watching their mother, who was working with a chair and whip when the sudden attack occurred.

The children, armed with short

poles, rushed through the cage door. But the beast, with Mrs. Kovar's neck in his jaws, ignored their pokes.

Michael and May and three-year-old Sandra Kovar, who was nearby, screamed for help.

Rudy Muller, 55, an elephant trainer, ran to their aid.

"I grabbed up a pitchfork and an eight-foot length of pipe," the trail man said. "The lion was very quiet. I stabbed at him with the pitchfork with one hand and then brought the pipe down on his head with the other."

"That made the lion drop her and back up. Must have stunned him for a second because he sagged back on his haunches."

"But I didn't have much time," Muller said. "Just enough to pick up Mrs. Kovar. Then the lion

started for me and the children. "I backed out, inch by inch, never taking my eyes off the lion. The children got out. Little May held the door open for me and I got out. It was a near thing for those youngsters. He probably would have got them too."

Muller said Mrs. Kovar, who had appeared with Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus for four years prior to the war, moved her arm as he stooped to pick her up inside the cage but was apparently dead by the time he got her out.

Mrs. Kovar was known professionally as Madam Kovar. Two weeks ago she completed an animal training sequence in a motion picture. She came here last August after appearing with the Wirth Circus in Australia.



AT HOME WITH WORLD'S CHAMPION COWBOY—Sharlyn cheers the announcement of her daddy's choice as top rodeo performer by trying on one of her new bullpen chapeaus in their Tulsa, Okla., home. Daddy, Jim, Shoulters, and Mommy Sharon look on proudly. Shoulters, 21, is believed one of the youngest cowpokes to win the honor, awarded annually on amassed points. The lanky Tulsa has collected nearly \$21,500 in prize money this season. "Now I think I'll buy some cows," he said. (AP Wirephoto).

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## FIVE-YEAR-OLD YOUNGSTER HELD BY AUTHORITIES IN MOTHER'S SLAYING

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21. (AP) — Five-year-old Joe Langston is being held at juvenile court today while authorities attempt to determine whether he shot and killed his mother.

Mrs. Helen Langston, 39, was found with a bullet through her brain yesterday in an upstairs bedroom of her home in Robinson Township, a Pittsburgh suburb.

Allegheny County Detective Steve Pucker said Mrs. Langston's two older sons, William, 18, and John, 17, told him Joe fired the .22 calibre target pistol that killed their mother.

Pucker quoted William as saying: "John and I had a fist fight in mom's bedroom over John's picking on Little Joe. Mom came in to break it up. Then I heard a shot and that was all. I saw the gun over by Joe. John ran for the door."

All three boys were given paraffin tests yesterday. Detectives said the tests showed traces of gunpow-

der on Joe's right hand, adding this "indicates he pulled the trigger."

Tests on the two older boys revealed no traces of powder, the detectives said. Such tests, according to authorities, usually are considered conclusive.

Joe, meanwhile, doesn't know that his mother is dead and keeps repeating "I want to see my mom."

## Indian Workers On Hunger Strike

BOMBAY, India, Dec. 21. (AP) — Over 3,000 industrial workers went on a one-day hunger strike today to urge 15 palace servants of the fabulously rich Gaekwar of Baroda to start eating again.

The 15 palace servants have been on a hunger strike for 10 days. Nearly 250 of their fellow workers have been on a more orthodox strike for almost a month, demanding recognition of their new union and higher wages. The 15 are in jail along with 85 others who were arrested when the strike began.

Sympathy strikes for the servants of the maharajah, or Gaekwar, who once was accused of squandering \$10 million in a six-week spree, have broken out among other workers. Bombay was in darkness last Saturday when the municipal workers walked out.

Today's strike of industrial workers is in sympathy with the servants, too. They have promised to back them up in their demands, but they want the servants to start eating first.

## Eating Costs To Stay High

By SAM DAWSON  
AP Staff  
NEW YORK, Dec. 20. — The cost of eating is likely to become one of the most bitter disputes of the new year. It is also likely to become even more an artificial thing, strictly manipulated.

Since 1950 is an election year, there seems little chance of the year seeing a big break, price-wise, for the eating public. The anticipated declining farm income will disturb both Congress and the merchants in the farm belt. And whatever you may save at the grocery, chances are you'll be asked to make it up later at the tax collection office.

Signs of the big fight ahead are plentiful today. Farmers and politicians are choosing up sides on government subsidy plans. Cotton growers have just voted to accept government control over how much they can plant in return for guarantees of how much they'll get for their crop. Wheat, corn, peanuts, rice and potatoes also have moved over into the area where the government will say what is planted, what price is paid.

But the price of food—should it be high to please the farmer, or low to please the city farmer?—isn't

the only digestive pain the government is going to have.

There is the matter of storing the growing surpluses of farm products and of getting rid of them later on. After the war the rest of the world was eager to get all it could of American food, but the world's appetite for Midwest corn and Southwest wheat grows steadily less, as production rises abroad. And since devaluation of foreign currencies, the price tag on American food is higher in terms of other money.

There is also the politically painful matter of controlling the acreage which farmers will be permitted to plant. Not only does it bring up the matter of regimentation of that traditionally rugged individuals, the farmer, but also it frequently sets neighbor against neighbor, when one feels hurt more than the other. The current battle of the 10 Texas cotton farmers against acreage allotments shows how difficult the matter can be.

Washington has just reported that this year's total harvest was second only to last year's record. The acreage harvested was the largest since 1933, reflecting the natural tendency of farmers to plant as much as possible when prices are high and guaranteed.

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SECTION 1  
Whereas, a petition has been presented to the City Commission of the City of Big Spring, Texas, praying that said body annex the territory adjoining the present City of Big Spring, Texas, said tract being bounded on the East by the present corporate limits of said city and same being all of Brown Addition to the City of Big Spring, Texas, already included within said city limits according to plat of said Addition of Record in proper deed records of Howard County, Texas, and all of Lakeview Addition to the City of Big Spring, Texas, according to plat of said Addition of Record in proper deed records of said Howard County, Texas, said tract of land being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning in the North-South Quarter-section of Section 32, Block 22, T-1-N, C-1-W, the most Westerly West City Limit line of the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, its intersection with the South right-of-way line of the Texas & Pacific Railway Co.;

Thence in a Westerly direction along the South right-of-way line of said Texas & Pacific Railway Co. to a point at the intersection of the West line of Mesquite Street, if extended;

Thence in a Southerly direction along the West line, and extension of Mesquite Street to an intersection with the North line of Lakeview Avenue;

Thence in a Westerly direction along the North line of Lakeview Avenue to an intersection with the East line of Hillcrest Street, if extended;

Thence in a Southerly direction along the East line, and extension of Hillcrest Street to an intersection with the North line of West 2nd St.;

Thence in an Easterly direction along the North line of West 2nd Street and U. Highway No. 80, to a point in the East line of Mesquite St. and at the S.W. corner of Block 12, Brown Addition;

Thence in a Southerly direction along the East line of Mesquite Street to an intersection with the North line of West 4th Street, same being the S.W. corner of Block 11, Brown Addition;

Thence in an Easterly direction along the North line of West 4th Street to an intersection with the North-South Quarter-section line of Section 32, Block 13, T-1-N, and the said most Westerly West City Limit line as it now exists across lot 6, Block 16, Brown Addition;

Thence in a Northerly direction along the said North-South Quarter-section line of Section 32, Block 13, T-1-N, and the said most Westerly West City Limit line to the S. E. corner of lots 6 and 7 in blocks 10, 8, 9, and 6, Brown Addition, to the place of beginning.

All of said territory being situated in Howard County, Texas.

SECTION 2  
And whereas, said petition is signed by a majority of the property owners who are citizens of the State of Texas and inhabitants of said above described territory, said petition being signed by twenty-one (21) qualified voters.

SECTION 3  
And, whereas, the City of Big Spring, Texas, is a city of the State of Texas and property owners in and inhabitants of said territory described by metes and bounds herein, in said petition and that said petition is signed by a majority of the property owners who are citizens of the State of Texas and inhabitants of said territory.

SECTION 4  
And, whereas, it is the opinion of the City Commission that the best interests of

the City of Big Spring demand that said territory be incorporated within the corporate limits of the City of Big Spring.

SECTION 5  
Therefore, be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Big Spring that said territory as described by metes and bounds in Section 1 of this ordinance be, and is hereby incorporated within the corporate limits of the City of Big Spring, Texas, and the boundary lines and corporate limits of said city heretofore existing are hereby altered and extended as to include said territory. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the passage at three regular meetings of the City Commission its approval by the Mayor and its publication as required by Section 2, Article 31, of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Big Spring, Texas, and the inhabitants of said territory shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of other citizens and shall be bound by the Acts, Ordinances, Resolutions and Regulations of the City.

Passed and approved on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission on the 8th day of November, A. D. 1949, all members present voting for passage of same.

Passed and approved on second reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission on the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1949, all members present voting for passage of same.

Passed and approved on third and final reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1949, all members present voting for passage of same.

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**FBI UNDERCOVER MAN TESTIFIES**  
**Loose Women, Liquor Used As Red Lures, Senate Group Told**

By DWIN B. HAAKINSON AP STAFF  
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. — Testimony that the Communist Party used liquor and young women without morals to lure American servicemen to communism was made public last night by the Senate Judiciary Committee.  
 The detailed testimony came from John J. Huber, who said he was an undercover FBI agent in the Communist Party from 1935 to 1947. The FBI declined comment. Huber's testimony was heard behind closed doors weeks ago by a subcommittee studying the problem of subversive aliens. It has just now been released.  
 Huber said girls who had "no morals whatever" and "went to any extremes" were used to lure soldiers, sailors, merchant marine school graduates and others to the Communist Party doctrines.  
 He pictured the Communist Party in this country as part of "a world wide conspiracy" which takes orders from leaders in Moscow. Huber said the eventual goal is overthrow of the present U. S. Government by "force and violence."  
 Huber's testimony about party sessions, Communist-front rallies and benefits, and Communist training schools and camps was filled with scores of names.  
 During the recent war, Huber said "one of the most ambitious plans of the Communist Party to

**BASCULE BRIDGE IS PROFANITY TARGET**

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD AP STAFF  
 Texans have thrown more curses at the Bascule Bridge in Corpus Christi than any other structure in the state.  
 It lies between the main section of Corpus Christi and the heavily-populated North Beach section.  
 It's across the ship channel at the entrance to the city's turning basin.  
 When its engines and counterweights bring it up, it towers 90 feet in the air, and seagoing ships can proceed into or out of the turning basin.  
 And when it's up, all land traffic stops, of course. Apparently the operation of the bridge is not entirely trusted, for it is lifted while Christy Bay. Then automobiles and trucks line up for a mile on both sides. Sometimes the siren of a hurrying ambulance, caught by the bridge, will add its snarl to the cussing of motorists.  
 But the bridge is cussed by sea as well as land.  
 The 90-foot width provides scant clearance for a big ship. Skilled pilots who go aboard ships for a trip down the channel somehow steer the vessels through the bridge opening, sometimes with just inches to spare.  
 In the thirties, a ship's rudder failed, and the vessel piled into the Bascule Bridge. It was an awesome collision. For weeks the bridge stayed up. Traffic to such points as Portland, Gregory, Aransas Pass, Rockport and Taft had to take a long-way round until a makeshift road was built across some Salt Flats.  
 Last week the bridge was in the news again. The S. S. Almydyk, a 500-foot long converted aircraft carrier with a 70-foot beam, sailed through the narrow opening during a norther. Her skipper, Capt. John Peter Dekker, swore his vessel missed one side of the bridge by only one inch.  
 Safe on shore, he called the bridge "dangerous." Anyone who got through without hitting it, he said, could consider himself lucky. It took him an entire afternoon to regain his composure.  
 Next day, the Almydyk headed back out of the channel.  
 As it passed the bridge, it tore down two pilings and smashed half a dozen timbers.  
 Damage to the Almydyk and her skipper's feelings was unknown.  
**Margaret Truman Gets GOP Invitation**  
 LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. (AP) — Margaret Truman, the President's daughter, has been invited here by the — Republicans.  
 Joseph Holt, president of the California Young Republicans said yesterday he has telegraphed Miss Truman an invitation to sing at a gathering of the group here Jan. 15.  
 Holt, 25-year-old bachelor insurance salesman, was asked if he were angling for a date with Miss Truman.  
 "My only romance at the moment," he replied, "is to get rid of her father's taxes." Holt's invitation came after Miss Truman remarked to newsmen that Republicans "are not barred" as romantic possibilities for her.  
 The Hawaiian Islands have less area than New York City, which is about 365 square miles.

**LARGE FAMILY NOT UNUSUAL**  
 WOODBURY, Conn., Dec. 21. (AP) — Mrs. Norman Cole, who is 30, gave birth to her 16th child, a daughter, at her home last night.  
 Thirteen of the children have been born here and all but one are living.  
 The proud father, a scrap metal dealer, doesn't believe large families are unusual.  
 He has 14 brothers and sisters himself.

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## Soviet Cries Good Indication That Joint-Defense Is Working

Newspapers in the United States, Britain and Canada have taken steps to standardize their arms and military training methods as no surprise. Experts of the three nations have been studying the problem since 1947, and the experience of two world wars emphasized the need of such standardization in a thousand different ways.

The new arrangement rests on no formal treaty or written contract, hence requires no congressional action at this end of the line. In Britain, the Communists have been screaming bloody murder at the very mention of U. S.-British-Canadian in cooperation in this field, which is a pretty good sign that the arrangement will strengthen the Western nations' defensive potential.

Everybody hopes and prays that there will be no more war, but until the millennium of peace is ushered in it behooves natural allies, like the English-speaking nations, to be prepared in every way.

Standardization of arms and training methods would enable the three nations

to merge their forces with a minimum of delay, and to coordinate the output of all their plants essential to war-making.

One of the toughest problems to lick has been screws—just plain screws, thousands of designs and sizes. The U. S. and British screws differed in practically every way possible, and conferences have been going on for years in an effort to agree on common standards. Lately it has been indicated that this problem has at last been licked.

The task of standardizing arms and training will not be as easy one. It will take a lot of time and effort. But it is clearly in the cards as a "must" in the preparation of the English-speaking world to make common cause in a common defense against aggression.

The ability to interchange weapons and ammunition, to swap airplanes and perhaps airplane parts, and to exchange air crews and naval and ground individuals and units, would certainly increase the military potential of the English-speaking peoples enormously. The new arrangement is therefore altogether to the good.

## Don't Look Now, But The Man Of The Year Is About Here

They are already picking lists of Men of the Year. One of the first represents the opinion of 1,500 newspapermen, and the lead-off man in this first ten Men of the Year is Dr. Albert Schweitzer, the missionary-medic-musician who visited America recently.

Well, people have to have some way of passing their time, and picking a list of ten Men of the Year is, we suppose, as harmless a pastime as one could wish.

Our own list would be made up of individuals who in their humble way contributed little bits here and there to the sum total of human happiness, convenience and need.

Like that unknown but remembered gentleman and scholar who yielded the right-of-way to us at a busy intersection after we'd blundered through a red light, for instance. We never saw him before and

haven't seen him since, but we'd like to run him for lieutenant governor if he doesn't mind getting mixed up in politics.

And our newsboy, who hits our front step with a fair degree of regularity and accuracy, rain or shine, in the heat of summer and the cold of winter. And our postman, who drops an awful lot of junk at our house but brings a lot of good things too. How his feet must hurt!

A special bow to the sportsman who doesn't insist on talking all the time, but says enough to give you an accurate and unbiased description of what's taking place on the field of battle.

And the hundreds of noble patriots who suppressed a desire to telephone us and argue politics while we were in the throes of composition, or in the bath, or merely eating supper.

## The Nation Today—By James Marlow

### Tea For Two At Kremlin Likely To Have Important Consequences

WASHINGTON, (U.S.—TWO IMPORTANT, well-dressed men are now chatting in Moscow.

One of them, Joseph Stalin, the world's No. 1 Communist, is having a birthday, his 70th.

And the other, Chinese Mao Tse-tung, the world's No. 2 Communist, traveled, he said, clear across Asia by train to help celebrate the birthday.

But it is reasonable to think that while they're sipping tea they're discussing something more important than blowing out candles on a cake.

It seems more than a coincidence that the Chinese began his journey just about the time his Communist followers had pretty nearly mopped up China.

IN FACT, WHILE THE NON-COMMUNIST world is reflecting on the events of the first half of the 20th Century, now coming to a close, the two men in Moscow may be laying plans that will shape the second half of the century.

For, if any one thing stands out in the past 50 years, it's this: The western capitalist world has lost ground tremendously to communism and may lose a lot more in the next 50 years.

IF YOU JUST LOOK AT THE NUMBER of people brought under communism, then the last five years are more impressive than the previous 45, as this will show:

When this century began there wasn't one Communist government on the face of the earth. Communism then was only

a theory. By 1917 the Communists had taken control of Russia.

And Russia remained the only Communist government until 1945, or the end of World War II. But then the picture began to change rapidly. Now under the thumb of communism are: China, Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Soviet Russia, and eastern Germany.

The population of the world is about 2,264,000,000. Of that total one in every three—or about 731 million people—is living under communism.

IT BREAKS DOWN THISWAY: ALBANIA, 1 million; Bulgaria, 7.7 million; CHINA, 462 million; Eastern Germany, 17 million; Hungary, 3 million; Rumania, 16 million; Russia, 211 million; Yugoslavia, 15 million.

So, as the second half of the century opens, the first big question to be faced is this: Where will communism push next?

The western European countries, backed by the United States, stand as a bulwark, at least for the time being, against any Communist desire to move west to the Atlantic Ocean.

And in China the Communist government of Mao Tse-tung would seem to have its hands full for a while in straightening out affairs in China which it has just taken over.

But the southern fringe of Asia, not now Communist, may look like a reasonably soft touch to Stalin and Mao Tse-tung for the next move.

## Today And Tomorrow—Walter Lippmann

### Ideological Conflict In Asia Is Less Revolutionary, Alien

LONDON—The terms of the conflict with the Soviet revolution are radically different in Europe and in Asia. One becomes aware of a difference traveling from Rome through Athens to Istanbul and Ankara. The Italian, the Greek, and the Turkish governments are all sharply aligned. Nevertheless the spirit and character of their resistance are obviously not the same.

At first I felt the difference without being able to define it for myself. But after a while I rediscovered what many have said before: That Lenin-Stalin form is far less revolutionary and alien in Asia than it is in Europe and in the countries which take their religion and philosophy and culture, their institutions and their fundamental laws, from the ancient Mediterranean civilization.

Among them the Cominform is an alien force attempting to impose its will upon people habituated to a different way of life. As against Soviet Communism most Europeans, even a growing number of European Communists, are essentially conservatives, defenders, that is to say, of some part of the institutions and principles of Western Christendom.

For that reason, though there were brief Communist insurrections after the first world war, the Soviet system has never been established in any European country except where the Russian army was able to crush the national resistance—or where, as in Czechoslovakia,

the national leaders believed that the Russian army would crush them if they resisted. Thus the defense of Europe against Communism has been primarily a military problem: that of interdicting the advance of the Red army. And by the same token the restoration of Europe depends primarily upon the withdrawal of the Red Army.

But in Asia the resistance to Communism does not spring from the instincts and tradition of the masses. It is led by a westernized elite and it is rooted in the class and the caste structure of the ancient societies of Asia. The resistance of the masses is not to be counted upon except when Communists appear as the advanced agents of a new wave of conquering peoples—specifically as Russians who would for the eighth or ninth time try to become masters of Turkey, or as Chinese who would conquer and exploit Southeast Asia. It is Russian or Chinese imperialism and not the Communist ideology and practice, which can arouse popular resistance.

For the masses of Asia have known little or nothing of freedom, or of the gospel of the equality of human persons, much less of democracy and representative government and the rights of men and women. As for capitalism and free enterprise, they have seen them almost wholly as exploitation and profiteering by their own ruling oligarchies and by foreign conquerors.



## Merry-Go-Round—Drew Pearson

### Legion's Drive For Christmas Toys For European Kids Is Worthy Of Support

WASHINGTON—Last year, American G.I.'s, spending Christmas in Germany, raised \$247,000 to bring a brighter Christmas to the German children of the U. S. zone.

A G. I.'s pay is not munificent, and most of them were spending rather lonesome Christmases themselves compared with that at home. However, they contributed generously to the children of men who once had been their enemies.

This Christmas, the American Legion, led by far-sighted Comdr. George Craig, has launched an appeal to all Americans to collect toys one day after Christmas for the children of Europe. Coming as it does from the veterans who fought the war, this represents one of the most significant moves in America.

For the American Legion is fully aware of the fact that wars usually come in 20-year cycles, that the children of today can be either our friends or the enemy soldiers of tomorrow, and that the time to prevent war is by building good will long in advance of crisis.

To this end, the Legion is asking the nation to co-operate in collecting toys immediately after Christmas for shipment to the kids of Europe, where toys are scarce this year. A message from an American child is to be attached to each toy—which may start a train of friendships lasting for years.

NOTE—The toys will be distributed by CARE, the non-profit organization which has machinery already set up in all Atlantic Pact countries and some Iron curtain countries.

"OPERATION 23" Here is the inside story on how Captain Arleigh A. Burke, head of the Navy's "Operation 23," was passed up for promotion.

Actually, the Navy promotion board approved Burke for promotion to the rank of rear admiral, and Secretary of the Navy Matthews sent it to the White House.

However, Matthews talked to the President by phone later, at which time Truman said, in effect: "I see you have that so-and-so Burke's name on the list. Take it off."

So Secretary Matthews had the board reconvene and pass over Burke. Then the list was sent back to the White House. The promotions are on Truman's desk right now.

NOTE—Burke's "operation 23" is the special Navy propaganda task force, deliberately flouted all regulations regarding unification and armed services co-operation.

FOR EASTERN U.S.A. New York's water shortage has caused government engineers to survey the water resources of the entire nation to see whether we are gradually drying up. The results are reassuring regarding the country in general, but not reassuring regarding the big cities.

The fact is that the big cities are draining their reservoirs faster than the water flows in, chief because people are running their spigots and factories are operating their pumps more. Meanwhile 85 per cent of our wa-

ter runs into the seas unused. Only long-term solution is reclamation for the big cities of the east. New York City, for instance, must take a lesson from Los Angeles, which has stretched an aqueduct 200 miles to tap the water of the Colorado. Manhattan can do the same by piping water 80 miles from the Hudson above Poughkeepsie, at which point the Hudson is free from salt water. Pumps are already being installed for the purpose on the Delaware River, but they won't be able to keep up with New York's increasing water needs.

CHANGING MAP Elsewhere, engineers are altering the map of the United States in their quest for water. They are now exploring ways of changing the course of the mighty Columbia River so that a tributary will flow into parched Nevada and make the desert bloom. They are also building a water network to catch the melting snows from the High Sierras and run it 500 miles down California's water starved San Joaquin Valley. Here farmers have sunk their wells so deep they have reached "geological waters"—the melted ice of the glacial age.

In the water-wary West, engineers are even blasting a tunnel 13 miles through the Continental Divide to catch water flowing to the Pacific and reverse its course to the Atlantic, irrigating the dry farm lands of Ft. Collins and Loveland, Colo., on the way.

Such Paul Bunyan planning is old stuff to the West. But the same reclamation projects must now be put into practice on a smaller scale in the East. Because of the increased consumption, many eastern cities will find it necessary to seek new, maybe faraway water sources. Engineers even expect the East to

begin large-scale irrigation.

HUMAN SEWAGE The cities with the worst water problem are those that would be expected to have the least—cities built along the rivers. This is because of contamination. Man is probably the only animal that drinks his own sewage, but this is literally the case where cities dump their sewage and pump their drinking water out of the same river.

Worse than sewage, however, is the chemical wastes from industrial plants. Running water tends to purify sewage, but nothing can be done to make some chemicals safe to drink. Yet industrial plants line the banks of the Mississippi, Ohio, Delaware, Potomac and other rivers, dumping chemicals into the water for the people of Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Louisville, St. Louis, Philadelphia and Washington to drink.

Probably the filthiest river is the Delaware, from which Philadelphia pumps its water. Philadelphia dumps its sewage into the Delaware, through one system, draws its drinking water out through another. This has to be treated with so many chemicals that Philadelphians drink almost as much chemical as water.

Another problem along the sea coast is seawater which seeps into the underground supply. This has happened at both Los Angeles and Miami, and is also threatening Brooklyn where the water supply is now below sea level.

New York State strictly regulates Brooklyn's pumping and requires plants to pour used water back into the ground. But because of New York's growing water famine, these pumping restrictions may be lifted, which will put Brooklyn's water supply in more serious danger of salt-water seepage.

## Hollywood—Bob Thomas

### 1949 Deathless Quotes Of Hollywood Listed

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 21 (U.S.—) What are the deathless quotes of the year in Hollywood?

Maybe some of these won't live into the second half-century, but they seemed out of the ordinary to me. Here are some of the bright, pointed or insane sayings that I have collected from the 1949 news:

Robert Mitchum, commenting on his sentence at the county detention farm: "It's an experience every taxpayer should go through."

Laurence Olivier at winning the Academy Awards: "I always did say Shakespeare was a good script writer."

Fred Allen on the FCC has on giveaway air shows: "They have taken radio back from the scavengers and given it back to the entertainers."

Milton Berle, answering an attack on him by Allen: "Allen still has the first penny ever thrown at him."

James Mason: "Hollywood is filled with frustrations, but not uninhabitable."

Claudette Colbert, disapproving French bathing suits: "Of the many features of a woman's anatomy, one of the least attractive is the navel."

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**WORD-A-DAY**  
By BACH

**OLFACTION**  
(ol-fak-shun) NOUN  
THE SENSE OF SMELL; ACT, PROCESS, OR FACILITY OF SMELLING.

YOO-HOO, VIRGINIA, DID YOU GET A SNIFF OF THIS LIMBURGER CHEESE BILL BOARD SENT FROM WISCONSIN??

## Around The Rim—The Herald Staff

### Spirit Of Christmas Appears At Its Best During Adversity

You can no more leave children out of Christmas than you can leave out the Christ child.

We all harken back to the days beyond recall when we lived in the high expectancy of wonderful surprises on Christmas morning. It was the one time of year to get out of bed early. We were too young and innocent to let worries of a materialistic world tarnish our faith.

After we had passed through the age when Christmas was to us a time of desire and receiving, we had families of our own. Once more we began to experience some of the old thrill through our children. We came to realize more than ever that you get happiness though spreading it.

So you can't leave children out of Christmas and have the greatest possible enjoyment of the occasion, aside from its spiritual aspects.

But if it were possible, could you put your finger on your best Christmas? I think that I can.

It happened back in the days of the deepest depression.

A dollar was worth a dollar then, and the only difficulty was that it was awfully hard to get hold of one. Everywhere people were out of work, and wherever it was possible, part-time jobs were provided so that families could provide a modicum of cheer on Christmas day. Shopping wasn't done as early as possible then, in fact it was put off as long as possible in hopes that a few extra dollars would turn up miraculously.

Dollar Christmas, the merchants called it. But they stocked accordingly and did a lot of selling. The volume didn't

compare with it now, but the crowds did. Maybe this is all beside the point but I don't think so. Times were hard and those who didn't really experience them won't be able to appreciate the conditions under which we came to Christmas Day.

Out of adversity, however, it seemed to me that the real spirit of the season was manifest. Fear, stripped of properly, were concerned about people. Then, as now, baskets were provided, but into each basket went some sacrifice. When they were delivered, unfortunate families, as yet uneducated to expectations, were humbly grateful. Many of them choked up as did those who brought the gifts. As a concession to pride, it was carefully explained that the goods were tokens of love and expressions of a desire to help. Surely they would accept them under the circumstances.

The pre-Christmas parties were relatively simple affairs. But the real Christmas spirit was high. Although it seemed few had much to be happy about, everyone seemed genuinely happy.

And when we gathered around the hearthstone and passed out gifts to our loved one, eagerness was on every hand, as we tore into the wrappings. Every time someone exclaimed that "this is just what I need," it was sincerity itself.

Good feeling welled up inside of us, and we were close together as perhaps we have never been since. We sang with real joy of the season, and we visited our neighbors to share in their happiness. They all were little things, but they were from the heart and everybody knew it. After all, this is the real abundance of Christmas.—JOE PICKLE

## Notebook—Hal Boyle

### Pvt. GI Joe Retired Hands Out Some Advice To Marshal Stalin

NEW YORK, (U.S.—TO JOSEPH STALIN, Care of the Kremlin, USSR.

Dear Joe:

Congratulations, Old Tovarich of wartime, on your happy anniversary today. You woke up on the longest day of winter to find yourself 70 years old—the span allotted to man by the Bible you studied as a boy.

I sure would like to attend your big hoedown. You Russians really know how to throw a party. The last one I attended was in 1945 when we linked up with your boys on the River Elbe. I was carrying a rifle for Uncle Sam at the time. We were shy of caviar and vodka, but we tanked up on German wine and traded our rations bank and forth.

It was a wonderful time. We laid aside our guns, your boys and our boys, and laughed and drank together on the river's bank—and nobody was afraid of anybody. None of us who was there can ever forget that first day of full peace and happiness after the long years of war.

CIRCUMSTANCES BEING WHAT THEY ARE, I won't be with you in Moscow today. But I would like to send you a birthday gift-of-advice.

The advice, Joe, is to stop and look around.

For a guy only two inches taller than Napoleon you've come a long way. You were born a poor Georgian boy, Joseph Vissarionovich Djugashvili, whose father wanted him to become a cobbler and his mother a priest.

But you yourself chose to be a revolutionary, and chose as your party nickname—Stalin, "man of steel." You've lived up to your nickname.

Your iron will carried you through seven exiles to Siberia. You fought your way up through Bolshevik ranks, and you let

1 million farmers starve to death because you thought you knew what was best for Russia.

PERHAPS YOU DID. YOU HAVE reached heights of power unknown to any previous Russian ruler. You unified your country in uneasy peace—purging by blood all who stood in your path—and you saved your country in a mighty war.

Every step of the way you said your acts were dictated by a desire to help the common man—the working class. Practically all leaders say that.

Well, Joe, now's the time to put up or shut up.

What the common man in all lands has yearned most for is a period of peace and prosperity stretching endlessly ahead for him and his children. The common man everywhere, including the Russian, is sick of shedding his own blood.

THE RUSSIAN WORKING MAN, LIKE the American, wants a better house, better schooling for the kids, a few new gadgets around the kitchen to keep his old woman happy, and more meat on the table.

And if you want to be remembered with real love by all the little Ivans of Russia, Joe, that's what you'll give them—instead of three more battleships and 1,000 more submarines. There are no enemies at your gates.

You've got the power, Joe and if you use it wisely maybe God will give you added years to turn your Russia into the wonderland of plenty you have promised so often.

Let's really start beating those swords into ploughshares, old timer.

Sincerely, Pvt. GI Joe (retired to Mister).

## Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

### Big Deal Indicated In Chinese Red Leader's Visit To Moscow

THE OVER-CREDULOUS, WHO HAVE allowed themselves to be persuaded that Chinese communism has no relation to the Moscow brand, can now disabuse their minds of this much advertised piece of propaganda.

The presence in Moscow of the Chinese Communist leader, Gen. Mao Tse-tung, is in itself proof enough of the China-Russian relationship. Mao, who frequently has said that he adores Stalin, has hot-footed it for the Red capital as soon as possible after clinching his continental victory over Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist forces. There he is being received with all the honors due one of the world's powerful leaders.

INDICATIONS ARE THAT A BIG DEAL is cooking. An AP dispatch from Moscow says that a Sino-Soviet friendship pact appears almost a certainty. The two countries also are expected to work out trade and mutual assistance agreements. It is a moment of extreme satisfaction for Russia.

However, while we couldn't underestimate the importance of the development, neither could we overestimate it. Mao is delivering a very sound military success to Moscow, but he isn't delivering political domination of China's half billion people.

China is far from communized ideologically, just as it was far from being completely within Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist fold.

IT'S SEVEN YEARS AGO THIS CHRISTMAS season that I had a long talk in Chungking with Gen. Chou En-lai, then Commu-

nist liaison diplomat to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government. General Chou, who now is foreign minister in General Mao's government, tried to impress it on me that Chinese Communists were agrarians and that their ideology had no relation to Moscow.

Well, yes and no. The Chinese Communists who are politically conscious are of the Moscow brand. The masses who are in the territories conquered by the Communist armies may be labeled Communists but, as previously remarked, they do their thinking with their bellies. Their convictions are in accord with this practice.



# "The King" Takes Lovely New Lady In Ceremony At California Ranch

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 21. (AP)—"The King" has a new lady—a laughing, lovely blonde reminiscent in many ways of the girl whose death kept him lonely and distant for almost eight years.

Clark Gable is honeymooning somewhere today with Lady Sylvia Stanley, the 39-year-old widow of Douglas Fairbanks, Sr. They were married in a surprise ceremony late yesterday at a luxurious guest ranch 40 miles north of Santa Barbara, Calif. After the wedding, they departed for points unknown.

Sometime today or tomorrow they are expected to return to Hollywood, in time to sail tomorrow on the Lurline for a two-to-four-week junket to Honolulu.

"The King," so-called because of his box-office drawing power, and Lady Sylvia long have been friends. She arrived here about 10 days ago, but there were no rumors of an engagement.

The new Mrs. Gable divorced Lord Stanley of Alderley 18 months ago. Gable, 46, is her fourth husband. She was divorced in 1935 by Lord Ashley, who named Fairbanks as correspondent. Gable's first wife was Josephine Dillon. They were divorced six years later and in 1931 he married Rita Langham. Their divorce came in 1939. Shortly afterward Gable took his third bride, actress Carole Lombard. Both had a great capacity for fun. Once she gave him a ham as a tribute to his acting. On another occasion, it was a jalopy painted white and decorated with red hearts, as a Valentine present.

Gable, an addict of fine cars, put a high-powered engine in the ancient crate and drove it for a year. They clashed the first time they met but the next day a cage full of doves arrived at Gable's apartment. This was standard procedure thereafter whenever they quarreled.

Miss Lombard was killed in 1942. The plane carrying her home from a war bond selling tour crashed near Las Vegas, Nev., carrying Carole, her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Peters, and 19 others to their deaths.

Gable mourned openly for months. His last word from her had been a message from Amarillo, Tex., which said, "Hey, Pappy, you'd better get into this man's Army."

Gable enlisted, demanding combat action. He was awarded the Air Medal and rose from private to major in the Air Force. He made several missions over Germany as a gunner.

Yesterday's ceremony was witnessed by a few close friends and

some ranch hands. The rites were performed by the Rev. Aage Moller, pastor of the Danish Lutheran Church in Solvang, a community near the ranch. Vows were said in the ranch living room, which was decorated with palms, white chrysanthemums and evergreen boughs.

Attending were Lady Sylvia's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Bleck of Santa Monica, and

the owners of the ranch, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Gilham, long time friends of Gable.

The bride and groom both wore blue. Champagne flowed at a reception afterward and Mrs. Gable cut a four-tiered wedding cake with a sword.

Gable was nervous. Lady Sylvia calm when they obtained a marriage license earlier in the day at San Luis Obispo, Calif.

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## Catholic Christmas Party-Program Held

Approximately 100 persons attended the annual Christmas program and party at St. Thomas Catholic church Sunday evening.

On the program, a group of Catholicism students presented a pageant depicting the birth of Christ at the stable. A short skit was offered telling "The Story of Silent Night."

Santa Claus distributed gifts. Refreshments were served by the members of the Altar Society.

## Homemaking Classes Contribute Toys, Dolls

Members of the Big Spring High School Homemaking classes continued a five year project when they donated toys to the fire department for distribution to the needy children of Howard county. Each member brought a toy to their Christmas party which was held in the dining room of the department. Dolls, with wardrobes made by the classes, were displayed around the Christmas tree. The dolls were also given to the fire department.

## Betty Lou Hewett Marries On Tuesday

Betty Lou Hewett became the bride of Maurice Dorand Soebting in a ceremony held Tuesday night at the First Presbyterian church. The Rev. R. Gage Lloyd, church pastor, officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cook were the couple's attendants.

## Maybelle Taylor Party Is Held

Members of the First Baptist Maybelle Taylor circle met for a progressive Christmas party.

Their first stop was the Lonnie Coker home where they heard a Christmas program. After the program opened with the singing of Christmas carols, Mrs. Hammond C. Mobley gave a reading entitled "My Dog Arlee." Mrs. Willard Hendrick presented the poem, "The Touch Of The Master's Hand," written by Myra Brooks Welch, accompanied by Mrs. Mobley at the piano, and Mrs. J. E. Hardesty, violinist.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served at the home of Mrs. L. R. Talkington. Attending were: Mrs. S. Marie Haynes, Mrs. J. C. Pickle, Mrs. Archie Clayton, Mrs. Willard Hendrick, Mrs. J. B. Langston, Mrs. Hammon Mobley, Mrs. Lonnie Coker, Mrs. L. R. Talkington and a visitor, Mrs. Troy Goodwin.

## Mrs. A. B. West Serves As Hostess

Mrs. A. B. West entertained the Cosden Ladies Auxiliary with a Christmas party and buffet dinner in her home, 1604 Johnson, Monday evening.

A lighted Christmas tree comprised the focal point in the reception room. Large arrangements of pine cones and fir tied with red satin bows were placed at vantage points to complete the room decor. The refreshment table was laid with an imported cut-work cloth and centered with a gaily decorated miniature tree. Individual tables were laid with imported linen Madeira cloths and silver and china appointments.

Mrs. Nell Bumgarner acted as Santa Claus and distributed the gifts to the guests. Mrs. Elwood Carlie presided at the meeting. Mrs. Bill Conger directed Mrs. Neel Barnaby, Mrs. Delbert Bardwell, Mrs. G. L. Monroney and Mrs. R. A. Chambers in the singing of Christmas carols.

Those attending were Mrs. Elwood Carlie, Mrs. Franklin Nugent, Mrs. Ernie Richardson, Mrs. Jack Tibbs, Mrs. Bud Maddux, Mrs. Tom Slaughter, Mrs. W. O. Washington, Mrs. Nell Bumgarner, Mrs. H. D. Stewart, Mrs. Neel Barnaby, Mrs. Delbert Bardwell, Mrs. G. L. Monroney, Mrs. R. A. Chambers, Mrs. Bill Conger and the hostess, Mrs. A. B. West.

## VISITS and VISITORS

Mrs. F. W. Ficklin and son, Tommy, of Snyder are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Walker, 1708 Donley.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Covington, 708 Johnson, had as their week end guests, Major and Mrs. Orville D. Clark of Washington, D. C.



THE MAYOR TAKES A WIFE—Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York slips the ring on the third finger left hand of Miss Elizabeth Sloan Simpson during their wedding ceremony at St. Joseph's Church Stuart, Fla. Left to right are David Martin, best man; Mayor O'Dwyer, Miss Simpson and Mrs. Edward Bernacker, Matron of honor. (AP Wirephoto).

## O'Dwyers On Wedding Trip In The Bahamas

STUART, Fla., Dec. 21. (AP)—New York's Mayor William O'Dwyer and his bride, the former Elizabeth Sloan Simpson, honeymooned today at a tiny speck of land in the Bahamas.

The 59-year-old mayor of the nation's largest city and the 33-year-old Texas born beauty were married in a simple single-ring ceremony at St. Joseph's Catholic Church here yesterday.

Immediately after the ceremony they boarded the luxury yacht, Almar II, for an eight-day honeymoon cruise.

A reliable source said they would go to Cat Cay, about 60 miles east of Miami in the Bahamas group. It is a palm ringed islet, noted for its tuna fishing grounds.

The Almar II, owned by H. G. Matthews of New York, had besides two other persons aboard only the honeymooners. They are Capt. Raymond Moore of Greenwich, Conn., and Mate John E. Harms of Portsmouth, Va.

The yacht has two staterooms with maple furniture, built-in vanity, shower and ship-to-shore radio. It was brought to Florida from Detroit three weeks ago.

The wedding ceremony in the little wooden war surplus church lasted only eight minutes. A rainbow arched in the sky as the couple entered the church.

The Rev. Timothy J. Geary, who like O'Dwyer was born in Ireland, performed the simple single-ring ceremony. Both O'Dwyer and his bride wore blue.

No members of the immediate families of the bride or groom were present.

After the ceremony, the newlyweds rode behind a motorcycle escort through the center of this fishing and resort town of 2,500 and boarded the yacht at Municipal Pier.

The bride, a native of Dallas, Texas, was divorced from Carroll Dewey Hipp of Teaneck, N. J., in 1943. Her first marriage did not take place in a Catholic church and was not recognized by the church.

O'Dwyer was born in Bohala, County Cork, Ireland, and was a widower. He arose from a penniless immigrant boy to become mayor of the world's richest city and recently was re-elected to his second term.

O'Dwyer disclosed that he and Miss Simpson planned to be married Jan. 2 at St. Patrick's Cath-

## RIBBON RAMBLINGS

By Mildred Young

We were driving over Big Spring the other night, looking for Christmas lighting displays. We found very few.

There's nothing so attractive around a town at Christmas than lots of homes that have been decorated for Christmas. It's cheer to the passerby whether he is from out of town or a local resident out for the evening.

The Big Spring Garden club is sponsoring a lighting contest which closes Friday noon. Not many people have entered, but it isn't too late yet. Before you pass up the contest, remember that most people leave up their decorations until New Year's and they will still be enjoyed for, at least another week. You don't need a lot of lights either. The simple decorations are often as beautiful as the more elaborate.

There will be cash prizes and even if you don't win, don't enter the contest, it would be fine to turn in your name to Mrs. James T. Brooks so that other people will know about your decorations and can drive by to see them.

Big Spring will have more of the Christmas spirit if the next two days find more decorations.

Only three more shopping days until Christmas and only two more days to let the Herald know where you're spending Christmas this year. We hope to hear the 800 mark by today and you can help us have a more complete Christmas coverage this year than last year. We'd like to know where you're spending Christmas whether it's a shopping spree away or at home and who you'll be spending it with whether there's one or a hundred people in your home.

## Square Dancers Have Yule Party

Members of the Roundup Square Dance club entertained with their Christmas ball at the American Legion club house Monday evening. Music was furnished by Hoyle Nix and his West Texas Cowboys.

Callers for the dance included George Amos, Phil Smith, Oscar Nabors, Tommie Whitley, Garner McAdams, Jimmie Fells, Jr., Kent Morgan, Dan Houston and Jack Arrington of Stanton.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pate, Mr. and Mrs. Art Kern, Mr. and Mrs. George Amos, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. James Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Nabors, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Fells, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Dan Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Whitley, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Voyles, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Downing.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Scherer, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Schwarzenbach, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schwarzenbach, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Nobles, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Baker, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hutcheson, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rush, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Engstrom, Mr. and Mrs. A. George Pitman, Mr. and Mrs. Tip Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Driver, Mr. and Mrs. Red McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McClary.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Dora Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Berle, Mr. and Mrs.

## Joyce Shoultz Is Named Honoree On Sixth Birthday At Forsan Home

FORSAN, Dec. 21 (SP)—Joyce

Shoultz was named honoree at a party on her sixth birthday anniversary in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Shoultz, Friday evening. Indoor contest games were played as entertainment. Refreshments were served.

Those attending were Cheryl Ann Moore, Linda Duffer Barbara Boyd, Sherry Fletcher, Vera Draper, Blanche McCluskey, Alice Long, Phil Moore, Lester Duffer, Carol Jo Boyd, Benny Barnett, Sammy Barnett, Neal McCluskey, Billie Bryant, Judy, Patay and Jackie Shoultz, Mrs. H. McCluskey, Mrs. Mattie Shoultz, Mrs. C. L. Draper, the honoree, Joyce Shoultz and the hostess, Mrs. L. T. Shoultz.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bryant and Billie of Eunice, N. M. visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. Mattie Shoultz and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Shoultz, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon O'Neal of Amhurst were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. McCluskey and family.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Boyd and family are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Townsend and George Mason of Goldthwaite.

Floyd Seward of Austin is a guest in the J. N. Seward home. Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Newsom were her parents.

## Eastern Star Chapter Ends Year On Tuesday

Members of the Big Spring Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, closed their organizational year with a Christmas program and regular meeting held in the Masonic hall on Tuesday, Veda Carter, Worthy Matron, presided.

Christmas music and songs were included on the program. Gifts to the Eastern Star home at Arlington, to cancer research and other projects were made. Approximately 50 persons attended.

Howard Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Rutaker, Mr. and Mrs. Champ Rainwater, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Toots Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Cook, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Huffstetler, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jarratt, Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Lyles.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Clinkscales, Phil Grazier, Mr. and Mrs. Son Powell, Kathleen Freeman, Jim Bob Chaney, Bo Bowen, Frankie Nobles, Lex Conley, Annabel Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. John Ratliff.

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**BUZ SAWYER**

YES, SIR, THE TROOPS THERE HAVE JOINED THE REVOLUTIONISTS.

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THEY MUST BE STOPPED, SIR.

BUT NOW, MY FRIEND, WE HAVE BARELY ENOUGH TROOPS TO HOLD THE PALACE AND AIRPORT.

**NANCY**

I'M GONNA BE A CARPENTER WHEN I GROW UP.

I WISH YOU'D BECOME A MUSICIAN.

I LOVE TO SEE A BOY CARRYING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT...

IT'S SO DIGNIFIED.

MUSICAL SAW.

**LIL' ABNER**

NOW THEY'VE TAKEN HIM AWAY! THEY'VE TAKEN HIM AWAY! THEY'VE TAKEN HIM AWAY!

PATIENCE, LADS!—AH, WOMPED UP A TREMENDOUS WEDDING SUPPER, AN AH WANT IT EAT—IF YOU SEES HER, YOU'LL LOSE YOUR APPETITES AS WELL AS YOUR MINDS.

AWRIGHT, THEN—LET'S GOBBLE UP EVERYTHING FAST AS LIGHTNING!

FIVE MINUTES AND EIGHT HUNDRED BONES CHOPS LATER.

AM'Y HAIN'T EVEN STARTED!

IS YOU CRAZY OR SOMETHIN'?

YOU'VE A HOLDEN UP TH' (WHY?) UNVEILING!

DON'T RUSH ME, LADS—AH, GOT A DELICIOUS STUMMICK!

**BLONDIE**

OUR CLOCKS SLOW—HAVEN'T TIME FOR BREAKFAST, MAMA.

GORRY, MOM, HAVEN'T TIME FOR BREAKFAST.

ALL I HAVE TIME FOR IS COFFEE.

COME ON—YOU EACH GET A FRIED EGG FOR BREAKFAST.

**ANNIE ROONEY**

WE WENT TO THE ORPHANAGE YESTERDAY TO GIVE THE POOR CHILDREN A FEW APPLES—

A FEW APPLES AN' NUTS? YOU MEAN A SLED LOAD OF APPLES AN' NUTS, I'M HINCEMEAT AN' HOMEMADE CANDY!

IT WAS ONLY A DROP IN THE BUCKET—THE ORPHANAGE IS OVERCROWDED—THIS IS A POOR COUNTRY—BELIEVE ME, THE CHILDREN ARE GLAD TO EVEN GET ENOUGH PLAIN FOOD.

IT DID MY HEART GOOD TO SEE HOW HAPPY OUR LITTLE GIFT MADE THEM—BUT WE DIDN'T HAVE HALF ENOUGH.

HONEST, I THINK YOU'RE GRAND! IF I WAS RICH, I'D BRING THE POOR KIDS SO MUCH CAKE AN' CANDY THEY'D ALL HAVE AN AWFUL TUMMY-ACHE.

**SCORCHY SMITH**

CHARTY ELLIS IS BACK TO SEE THAT NATIVE QUACK! ARE WE GOING TO STAND HERE AND DO NOTHING?

PATIENCE, SMITH! WE HAVE NO REAL EVIDENCE, YET!

HURRY! HIDE IN THERE!

YOU'D BETTER FIND OUT WHAT WENT WRONG WITH OUR PLAN TO BLOW UP THAT SUGAR PLANE!

AH, THE LOVELY MEX-SAHS ELLIS BRINGS LIGHT INTO MY SQUALID OFFICE!

I WISH YOU COULD BEING PERMANENT RELIEF FOR MY HEADACHES, HAHN!

THAT TAKES TIME BUT WE MAKE PROGRESS, WILL YOU BE SEATED MEX-SAHS?

**SNUFFY SMITH**

SAKES ALIVE!! IT SHORE IS GOOD TO HAVE YE HOME AG'IN, PAW.

DON'T GIT HIGHSTERICAL MAW.

SMACK SMACK

TELL ME EVER' BLESSET THING YE DONE WAY OFF UP YONDER IN NEW YARK. PAW... UH... WAIT A SECON'T TILL I GIT MY ROCKY-CHAIR.

I'M ALL EARS, PAW.

GIT IN BACK OF ME, MAW... YO'RE BLOCKIN' OFF TH' HEAT.

**PATSY**

MISS RENE CAN'T DO THIS TO ME—SHE'S GOT TO TAKE IT BACK!

BUT SHE'S PUTTING ON HER SHOW NOW! WHAT'LL I DO?

I KNOW—I'LL LEAVE IT IN HER DRESSING ROOM!

GUHP! WHO'S THAT COMING OUT??

**DICKIE DARE**

WHY SHOULD YOU NOT SWEAT AFTER ALL YOU'VE DONE TO ME, COOK?

WHO ME? YOU?

THERE WAS THE GROUND GLASS YOU PUT IN MY TURTLE SOUP—

THAT! I DID THAT JUST TO PROVE WHAT A MAN YOU ARE.

AND THE TIME WHEN YOU BOILED A FISH IN ARSENIC WATER—

I TASTE IT, YET, DOCTOR BOAT.

BUT YOU HAD A FEVER, CAPTAIN! WHEN YOU GOT OVER THE ARSENIC, THE FEVER WAS GONE.

I PREPARE MY FOOD FOR BIRATE CAPTAIN! HAVE A DEVILED EGG STUFFED WITH GUNPOWDER, SIR!

**OAKIE DOAKS**

THAT CAN'T BE COUNT TARY! HE LEFT HIS ARMOR ON THE BEACH!

BUT HE COULD GET ANOTHER SUIT! HE'S FIELDSHLY CLEVER!

HMPH! THAT SUIT MUST'VE GUB FRUB A RUBBAGE SALE!

HARKEN YE ALL!

I WOULDST YOU CHALLENGE ONE OR BOTH OF YE KNIGHTS TO A JOUST?

HE'S DOT COUT TARY!

GOODY!

YOU TAKE OVER, OAKY, AD I'LL HURRY TO THE ROYAL CASTLE. AD TAKE SUB QUIDDE FOR BY COLD!

**GRIN AND BEAR IT**

CONFIDENTIALLY, OUR TRIP ABROAD WAS A FAILURE... I FOUND THOSE PEOPLE DIDN'T SPEAK OUR LANGUAGE AND WOULDN'T VOTE FOR ME EVEN IF THEY DID...

**Crossword Puzzle**

ACROSS

- Strike with the open hand
- Muffs
- On the ocean
- Detest
- Exist
- Scrumptious
- Tend to
- Old musical note
- Encountered
- Amount of medicine
- Remainder
- Grooves
- Godsend of destiny
- Harmed

DOWN

- That sort
- Negligent
- Dear witness
- English dramatist
- Visit between whalers at sea
- Silk worm
- Cheese pieces
- Flower
- Organ of hearing
- None
- Sun rod
- Knot
- Current of air
- External
- Latin native feminine nickname
- Sweet substance
- Sad
- Long distance
- Force to do without
- Blaze
- Widow
- Falter
- Central part of Jewish month
- City in Kansas
- Uniform
- City in India
- Serpent
- Wild sheep
- Rice paste
- Unit of light intensity
- Protrusion
- Three-road slot

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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**Frashie**

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WEDNESDAY EVENING

6:00 KRBT-News Roundup	8:00 KRBT-Born Karloff	10:00 KRBT-Tomorrow's Headlines
KRLD-Beulah Burt	KRLD-Groucho Marx	KRLD-News
WBAP-Light Up Time	WBAP-Break the Bank	WBAP-News
6:30 KRBT-Elmer Davis	KRBT-Doris Day	KRBT-Joe Baker
KRLD-Jack Smith	KRLD-Groucho Marx	KRLD-Western Stars
WBAP-Evening Serenade	WBAP-Break the Bank	WBAP-News World
6:30 KRBT-Melody Parade	KRBT-The Crooner	KRBT-Ozma For Thought
KRLD-Club 16	KRLD-Bing Crosby	KRLD-Hillbillies Roundup
WBAP-News of World	WBAP-Mr. District Attorney	WBAP-Serenade the Night
6:45 KRBT-News	KRBT-The Crooner	KRBT-Dance Orchestra
KRLD-Ed Murrow	KRLD-Bing Crosby	KRLD-Hillbillies Roundup
WBAP-News	WBAP-Mr. District Attorney	WBAP-Fred's Armory Orch.
7:00 KRBT-Announcing Mr. Malone	KRBT-Easy Listening	KRBT-News
KRLD-Mr. Chalmerson	KRLD-Bing Crosby	KRLD-Hillbillies Roundup
WBAP-This is Your Life	WBAP-The Big Story	WBAP-News
7:15 KRBT-Announcing Mr. Malone	KRBT-Easy Listening	KRBT-Dance Orchestra
KRLD-Mr. Chalmerson	KRLD-Bing Crosby	KRLD-Hillbillies Roundup
WBAP-This is Your Life	WBAP-The Big Story	WBAP-Fred's Armory Orch.
7:30 KRBT-Sherlock Holmes	KRBT-Serenade in Swing	KRBT-Dance Orchestra
KRLD-Dr. Christian	KRLD-Lum N' Abner	KRLD-News
WBAP-Great Gildersleeve	WBAP-Curtain Time	WBAP-Lemle Herman
7:45 KRBT-Sherlock Holmes	KRBT-Serenade in Swing	KRBT-Dance Orchestra
KRLD-Dr. Christian	KRLD-Lum N' Abner	KRLD-Herman Waldman On
WBAP-Great Gildersleeve	WBAP-Curtain Time	WBAP-Ann. Holmes

THURSDAY MORNING

6:00 KRBT-Hillbillies Time	8:00 KRBT-Breakfast Club	10:00 KRBT-News
KRLD-Shelley's Almanac	KRLD-CBS News	KRLD-Arthur Godfrey
WBAP-Bunkhouse Ballads	WBAP-News	WBAP-Marrage For Two
6:30 KRBT-Hillbillies Time	KRBT-Breakfast Club	KRBT-News
KRLD-News Roundup	KRLD-CBS News	KRLD-Arthur Godfrey
WBAP-News	WBAP-Bank News	WBAP-We Love and Learn
6:30 KRBT-Hillbillies Time	KRBT-Breakfast Club	KRBT-News
KRLD-Stamp Quartet	KRLD-CBS News	KRLD-Arthur Godfrey
WBAP-Farm Editor	WBAP-The Big Story	WBAP-We Love and Learn
6:45 KRBT-Hillbillies Time	KRBT-Breakfast Club	KRBT-News
KRLD-News Roundup	KRLD-CBS News	KRLD-Arthur Godfrey
WBAP-News of Golden West	WBAP-The Big Story	WBAP-We Love and Learn
7:00 KRBT-Martin Agronomy	KRBT-My Ima Story	KRBT-Just for Fun
KRLD-Morning News	KRLD-Organists	KRLD-Wendy Warren News
7:15 KRBT-Musical Cues	KRBT-My Ima Story	KRBT-Just for Fun
KRLD-Purple Sage Riders	KRBT-Arthur Godfrey	KRBT-Just for Fun
WBAP-Rails Editor	WBAP-Welcome Travelers	WBAP-Marilyn
7:30 KRBT-News	KRBT-Betty Crocker	KRBT-Chronicle
KRLD-News	KRLD-Arthur Godfrey	KRLD-News Front
WBAP-News	WBAP-Head of the Market	KRLD-News
7:45 KRBT-News of Pioneer	KRBT-Bridal Consultant	KRBT-If makers Muste Red
KRLD-News Roundup	KRBT-Arthur Godfrey	KRBT-If makers Muste Red
WBAP-Birdy Birds	WBAP-Lite can't be death!	WBAP-Harmon Quartet

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**Railroad Strike**

TOKYO, Dec. 21. (AP) - Some 45,000 railroad workers today began a 24-hour work stoppage in a wage dispute.

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**Ad Signs Ordered Off Dignified White House Lawn**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP) - Two advertising signs of a Philadelphia builder were too big and noticeable for the White House lawn and the public building administration commissioner.

They came down, just before the head of the house got back from his Florida vacation yesterday.

It's all right, and part of the \$3,300,000 renovation contract for John McShain to hang signs around that he is fixing up the ailing executive mansion, agreed Commissioner W. E. Reynolds.

"They should be," he said carefully, "small dignified signs... say 18 inches long, maybe two feet."

The signs McShain put on the front (Penn. Ave.) lawn were three feet wide, supported on a plank 15 feet high. He said, in large bold letters, "John McShain, Inc., builders."

"They were not in exact keeping with the surroundings," ruled Reynolds, and ordered them removed.

**Ex-Envoy Doubts Reds Have A-Bomb Or Big Sub Fleet**

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. (AP) - Retired Adm. William H. Standley, former ambassador to Russia, doubts the Soviets have either the atom bomb or a large submarine fleet.

"President Truman's report concerning their possession of the secret of atomic energy," he said at a press conference yesterday. "From what I know of the industrial potential, I don't believe they have the bomb at all."

He also scoffed at the report by James Fighting Ships that Russia has more than 300 submarines with hundreds under construction.

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**House Panhandler Pulls A Fast One**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (AP) - House members are on the look-out for a panhandler who claims to be a bulldozer operator.

The man called at the office of Rep. Holmes (R-Wash.) and said he needed three dollars to buy a bulldozer license so he could get a job on a Washington construction project.

He said he was from Holmes' congressional district. He got the three dollars.

Then he went to the office of a House member from Nebraska. The same story but a different congressional district. Another three dollars.

That was when the grapevine in the House office building began passing the word.

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Hunt Club Saddle Leather Billfolds ..... \$7.50  
Genuine Alligator ..... \$30.00 (Others \$3.50 up)  
All prices plus federal tax.

Billfolds for Her  
Princess Gardner... Calf and Reptile trim ..... \$10.00  
Lady Buxton, Ber Neu, and Prince Gardner ..... \$2.95 up  
In Red, Green, Wine, Black, Brown, Navy with zippers and snaps.

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Handbags... Calf bags in Black, Brown, Green, and Red ..... \$12.45 to \$29.95  
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