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Defendant Handles His Own Case In Superior Court Trial

A defendant trying his own case was due to present it to a superior court jury this afternoon.

The defendant, Belmont Sorenson, 35, is acting as his own counsel in his trial on grand larceny charges. Veteran court house attaches say it is the first time they can recall a defendant conducting his own case before a jury.

Sorenson has had no legal training. However he got himself out of the state penitentiary on a writ of habeas corpus earlier this year by digging up a state law relating to the grand larceny charge on which he had been sentenced.

Sorenson is being tried on a grand larceny charge, arising from his buying an automobile from Aiken Motors in October, 1949, with a check the prosecution alleges was fraudulent.

Although the court had appointed attorneys to defend Sorenson, he decided to handle the case himself.

When the trial recessed this forenoon to await the arrival of a defense witness from Tacoma, Sorenson had not taken the stand in his own defense. But his line of questioning indicated he will base his defense on being intoxicated at time of the charge.

As soon as the last witness testifies, the case was to go to the jury.

Jurors hearing the testimony are Roy I. Johnson, Russell B. Cays, Willette P. Law, Josephine A. Hren, Ferman W. Dewey, Christie M. Drake, Myrtle M. Elterich, Barbara E. Sawby, Hubert H. Seelye, Lena Ronning, Frank J. Fisher and Hugh E. Ross.

New Access Road Completed To Little Quilcene Area

A new access road into the Olympic National Forest is now complete for the first six miles in the Little Quilcene district, according to Jay F. Grant, district ranger at Quilcene. Logs have been coming to market over this road for a couple of weeks.

"This six miles of road is easily the best access road of its class in the Quilcene district, if not in the entire Olympic forest," Grant declares.

The new road taps a timber sale into the upper Little Quilcene river drainage on the north side of the river, purchased last May by St. Paul and Tacoma Lumber Company.

Although only a 12-foot standard road with interdivisible turnouts, Grant says it fully meets specifications for that class of road, with wide gradual curves, easy favorable grades, good permanent drainage, and deep surfacing to carry heavy logging traffic.

Contractors were S. A. and Larry Hendricks of Chehalis. They built the road to specifications of the U. S. forest service.

Logging contractors will build another ten miles of road into the timber sale. About 16 miles of new road will be necessary to remove the timber purchased by St. Paul and Tacoma. Grant predicts the road will be used for many years to come as the forest service makes subsequent timber sales on the Little Quilcene.

While the new access road is open to the public, Grant cautions travelers in the area to be on the lookout for heavily loaded logging trucks on week days. Private cars should use the turnouts provided, leaving the main track open for trucks.

"All previously used routes into Lord lake and the Little Quilcene are still open and maintained. Visitors to these areas should use the previous routes as much as possible to avoid congestion on the new timber access road," the ranger says.

Crowds Have Fun Tagging Santas

Hundreds thronged the streets of Port Angeles last night in what participating merchants term one of the biggest holiday shopping nights in the history of the city. Every one of the 16 Santas was tagged and some of them many times; but at least 20 more will be downtown tonight waiting to give a gift to anyone who recognizes them.

Local stores are remaining open tonight and Saturday night for the convenience of late Christmas shoppers. However tonight will be the last night the Santas will be on the streets.

The simple words "Tag, you're Santa" addressed to the right man, dressed in civilian clothes, will win a gift of no less than $5 value.

Fisheries Dept. Reports Arrests

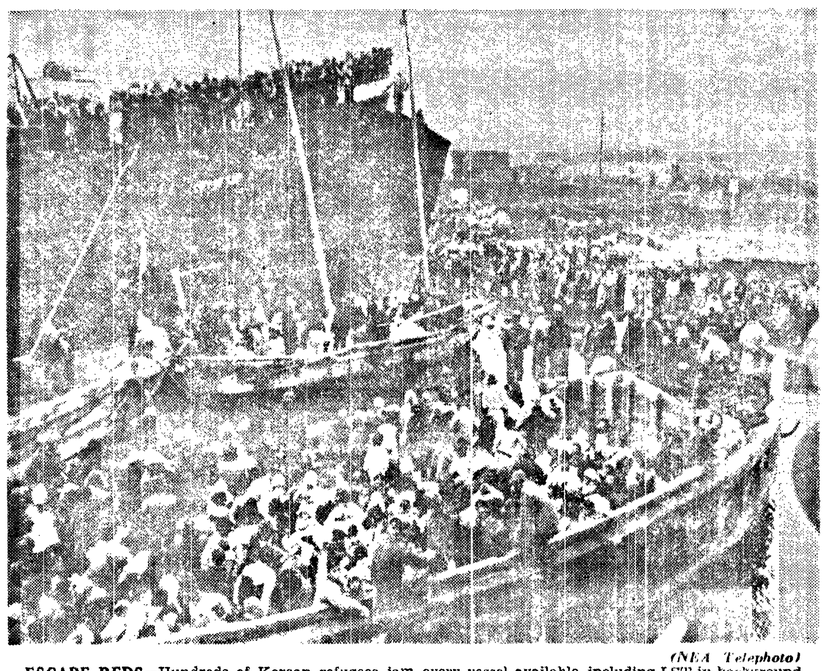
Arrests by the state department of fisheries parol totaled 317 from July through November 30, when the commercial salmon season closed on Puget sound.

Prosecution of the cases resulted in 293 convictions with fines of $18,564 collected and $5,026 suspended.

Violations included 114 in the commercial category, 48 sports fishing cases. Gaffing and snagging of salmon accounted for 52 violations and 48 were in the shellfish industry. Peak month was August, with 116 arrests.

273 MORE CASUALTIES

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The defense department today identified 273 more American casualties in the Korean fighting. In casualty list No. 182, the department named 8 dead, 215 wounded, 41 injured in accidents, and 9 missing in action.



(NEA Telephoto)

ESCAPE REDS—Hundreds of Korean refugees jam every vessel available, including LST in background, in mass flight from burning Hungnam. All vessels carrying civilians exclusively were manned by Korean sailors. (NEA-Acme photo by Staff Photographer Ed Hoffman.)

New Demo State Chairman Sees More Taxes As The Only Way Legislature Can Stop Mounting Deficit

Democratic representatives and senators who will control the 1951 legislature are keenly aware of the state's serious financial position, says Harry Henson, new state democratic chairman.

During his visit to Port Angeles, Henson said the legislators are anxious to do all they can to work out a constructive solution to the current deficit. It is piling up at the rate of $3 million per month.

But he wouldn't venture to predict whether the legislature actually will balance the next budget — now so seriously out of joint.

"If the legislature does stop the mounting deficit it will have to be by a drastic increase in taxes," Henson said. "Only a now unforeseen wartime increase in sales and occupational tax revenues could meet the need under existing tax rates."

MOUNTING DEFICIT

The state chairman summarized the general fund problem thus:

The deficit now totals $27 million. It is mounting approximately $3.1 million per month. It will total $35 to $40 million by the end of this biennium (March 31, 1951).

Next biennium's rate of expenditure probably will be as high or higher than this biennium, due to higher educational costs.

Savings in non-essential administrative expenditures could help a little. But the fact remains that more than two-thirds of our general fund revenue goes into education and welfare.

Education costs, both operating and capital, are rising.

Welfare expenditures probably will remain about the same as now if the state meets the needs to which it is committed by law, even as modified by Initiative 178.

Thus only higher revenues can change the present deficit financing.

The state pays two per cent interest on outstanding warrants representing the general fund deficit. As total deficit increases, this interest expense increases, thereby further increasing the deficit.

Continued deficit financing depends upon commerical bankers' willingness to accept these deferred warrants at face value.

LEGISLATORS' ATTITUDE

From his contacts with them, Chairman Henson finds a great sentiment among our democratic legislators to act along the following lines in order to help reduce the state's deficit:

1. Reduce topheavy administrative staff. Democrats claim executive branch has too many high priced administrators, including about 15 public relations men. Legislature can cut appropriations for such purposes.

2. Establish a continuing interim legislative "committee on expenditures in executive departments." Include a staff expert to check monthly expenditures. Report to the legislature and to the public each month on the current financial status and spending of the departments.

3. Establish a special legislative committee to undertake further studies in state governmental reorganization. It would seek to economize by recommending departmental consolidations and elimination of marginal functions. If we are going into a war economy, we must pare down non-essentials in state government.

4. Examine expenditure of state money in our educational system. Is the program producing to maximum advantage of students? With the state paying 70 per cent of school operating expenses, legislators are increasingly interested in how local districts are spending this money.

MIGHT FUND PRESENT DEFICIT

5. A substantial number of legislators are considering a bond issue to fund the existing general fund deficit, and then try to balance the next budget.

Such bonds presumably would be general obligation bonds to be paid from future general fund revenues, like the $60,000,000 educational and institutional building bonds authorized by the people last month.

Or the legislature might pay the bonds from some special revenue. An example is the 1949 cigarette tax increase to pay off the new bonds issued to pay a veterans bonus.

Henson emphasized that these statements represent only his impression of current thinking by democratic legislators, based upon his many personal contacts with them.

POSSIBLE NEW TAXES

Asked what additional taxes the democratic legislators might vote for, Henson said:

They might try another graduated income tax law. A previous such law was declared unconstitutional by a narrow margin — a five to four decision of the state supreme court, before the war.

Or they might try a flat income tax.

They might extend or increase the business and occupational tax, but any similar change in the sales tax is doubtful.

The democratic state platform favors a graduated income tax and opposes more sales tax. The republican state platform is silent on the tax question.

WELFARE TREND

Regarding the social security department's expenditures next biennium for public welfare, Henson said nobody knows what will happen to **medical aid** expenditures. Initiative 178, adopted by the people last month, gives more discretion to the executive in this field, but it is impossible to predict what effect the new law will have on actual expenditures for medical aid.

A war economy might reduce some parts of **general assistance** program, but this is only a small part of the overall social security program in Washington state.

War economy probably would increase costs of **aid to dependent children.**

"It probably would not reduce **old age assistance** expenditures if we are going to meet the needs which I am sure the state is committed to meet. Few old age pensioners are likely to transfer from state welfare rolls to war work payrolls," Henson believes.

In fact, wartime inflation will tend to increase all welfare costs through rising cost of living.

The new state democratic chairman is a graduate of Roosevelt high school. While teaching in Roosevelt high school here, he was chairman of the Clallam county central committee and served a term as state representative. During the 1949 legislature he was clerk of the house appropriations committee, and then became executive secretary of the state democratic party.

Harry Henson has continued to regard Port Angeles as his home and voting residence while living in Washington, D. C., and Olympia during recent years. He returned to Olympia today after a three day visit here with his father, County Auditor Fred P. Henson, and other Olympic peninsula friends.

Appliance Store Burglary Reported

Police are looking for a suspect in the burglary of Fredericks Electric Company, 524 East First street, resulting in the loss of over $322 Wednesday night.

Patrolman Johnnie Sweatt said the burglar gained entrance by pulling up an overhead rear door and sliding out a cash box. The box, which was in an oven of an electric stove in the store, contained $222 in cash, and checks totalling over another $100.

Air Force May Reopen 13 Bases

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The air force announced yesterday tentative plans to reopen 13 more bases as part of the program to extend the air force to a 68-wing size.

All the bases are scheduled to be in operation within the next 12 months. Some will be used jointly by the air force and civil aviation activities.

The announcement said the tentative list is subject to change if arrangements can not be made locally for housing, schools and other community facilities for military personnel.

The list of fields and their locations include **Paine Field, Everett, Wash.**, Amarillo Airport, Tex.; Big Spring Airport, Tex.; Camp Wolters, Mineral Wells, Tex.; **Geiger Field, Spokane, Wash.**, and Oxnard Airport, Calif.

The air force since July 1 had announced plans to reopen 11 other bases. In addition to these, several auxiliary landing fields were acquired to be held in the pilot training program.

Residents Of Peninsula Asked To Report Plane

The navy asks any Olympic peninsula residents who saw a two-engined plane over the area Monday between 11 a.m. and nightfall to notify police.

The request comes from thirteenth naval district headquarters where officials say they are "pretty certain" a plane seen circling over Forks Monday was the patrol bomber which failed to return from a training mission.

At least eight persons reported they saw the circling plane about noon, some five and and one-half hours after the plane and its 11 occupants last reported by radio to the Whidbey island naval air station.

Some witnesses said the plane lowered its landing gear over the inactive Quillayute naval air station near Forks, then retracted it and swung on a southwesterly course. Such a route, if maintained, would have taken the plane out to sea again.

17 PLANES OUT

Naval district headquarters said 17 planes were engaged yesterday in the far-flung search. The Washingington state coast was scanned from Cape Flattery to the Columbia river. A navy spokesman said all of the Olympic peninsula was covered in the aerial search and the sea watch covered an area about 120 miles offshore.

The Ediz hook coast guard air base has the assignment to cover the slopes along the strait and ocean shore. The searchers are hampered by fog an dmist that backs up over that area. A plane that went out from here this morning was forced back to its base by low-lying fog.

Ray Robinson Says 'Nuts' to Commies

PARIS—(AP)— America's Ray Robinson said "nuts" today to the French communists.

The negro welterweight boxing champion made this one-word comment following attacks against him in the official communist press.

Robinson took a punch at the communists yesterday by publicly denying red propaganda that all American negroes suffer from discrimination. He did this in a statement while shaking hands with Marshall plan Ambassador Milton Katz.

The communists hollered "ouch" and fought back in their newspaper, "L'Humanite." They accused Robinson of landing a low blow and of forgetting what they alleged were dozens of cases of anti-negro acts in the United States.

"Ignoble!" screamed "L'Humanite" on its sports page. It blasted Robinson as a multi-millionaire Harlem property owner who has no right to speak of American democracy.

The newspaper also took Sugar Ray to task for alleged "irregularities" in his recent victories over three top-rate European boxers, Jean Stock of France, Luc Van Dam of Holland and Jean Walzack of France.

Robinson's manager, George Gainford, joined the fray at this stage. "The communists can go jump," he told a reporter.

"Robinson has never so much as been warned by a referee in all of his 124 professional and 85 amateur fights," he said.

DENY ULTIMATUM

WASHINGTON—(AP)— The White House denied today a report that President Truman had sent foreign minister Robert Schuman of France "some sort of ultimatum" on U. S. aid.

"There's not a word of truth in it," press secretary Joseph Short told a news conference. The report he was asked about, originating in Paris, was to the effect that Mr. Truman had written Schuman that western Europe must show within sinx months that it "means business" in bulwarking its defense, or the U. S. will withdraw all its aid.

Navy Plans New Jumbo Carrier

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The navy is planning another jumbo size aircraft carrier.

But it will not be quite as large as the huge flush-deck carrier "United States" which has abandoned in the keel-laying stage by order of former Secretary of Defense Johnson.

Vice Admiral Lynde McCormick, vice chief of naval operations, said plans for the big new flattop should reach congress before long. His recent testimony at closed-door sessions of the senate appropriations committee was made public today. It was given during hearings on the $20,000,000,000 emergency defense bill which has been approved by both chambers and now is being smoothed out by house-senate conferees.

McCormick said the size of the projected vessel will be "between our three large carriers and the design of the 'United States'."

The navy's large carriers are 45,000 tons; the United States would have been 65,000 tons.

He added that the navy paid about $10,000,000 to liquidate damages when construction of the United States was halted.

VETERAN IS 104

SANDPOINT, Idaho—(AP)—Idaho's only living civil war veteran, Israel A. Broadsword, will observe his 104th birthday anniversary here tomorrow.

MORE BONUS CHECKS

OLYMPIA —(AP)— Bonus checks were mailed today to state veterans of world war II holding claim numbers 167,901 to 168,000. Total payments so far amount to $60,063,965 with an average bonuse of $357.53.

(NEA Telephoto)

LIKE THIS—Lt. (j.g.) Raymond A. Miller, U. S. N., left, of Berkeley, Calif., shows Lt. Charles O. Jones, right, of Imperial Beach, Calif., how he outmaneuvered three Russian-built jet planes over North Korea while rescuing 28 ROK troops with his helicopter. Looking on from their craft is Miller's crewman, AM3 R. F. Anderson, U. S. N., of Houston, Tex. (U. S. Navy radiophoto.)

(NEA Telephoto)

ON THE JOB—Charles E. Wilson, above, new defense production chief, points out emphatically that he is already on the job shortly after being sworn in at Washington, D. C.

Wilson Starts To Work On U. S. Mobilization Plan

By Marvin L. Arrowsmith

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson said today it is too early to tell how much consumer goods production may be cut as a result of the stepped up munitions program.

"We are still in the analyzing stage — we are analyzing like hell," Wilson told reporters after meeting behind closed doors with the senate expenditures committee.

Wilson, who was sworn into office yesterday, said he urged the committee to approve a bill which would give President Truman emergency power to reorganize federal agencies.

A newsman asked Wilson whether the mobilization speed-up—particularly heavy output of munitions — foreshadows any drastic cut in the production of consumer goods.

'MEATY SUBJECT'

Wilson called that "a very meaty subject" and added that an answer is almost impossible at this time. He said that among other things it would depend on the determination of military requirements by the defense department.

"I am now in the process of trying to boil it down," Wilson said. "I am trying to get the facts."

He said one of the other problems he is working on is how to handle stabilization of wages in the automobile industry. Imposition of price controls on new cars makes it imperative under the law that auto industry wages be stabilized, he declared. The wage stabilization board said last night it has agreed on the matter of wage controls in the auto industry. It didn't elaborate.

WAGE-PRICE CONTROLS

As for general wage-price controls, Wilson said in reply to a question that he has not had time to study that matter thoroughly.

"All I can say," he added, "is that if we are going to have price controls, inevitably wage controls will follow. At what stage or what scope, I don't know now."

The expenditures committee deferred action earlier this week on the bill which would give Mr. Truman authority to reshuffle federal agencies. Some members said the president was asking for blank check authority without giving congress any idea how he would use it.

The committee called Wilson for information on that point. He told reporters he urged approval of the bill "on ground that I have been counseled that it is needed to enable us to function properly."

He said the committee excused him from being specific about reorganization planned "because I have not been on the job long enough."

As for his own power as director of defense mobilization, Wilson said it is entirely adequate and "I contemplate no difficulties."

Rhee Proclaims Yule Amnesty

SEOUL, Korea—(AP) — President Syngman Rhee proclaimed today a partial Christmas amnesty for all prisoners in Seoul's jails except those sentenced to death for "peculiarly revolting" crimes.

Most of the prisoners were sentenced for war crimes.

Terms of others under death sentence will be reduced.

Cases of those serving life or more than 10-year sentences will be reviewed.

Persons serving lighter sentences will be liberated promptly.

Women and prisoners in ill health will get special consideration regardless of their crimes.

The proclamation follows a promise to United Nations officials by the Republic of Korea government that it would halt further mass executions of prisoners. British troops took over "execution hill" earlier this week, presumably to halt the shootings.

The Christmas policy will apply to persons awaiting trial. Rhee said the public prosecutor has instructions to ask for life or lesser terms instead of death and to dismiss cases that ordinary would draw sentences of less than 10 years.

Prosecutor Su Sang Whan said about 3,500 prisoners serving less than 10 years would be released Saturday and Sunday. There are about 7,000 persons in Seoul's prisons

UN Cease-Fire Plea Rejected; Allies Await New Red Attacks

By Olen W. Clements

TOKYO—(AP)—Red troops were reported south of Korea's 38th parallel tonight and preparing a new offensive as the Chinese communist regime rejected—except on its own tough terms—the latest United Nations effort to arrange a cease-fire.

The Peiping radio broadcast a statement by red Premier Chou En-Lai that retirement of all foreign troops from Korea, American withdrawal "from Formosa," and Chinese red admission to the UN were the only conditions on which he would even talk of a cease-fire.

This angry statement, heard in Tokyo, came as rising red attacks against United Nations forces in western Korea prompted a warning by General MacArthur that a big new Chinese offensive might be imminent.

In northeast Korea, evacuation of nearly 25,000 frightened civilians from the red-besieged beachhead port of Hungnam was reported by AP Correspondent Tom Lambert.

Close-range rocket ships, big naval guns and artillery still shielded the small beachhead—the United Nations' last foothold in north Korea.

BROADCAST REJECTION

China's rejection of any talk toward a cease-fire was made in a six-point statement broadcast in Peiping and heard here.

The red premier-foreign minister said the three-man UN committee's appeal was "unlawful" because Chinese communists did not participate in formation of the committee at the UN assembly.

The committee had sent the Peiping regime three requests to negotiate for a cease-fire—the last one Thursday night, New York time.

The United Nations general assembly at Lake Success set up the committee during a consideration of the Korean crisis.

A red Chinese delegation's chief spokesman blasted the UN in a lengthy speech but it was not permitted to participate in the decisions because Red China is not a member. The Chinese left New York for home earlier this week.

NEW RED ATTACKS

The red attacks in western Korea started shortly before Chou's rejection of cease-fire dickering. The attacks indicate an all-out offensive against UN forces could be expected almost any hour.

Observers were guessing that Christmas eve might be the signal for the new red drive because of the oriental practice of striking on occidental holidays.

General MacArthur's late Friday war summary said from 10 to 12 divisions have been identified along parallel 38, arbitrary boundary between North and South Korea.

The initial red assaults in regimental strength rolled nearly two miles against republic of Korea (ROK) forces northeast of Chunchon. That's a highway junction 45 miles northeast of Seoul.

A large buildup of reds—Chinese or North Korean or both—was reported north of Chunchon. West of this area along parallel 38, a sizable Chinese force was spotted in Yonchon, 38 miles due north of Seoul and six miles north of the parallel.

Yonchon is on one of two main rail lines leading to the South Korean capital. The other runs northwest of Seoul to Pyongyang, Korean red capital.

REDS BUILD UP

Noting unmistakably heavy traffic behind enemy lines and continued probing thrust, MacArthur observed:

"This is normally the initial phase of an impending attack."

In northeast Korea, American rapid-fire rocket ships moved close inshore at Hungnam Thursday and joined other warships, planes and field artillery in laying a fiery shield from close range around the beachhead.

Use of the rocket ships in defense of the Hungnam perimeter for the first time indicated that the reds are closing in.

LIE WON'T COMMENT

NEW YORK—(AP)—UN secretary-general Trygve Lie declined to comment today on a radio report communists have rejected a request for a cease-fire in Korea.

"I can't comment on a radio report," he said, adding that the UN cease-fire committee "officially has had no reply" to its message to the Peiping government.

West Powers Agree To Big Four Parley With Russia

PARIS—(AP)—The western powers agreed to broaden the agenda to include outstanding world problems in addition to Germany. Foreign office sources said notes delivered in Moscow tonight suggested that the four powers' UN delegates work out the agenda, time and place for the meeting.

There have been reports that the four foreign ministers would be invited to meet in February in New York City. This was neither confirmed nor denied in French official circles tonight.

ANSWER RUSS INVITATION

The notes were drafted in answer to Russia's Nov. 3 invitation to the western powers for a four-power session on Germany's future. They were approved by the big three foreign ministers in Brussels Tuesday night. The notes, which are identical in viewpoint but different in wording, were delivered to the Kremlin through the three embassies. Moscow dispatches said representatives of the three embassies called on deputy foreign minister Andrei A. Gromyko this afternoon.

The acceptance of the meeting was made conditional on the Russian's willingness to discuss a wide range of world problems. The Russians had suggested talks on Germany only.

400 UN Ships In Korean Waters

TOKYO — (AP) — More than 400 ships have been contributed by nine nations to the United Nations blockading and escort fleet operating off Korea.

Vice Admiral C. Turner Jay, commander of the UN naval forces, announced that figure today and said a ship from a tenth nation—Columbia—is on the way. Columbia is sending a frigate.

Joy said the 400 total did not mean that many vessels have been available to the blockading and escort force at any one time.

With few exceptions, he said, the ships are smaller ones and make up a unit separate from the U. S. combat naval force which includes carriers.

The largest number of ships in the blockading and escort force was supplied by the United States with the United Kingdom second. The U. S. ships included cruisers, destroyers, minesweepers and LSTS. From the United Kingdom came aircraft carriers, light cruisers, destroyers and light frigates.

Other nations supplying ships (all destroyers or smaller) were: Australia, Canada, France, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, and Thailand.

Rear Admiral Allan E. Smith, commanding officer of the blockading and escort force, has credited his unit with keeping "the seas safe for U. N. transports" and also with contributing "valuable gunfire and air support to embattled UN ground forces."

YULE TRADE HIGH

NEW YORK—(AP)—Dun & Bradstreet said today Christmas retail trade is at an all-time high.

REVENUE AGENTS NABBED

BALLSTON SPA, N. Y. —(AP)— Sheriff's deputies took into custody four men whom villagers considered "suspicious-looking." The four were released almost immediately.

That was a week ago. Yesterday, Sheriff Frank Hathorn disclosed that the four were internal revenue agents looking for a still.

West Germany's Defeated People May Offer Soldiers in Return For End of Controls

By George Boultwood

BONN, Germany—(AP)—West Germany's defeated people weighed today a horse-trading deal with the west: Would they swap the use of German soldiers in defense of Europe for an end to most of the irksome occupation controls and near independence?

The three allied high commissioners got ready for long negotiations, beginning after Christmas. These eventually may bring German soldiers shoulder-to-shoulder with Americans and west Europeans, in the status of virtual allies, to face up to Moscow.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer has not yet given any direct answer on the invitation to him by the Brussels North Atlantic alliance conference to raise German military units. In fact, he has not yet been asked directly to do this. There is some hard preparatory work to do first.

SOME ENCOURAGEMENT

But the western allies have been given some encouragement by Adenauer, who has expressed himself as pleased with what he calls "a great step forward"—the offer to sweep away most of the occupation controls. He is also pleased, he indicates, with allied willingness to listen to the German claim to negotiating as equals.

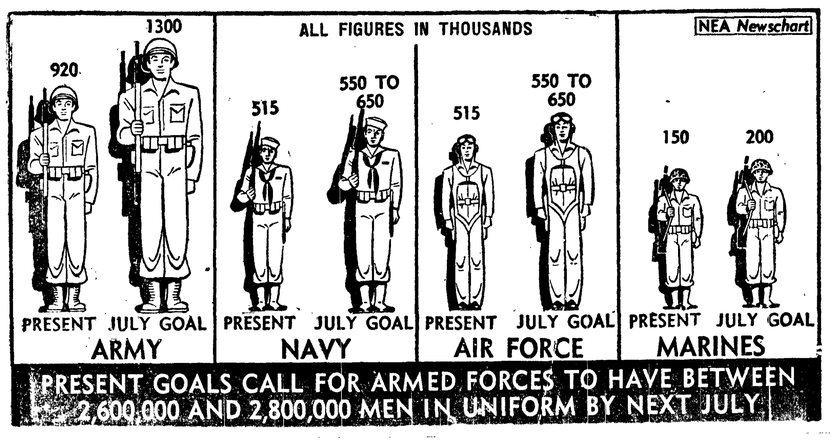
Many months of talking between the West German government and the Big Three loomed before German troops could fight alongside their former enemies against Soviet communism, or West Germany would become almost a free nation.

BIG STEP FORWARD

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer announced last night after a five-hour parley with the high commissioners of France, the United States and Britain, that "there has been a big step forward" in plans to include West German troops in the west's projected 1,000,000-man defense force against Soviet aggression.

A communique on the conference disclosed that the three western powers, offering their first big concession in return for German participation, have agreed to place their relations with West Germany "to an increasing degree on a contractual basis." This was taken to indicate a removal of virtually all occupation controls.

The offer was in line with plans for the formation of the international army in western Europe, made earlier this week by the 12 Atlantic pact foreign ministers in Brussels.



GIRL KILLED COASTING

ALBANY, N.Y. —(AP) — A seven-year-old girl, who thought she wasn't hurt in a coasting mishap Wednesday night, collapsed and died last night while watching a television program at her home.

Edna Mary Ryan died of a fractured skull, Coroner Frank C. O'Connor said.

Her head struck a pole when she slipped off her sled while coasting. She played with her friends yesterday and appeared in good health.

The World Wonders If Stalin Is Active

ByDewitt Mackenzie
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Prime Minister Stalin's 71st birthday yesterday was noted with elaborate praise by the Soviet press, but the world still is left speculating about the health and activity of this man who wields far more power than any other individual on earth.

One is reminded of an incident back in 1936 when it was rumored Stalin was ill and even dead. Charles P. Nutter, then AP chief of bureau in Moscow, addressed a letter to Stalin asking for the facts. He got a reply in the Soviet chief's own handwriting:

"I know from the reports of the foreign press that I long ago abandoned this sinful world and moved into the other world. As one cannot doubt such foreign press dispatches unless he wants to be expelled from the list of civilized people, I request you to believe them and don't disturb me in the calm of the other world."

IMPORTANT QUESTION

This question of whether Stalin still has a firm grip on bolshevism is mighty important not only to Soviet Russia and her satellites but to the world at large. He is (or has been) the absolute dictator of the Russian regime and of the world revolution for the spread of communism. It was he who laid the groundwork for the revolution.

Long before the last war, Stalin was given credit by European observers for expecting another global conflict. He was said to be figuring that this would give the world revolution its real opportunity to spread.

Accordingly Stalin inaugurated his series of five year plans to make Russia strong industrially and militarily. He signed with Hitler the non-aggression pact which enabled the fuehrer to launch his war of aggression. The plant went awry in that Hitler suddenly attacked Russia, but ultimately it worked out to the advantage of the red revolution, which quickly brought all Eastern Europe into the Moscow sphere of control.

CHAOS MIGHT RESULT

Well, now, absolute power such as Stalin has possessed creates a delicate situation. His sudden removal by illness or death might create chaos in the Soviet bloc, and conceivably could precipitate a third world war.

The point of course is that while Stalin has maintained unquestioned control of the Soviet regime, there are a dozen or more able and ambitious men who might be expected to reach for his job when it was vacated.

That's too many for unity. Naturally one assumes that Stalin already has designated his successor, but that designation might not stick, once his powerful influence had been removed.

Why is it that Stalin has been able to remain in unquestioned power all these years? Why hasn't some one of his ambitious lieutenants reached the big job?

ONE ANSWER

One answer to these questions is that the early purges which were carried out under the Stalin regime made it quite patent that ambition was a dangerous attribute. However, I don't believe that is the real answer.

The reason Stalin's dictatorship has been unchallenged is because he possesses powerful leadership and because he has kept coming up with the right schemes to implement the red world revolution. His followers claim that he is "always right" in his judgment, and that therefore his leadership hasn't been challenged.

That probably is the explanation of his power. He has delivered the goods—diabolical goods from the standpoint of the democracies.

ALIENS MUST REGISTER

SEATTLE — (AP) — An estimated 150,000 aliens in the Pacific northwest will be required to register under the new internal security act, Regional Immigration Director John P. Bowd said yesterday.

The figure is an increase of 15,000 over the last previous registration of aliens, in 1940, when more than 135,000 were counted.

The registration must be completed during the first 10 days of 1951. Cards are available at immigration service offices and postoffices.

Radio Programs

TONIGHT
KONP, News every hour on the hour.
6:00—KIRO, Up For Parole
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CBR, Ford Theatre
6:30—KOMO, Duffy's Tavern
CBR, Baby Snooks
KIRO, Bwdy. Is My Beat
KIRO, Teachers Tenure
7:00—KOMO, Life of Riley
KJR, Cavalcade of Sports
KVI, Hidden Truth
7:15—KONP, Christmas Concert
KOMO, Sports Newsreel
CBR, Toronto Pop Concert
KIRO, Songs for Sale
8:00—KJR, Fat Man
KVI, Bobby Benson
8:30—KIRO, Capitol Cloakroom
KVI, True or False
KJR, This Is Your FBI
KOMO, Nero Wolfe
CBR, Opening Night
9:00—KJR, Ozzie and Harriett
KIRO, Escape
KOMO, Hobnail Corners
CBR, Burns Chuckwagon
9:30—KVI, Comedy of Errors
CBR, Human Rights
KONP, Big Top Ten
10:15—KIRO, Swap 'N Shop
CBR, Club Date

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23
KONP, News every hour on the hour.
7:15—KONP, Hotcakes and Coffee
9:15—KONP, Record Get Together
11:01—KONP, Christmas Carols
1:01—KONP, Christian Science
4:05—KONP, Old Chisholm Trail
4:45—CBR, Memo, Lake Success
5:15—KIRO, Olympia Reports
5:45—KONP, Children's Chapel
6:00—KOMO, Scandia Barn Dance
KIRO, Johnny Dollar
CBR, Take It From Here
6:30—KOMO, Dennis Day
KIRO, Favorite Husband
KVI, Hawaii Calls
7:00—KIRO, Sing It Again
KVI, Vincent Lopez Show
KJR, Bulletin Board.
KOMO, Judy Canova
7:30—KOMO, Grand Ole Opry.
KJR, Can You Top This
KVI, This Is Europe
8:00—KIRO, Vaughn Monroe
KVI, Salute to Reservists
KOMO, Dangerous Assignm't.
CBR, Share The Wealth
KJR, Lone Ranger
8:30—KIRO, Gene Autry
KVI, Lombardo Land
KJR, Shoot the Moon
KOMO, Man Called X
9:00—KIRO, Hopalong Cassidy
KJR, What Makes You Tick
KOMO, Hit Parade
CBR, John Sturgess, baritone
9:15—KVI, Dance Orch.
9:30—KIRO, Gangbusters
KOMO, Tune Time
9:30—KONP, Dance Orchestra
10:15—KIRO, Swap 'N Shop
10:30—KOMO, Spade Cooley Orch.
KVI, Dance Orchestra

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice Of Call For Bids

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Port Angeles, Washington, at the City Hall of said City, not later than 10:00 a.m., December 26, 1950. to furnish for the Street Department, electric motors and accessories required for operation of a rock crusher plant. Rebuilt motors will be considered. Bids to be accompanied by certified check in amount of 5% of amount bid and payable to the City Treasurer. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the City Engineer. The Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

J. E. LAW, City Clerk.
Published: December 15, 22, 1950.

NOTICE OF CALL FOR BIDS FOR GASOLINE CONTRACT

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Port Angeles, Washington, until 10:00 a.m., January 2, 1951, at the City Hall of said City, and not later, to furnish for the City Departments during the year 1951, Premium and Non-Premium Gasoline and Diesel, for operation of City equipment. The Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

J. E. LAW, City Clerk.
Published: December 22, 29, 1950.

Doctor's Trial Again Delayed

RANGOON, Burma —(AP) — The treason trial of "Burma Surgeon" Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave was delayed today until next year because two vital defense witnesses now are in north Burma and unavailable at once.

Defense Attorney Kyaw Myint said one witness, Htin Nan, a member of Burma's parliament, messaged that he was in hospital and unable to travel. The other, Khun Hpung, chieftain in the Shan state of Hawwa, was reported on an official tour, his exact whereabouts unknown.

Officials had hoped to end the trial before Christmas, but today's developments led the court to delay the next session until Jan. 9. If convicted, on charges of aiding Kachin rebels, Dr. Seagrave faces 10 years imprisonment or banishment. The trial began Oct. 12. Dr. Seagrave has been in arrest since Aug. 20.

OLDSTER OFFERS BLOOD

BUFFALO, N.Y.—(AP)—A 70-year-old Buffalo woman, who volunteered to donate blood to help "those boys fighting over there," was told her age made it impossible.

She contributed anyway—a $100 check to the Red Cross blood program.

Her name was not disclosed.

Reds Say Ike 'Serf of Wall St.'

MOSCOW—(AP)—The Soviet youth organ Komsomol said today Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, recently named head of the new west European army, is a "true serf of Wall Street."

(Eisenhower was twice decorated by the Russian government during world war II for his services as supreme commander of the allied expeditionary force. He received the order of Victory and the order of Suvorov.)

The Soviet press described the Brussels conference as "a crime against peace" and said the Atlantic army was an aggressive force to be staffed mainly from "western German fascist units."

The communist party organ Pravda said the French government had betrayed its people by agreeing to formation of German military units in the projected force.

NATURALLY

MOSCOW—(AP) — Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin's son, Lieut. Gen. Vassily Stalin, was among the deputies elected to the Moscow Soviet—city council—last Sunday.

The 30-year-old air force officer represents the 1,429th election district. He was advanced to his present rank last year, when he led the May day air show over the Soviet capital. He emerged from the recent war a colonel with numerous mentions for bravery and efficiency to his credit.

State Defense Council Announces System Of Signals to Warn of Impending Air Raids

OLYMPIA—(AP)— A system of signals to warn the public of impending air attacks is announced by the state defense council.

A wailing siren giving out a fluctuating or wailing signal of varying pitch for three minutes will mean an attack is imminent.

In some cities or towns, a three-minute series of short blasts by horns or whistles may be used to warn of an attack.

The warning signal—known as the red alert—may be supplemented by sound trucks or public address systems but regular radio broadcasts will not be used.

In any event, when the signal is sounded, you should take cover immediately, says James Pryde, chairman of the state defense council.

After the attack is over and the enemy aircraft have left the area, an "all-clear" signal will be sounded. It will be a steady blast by siren, horn or whistle. It will be given in a series of three blasts of one-minute each. There will be two minutes of silence between the blasts.

Pryde said the signals are effective at once and he urged all local civil defense authorities to undertake a series of fully publicized tests so the public will be thoroughly familiar with what to do in case of an actual air attack by enemy forces.

WHAT PUBLIC SHOULD DO

When the warning signal is sounded, Pryde said the public should act immediately as follows:

1. All persons at work or in the streets should take cover or go to shelters previously designated by civil defense authorities. If shelters have not been publicly designated, you should take cover at once in the nearest modern building, in a subway or other suitable underground shelter.

2. All persons in schools, homes or other dwellings should take immediate shelter. Schools will be organized for the protection of children. The basement is probably the safest place in a home.

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12:15 Variety Time
12:30 Lynn Murray Show
1:00 RCA Chorus
2:00 News
2:05 Eddy Howard
2:30 The Messiah
3:30 Fibber McGee and Molly
4:00 News
4:05 Story of the First Christmas
4:15 Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer
4:30 Peter And The Wolf
5:00 Alice In Wonderland
5:30 A Christmas Carol
6:00 News
6:15 Betty Northup at the Organ.

Monday, Dec. 25
6:45 Christmas Package
7:00 News
7:15 Hotcakes & Coffee
8:30 Music for Christmas Morning
9:00 News
9:15 The Carolers
10:15 Homemaker Harmonies
10:30 Jean Earl
10:45 Carmen Cavallaro
11:00 News
11:05 Melody Time
12:00 News At Noon
12:15 The Three Suns
12:30 Cavalcade of 1950
1:00 I Can Hear It Now
2:00 News
2:05 Fred Waring Presents
2:30 Proudly We Hail
3:00 Peter Pan
4:00 News
4:05 Mr. Pickwick's Christmas
4:30 Tunes For Teens
5:00 Children's Story Hour
5:15 The Story Lady
5:30 The Angel With The Cold Nose
6:00 News
6:15 Sports Review
6:30 Treasure Island
7:00 Our Christmas Stocking
8:00 News
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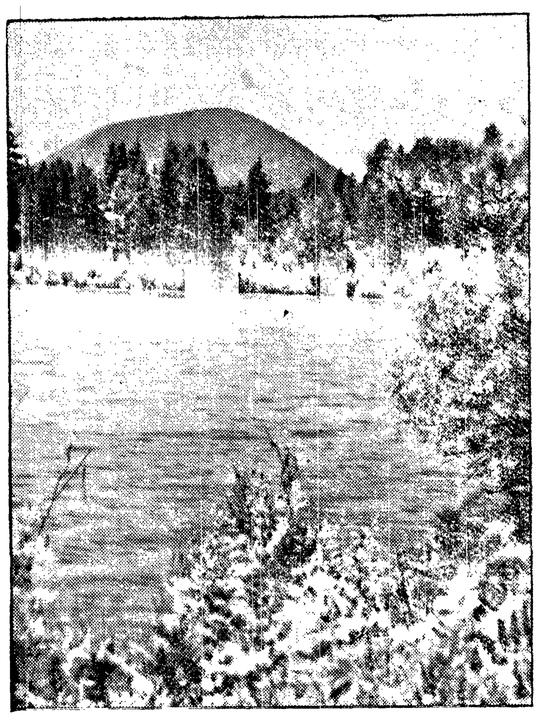

National Park Service Photograph.
The great cinder cone in Lassen Volcanic National Park, California, as seen from the edge of Butte Lake. A strange, gray-black formation with multi-colored lava dunes at its base, this cone is typical of the unusual volcanic landscape to be found in this park.

OLYMPIC TRAIL TALK—80

Holidays in Wenatchee Different Than at Humes Ranch Nine Years Ago

By Lois Crisler

Contrast: the week before Christmas, 1941, and the week before Christmas, 1950.

December, 1941. In Seattle Cris had loaded the Hudson sedan to the gunwales. On a dark December morning we landed in a dashing storm at Port Townsend. (The dock at Port Ludlow was bashed in from the storm.)

In Port Angeles, Cris bought us rubber boots — odd footgear, I thought. We drove up to Whiskey bend.

In the tall green forest, indifferent and dripping, Cris loaded our packboards. He led off for the log cabin in the wilderness.

He also led out in cleaning the deserted cabin.

"I want us to have our first Christmas here alone." That was Cris's idea. No company. "No store trimmings on our tree." That was another idea he had.

He worked very hard. The cabin had to be clean and garnished for this first Christmas of ours together.

Food, bedding, supplies had to be brought from the car. Wood had to be got from the wet forest.

On Christmas afternoon Cris took me along to get the tree. Down by Idaho creek he found a young white fir.

TRIMMING THE TREE

In the dark little cabin there was no room for the forest tree on the floor. Cris cut off its tip and set it on the new oilcloth on the table. Its flat fronds looked varnished on top and white underneath. It looked very formal and graceful.

I was thankful to string popcorn and silver the cones. It gave me a pretext to sit down.

Cris hung red India prints in a bower around the bunk, and decorated the cabin with cedar and fir boughs.

The cabin smelled of new oilcloth, soap and the wild fir still wrapped in ozone. The gasoline lantern hissed. Outside the river rushed. The window panes looked dark and bright.

I announced to Cris a complete new discovery in my life. This was fun, to work like a beaver cleaning this little old cabin away in the wilderness! It was actually—I could hardly believe this—actually more fun than going to some ski lodge for the holidays.

We put our presents around the base of the tree, then opened the door. It was snowing. I wondered if it would get so deep we couldn't go out to the car for more grub.

We read the story in Matthew and sang "Joy to the World" a little bashfully.

The next morning we "had the tree."

We had agreed to give each other only 50 cent presents. Cris had five presents for me, including a Chinese lantern of powder puffs, a box of incense, lily bulbs and a jew's harp.

I gave Cris a pair of glittering black castanets. (They cost $3.50!)

Evidently we had both had the same idea—the big silence up here. No radio, no phone, no newspaper. Just the mountains, the great forests—and us, starting a new way of life.

WITH THE ALBERTSONS

The week before Christmas, 1950:

Drove over Stevens pass about 10 p.m. on our way to the Albertsons' in Wenatchee.

On the west side, rain hit the top of the car hard in the dark. Then it stopped. White mountains stood around dim. Fresh snow robed the crags along the highway. Two blue lights approached, pulsing. Snowplows out, working the road.

At Rev. Albertson's. Fire in fireplace. Gladys in red jersey dress. A yellow Delicious apple apiece to eat. Then that rarity for travelers—a silent dark bedroom, fresh air and long sleep.

Morning. Waking relaxed. From Ann and Mary's bedroom overhead, thump, thump, thump of bare feet galloping. Giggle, giggle, giggle. Happiness running over irrepressibly.

When Cris and I were officially up, "Now you can play," Gladys told the girls. Ann went to the new thing in the living room—the piano. Her back straight in the yellow sweater, she played "Silent Night." Then Mary played "Long Years Ago O'er Bethlehem's Hills" with one finger.

Tommie, the yellow cat, sat on the porch rail waiting to come in. Cris scrambled eggs. Jim fried bacon crisp.

After breakfast, a surprise. Ann twirls a baton. The silver stick whirls under her knee behind her back.

THE APPLE FESTIVAL

She belongs to a 30-girl baton group from the fifth and sixth grades in her school. Last night in yellow and white satin costumes they twirled for the basketball game. Why?

APPLES! The apple—I mean Apple-blossom festival here next spring. Already the schools are preparing the skill—and muscles! The girls treat their satin costumes with care. True, they must twirl for school crowds. But that is so they will not be rattled by the big crowd next May, for the best-known parade in the northwest.

It is a motivation as strong—in its way as dedicated—as the Oberammergau villagers' passion play.

Mary practices with a small baton, getting it under her knees, puffing a little, once to Ann's five times. She looks up, eyes shining, intent and smiling, when the stick bumps to the floor.

"The girls' arms have blue bumps on them here," she says, touching her elbow, "when they first start." Baton practice starts in the fifth grade, but Ann is already teaching Mary.

IT'S ALL APPLES

The apple deal—that is, the whole apple situation—rules Wenatchee. "What's the apple deal?" people say.

It's a "shallow economy" here. The people earn their livings from one crop—tree fruit.

You don't call them farmers. You call them orchardists. On the ranches the trees grow right up to the houses. No vegetable gardens.

But they have the farmers' psychology—anxious. "Yes, it's a good year but next year might be bad!"

So many things can happen. When the apples start to color, the nights have to be cold, the days warm. This year the nights were warm and the Delicious started to turn buckskin color instead of red.

All through the two or three weeks of apple harvest you don't breathe. Will it freeze? Will there be a wind before the apples are "under cover?"

They actually release men from jail in Seattle and Spokane to come over and help pick the apples. "Winos" come in to help.

The orchardists take enormous pride in what they have created here on what was only naked dry land. They do their living here.

In Port Angeles a lot of the wealth is siphoned out of town by the absentee owners. In Wenatchee the owners of the wealth live right here, pour their wealth right back into the town, thus furnishing livings for others. They buy luxuries; there are shops to supply them—a hardware store a block long, for example.

They put a half-million-dollar addition on the Deaconess hospital four years ago, mostly by voluntary contributions. A couple of dozen millionaires live in town. Yet the population is only about 2,000 more than that of Port Angeles.

ALL HER OWN

Now Tommie comes in, walks with sureness to his milk dish under the electric range. With equal sureness—wet fur means nothing to him—he walks to Gladys for his morning cuddle.

The mail comes—Christmas cards, greetings from the bishop, brother preachers. You know which cards are for the girls by the round handwriting on the envelopes.

Mary, very dark-eyed, wants to show us something. She doesn't get a word in edgewise, with Jim and Cris and Gladys and me all in the kitchen talking, but Gladys reads her mind. "Now you can show them," she says.

Mary still doesn't say anything. She has given up trying. But her eyes dance. She turns and walks ahead of us into the living room, to the buffet. A creche. "I made it!" she states.

In the brown wooden stable are the figures which Mary modeled and painted. The three camels have to lie down outside, looking slightly like turtles. Inside are the wonderful manger, the wise men, the shepherds, the rich and the poor, and even the sheep, for the kind and glorious story.

CARDINAL DIES

BERLIN —(AP)— Konrad Cardinal Von Preysing, 70, leading Catholic prelate for Berlin and East Germany, died last night.

The death of the cardinal, an outspoken foe of the nazis during the Hilter regime and later of the Russians, reduces the membership in the Roman Catholic church's sacred College of Cardinals to 52. At full strength it has 70 members.

Cardinal Von Preysing, bishop of Berlin, was a constant target of communist attack, and he counterattacked strongly.

Money-Crammed Jar Goes to N.Y.

SEATTLE—(AP)—A jar crammed with $2,000 for the March of Dimes fund is on a 5,000-mile flight to New York.

It came from Kodiak Island, out near where the Aleutian Islands start, in a modern day version of the pony express relay system

It was raised by the Civil Service Club of the Kodiak naval station. It is for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

A Pacific Northern Airlines plane flew it from Kodiak to Anchorage, Alaska. A Northwest Airlines plane brought it here and transferred it to another for the flight east.

CAUSE OF FIRE

More than 30 per cent of America's annual toll of 80,000 fires is caused by discarded cigarette butts and smoldering matches, according to a research organization.

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WHAT ABOUT The FUTURE?

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AFTER YOU DIE . . .

When do you plan to die?

Bless your heart, if the world doesn't end tonight, some of you may die tomorrow. And the grim old reaper is creeping up on the rest of us fast.

For being such a monumental event, the average person knows precious little about what happens after he dies. Do we flit away to heaven, or swelter in hell—or neither?

Let's set it down once and for all—in as strong a language as newsprint will bear—there is not and never will be an eternally burning hell! Man's common sense, love of justice—and the Bible—cry out against such an ungodly arrangement!

But don't feel too good about it—there will be a hell all right. But it will be hot enough to "devour" the wicked. Rev. 20:9. Moreover, it will "burn them up" and "leave them neither root nor branch." Mal. 4:1.

A Logical Conclusion

If the universe is to be purified completely, that is the logical arrangement. Sin and sinners will be forever devoured in the unquenchable fire that purifies this earth before its re-creation.

But, if that is so, where are they now—if they have not been popped right into Satan's oven? David says, "let them be silent in the grave." Ps. 31:17.

Yes, silent—asleep in the dust of the earth—until the voice of God awakes them at their resurrection: "The hour is coming, in which **all that are in their graves** shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; **they that have done good,** unto the resurrection of life; and **they that have done evil,** unto the resurrection of damnation." John 5:28, 29.

Did you notice that Jesus says they that have done good are also in their graves—awaiting the resurrection of life? Strange? Not at all. David had been dead 1000 years when Peter declared, "David is not ascended into the heavens." Acts. 2:34.

David himself said, "The dead praise not the Lord, neither any that go down into silence." Ps. 115:17. If they were in heaven, would they not be praising God!

A multitude of texts underscore this basic truth: the dead, both good and bad, rest in "sleep" until the Divine voice hails them forth to their reward.

What earthly use would there be for a judgment and a resurrection if the dead had already slipped away to damnation or bliss? Why bring up the matter again?

You don't suppose a villain who died 5000 years ago has been sizzling in hell all this time—and yet we are going to bring him out at the judgment to see if he has been located properly!

The Crux of the Matter

Here is the understanding of problem. You and I do not have eternal life. God "only hath immortality." I Tim. 6:16. Immortality, or eternal life, is the gift of God to those who, by the grace of Jesus, have kept his commandments to the best of their knowledge and ability—it is their reward. A wicked man has—not eternal life—but eternal death.

Christ brings his reward to the righteous when he comes again: "For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works." Matt. 16:27.

There is much misunderstanding about all this. The pagan concept of heaven and hell that filtered into the church during the dark ages has been buttressed by misconceptions of such things as "soul," "spirit," the thief on the cross, etc. If you would like to read a scholarly and interesting discussion of these points mail the coupon below.

It is your future, friend. The important thing is what you do before you die. "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." Heb. 9:27. Eternal life or eternal death—which is it for you? **(Next Subject: The Next World Ruler).**

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CHRISTMAS SCENE—Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at Eighth and Oak again has one of the more elaborate outdoor Christmas displays on here. Pictured above in the display as it was at last year's white Christmas season. In this year's edition the manger has been enlarged and figures are painted and recessed, giving the scene a three-dimensional effect. The display may be seen to best advantage at night when it is colorfully illuminated.

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To contact party who was at my place, 905 W. 17th, Sunday morning, Dec. 17th, in Hudson car. 12/23

Machines Beat Weather's Grip On U. S. Crops

By Ovid A. Martin
Associated Press Farm Writer

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Old man weather is gradually playing less havoc with food crops.

No better example of his declining influence is available than the bountiful harvest turned in by farmers during the season just closing.

Crop production this year turned out to be the third-largest in the nation's history in spite of the facts that (1) the growing season had many unfavorable aspects and (2) that the planted acreage was the smallest since 1942.

The agriculture department says the season "emphasized the importance of farm mechanization, as power machinery enabled producers to wait out periods of adverse weather and make rapid progress with field preparation, planting, cultivation or harvest when conditions become favorable."

Without the tractor and multiple plows, planters, cultivators and harvesting equipment, production this year would have been far short of the nation's needs. Prices would be skyrocketing.

SLOW SPRING

Take a look at the 1950 season. Spring was slow to arrive. Cool, wet weather persisted in areas where spring seedings of grains is important. Seeding was delayed far past usual dates to as much as six to eight weeks in North Dakota.

If farmers had been limited to horse equipment the planted acreage of many crops—particularly corn and soybeans—would have fallen far below the amount they had seeded. There simply would not have been enough time, once the weather turned favorable, to get the crops planted and allow them to grow and mature.

Similarly, farmers in the great plains area were hindered by unfavorable weather. Planting of grain feed—was delayed by dry topsoils. Yet, with the help of power machinery, farmers got the crop planted. The result was the largest grain sorghum crop in history.

FERTILIZERS HELPED

Fertilizers as well as machinery help offset adverse weather. By proper application of fertilizers, farmers are able to boost the amount grown on each acre. Consequently, when conditions hold down plantings, production often can still be maintained at favorable levels.

Record Pig Crop Predicted

WASHINGTON—(AP) — A record peacetime spring pig crop of 63,500,000 head was forecast by the agriculture department today. This crop will provide the nation's pork supply next fall and winter.

While six per cent larger than this year's spring crop of 59,997,000 head, the indicated production may not be big enough to satisfy increasing civilian and military demands for meat under the defense program.

Many food officials think it will be necessary to place meats under price control and rationing by next summer.

Pork makes up nearly half the meat supply. Little increase is forecast for next year's supplies of beef, veal, lamb and mutton.

The predicted spring crop of pigs compares with a 10-year (1939-48) average of 55,191,000 head and with the record of 74,223,000 in the wartime year of 1943.

The production of pigs for the 1949 and 1950 fall crops, respectively, by major producing states included: **Washington 115,000 and 84,000;** Oregon 115,000; and 108,000.

Neah Bay News

Rev. Baldwin spent last week in Seattle visiting James Spillus and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller.

The Presbyterian Sunday school presented a Christmas program December 16. Refreshments were served after the program.

On Christmas Eve the Presbyterian Church will have Christmas worship and special songs. Santa also will appear with many gifts and treats for everyone.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith returned December 12 from Bellingham where they spent most of their summer with Mrs. Smith's mother.

Mrs. Sidney Blanchard entertained the bridge club at her home Wednesday with an exchange of gifts and refreshments.

Mrs. Frances Hilden gave a Christmas party for the Cub Scout Pack at her home Wednesday.

Teddy De Pouli returned from Davidson-Hay Hospital where he spent a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Washburn spent a pleasant weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Gayner in Snohomish.

DAMAGED DESTROYERS

BREMERTON —(AP)— Two mine-damaged destroyers from the Korea war zone arrived in the Bremerton area last night for repairs at the Puget Sound naval shipyard.

They were the Mansfield and the Brush, both 2,200 tonners. They berthed at the Bangor naval ordnance depot last night to unload ammunition.

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—Organization News—

Coming Events

TONIGHT

Assembly of God Sunday school Christmas program, 7:30 p.m. at the church.

Juan de Fuca Commandery No. 17 meeting cancelled.

Eagles family party, 8 p.m., Eagles hall.

Mormon Church Christmas party 8 p.m., Angeles Grange hall.

Apostolic Faith Sunday school program, 8 p.m., at the church.

Fairview Grange, 8:30 p.m., Grange hall. Bring cake or sandwiches.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

Community Carol festival, 7 p.m., court house lawn.

Dry Creek Grange dance at the hall. Everyone welcome.

Eden Valley Grange and Home Economics Club children's Christmas party, 8 p.m. at the grange hall.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Port Angeles Coast Guard group children's party, 12:45-4:30 p.m., air station.

Organization Briefs

COVENANT TABERNACLE will hold no services until January 7, Rev. L. L. Farmann announces.

TOASTMASTERS CLUB will not meet next Tuesday, the day after Christmas. The club will resume its regular meetings the following Tuesday, January 2.

EDEN VALLEY GRANGE and Home Economics Club Christmas party Saturday night at the Grange hall begins at 8 p.m. Santa Claus will bring treats for all young guests at the party.

EDEN VALLEY HOME ECONOMICS CLUB tree decorating party Wednesday night at the Grange hall was under direction of Mrs. James Britton. A group of teen-agers decked the tree and hall. Don Keller cut the huge Christmas tree and brought it in, and a committee composed of Gail and Denise Bolling, Joanne Long and Rich Sharkey strung the lights and hung the tinsel and ornaments.

NAVY MOTHERS decorated two Christmas trees, while wives wrapped packages at the coast guard base last night. Preparations are under way for the big party Sunday afternoon, when families and children of personnel greet Santa Claus' arrival by helicopter. Decorations in the mess and recreation halls are the work of Mrs. Horace Phillips, Mrs. Pete McGoff, Mrs. W. A. Blakey and Mrs. Agnes Doherty. In addition to decking the trees, they hung red wreaths in the window and placed holly wreaths on doors.

Grange News

Crescent Grange held its Christmas party at Joyce school Wednesday night. Following a musical program Santa Claus handed out treats and the membership joined in a potluck lunch.

Children who presented the program included Lawrence and June Liljedahl playing piano solos, with Floyd Liljedahl singing "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer." Barbara Dixon gave a recitation. Accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Ed Wolfenbarger, Sharon Wolfenbarger sang "White Christmas" and "Winter Wonderland." Roland Phaff presented another piano selection and Florence McDonald entertained with tap dancing.

The Grange honored Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller with a silver wedding anniversary celebration, presenting them with a gift and cake made by Mrs. Rose Liljedahl. The guests of honor reciprocated with a humorous sketch in costume concerning their romance of 25 years ago. Afterwards, Mrs. Aura Schmitt sang "I Love You Truly."

Stanley Wasankari, Washington State College student who is home for the holidays, spoke briefly on land classification throughout the district.

Children Furnish Party Program

Children put on the program at the Christmas party sponsored by Women of the Moose at the hall Thursday night. Jackie Chapman acted as master of ceremonies. He later entertained with several violin solos.

Songs by Tommy Davis preceded a group of tap dances by Sandra Simmons. Afterwards, Mrs. Louis Sommerville read a Christmas story and Delores Davis led the singing of Christmas carols.

All the young guests found Christmas treats on the tree, bags filled with candy and apples, and popcorn balls.

Annual Active Club Party Wednesday

Active Club ladies entertained their husbands with a holiday buffet dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Scheldt Wednesday night. Thirteen couples exchanged gifts and played games following the supper.

Red, blue and green candles, pine cones and ornaments centered the large serving table. Two smaller dining tables were decorated in matching style. Lights of the Christmas tree glowed festively in the background.

Mrs. Norman Leonard and her committee consisting of Mrs. Walter Fontaine and Mrs. Dale Drake assisted the hostess. Mrs. Perry Brackett had charge of entertainment.

Active Club guests Wednesday night were Warrant Officer John T. Dailey, USCG, and Mrs. Dailey.

Eden Valley Group Sponsors Yule Party

Thirty children were guests of their mothers and friends at Eden grange hall Thursday. Eden Valley Home Economics Club entertained with its annual Christmas party and noon luncheon. All ages were there, from tiny tots to teen agers. A gift exchange added excitement to the afternoon.

Snowmen and Santa Claus candles decorated the luncheon tables. A group of teen-agers had decked the huge Christmas tree the night before.

After lunch Joanne Long and Mrs. H. G. Keller played piano music, and everyone joined in singing Christmas carols.

Mrs. Charles Long, Mrs. Irene Jackson and Mrs. D. W. Bolling were the committee which had charge of refreshments.

Family Party For Rebekahs, IOOF

Mountain View Rebekahs and Odd Fellows heard a musical program at their annual Christmas party Wednesday night. The event at the Odd Fellows hall was for members and families, featuring a Christmas tree and gift exchange.

Marilyn Bemis presented a reading, "The Christmas Candle," and later Mrs. Mabel McLean presented another, titled "Silent Night." Piano solos were by Joe Clark. Ray Dwier provided accordion music and Donna Vane played the violin. Vocal solos were by Ryllis Mullen and six-year-old Ruth Bemis, who sang "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. Otto Melander. JoAnn Price and Charlotte McNeece sang two duets, "Whispering Hope" and "Silent Night."

Afterwards, Mrs. Melander accompanied community singing with the guests singing Christmas carols.

Small choir boys and angels surrounded by sprigs of holly decorated the refreshment tables. Mrs. Dean Shafer was chairman of the decorating committee.

Refreshments were the work of a committee headed by Mrs. Evelyn Mullen, while Mrs. Arthur Waldron had charge of the program.

Odd Fellows assisting include Richard Apps, Dean Shafer, James Maxfield and Miles Lemmon.

STOLE-GLOVES . . . Lilly Dache designed these fabulous stole-gloves in black silk satin, to add a dramatic note to a sheath evening gown and jewel cap.

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Writer Can't Sleep On 'Insomnia Beach'

By Stan Swinton

HUNGNAM BEACHHEAD, Korea —(AP)— Do you like a good night's sleep? Boom.

A warm bed? Boom.

A nice restful neighborhood? Boom.

You wouldn't like Hungnam beachhead.

Not even if your husband snores, Johnny practices the saxophone, and the kids next door have jam sessions.

Let a man who has been living like a bass drum at a football rally tell you about trying to sleep on "insomnia beachhead."

It was a fellow who dozed off at the twitch of a speaker's lips. I never took a sleeping pill in my life. But now . . .

Dusk comes. Golly, I'm tired, and it's cold outside. With nothing on but my long underwear and a thin coating of dirt, I infiltrate into my triple sleeping bag.

My eyes close. I snuggle up to the parka which serves as a pillow.

Crash. Swoosh. Boom.

Armageddon? Ah no, just a bedside 155-millimeter howitzer.

My eyes close again. Boom, boom, boom. Mistily, I dream I am a Conga band.

TENT CRACKS

Then—WHAM!!! the tent cracks from concussion. A navy eight-incher.

Boom. Swoosh, crash. Wham It goes on all night. I twist and turn. All three sleeping bag zippers slip into unreachable positions. I am trapped. Boom. Boom. Boom.

It is a scientific fact that the nights here are 40 to 50 hours long, no matter what the scientists tell you.

FIRE DESTROYS RUBBER

SINGAPORE—(AP)— A fire aboard the Isthmian Lines vessel Steel Traveleer in Singapore harbor yesterday destroyed 70,000 Straits dollars ($22,925) worth of Java rubber destined for the United States. The blaze was brought under control within an hour.

WILL PRACTICE ALERT

PETERSBURG, Alaska— (AP) — This southeastern Alaska town is planning a practice "alert" and blackout test under its new home defense program. Quentin DeBoer heads the organization.

—On The Social Side—

Personals

William Raley will leave Friday night to visit over the Christmas weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Raley of Buckley.

Mrs. **D. L. Maple** is in Merced, Calif., visiting her mother, Mrs. Lucy Rogers, who is in a hospital there. Mrs. Maple probably will be away until after Christmas.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. **Ralph Miller** are their daughter **Audrey** visiting from San Francisco, and son **Morris**, student at Western Washington College of Education, Bellingham.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harris and daughter of Seattle are spending the holidays with their respective families here, Mr. and Mrs. **Orville L. Harris** and Mr. and Mrs. **Jens Thomassen.**

Howard C. Jervis of Port Angeles received a bachelor of science degree in business administration at Tri-State College, Angola, Md., December 14. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. **J. P. Jervis,** and a graduate of Roosevelt high school.

Alyson Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cooper, who formerly lived at Neah Bay but now make their home at Gainesville, Fla., was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs **Ted Browne** this week. Miss Cooper, a student at Washington State College, left Wednesday for several days' visit in Seattle. She will spend Christmas day in Easton with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Loasley, frequent visitors here.

Enlivening social activities in Port Angeles this week are the many students who have returned home for the holidays. Among those from Washington State College spending Christmas week here are **Madeline Fisher,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Frank Fisher Jr.; Mervane Murray,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Bart Murray; Carol Johnston,** daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **R. B. Johnston; Henry Erickson; Marilyn** and **Don Hay,** daughter and son of Dr. and Mrs. **J. C. Hay.**

Maguire-Finley Wedding Friday

In the presence of a small group of relatives and friends, June Finley became the bride of Henry Maguire in a candlelight ceremony December 15. The Rev. J. Paul Logan performed the double-ring ceremony at 7 p.m. at the home of the bride's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hughes.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Florence Finley of Wichita, Kans. Mrs. Finley came west to attend her wedding. The bridegroom's father is Harry Maguire of this city.

Miss Finley chose a street-length two-piece satin suit in tones of ashes of roses for her marriage. With it she wore brown accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations and stephanotis, and in her hair she wore a white carnation tiara.

Her matron of honor, Mrs. D. C. Hill, wore a pale blue satin with a corsage of red roses. Frank Maguire attended his brother as best man.

RECEPTION

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Finley chose a dark green satin suit with white carnation corsage. Mrs. Addie Maguire, grandmother of the groom, wore a dress of blue crepe with a corsage of pink carnations.

A reception at the Hughes home followed the wedding. Afterwards the young couple left for a short wedding trip to Tacoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Maguire are now at home at Peabody heights.

Dungeness News

Charles Potter and sons Neal and Dennis of Port Angeles were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marshall.

The Woman's Improvement Club met Tuesday night to hold its annual Christmas party.

Mrs. Isabelle Darnell and children spent Sunday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Dickinson Sr.

Wayne Pettitt returned home recently from an auto trip south.

J. Lillis of the Washington Athletic Club of Seattle was a guest of the Pin Tail Club over the weekend.

Cliff Harrison, Don McPhee, Tom O'Donnell and John Skally of Seattle were at the Pin Tail clubhouse over the weekend.

Industry Gets Patents From AEC

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The atomic energy commission made available to manufacturers today 24 government-owned patents including a pocket-sized gadget which sounds an alarm when exposed to radiation.

In announcing this, AEC said it will grant royalty-free licenses on the patents as part of the agency's program to make non-secret technological information available to industry.

Zacharius Jansen invented the first compound microscope about 1590.

Today's Birthday

By Associatd Press

C.B. REECE

B. CARROLL REECE, born Dec. 22, 1889 in Butler, Tenn., one of 13 children, was formerly chairman of the republican national committee. He is now a congressman from Tennessee. Reece began his career as an instructor in economics at New York University in 1916 and later directed its school of commerce, accounts and finance. He took a leave of absence in 1920 to run for congress from Tennessee and won a seat at 30.

Pre-Nuptial Shower For Beverly Hankins

Beverly Hankins, whose marriage to Robert Lee Reynolds of Sequim will take place the day after Christmas, was guest of honor at a pre-nuptial shower Wednesday night. Mrs. Philo C. Tyler and Mrs. J. V. Venables were co-hostesses for the affair at Mrs. Venables' home.

Decorations carried tones of fuchsia, purple and gold throughout the house. A small gold tree and gold poinsettias with highlights of colored balls enhanced the mantelpiece. Candles and shiny ornaments in the same tones centered small serving tables at refreshment time.

The guest of honor found her miscellaneous shower gifts placed beneath the Christmas tree.

GUESTS

Miss Hankins wore an orchid corsage sent by former classmates at St. Margaret's school in Victoria. Her mother, Mrs. Hugh Hankins, and grandmother, Mrs. J. A. Cornes of Portland, were present along with the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. S. W. Reynolds, and aunt, Mrs. S. P. Tague, both of Sequim.

Guests present were Maureen Conniff and the Mesdames William J. Conniff, Frank Withey, Henry Davies, Joseph Niemeyer, Raymond Schadt, Walter W. Miller, W. L. Buzard, Harvey Gray, Louis Johnson and Andrew Severyns.

Also present were the Mesdames John Nicholson, Russell Bayton, Gene Burdick, Kenneth Peterson, T. C. McDonald, Lee Larrick and George Mock.

Mrs. Withey was winner of high prize at bridge during the evening.

And All For False Alarm

MONTGOMERY, Ala.— (AP) — A long fire truck answered a downtown alarm yesterday without the back-seat driver.

Driver W. W. Howard in the front seat, said he thought he heard a buzzer signal indicating the rear-seat driver was in his place, ready to guide the back wheels. The drivers can't see each other.

Swinging out into the street, he made one turn and the rear end followed perfectly. But when he took another turn half a block away, the back end ploughed into three automobiles, injuring two persons.

The fire? It was a false alarm.

Israel's national income in 1949 was about $600,000,000.

King's Mail Goes Through

SWANSEA, Wales —(AP)— The motto of the British post office is: "The king's mail must go through."

For postman Ivor Howell, 63, that goes double when it's Christmas mail.

Howell slipped and broke his left wrist in two places yesterday soon after starting off on his route.

He used his mailbag as an arm sling and stubbornly plodded on for three and a half hours.

All the king's mail on Howell's route went through. Howell then went to a hospital.

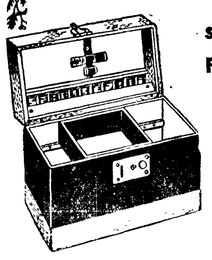
NEW RUSSIAN CLAIM

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Russia declared today that the world's leading nation in technology is — Russia.

A Soviet broadcast recorded by U. S. government monitors summarized 1950's claims that all sorts of devices, from jet planes to bicycles, were invented by Russians, and went on to say:

"We now produce a variety of highly complex machines, the likes of which cannot be found anywhere in the world."

"Does she sew??"



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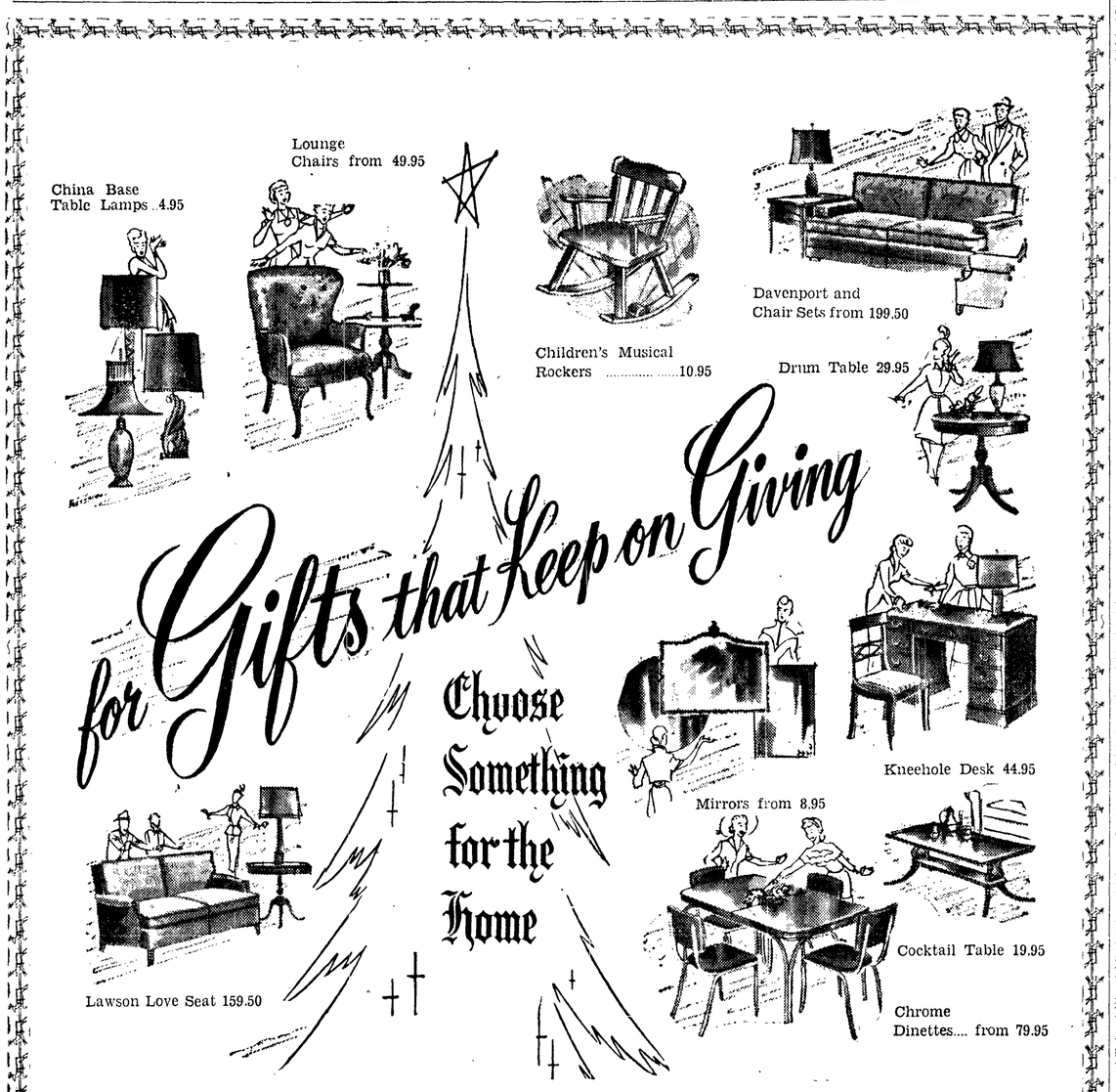

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AT PENNEY'S

Kitch's Korner

By E. A. Kitchin

So this is another snowy owl year. Many have been recorded along the shores and tide flats of our local inland waters.

These poor birds seem decidedly lost since moving into a new environment, once our civilization has taken over and changed in so many ways.

From a tundra country full of mice and ptarmigan they now find little on which to feed. So most are in a half-starved condition.

This hunger makes them bold and they will pounce upon almost anything small that moves.

We find all sorts of food in their stomachs. One I examined several years ago had a full-grown rat, another the body of a coot with the head torn off.

The other day my friend, Dr. Gordon Alcorn of Tacoma, reported one had eaten a teal duck.

There is something mysterious about their journeying southward. It is not a true migration, but is seemingly caused from lack of food.

Every so often, in cycles, the lemming mice become over-abundant. They then start a heavy migration to other parts, stopping at nothing.

They swim the rivers and lakes, even out to sea where thousands perish.

Their departure leaves the owl cupboard empty. So the birds too must seek new locations. They make a mistake in coming so far south. Most of the owls are shot by hunters. Probably none of them finds their way back to the far northland in spring.

The female birds are larger than the males, and profusely marked with brown spots. The smaller males are more sparingly marked with a blacker brown.

ON MERIT BADGES

Why do Boy Scouts shrink from working on their bird merit badge?

So often they leave it to the very last. It is not a hard study, but should be given plenty of time.

Bird observations should start in spring. Then by fall the Scout will accumulate a lot of the knowledge needed. With little further effort he should pass without trouble.

He must be particular in making observations in different localities. Lists from seashore, forest roads and trails, and open fields are all good.

Local Woman's Song Wins Popularity After Horace Heidt Makes Recording

By Charles Keim

Because words and music buzzed around in her head one night when she couldn't sleep Mrs. Milo Dickgieser, Mount Angeles road, got out of bed and put them on paper. The result was a song titled "Alaska."

That was back in the fall of 1945. Now her song, copyrighted in 1947, is played by disc jockeys and home fans all over the United States and Canada. It has an added attraction for music fans. It is the first modern song on wax about the territory.

Horace Heidt liked the song so much when he heard it that he bought it last September and now he's making it more popular than ever.

Port Angeles has a claim to "firsts" about the song. It went on the air for the first time in the United States over the local radio station, KONP. That was in August of this year. Now radio stations all over the country are following suit.

There's still another first about the song.

It is the first song Mrs. Dickgieser ever wrote.

"Songs used to come to me all of the time," she explained. "They'd start buzzing around in my head, especially at night. I'd lie awake thinking about the words and music, but I never did anything about them. In the morning I'd tell my husband. Finally he got tired listening."

One fall night in 1945 he put a paper pad and pencil next to the bed and told his wife to write the next song down. At 2:10 a.m. the musical buzzing started. She sat on the edge of the bed and wrote the song.

"Next morning I went to the piano and the words and music went together," she said. "What surprises me was the fact I, not one of my four sisters or five brothers, wrote it. My mother was a music teacher and taught them all to play the piano. I was too lazy to learn, but I can play any song by ear."

The song is really the story of Alaska. It says other songs are written about all the 48 states but not about the territory that may soon be the 49th star in the flag. It tells how the territory appeals to people in all walks of life.

Mrs. Dickgieser remembers Alaska well from a trip she made there with her husband in 1940.

RECORDS WITH CANADIAN

Mrs. Dickgieser got Jimmy Morris, a Canadian artist, to sing her song over a Vancouver, B. C., station. He made a recording and put his own work titled "Your Birthday Song" on the reverse side. It was that recording KONP introduced to America.

Horace Heidt heard the song when he toured Canada with his amateurs. He and Jack Rivers, manager for Heidt's western division orchestra at Hollywood, listened to 26 recordings of new songs at one sitting. They purchased two — Mrs. Dickgieser's and Morris'.

And that's where a final first enters the story.

Heidt and Rivers sent Morris to Hollywood to make a recording of the two songs. Morris is the first Canadian artist to record for an American company.

Heidt liked the result well enough to offer to buy any other songs Mrs. Dickgieser writes. And sheet music is on the way.

Mrs. Dickgieser? Well, she says she's waiting for the buzzing to start again. And the paper and pencil are right next to her bed.

A survey places milk at the top of a list of favorite American beverages.

The Weather

Western Washington

Intermittent rain tonight and tomorrow. High tomorrow 48 to 58, low tonight 40 to 46. Southerly winds 15 to 25 miles an hour off coast, becoming southeasterly 25 to 35 tonight.

Five-Day Outlook

Frequent rain, with total amounts heavy. Above-normal temperatures.

Port Angeles Forecast

Intermittent rain today, tonight and Saturday. East to southeast winds 10-20 mph. Winds through strait southeast 15-25 mph this morning, increasing to 20-30 mph this evening becoming variable 15-25 mph Saturday. Off Washington coast southerly winds 15-25 mph this morning backing to southeasterly 25-35 mph tonight becoming southwesterly and diminishing Saturday.

Ediz Hook Yesterday

Maximum 49; minimum 44; .08 inch rain, fog, winds light and variable, day cloudy

P. A. Bluff Yesterday

Maximum 51; minimum 42; .14 inch rain, cloudy and southwesterly winds.

LOCAL TIDES

High	Friday, Dec. 22	Low
10:52 a.m.	8.2 ft.	8:11 p.m.-0.6 ft.
High	Saturday, Dec. 23	Low
6:45 a.m.	7.7 ft.	7:33 a.m. 6.8 ft.
11:11 a.m.	8.3 ft.	8:44 p.m.-1.0 ft.

Local Sun	Rises	Sets
Dec. 23	8:00 a.m.	4:22 p.m.

Delegates Attend Farm Loan Meeting

County Committeemen Harry C. Hall, Nicholas Heuhslein and George W. Spath of the Clallam county farmers home administration program recently attended an all day meeting at Shelton for county committee members from Grays Harbor, Pacific, Jefferson, Clallam and Mason counties. Alvin D. Hobart, field representative, and Harold J. Finegan, farm ownership chief from Portland, Ore., were in charge of the meeting.

The main topic for discussion was how new federal credit restrictions affect the farm development and farm housing loans. Funds are available for these types of loans but major emphasis is on repairs and remodeling of farm buildings, the enlarging or clearing of additional good land and other needed improvements, they report.

Bodies of Blast Victims Found

REEDSPORT, Ore. —(AP)— The bodies of three victims of a premature quarry blast were recovered near here yesterday.

Workmen, ignoring the danger of still-falling rocks, used power shovels to move tons of rocks before the three were uncovered. As feared, all were dead.

They had been killed instantly in the premature blast Wednesday. Also killed in the blast was Charles H. Whitney, Tacoma. The other three were George Kleut, powder foreman; Norman R. Aspley, Portland; and John Doyle, Reedsport. All were employed at the quarry.

Local News Briefs

Suggested Bible Reading:
Friday, December 22
John 17

Birth at Longview, Wash.

YORK—Born to Mrs. Dick York at Longview hospital, a daughter, Karen Marie, December 9. Mr. and Mrs. York, formerly residents of this city, now make their home at Woodland, Wash. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee York of Port Angeles and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. Madsen of Woodland.

Parked Car Hit

Donald D. Dotson, 929 West Twelfth, told police today that a hit-run driver caused $150 damage to his automobile while it was parked on Oak street near First last night between 8 and 10:30.

Christmas Music Broadcast

Third in a series of KONP Christmas concerts will be presented tonight at 7:15 by the Ladies' Musical Club chorus. Mrs. Myron Carlson is accompanist.

Markson Infant to Be Buried in Arlington

Funeral services for Marrlee Dawn Markson, 13-month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Markson, will be at Arlington, the former family home.

The child burned to death in a fire that destroyed the trailer home of the family at the Anderson logging camp on the Hoh river Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Markson, burned in the fire, is in the Port Angeles General Hospital, which reported her condition "good" today.

Mr. Markson, a logger, recently brought his family and the trailer home from Arlington. He was a faller in the camp, and was working when the tragedy occurred.

Albert G. Bower Dies in Hospital

Albert George Bower, 74, route one, Sequim, resident of the county 38 years, died in a hospital here early this morning.

Requiem mass will be at 8:45 a. m. Tuesday at Queen of Angels Church with the Rev. Bernard Neary officiating. Burial will be in Mount Angeles Cemetery under direction of the McDonald Funeral Home.

Born April 23, 1876 in Williamsport, Pa., Mr. Bower married Elizabeth Geymer in Cameron, Mo., September 13, 1903.

The family came west to Oregon in 1910 and to Port Angeles in 1912. He was a carpenter by trade, employed in construction on the Puget Sound Mills and Timber Company plant, and did general carpenter work. He moved to a farm near Carlsborg 19 years ago and continued to live there until his last illness.

Mr. Bower was a member of Queen of Angels Catholic Church and the Port Angeles Council of the Knights of Columbus.

He was well known by old residents of the city and county and his large family is one of the best known in the area.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Bower, at the family home; six sons, Wilfred E., Oscar and Roy Bower, all of Port Angeles; Alfred G. Bower, Eugene, Ore.; Herbert Bower, Carlsborg; and Raymond Bower, Port Townsend and a daughter, Mrs. Hilda Gray, Port Angeles; two brothers, Alfred Bower, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Edward Bower, Plattsburg, Mo.; a sister, Mrs. Clara B. Tuttle, Portland, Ore.; and 17 grandchildren. Two other sons of the couple, Eugene and Albert, are deceased.

Marine-Air News

By Jack Henson

About 40 kids and Santa Claus were aboard the coast guard cutter Winona at her berth here yesterday. The youngsters were guests at a movie show, had chow, including ice cream, and the sea-going Santa distributed gifts to the youngsters. The party was for the children of the ship's personnel. A year ago the Winona spent Christmas at sea on weather patrol duty.

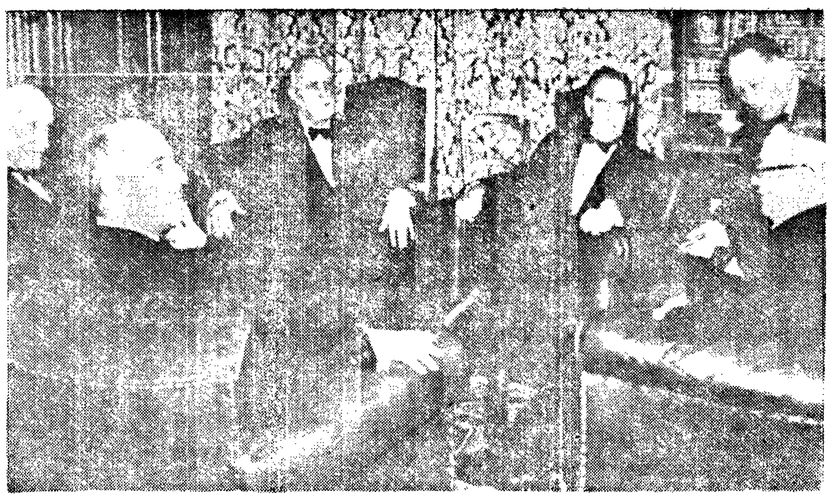
Today is the last day of duty for men aboard the fleet of the Foss Launch and Tug Company in this harbor. Towing and other work has been arranged so the men of the craft can spend Christmas at home and that is where they will be unless an emergency arises, Manager Martin Gullstein says.

Last 24 hours were quiet ones at the Puget Sound Pilot station on Ediz hook with the coming holiday season making in and out-bound vessels scarce. In a long range conversation between the station and a pilot at Astoria, Oregon, the mariner said this morning that rain is falling there in bucketsfull, the heaviest he ever saw. He was assured that weather is fair here, a morning mist exists but birds are twittering and the sun almost shining. The Astoria pilot hung up.

Captain Loring F. Hyde, manager of the Puget Sound Pilot station here sends a Christmas card from San Francisco where Mrs. Hyde and the captain are visiting. The auto-traveling sea-going skipper says: "Spending a couple of days visiting a few old shipmates. Nice trip down. Fair tide and wind all the way. See you all New Years."

An ancient mariner writing to the marine editor of the Seattle P.I. yesterday tells of smuggling whiskey from Alaska to Seattle in prohibition days. He said Seattle and the states went dry before Alaska. The fact is that the Alaska Bone Dry law passed by congress was effective on New Year's Day six months before the general national prohibition law. The territory was dry while Washington and other states were wet. The writer was covering the Juneau waterfront at the time. The flow of liquor was not from Alaska but from the states for that period. To get a bottle you met a boat from Seattle and paid at least ten bucks for it.

Since Caesar's era there have been more than 1,000 systems of shorthand.



ADOPT DEFENSE PLAN—A group of foreign and defense ministers of the 12 Atlantic Pact nations meet at a reception at the foreign office in Brussels, Belgium. The ministers concluded their defense talks Tuesday. Left to right are: Robert Schuman, French foreign minister; Paul Van Zeeland, Belgian foreign minister; Count Carlo Sforza, Italian foreign minister; U. S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson; D. V. Stikker of the Netherlands and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin. Secretary Acheson returned to the United States yesterday. NEA Telephoto

Coast Guard Vet Retires in Seattle

Chief Pay Clerk Floyd B. Cottrell, 52, a coast guardsman stationed here a long time, has retired and will live in Seattle, where he was last stationed.

Chief Cottrell served on this station aboard the Snohomish and Unalga, and on other stations aboard the Tahoe, Dickman. He also had several shore assignments during his long service.

An ardent salmon fisherman, he won first prize in the 1939 Port Angeles Salmon Derby with a 33-pound seven ounce fish. He has fished in every derby that duty would allow him to attend, and comes here frequently to fish each summer.

One of Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell's son, Donald, is in the coast guard.

Russ Claims U.S. Rearming Japan

MOSCOW—(AP)—The Soviet army newspaper Red Star renewed charges today that the United States is remilitarizing Japan at an ever-increasing pace despite official American denials.

A long article in the journal summarized many accusations made previously in the Soviet press that the Americans are rebuilding Japan's armed strength. In conclusion, Red Star called for a peace treaty with Japan.

Japanese peace treaty discussions in the past have stalled over the Soviet contention that the pact should be worked out by the Big Four foreign ministers. The United States contends the treaty should be drawn by all 13 members of the far eastern commission.

Famine in China Provinces Reported

TAIPEI, Formosa — (AP) — The Chinese nationalist defense ministry today reported "an unprecedented famine" in the red China provinces of Anhwei, Kiangsi, Shantung and Honan.

The ministry said the famine was caused by excessive communist requisitioning of food and by passive resistance of farmers unwilling to till the land.

It also said 40,000 to 50,000 nationalist guerrillas were operating within 50 miles west and northwest of Shanghai.

Unofficial reports said 10,000 guerrillas in the far western province of Szechwan, spurred by the execution of 14 of their chieftains Dec. 14, killed more than 200 red troops and officials near the provincial capital, Chengtu.

1951 Salmon Pack Worries Industry

SEATTLE—(AP)—The salmon industry already has begun to worry about the 1951 salmon pack. It's all because of the government order requiring a rollback on prices to Dec. 1 levels.

"If we are to hold prices to the Dec. 1 level," asked Jack Green, president of Pacific American Fisheries, last night, "what about the new labor contract calling for higher wages next year? What about the boost in can prices on next year's pack?"

Green said the industry already has signed contracts with labor unions calling for a 12 to 12½ per cent labor cost increase. Cans, he said, are slated to go up 15 per cent in price as a result of the recent boost in steel prices following latest wage increase grants in that industry.

"The cold realistic likelihood is that the salmon industry will have to go to Washington for relief if the pack has to be sold at the Dec. 1 level," he explained.

Persons Seen Near Wrecked Airplane

CLARK AIR FORCE BASE, Philippines —(AP)— Three persons were seen moving today around the wreckage of a U. S. military C-54 transport that crashed Tuesday high on 9,234-foot Mount Tabayoc with 37 persons aboard.

Air observers said there was a remote possibility they may be survivors of the crash but cautioned they more likely are natives.

Nevertheless, an air-sea rescue squadron dropped first aid supplies, food and blankets.

Air force officials earlier said all 37 in the plane were presumed dead.

Names of passengers and crewmen were withheld.

However, it was announced at Honolulu that one of the 37 was Lt. (jg) James F. Corbett, 28, deputy public information officer for the Pacific division of the military air transport service.

A 15-man team of trained mountain climbers guided by tribesmen was trudging up the 9,234-foot mountain.

Crisler Column Brings Response From Japan

Lois Crisler's weekly column "Olympic Trail Talk," published in the Port Angeles Evening News and Olympic Tribune on Fridays, is read by many people outside the Olympic peninsula. Their comments, frequently volunteered with subscription orders, often are quite interesting. Here is a sample:

FROM JAPAN, by a former Port Angeles Evening News reporter Betty Echternach (whose home town is Lewiston, Ida.):

Lois Crisler's articles are excellent and I continue to enjoy them. She's a little wrong about Japan, however.

I think she referred in one article to the intensive cultivation here—she would be delighted and surprised, I think, to find mountain areas here as virginal and magnificent as those in the Olympic peninsula.

The coastal areas are not particularly heavily populated, either—but, of course, it is a fairly short distance between villages. There are resorts where the atmosphere is cheap and commercialized — but there are other spots that seem almost untouched by the occupation —or by outside civilization.

Perhaps it's not quite correct to say that most of the forest areas are untouched as those in Washington. Often, you'll find a temple or a well-traveled trail to a lookout point. But the Japanese know how to build so that their temples and viewpoint shelters harmonize with the natural surroundings so that the place is actually lovelier for their being there.

It gives you a sense of kinship with other people who have undoubtedly enjoyed the beauty of the place to reach it via steps worn into hollows by thousands of feet.

Japan is a beautiful country—looking out across the countryside you find a gentle, hazy tranquility I've never seen elsewhere.

I met a young man from Port Angeles the other day while I was visiting the shrines at Nikko. I don't remember his name, but he is a coast guard officer aboard the Winona. He is a newcomer to Port Angeles.

It looks as if the occupation may be evaporating before long—and with it, my job. I have been traveling about Japan recently for civil affairs, the outfit that is supposed to be democratizing the country.

It's interesting work, but sometimes I feel something of an impostor when I give advice on operating a newspaper to men who were in the newspaper business before I was born. I am learning a great deal. Whether they are or not, I don't know.

WANTS MAN WITH MONEY

YAKIMA—(AP)— Santa Claus may have trouble filling one of the requests made by a Yakima girl yesterday in a letter addressed to the North Pole.

Acting Postmaster L. H. Rhodes said the girl asked a doll for herself. Also, she added:

"My aunt wants a man with money."

Police Stop Santa Claus

PASADENA, Calif. —(AP)— Santa Claus was going to town in high spirits.

But motorcycle officers who overhauled the old gent attired in St. Nick's garb yesterday said they were confident the high spirits were in him. Santa — apparently a freelance (no department store claimed him) — had been observed driving erratically. Then his car scraped fenders with another.

Santa, highly indignant, was subjected to a sobriety test. Police were amazed when it certified he was cold sober.

"I'm only an Irish Santa Claus trying to spread a little good cheer," he told officers as Mrs. Claus, summoned to the station, drove him off. Police advised him to spread it closer to home.

High clouds formed by smoke from Canadian forest fires were blamed for the appearance of the sun over Scotland as blue, green and silver in turn.

Wandering Scribe

Many college . . . students . . . are . . . home . . . for the Christmas . . . holiday . . . Some folks from . . . here . . . plan . . . to take . . . off . . . tomorrow . . . for a long . . . week . . . end holiday . . . that lasts . . . until Tuesday . . . the day after . . . Christmas . . . Local shoppers . . . should . . . stock . . . up . . . tonight . . . or . . . tomorrow . . . to last . . . over . . . the general Christmas holiday . . . and . . . also . . . they should get . . . their banking . . . done . . . and attend . . . to business . . . at public and private . . . offices . . . Printers . . . and white . . . collar newspaper . . . workers . . . also . . . get . . . a holiday . . . Monday . . . Some . . . folks in . . . east end . . . of town . . . say traffic . . . is . . . great . . . nights Because . . . of . . . many . . . folks . . . looking . . . at . . . Christmas decorations . . . When . . . looking . . . over . . . the bright . . . lights . . . folks . . . should . . . not overlook . . . Cherry . . . hill . . . Some . . . pretty . . . displays . . . there . . . And . . . while . . . we are on . . . the subject . . . other sections . . . also . . . are . . . worthy . . . of visits . . . Scribe . . . is . . . only . . . keeping fingers . . . crossed . . . but avoiding any mention . . . of mild weather . . . this holiday . . . season . . . to prevent . . . change . . . in weather . . . for . . . worse . . .

HANGS SELF

FORT LEWIS—(AP)— An enlisted reservist from Peck, Ida., Sgt. 1/c Elmer H. Wahl, 35, hanged himself in his barracks yesterday, Maj. Artie M. Heate, post provost marshal, reported.

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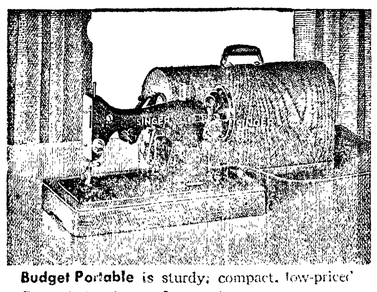

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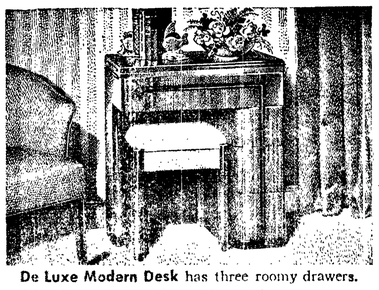

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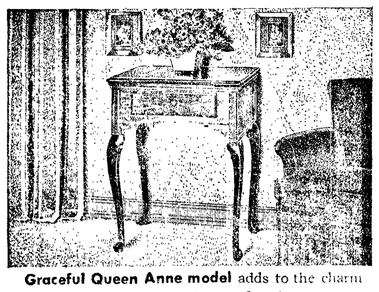

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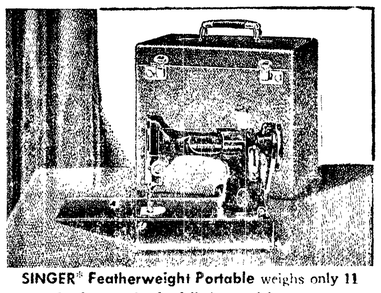

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