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# Cabinet Votes Devaluation of Franc; Army Will Protect GIs From Loss

## Four U.S. Cardinals Are Named by Pope

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (AP).—Four U.S. archbishops, Bishops John Giennon, Archbishop of St. Louis; Edward Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit; Samuel Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, and Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, will become cardinals on Feb. 18. The Pope, on Sunday,

## Yule Truce Called at GM; More Laid Off

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (AP).—Auto manufacturers have laid off an additional 92,000 workers in the Detroit area, while a "truce" in labor disputes was called for the Christmas holidays to permit pickets a "chance to enjoy the Yuletide season."

Layoff of the 92,000 was attributed to a parts shortage because of strikebound suppliers. Employees of the Ford Motor Co.'s Highland Park, River Rouge and Lincoln plants, numbering 80,000, were laid off, but a Ford spokesman said that workers at Rouge and Highland Park would be recalled after Christmas.

Ten thousand were laid off at the Packard Motor Co. and 2,000 at the Briggs Corp., adding to the total of 175,000 workers who are idle because of the General Motors strike.

Picket lines around nearly 100 GM plants throughout the nation are due to be abandoned temporarily to allow strikers a holiday with their families. Other locals of the United Auto Workers (CIO) are expected to follow suit.

Meanwhile, UAW officials continued preparation of new data for their meeting with GM spokesmen in Washington Wednesday. The government fact-finding board had

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## Turks Assail Soviet Claims

ISTANBUL, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—Turkish newspapers yesterday disputed Soviet Georgia's claims to bordering Turkish territory and the daily Vakit said that if Russia did not drop these claims, Turkey "will undoubtedly envisage war."

Tamm said that if a third World War broke out, the cause would be Turkey and the Dardanelles passage between the Black and Mediterranean Seas.

The Times of London correspondent in Ankara reported that the people of the Turkish capital were asking whether the Georgian claims were meant to be serious or whether they were just for bargaining purposes. Turkish politicians pointed out that Britain and Russia guaranteed Turkey's integrity in a joint note on Aug. 10, 1941.)

## A 90 and 8 Sails for U.S.

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### 1st Dog Shipment Leaves Le Havre

LE HAVRE, Dec. 24.—A new combination in transportation quota figures was established today when the cargo ship, Vernon S. Hood, left this port with 90 dogs and eight men—in contrast to the famous "40 and 8" combination of 40 men and eight horses on French freight cars.

It was the first shipment of dogs to leave this port under the pet redeployment program of the U.S. Army. GIs from all over Europe, forbidden to take their dogs home with them, paid \$70 for each dog for food and passage.

The eight soldiers who went along will care for the dogs. Each dog is housed in a separate kennel for the crossing. When the ship reaches the U.S., the dogs will be sent to their owners.

## 3 GIs Dead, 52 Hurt As Storm Hits Cruiser

PONTA DELGADA, Azores, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Two American soldiers were killed, one lost overboard, and 52 injured in a gale which struck the U.S. heavy cruiser Portland en route to America with homebound GIs.

The Portland resumed her voyage to the U.S. yesterday after putting in here for refueling.

Twenty-two of the most seriously injured soldiers were transferred from the cruiser and will be flown home by the Army Transport Command.

(The Portland left Le Havre on a "magic carpet" run on Dec. 14 with 1,039 troops aboard. The U.S. Navy harbor master said the Portland normally would make the Atlantic run in six days.)

## Buttons Open, GI Ships Out To the States

Sgt. John H. Althen, the first known GI eligible for transfer to Germany "in lieu of punishment" for a uniform violation, was on his way yesterday to the U.S.

Althen, a 60-pointer who offered to remain in his Paris job to alleviate a shortage of personnel due to redeployment, was picked up on the afternoon of Dec. 15 with his coat unbuttoned.

He was stopped by a major while walking from his mess on Rue Lincoln to the office on Rue de Berri, his post of duty.

The officer, identifying himself as one of 20 on weekend MP patrol established by TSPEI Rear, took his name, organization and ASR score on a report slip.

Althen called attention to his high point score and asked if some allowance couldn't be made. The major was kind, but firm. "Sorry, soldier," he said. "C'est la guerre!"

The major was unable to say whether the report would result in a transfer, and there was no other way to learn the probable outcome of the case. Althen, accordingly, applied for assignment in a Class IV outfit and immediate shipment.

The Seine Section Provost Marshal's office said yesterday that a total of 21 Paris-area soldiers had been reported for uniform violations since Dec. 10 and therefore were candidates for transfer to "less desirable stations," but declined to give their names.

## Soldier Killed Trying Holdup

A soldier identified as Daniel Munroe, stationed in a camp near Mourmelon, France, was shot fatally Sunday night after attempting to hold up a Paris hotel, A.F.P., a French news agency, reported yesterday.

The soldier was reported to have died on the way to a hospital after Emile Vigarie, 50, hotel proprietor at 74 Rue de Provence, shot him. Vigarie has been taken into custody by the French police, according to the report.

The CID confirmed the incident but would not identify the soldier.

## Finnish to Nationalize Banks

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Helsinki Radio heard by the Associated Press here today reported that the Finnish Parliament had voted to nationalize Finland's banks.

## New Rate Expected To Be 120 to Dollar

### Move Means More Money for Yanks

By Lester Bernstein  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Devaluation of the franc, approved by the French Cabinet and expected to take effect soon, will set into motion U.S. Army plans to assure that francs now in GI pockets—up to the amounts covered in Currency Exchange Book balances—will not shrink in terms of their present dollar value, it was learned today.

Actual mechanics of the Army's plans were described as highly classified military information at present, but instructions received here from the Theater Fiscal Director in Frankfurt made it clear that no soldier who holds francs credited in his Currency Exchange Control Book would lose any money on devaluation.

On the contrary, it was seen a certainty that a devaluated franc would spell greatly increased purchasing power for the GI in France. Reports that the new exchange rate will exceed 100 francs to the dollar, instead of the present rate of 50 francs, indicate that the soldier will receive more than twice as many francs on payday after the devaluation.

### Black Market Higher

However, even if the new rate should be as high as 125 francs to the dollar—about the highest rate now being predicted—it would still not approach the present black market rate; said to range between 175 and 200 francs to the dollar. In other words, a dollar can now buy more francs than it will be able to buy legally at the new official rate.

Whether the French Government will continue to pay the monthly bonus of 850 francs to soldiers in France after devaluation goes into effect was a question on which no comment could be obtained from French Army or U.S. Embassy sources. The bonus, paid monthly in advance since September, was designed as a concession to troops in view of a disadvantageous exchange rate.

### GIs Rush APOs

Unaware that the Army was prepared to safeguard GI interests in the devaluation and fearing the worst, officers and enlisted personnel in Paris yesterday rushed to money order windows at local APOs to convert their savings into dollars. Army Postal Unit 892, a branch

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### Change May Be Made Today

The French Cabinet voted Sunday night to devalue the franc, a government spokesman revealed late yesterday.

The new rate of exchange is reported to be 120 francs to the dollar and 480 to the pound, compared to about 50 to the dollar under the present rate.

The spokesman said no official announcement could be made immediately on the action of the rate, but indications were that details would be made public today.

To become effective, the change must be published in the Official Journal, which was not scheduled for publication today.

Some officials predicted a special edition of the Journal would be brought out to avoid possible disturbance in the Paris Bourse. Such disturbance might occur if the change came on a day when the Bourse was in session.

A four-day holiday of the Bourse ends tomorrow. There is another closing schedule at the year's end, however, and there was some speculation that the announcement might be delayed until then.

It was said some members of the Cabinet were not fully satisfied with the decision taken, and the Cabinet might debate the matter further in an attempt to get all factions in agreement.

The finance committee of the Cabinet is reported to have voted unanimously for ratification of the Bretton Woods agreement, which is to come before the Constituent Assembly.

While action on changing the exchange value of the franc could be taken after the Bretton Woods agreement is ratified, it was held to be the intention to complete both actions together.

## Fury of Channel Storm Rises, Sends Ships to Port

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—A week-old storm increased in fury over the English Channel today, driving many ships to cover and stranding thousands of Christmas holiday travelers.

Torrential hail and rain blown by a 60-mile-an-hour gale lashed at the Straits of Dover and whipped the seas into mountainous waves. Pounding seas reached seawalls in some English ports and drove mines into busy shipping lanes or beached them dangerously near waterfront buildings.

## Byrnes, Stalin Talk 2 Hours; Subject Again Is Kept Secret

MOSCOW, Dec. 24 (AP).—U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes, accompanied by Ambassador W. Averell Harriman and U.S. State Department experts on Soviet affairs, conferred for two hours yesterday with Generalissimo Josef Stalin.

No indication was given of what was discussed by Byrnes and the Russian leader at their second meeting within five days.

After the conference, Byrnes, British Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin and the U.S. and British Ambassadors were guests of Russian Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov at the ballet "Cinderella." The foreign ministers were applauded warmly by Soviet crowds

as they shook hands in the glow of spotlights at the Bolshoi Theater.

Although strict secrecy is being maintained here, official quarters indicated that discussions have included the atomic bomb. However, it was said the bomb still remains a secret shared only by the U.S., Britain and Canada, in adherence to the Truman-Attlee-Mackenzie King declaration.

Beyond these assertions nothing more has been reported.

The Stars and Stripes will not be published tomorrow.

# Christ The Lord Was Born This Day

The Gospel According To St. Matthew Chapter 2

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

Saying, Where is he that is born the King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

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And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea: for thus it is written by the prophet,

And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

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Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

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When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

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And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

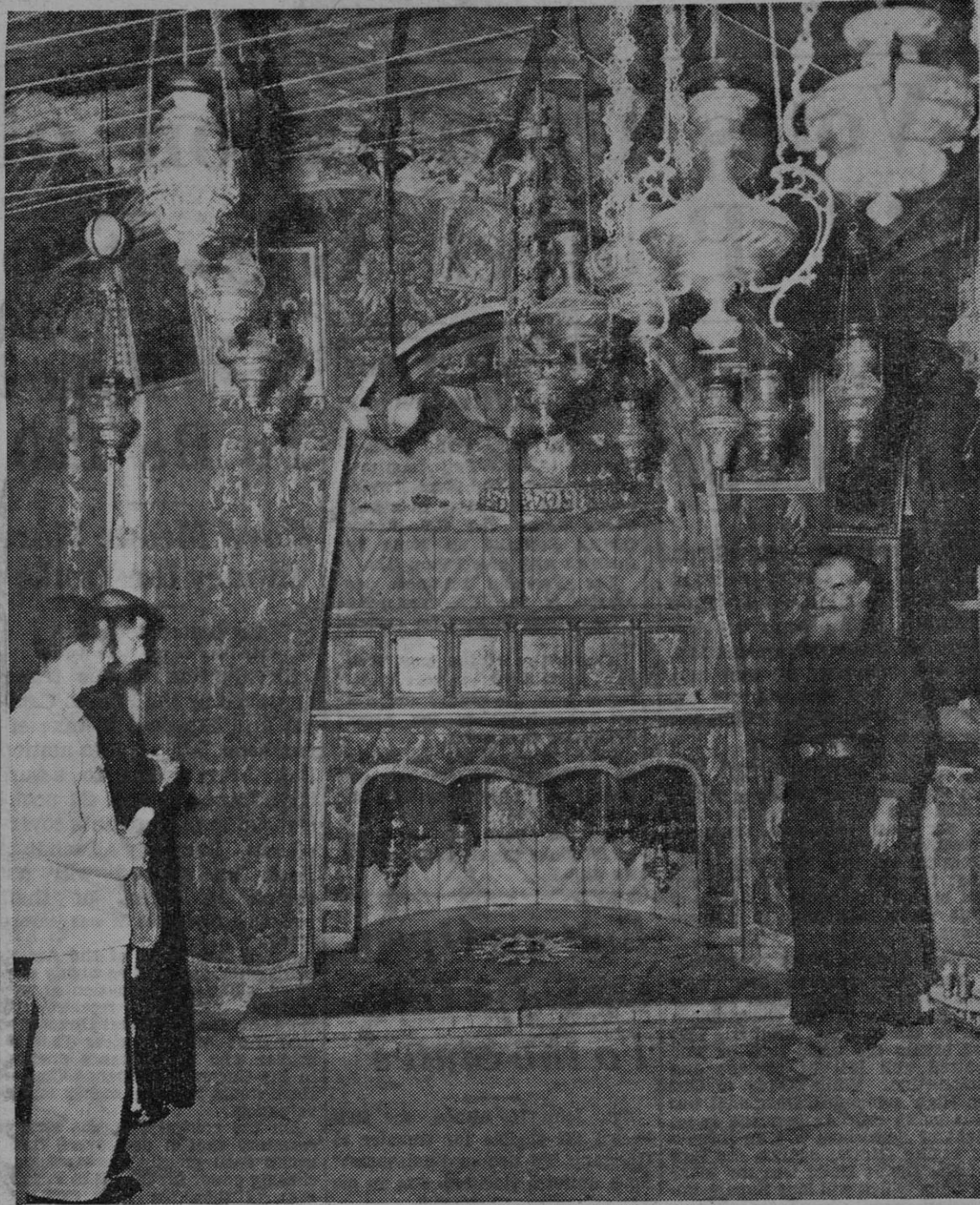
And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

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When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by the night, and departed into Egypt:

And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceedingly wroth, and sent forth and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all



Marking the place where 1,945 years ago Christ was born in a manger in a stable is this Grotto of the Nativity in the Holy Land. Here, in the town of Bethlehem, not far from Jerusalem, in the days of Herod, Jesus was born to Mary while "Angels heralded the event all over the land." Pilgrimages are made to the shrine from all over the world for services which are conducted there during the Christmas observance.

the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently inquired of the wise men.

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Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying,

In Rama there was a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they were not.

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But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,

Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go in to the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

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But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee:

And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.



When Allied forces stormed ashore near St. Raphael, in southern France last August, under a hail of bombs and shells, only ten civilians lost their lives during the entire operations. Local residents, attributing their good fortune to the intercession of Our Lady of Grace of Cotignac, made her statue the center of religious and secular anniversary ceremonies this year.

## Yule Begins At Jaffa Gate In Jerusalem

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 24 (AP).—Christmas ceremonies in Palestine opened at noon today at the famous Jaffa Gate in the walls of ancient Jerusalem.

It is at this gate that the annual procession on the road to Bethlehem begins. The procession of autos and mounted escorts winds slowly past the city into the Bethlehem road. It continues by the Well of the Magi where the Wise Men rested and proceeds along the narrow highway flanked by the terraced hills of Palestinian farm land and then up a gentle slope to the site of Rachel's tomb.

At this point the procession halts and is met by the mayor of Bethlehem and town dignitaries. After a brief pause it moves into the town with the waiting crowds gathered in the Manger Square to witness the solemn entry of the church leaders into the Church of the Nativity.

The afternoon and early evening are devoted to vespers, masses and meditation and the climax arrives at midnight when the Miracle of the Christ Child's birth is re-enacted.

## Black Bread, Lard Make Xmas Fare For Berlin Folk

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (AP).—Almost next to a notice in a German public building saying, "Coffins are available only for those who died of an infectious disease," an angel made of cardboard proclaims, "Merry Christmas, peace on earth and good will towards men."

That is Christmas in Berlin this year, the once proud and gay capital echoing with merriment and goose-stepping Nazi legions on parade, but now a sordid, depressing sight of incredible ruins, of shivering sunken-eyed people who are thankful of peace but overwhelmed with the emptiness of the future.

From the Tiergarten, the once famous park in the center of Berlin, comes a weary procession of cars loaded with twigs and branches and pulled by old men and women. They pause by the wayside to rest and have a Christmas dinner—black bread covered with lard.

Women looking incongruous in expensive fur coats hack at tree stumps in the once majestically wooded Tiergarten with butcher knives, for the splinters take the frostiness from their rooms. Meanwhile, long lines of thinly clad, pale children, many of them pitifully crippled in bombing raids, wait excitedly to attend a Santa Claus party at the Magistrate building.

## In Coventry the Toys Are Scarce—All Were Sent to Reich Children

COVENTRY, Dec. 24 (AP).—The people of Coventry, who went about picking up their dead 40 days before Christmas, 1940, today planned no special observances to commemorate their first peacetime Christmas since 1938.

There will not be many toys for the children, because the new ones are too expensive and the old ones were collected and sent to children in Germany.

Nevertheless, there is a real Christmas spirit in the city.

Broadgate Square, in the heart of the repaired and made-up shopping district, boasts a 40-foot Christmas tree decorated with colored lights which spell out "wishing you all a merry Christmas."

GI Billboard appears on Page 7 in today's issue.

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## VA Hospitals Short of Beds, May Bar Some

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—The shortage of hospital beds is so acute that the Veterans Administration soon may have to turn away some veterans whose disabilities are not connected with war or military service.

"That means if we are to do anything about it so that we can continue to take all cases, both service and non-service-connected disabilities, the over-all policy will have to be changed," Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, acting Surgeon General of VA, said in an interview.

"Authority to do this lies higher than the Veterans Administration," he continued.

**Borrowed 20,000 Beds**

The general announced he had "borrowed" approximately 20,000 hospital beds from the Army and Navy last week to meet the present crisis. He also asked for two more Army hospitals to be placed under Veterans Administration.

But already 87,967 veterans of all American wars are receiving hospital or home care, an all-time record. Two-thirds of these are classed as non-service-connected cases, and the percentage of service-connected cases among World War II veterans is rising. They have priority and will crowd non-service cases from hospitals unless more space becomes available.

**30,000 More**

"We expect an increase of from 30,000 to 40,000 patients within two years," Hawley said.

"Under our present policy and limitation it will be impossible to care for them all. We will need more doctors and more hospitals than are in sight at the moment."

The law says the Veterans Administration must care for veterans with injuries or illness traceable to military service. Other veterans may be accepted with non-service-connected illness or injury if facilities are available and if the veteran has no money to pay his own way.

## Xmas Shoppers Go Wild in N.Y. And Records Fall

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (ANS).—The highest level of Christmas gift buying in America's history has been reached by New York shoppers on the eve of the first peacetime Christmas in five years, while Yule sales records are being set all over the country.

The average shopper is buying with abandon "at whatever price he has to pay," it was reported. Macy's in New York chalked up its highest single day's sales in history and its third million-dollar sales day this season. Only once before had the store sold a million dollars worth of goods in one day.

Proving that post-war tastes are extravagant, one exclusive fur shop reported a great demand for mink coats in the \$6,000 bracket. Evening gowns at \$150 and above are so popular stores can't stock enough of them.

## Lily Pons 'Sings' to the Cops



Vocalist Lily Pons sang recently on a police benefit program in Madison Square Garden, New York. She is accompanied by Mayor LaGuardia and Police Lt. Thomas J. Sheehan.

## Cloak and Dagger Theory Out, Says U.S. Intelligence Chief

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—America's peace-time intelligence service will be no "cloak and dagger" outfit in the opinion of the man who will run the State Department's end of it.

In one of a series of radio broadcasts devoted to discussions of U.S. foreign policy, Col. Albert McCormack, special assistant to the Secretary of State in charge of research and intelligence, defined foreign intelligence as the "sum total of all information about foreign countries which is relevant to policies and problems of government."

McCormack listed these major objectives of a peace-time foreign intelligence service:

- 1—To "know and understand other countries and peoples of the world well enough to live with them in peace—to shape our policy as it affects other peoples toward the aims of peace."
  - 2—To be prepared for war if it comes.
- He said the State Department proposed to create a national intelligence authority, "presided over by the Secretaries of State, War and Navy with the Secretary of State as chairman."

**German Inventor Dies in N.J.**

JERSEY CITY, N.J., Dec. 24 (AP).—Dr. Arthur Korn, noted German physicist and inventor of photo-telegraphy, died here Saturday. He was 75.

## Voyage Home Kills a Vet That War Couldn't

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Efforts of the crews of a Coast Guard flying boat and a cutter to save the life of Army Cpl. Floyd Rhodes, 29, of Westmoreland, Tenn., proved a failure yesterday when Rhodes died at Staten Island Area Station Hospital of head injuries suffered on the homebound transport Santa Cecilia.

Rhodes fell from a ladder as the ship tossed in heavy seas, and his skull was fractured. A radio message from the ship Friday asked for oxygen, and a Coast Guard flying boat took off from Salem, Mass., carrying oxygen to be dropped to the transport. Bad weather forced the plane back, and the oxygen didn't reach the ship by cutter until early Saturday.

Rhodes was rushed to the hospital as soon as the ship docked. All of the 390 troops aboard were veterans of the North African and Italian campaigns from the Third, 34th and 88th Inf. Divs.

## Crewless Plane Flies 400 Miles

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, Dec. 24 (AP).—A pilotless, crewless twin-engine Army transport plane crashed in an open field west of here last night after soaring haphazardly for some 400 miles on a four-hour unguided phantom flight.

The C47 transport was abandoned over Dwight, Neb., after its crew lost control because of heavy icing conditions. For the next four hours, while Air Force officials pondered its fate, the big plane flew steadily along.

The transport plane had flown itself across Nebraska, Missouri, Iowa, Illinois and into Ohio.

The six crewmen had parachuted to safety.

## Mead Seeks Action On Vet Housing, Schools

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Sen. James Mead, (D-NY) said yesterday that Congress immediately on returning from recess, should take steps "to alleviate the critical conditions in the fields of housing facilities and educational opportunities for veterans."

He advised the release as soon as possible of all Army and Navy facilities and federally-owned buildings suitable for housing, hospital and educational purposes.

## The American Scene

### Red Cross Hopes to Carry Christmas To Every GI in Hospitals, Overseas

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—The American Red Cross said today that a special effort had been made to provide Christmas cheer for every American serviceman overseas, as well as wounded at hospitals in this country.

The Red Cross reported that, in co-operation with Army Special Service, Red Cross clubs have laid plans to provide turkey and trimmings, trees and gifts, holiday decorations and carol singing at clubs and canteens.

In addition, 1,250,000 individual gift boxes were shipped overseas earlier in the year for distribution.

### Flatbush Skeptic, 8, Wants to Tangle With Santa

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP).—The kids in Brooklyn, says eight-year-old Richard Firman, don't believe in Santa Claus.

Richard, himself a Flatbush resident, also is skeptical and he's going to settle the question once and for all.

Sent by The New York Herald Tribune's Fresh Air Fund, Richard and another Brooklyn youngster, Johnnie Campbell, 8, representing New York's underprivileged children, left by plane for Montreal today to meet a six-foot four-inch Santa in person.

"The first thing I am going to do when I meet him," Richard told newsmen at the airport, where he divulged the Flatbush skepticism, "is to pull his beard to see if he is phoney or the real thing."

### 2 GIs Seized as Kidnapers, Robbers

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—The FBI reported today it had seized two Awol Army privates who, it said, had confessed participation in kidnaping, auto and government property theft and armed robbery in Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

George R. McSwain, FBI agent in charge at Chicago, identified the two as Pvt. Robert F. Smith, 21, and Pvt. Boleslas W. Czajkowski, 18, both of Chicago, and said they would be arraigned on a kidnaping charge. Other charges may be filed later, McSwain said.

The FBI agent said the two escaped Dec. 14 from Camp Robinson, Ark., while under guard for being absent without leave, and later kidnaped and robbed four persons and stole five cars.

### Poll Brings Views on Profits She Needs \$18,000 a Year

DENVER, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Fifty-eight percent of the American people believe that most big businessmen are making more than a fair profit at the present time, a cross-section poll revealed today.

The same survey disclosed that 54 percent of the nation thinks that most small businessmen are making only a "fair" profit.

The poll by the National Opinion Research Center of the University of Denver followed a similar one in which 57 percent of the public expressed the belief that the government should decide what is fair profit for "big" business.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Mrs. Helen Carlin Mull told the Philadelphia Domestic Relations Court yesterday that she couldn't support herself and two children on less than \$18,000 a year.

She needs \$3,900 for food, \$4,680 for three servants, \$4,100 for clothes, to say nothing of \$963 for premiums on life insurance on her husband, John M. Mull, coal executive.

Judge W. Butler Windle said Mrs. Mull must be supported in the manner to which she has been accustomed.

### Ocean Storms Detected by Recording Static

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—The Army Signal Corps has developed a means of locating ocean storms up to 2,000 miles away by recording static emitted by storms on radio direction finders.

Maj. Gen. Harry C. Ingles, chief Signal officer, disclosed that a network of stations has been providing this type of weather information over the North Atlantic since June, 1944.

### Xmas Bonus—In Weight

DOLGEVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 24 (AP).—A hundred thousand "cartwheels" were rolling in three Herkimer County villages today after a shoe company paid off Christmas bonuses in silver.

The Eastern Footwear Corp. and two affiliates paid bonuses in silver dollars to 564 workers in plants at Dolgeville, Herkimer and Newport.

The bonuses represented 10 percent of individual 1945 salaries.

The shipment of silver, which a Railway Express Co. official said filled 90 money bags and weighed 6,000 pounds, was brought from the Federal Reserve Bank in New York City.

### Conrad Nagel Weds Actress

FORT LEE, N.J., Dec. 24 (AP).—Conrad Nagel, 45-year-old screen and radio actor and blonde Lynn Merrick, 23, Hollywood starlet, were married Friday in the Fort Lee municipal building by Municipal Judge I. William Aronsohn the judge disclosed.

### Assails Dec. 7 Probe

Joseph L. Lockard, a former Army lieutenant, whose warning that planes were approaching Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, was ignored, declared at his home in Williamsport, Pa., that the present inquiry was "not doing our country any good," and charged that politics were involved.



## Calloway Beaten, Arrested In Kansas Ballroom Fight

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Cab Calloway, Negro band leader, was booked on charges of intoxication and resisting arrest after a scuffle here last night at the entrance to the Pla-Mor Ballroom.

Calloway told police he and Felix H. Payne, of Kansas City, went to the ballroom to visit another Negro band leader, Lionel Hampton. They were refused admission and the fight ensued, Calloway said.

Payne was booked on charges of intoxication, resisting arrest and interfering with an officer. Both he and Calloway were released on \$500 bond.

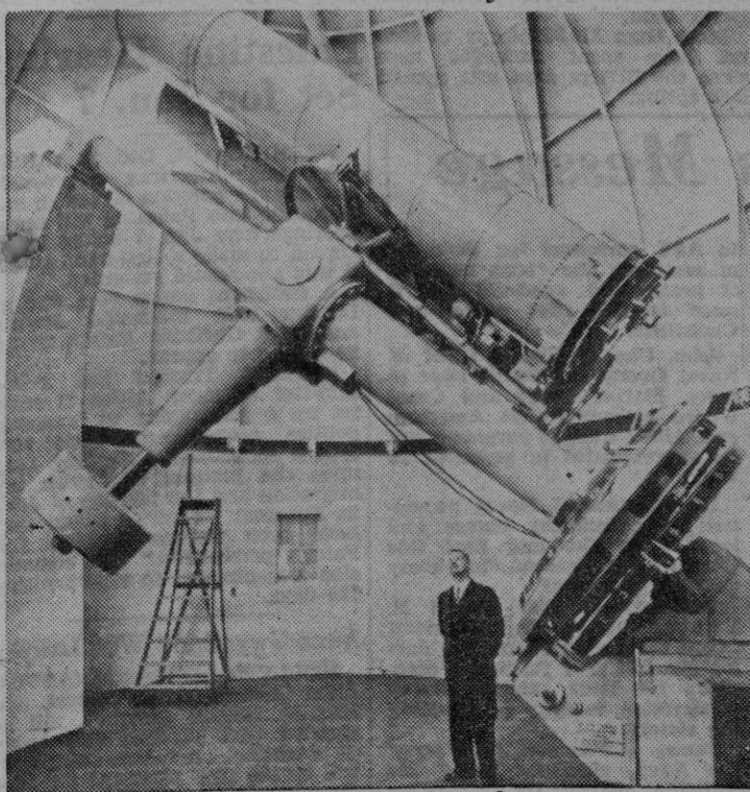
Calloway was treated at General Hospital for cuts on the head which he suffered when a ballroom employee struck him with the butt of a pistol.

Hampton, when he heard of the incident, refused to permit his orchestra to finish playing a dance program for an all-white audience, and the management refunded admissions to all present.

Police Sgt. William Garrett said a special officer employed by the ballroom asked Calloway and Payne to leave and that Payne struck at him.

Garrett said the ballroom employee asserted he hit Calloway over the head with the butt of his revolver after Payne and Calloway pushed him to the floor.

## Work Resumed on Sky Camera



This double-barreled giant, known as a "double astrographic camera," at Lick Observatory, Mount Hamilton, Calif., has never been in full operation because of a four-year interruption caused by the war. Work being resumed on the astrograph, which will be used to measure star movements. Its cost is \$95,000.

## China Red Says He Ends Siege to Show Peace Aim

CHUNGKING, Dec. 24 (AP).—While there has been no official development on the Communist request for cessation of hostilities, Gen. Chu Teh, commander of China's Communist armies, said that his forces besieging three Inner Mongolian cities have been withdrawn "as an earnest gesture of our desire for peace."

## Dutch Spurn Aid's Plea to OK Java Republic

A recommendation by Dr. Hubertus van Mook, lieutenant governor general of The Netherlands East Indies, that recognition be given the self-styled Indonesian Republic was said yesterday to have been rejected by Prime Minister Wilhelm Schermerhorn and the Dutch cabinet.

No official announcements have been made, but well-informed Dutch sources said Van Mook urged recognition of the government of Premier Sutan Sjahrir "as the only possible solution to the present difficulties in Java."

The Associated Press quoted these sources as saying the cabinet action was taken because of the fear that The Netherlands parliament would reject the proposal anyway.

### Oppose Proposal

Van Mook was reported to have declared that a radio proposal by Queen Wilhelmina that the Indonesians be permitted a more limited form of self-administration within the empire would be rejected by the Sjahrir government.

Informed quarters in Amsterdam have indicated that Britain will support recognition of the Indonesian republic.

Indonesian government leaders, including President R. I. Sukarno, have reiterated their desire for an American or Allied tour of Java.

### Newsmen Make Tour

The AP said such a tour made this week by newsmen, showed increasing Indonesian support of the Sukarno-Sjahrir regime by moderates, nationalists and the strong youth organizations, and a well-equipped, disciplined army capable of insuring the safe delivery of all Japanese and Dutch internees into Allied hands.

(United Press reported the Indonesians were ready to begin evacuation of some 20,000 Japanese troops from central Java.)

Meanwhile, in Batavia, a small emergency hospital in the Kramat district was being evacuated after a three-hour attack Saturday by extremists in which three persons were killed and six others wounded.

## ARC Girl's Death Revealed

The death in a jeep accident on Dec. 12 of Henrietta Jean Cunningham of Sherman Oaks, Calif., a Camp Philip Morris Red Cross Club worker, was revealed by Red Cross officials in Paris, yesterday.

The accident occurred near Montreux, about 30 miles south of Paris, while Miss Cunningham, a fellow Red Cross worker, and two GIs were en route back to Philip Morris from a furlough in Southern France. Miss Cunningham died before reaching the hospital. None of the other occupants of the jeep was injured seriously.

Miss Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis L. Cunningham, of Sherman Oaks, joined the Red Cross in June 1945, and had been in the ETO since August.

## SS Officer Captured, Berlin Radio Reports

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Berlin Radio yesterday announced that SS Officer Viktor Zoeller, who once commanded the Nazi concentration camp at Mauthausen, had been arrested in Mindelheim, where he was hiding under false identity papers.

### Al Jolson's Father Dies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Rabbi Moses Reuben Yoelsen, 88, father of the entertainer, Al Jolson, died in a hospital after a year's illness, it was announced today. Born in Kovno, Russia, Rabbi Yoelsen came to this country in 1883.

Patow Kweisui, the Mongolian capital, and Tatung have been surrounded by Communist forces since the middle of October. Withdrawal of the troops, Chu said, proves the party is immediately ready to halt the fighting.

### Offer Called Informal

The Communist proposal for an "immediate and unconditional" end to China's internal strife and a "freezing" of contending troops at present positions was termed unofficial and informal by Nationalist spokesmen.

Chiang Kai-shek, who returned to Chungking yesterday from Hanking, conceivably could approve the truce proposal by tomorrow, but as far as is known the Communists have not yet put the suggestion in writing.

### Delegates Can Settle

In Yen-an, Chu asserted that "Communist delegates to the Chungking peace talks are fully empowered to deal immediately and directly in all matters" concerning the end of the strife and the establishment of a coalition government.

From Peiping, it was reported that the Chinese government's efforts to gain physical possession of Manchuria appeared progressing today with liaison troops moving toward four objectives while other units were ready to fly to Changchun later this week.

## Van Acker Tells Reds: No Raises

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24 (AP).—Prime Minister Achille van Acker yesterday told Communists who are heckling his government for salary increases that there would be no "further reforms which are above Belgium's present financial capabilities."

Referring to increases in salaries and pensions proposed by the Communists, the Prime Minister, addressing 10,000 persons, said:

"I will never allow these measures to be put into practice if they tend to endanger the economic revival of Belgium or the stability of the franc. Our exports must reach a total of 20 billion francs in 1946 if we are to stay on the road leading back to recovery."

Van Acker said he favored a monarchy and referred to it as the "binding link in Belgium," but he stood his ground in fighting the return of Leopold III to his throne.

Of nationalization, Van Acker said he opposed state control substituting itself for private enterprise, but that he favored "healthy collaboration of both in directing Belgium's economy."

### Phone Veteran Dies

EAST ORANGE, N.J., Dec. 24 (AP).—Austen M. Curtis, who 30 years ago received the first trans-Atlantic telephone message while stationed at the Eiffel Tower, died yesterday at 55.

## McNarney's Christmas Message

FRANKFURT, Dec. 24.—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, ETO commander, today sent the following Christmas message to his forces:

"I speak now to all the men and women of American forces in Europe—and to the American civilians who are working with our troops.

"On behalf of Gen. Eisenhower, our Chief of Staff—and for the American people at home—as well as for myself, I bring you the warmest Christmas wishes and a deep feeling of gratitude.

"The fighting you have done—the long, hard days and nights of work you have performed—made it possible for us to be observing Christmas at peace for the first time in five years.

"No greeting would be adequate to express to you the world's appreciation.

"This is a time when all of us would like to be with our loved ones—in the good, familiar houses, on the streets we know so well—in the towns that we call home.

"I cannot make this day the

## A Nice Attraction



Mlle Suzanne Reynaud has been chosen as "Miss USRA" (U.S. Riviera Rehabilitation Area). She reclines among posters of Nice, emphasizing the attractions of the blue coast of the Mediterranean.

## Austria Wants Slice of Reich to Bolster Frontier

VIENNA, Dec. 24 (UP).—Austria wants a small slice of German territory, including Berchtesgaden, Foreign Minister Karl Gruber has announced. He said formal demands would be made when the general conference has defined German borders.

Gruber said the claim is based partly on Austria's desire to strengthen her frontier facing Germany, and pointed out that the Berchtesgaden strip is only a few hundred miles in area. Salzburg Provincial Parliament has already claimed the area in communications to American occupation authorities, but no answer has yet been received.

## Army Will Return 29 Riviera Hotels; New Quota 3,000

By a Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

NICE, Dec. 24.—The \$5,000,000 Palais de la Mediterranee, and 29 Riviera hotels in the Nice area will be returned to the French on Jan. 15 Maj. John H. Olin, director of the Army's Riviera Recreation Area, said today.

Olin also announced that the Riviera restee quota had been set at 3,000 including officers and nurses whose facilities are at Cannes. The number of requisitioned hotels in Nice will be reduced to 20 with the Jan. 15 turnback. The American Red Cross Casino Club will be moved to the Westminster Hotel here.

More than 310,000 Army personnel have spent furloughs here since the Riviera area was opened last spring.

## New Law Sets Yardstick on War Criminals

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (AP).—Under a law effective today, the Allied Control Council is to recognize as a crime membership in a group or organization declared criminal by the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg.

This law was enacted to give legal form to the Moscow declaration of Oct. 30, 1943, concerning the responsibility of Hitlerites for atrocities, and to the London agreement of Aug. 8, 1945, on the prosecution and punishment of war criminals.

The law also provides a uniform legal basis for dealing with accused war criminals other than those under direct jurisdiction by the International Military Tribunal.

The new law declared any person was deemed to have committed a crime if he was:

- 1—A principal or accessory to any crime or ordered or abetted the same.
- 2—Took a consenting part.
- 3—Was connected with plans or enterprises involving the commission of any such crimes.
- 4—If he held high political or military (including general staff) position in Germany or one of its allies, co-belligerents or satellites, or held a high position in the financial, industrial or economic life of any such country.

The law stated that any person convicted of crimes could be punished by death, life imprisonment or terms of years with or without labor, forfeiture of property or deprivation of civil rights.

The official position of any person whether as head of a state or as a responsible official in a government department or the fact that any person acted in pursuance of higher orders does not free him from the responsibility for a crime. However, people in the latter group may come up for consideration in mitigation of punishment, the law stipulated.

## M'Narney Lists Gains in Reich

FRANKFURT, Dec. 24 (UP).—In a radio report to the U.S., Gen. Joseph McNarney, chief of American forces in Europe, declared long strides had been made in returning the German nation to ways of peace, but that a great deal still remains to be done.

"The German armed forces have been disbanded and disbanded except for general staff officers, storm troopers and prisoners of war in custody," McNarney said in listing accomplishments in the eight months since VE-Day. "There remains the continued stamping out of militaristic spirit.

"Denazification is well advanced," he said. "Thousands of Nazis have been removed from government and industry, and the planned removal of Germany's war potential, largely as reparations is well advanced. Twenty-six large plants have been made available as advance deliveries to countries which suffered at Germany's hands. Fifty-eight additional plants have been reported as available for this purpose."

## Palestine Hearing Set for Jan. 7

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—An Anglo-American commission to study the question of Jewish migration into Palestine will begin hearings here Jan. 7 before going abroad to make a first-hand study, it was announced yesterday.

A statement issued here and in London said interested Jewish, Arab and Christian groups would be invited to appear.

President Truman and Prime Minister Clement Attlee recently set up a commission to "examine political, economic and social conditions in Palestine as they bear upon the problem of Jewish immigration and the position of Jews in European countries where they have been victims of Nazi and Fascist persecution." The commission was directed to report within 120 days.

### Anne Gwynne to Wed Lawyer

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Anne Gwynne, screen actress, and Max M. Gilford, attorney, will be married Dec. 30, they said today on obtaining a marriage licence. It will be the first marriage for Miss Gwynne, 24-year-old Texas starlet, and the third for the 39-year-old Gilford.

same for you, as it would be if you were at home. But with all my heart, I give you the same wish you'd hear at home: Merry Christmas—and a Happy New Year."

TOKYO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Gen. Douglas MacArthur issued the following Christmas statement:

"On this Christmas Day—the first in five years in which our guns have been silent—I join with all members of this command in thanking God for our deliverance from the death and destruction of war and pray that our merciful Lord will sustain us in our efforts to realize in its fullest the ideal which Christ brought to the world: Peace on Earth and to all men, Good Will."

### Air, Army, Navy Chiefs Also Send Men Greetings

Gen. Henry H. Arnold, commander of the U.S. Army Air Forces, expressed gratitude yesterday in a Christmas message

to AAF personnel for their aid in restoring the "true meaning of peace and good-will toward men" to this first peace-time Christmas.

Adm. Chester Nimitz, Chief of Naval Operations, voiced hope to Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel that American and Allied unity of purpose would be as successful in peace as in war.

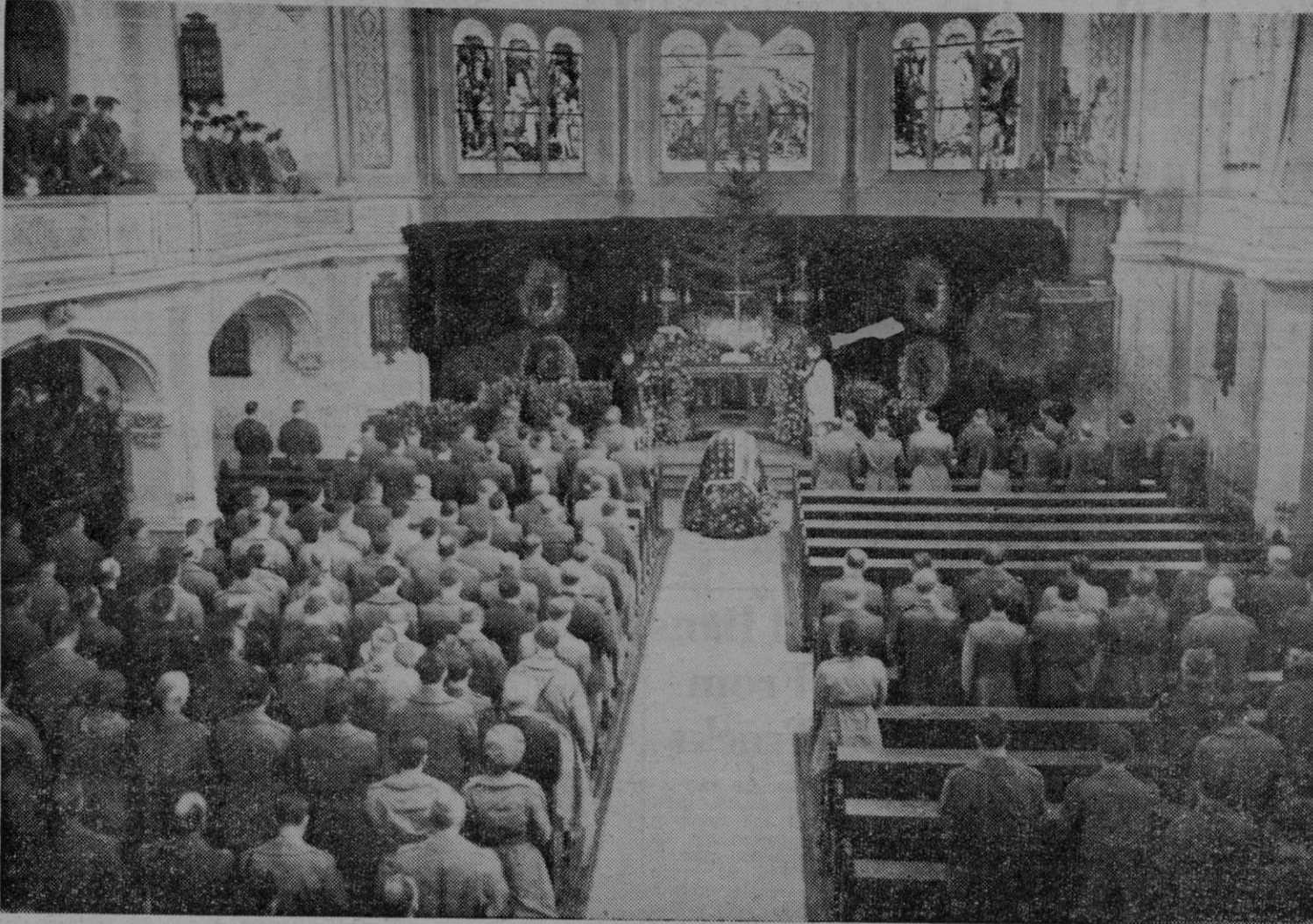
He commended Naval personnel for "unstinting energy and loyalty" to the end that this Christmas is observed "in victory over our enemies."

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson thanked American troops for their performance during the last four years and especially for their current display of devotion to duty in guarding the victory.

James V. Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy, similarly linked his Yuletide wishes for a lasting peace with a "cordial well-done" for the job completed.



# Rites Conducted for Gen. Patton as Friends Pay Tribute



Funeral services for Gen. George S. Patton Jr. are conducted in the Catholic church at Heidelberg. Burial was made in Hamm, 4 miles east of Luxembourg City.

## Gen. Patton Buried Among Fallen Yanks

By Robert Marshall  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

LUXEMBOURG, Dec. 24.—Gen. George S. Patton's body was laid to rest here today on a wooded hilltop among his soldiers who fell in the drive to liberate Europe.

The colorful, fighting general who had led American soldiers into battle dozens of times in his vigorous life now rests in a simple grave in a grateful foreign land.

In keeping with his own desires, he was buried among fallen American soldiers in the Hamm American Military Cemetery, four miles from here, as thousands of soldiers, civilians and American and foreign dignitaries paid their last respects to his memory.

Almost 8,000 other American soldiers are buried in the Hamm cemetery, which is located a bare two miles from the headquarters from which Patton directed his counter-offensive which helped crush the German drive into the Ardennes a year ago.

German prisoners of war dug grave No. 7,934 for Gen. Patton and a GI carpenter fashioned a 30x15-inch white wood cross on which the name George S. Patton Jr. was stenciled. There was only a serial number to otherwise mark the identity of the general.

His flag-covered casket was born to the grave as his Third Army band played.

### Brief Ceremony

Then came the brief Episcopalian military service, read by Chaplain Col. Edwin R. Carter Jr.

In keeping with military tradition, the flag which had covered the casket from the time the body lay in state at Villa Veimer, in Heidelberg, until it was brought to the graveside, was presented to Mrs. Patton.

The burial services today completed the last rites which began yesterday with funeral services in Christ Church at Heidelberg. The body was brought to Luxembourg by special train.

A long funeral cortege was formed at the railroad station in Luxembourg City when the casket was born from the train shortly after nine AM. The escort included motorcycle-mounted military police, a command group of the Second U.S. Cavalry, a unit of French cavalry in armored vehicles, a composite troop of the 42d Cav. Sqdn., Second Mech. Cav. Gp., and massed colors.

The caisson bearing the casket

was escorted by the six enlisted men who acted as pall bearers, and the twelve high-ranking honorary pall bearers.

It was followed by a sedan carrying Mrs. Patton and her brother, Frederick Ayer. Next came cars with representatives of the American government, headed by Ambassador Robert D. Murphy, chief USFET political adviser, and representatives of Luxembourg, France, Belgium, Great Britain, Russia, The Netherlands, Yugoslavia, Italy and Czechoslovakia.

The party representing the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg was headed by Crown Prince Felix. Thousands of Luxembourg citizens lined the streets of the city and came to the military cemetery to demonstrate their affection for Gen. Patton, whom they hold in highest esteem for their country's liberation by Third Army troops nearly a year ago.

Mrs. Patton left Luxembourg for Paris shortly after the services and at 3:30 PM she was aboard a plane which took off from Orly Field on a regular flight to Washington.



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

The body of Gen. Patton lies in state in a flag-draped casket at the guest house of Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes in Heidelberg, with Military Police standing guard. Flags in the background, left to right, are those of the Third Army, 15th Army and Seventh Army, all of which Patton commanded. Military Police standing guard are, left to right, Pvt. John M. Whitmore, Buckport, Me.; Pfc. Edward Shuttleworth, Santa Rosa, Calif.; Pfc. Richard E. Mauch, Milwaukee, and Pvt. Michael Ambrasio, Paterson, N. J.

## Once Mighty Eighth — Now 22 Planes

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The once mighty Eighth Air Force which sent 2,000 bombers and 1,000 fighters to strike at the Ardennes Bulge a year ago today now has 22 planes left.

From its 1944 strength of 180,000 personnel, the Eighth has dwindled to a force of 4,000 men, all incorporated under the Eighth Fighter Command, headed by Brig. Gen. Emil C. Kiel.

Of the Eighth's 80 stations in this theater a year ago, only five remain, including the present headquarters at Honington.

The Christmas Eve force of 3,000 planes a year ago was the largest number of aircraft flown in combat at one time by the Eighth.

## Two Shiploads Of Reinforcements Debark at Bremen

BREMEN, Dec. 24.—It's a merry Christmas for the 29th Div. troops being redeployed through Bremerhaven staging area, as reinforcements for the Army of Occupation are today being unloaded from the SS Le Jeune and SS Bienville at the Port of Bremerhaven. The 29th men, as well as fill-ins from the 3867th QM Truck Co., hold priority on the first outgoing movements.

The Le Jeune, first ship to arrive in Bremerhaven's new large-scale redeployment role, arrived Saturday. The ship has a capacity of 4,550 troops. The Bienville, with a capacity of 1,900 troops, arrived Sunday morning.

## Group Ends Preparatory UNO Tasks

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The month-long task of filling the last gaps in the structure of the United Nations Organization was completed last night when the Preparatory Commission ended its work with a full day of plenary sessions.

UNO will be officially inaugurated Jan. 10, when the delegates meet again for the opening ceremony of the organization intended to bring the world into an era of peace, security and prosperity.

An atmosphere of good feeling and satisfaction marked the Preparatory Commission's final meeting, but several delegates indicated they would bring up points of controversy when the assembly meets.

### Trusteeship an Issue

One of the most lively issues is the Trusteeship Council provision, strongly supported by the Russian and Ukrainian delegations, but opposed in part by the British and Americans.

The British delegate, Prof. C. K. Webster, explained that the British government is in absolute agreement with the principle of free expression for dependent populations, but objects to the wording of the report delegating to the Trusteeship Council decision on means of consulting local opinion.

The assembly program finally prepared was materially changed over early plans, to include consideration of all major political issues, the most dramatic of which will be atomic energy.

### To Push Commission Plan

American and British representatives intend to put before the assembly plans for an international commission along the premise agreed upon by President Truman, Prime Minister Attlee and Prime Minister Mackenzie King of Canada.

The Cuban demand that steering committee members be ineligible for immediate re-election, a precaution against permanent members running the assembly, will also be brought up early in the reopening of the assembly.

A third major issue will be renewed consideration of the power of veto, on which there is a division of opinion between the Anglo-Americans and the Russians.

The Soviets declare that they are directly concerned with all trusteeship agreements while Britain and America would allow Russia to participate in some but not all cases.

## Spanish Guerrillas Reported Only 40 Mi. From Madrid

LONDON, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—Guerrillas in ever-increasing numbers are appearing in Spanish mountains, forming a serious threat to order in Spain, the Madrid correspondent of the London News Chronicle reported today.

All are well armed and equipped and in many places are no more than 40 miles from Madrid, the correspondent quoted a member of the civil guard sent out to fight the guerrillas as saying. Supplies, including radio transmitters and receivers, are believed to be flown in from beyond the Pyrennes.

The informant said that in addition to the disadvantage in material, the civil guard is handicapped by "the fact that either through fear or sympathy the rebels are helped by the local population."

He added that it was his belief that the "great majority of guerrillas are only bandits, though among them there are many Red leaders and army men."

## 200,000th GI Sails Through Chanor Base

ANTWERP, Dec. 24.—The 200,000th GI to start home through Chanor Base Section, Camp Top Hat and the port of Antwerp went aboard the Madawasa Victory here this afternoon. He is Pfc John H. Zimbleman, of St. Paul, Minn., formerly of the Fifth Inf. Div. and the Air Corps 19th Supply Depot. He has been in the Army 30 months.

On hand to congratulate Zimbleman as he started up the gangplank was Lt. Col. Phillip E. Pons, troop movement officer for the port.

### Former Legislator Dies

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Dec. 24 (AP).—S. Harrison White, 80, former Democratic Representative from Colorado, died in a Colorado Springs hospital in which he had been a patient since 1942.

# Canadiens Regain Lead By Defeating Bruins As Wings Tie Hawks

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Montreal Canadiens were back in sole possession of first place in the National Hockey League today after trouncing the Boston Bruins, 4-1, last night as the contending Chicago Black Hawks were tied, 4-4, by Detroit's Red Wings.

## McAfee Signs 3-Year Pact With Bears

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (ANS).—The Chicago Bears announced that George McAfee, brilliant pre-war halfback, had signed a three-year contract. He was an all-league choice in 1941 before entering the Navy.

President George Halas said the return of the former Duke University speedster and the recent signing of quarterback Sid Luckman to a new contract "sewed up" the nucleus of a powerful team for the Bears "and the National Football League."

Both McAfee and Luckman reportedly received lucrative offers to join the proposed All-America Conference. Halas declined to disclose the terms of McAfee's contract.

## Former Marquette Ace Signs with Grid Cards

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 24 (AP).—Doug Renzel, Marquette University fullback in 1939-41, said yesterday he had signed a contract to play with the National Football League Chicago Cardinals in 1946.

Recently discharged from the Army, Renzel played with the Camp Grant team in 1942.

## Double Pays \$1,578 to 19

HALLENDALE, Fla., Dec. 24 (ANS).—A Daily Double payoff of \$1,578.60 for \$2.00 was an early Christmas present to 19 lucky ticket holders at Gulfstream Park.

It was the highest payoff in this track's history and followed a \$780.90 payoff the day before. Today's combination was composed of Dale Maedic, a \$10.90 for \$2.00 winner, in the first race, and James Acre, who won the second race by a nose and returned \$177.20 straight.

## Prevaricator Scores In Fair Grounds 'Cap

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24 (AP).—Prevaricator, favorite in the setting, drew up ahead of Little Keith in the stretch at the Fair Grounds Saturday and captured the Vieux Carre Handicap.

The classy young son of Omega went the mile and 70-yards in 1:46 4/5 and paid \$4.20 for \$2. Prevaricator, owned by Fred Wise of Texas, was handled by Jockey Al Blassett. Paper Cup made a fact finish to take down third money.

## Junior Hovious to Seek Talent for Mississippi U.

OXFORD, Miss., Dec. 24 (ANS).—John (Junior) Hovious was named today to the football coaching staff of Mississippi University with the specific task of recruiting talent for his Alma Mater's 1946 eleven, but he said the job would not interfere with his professional gridiron career.

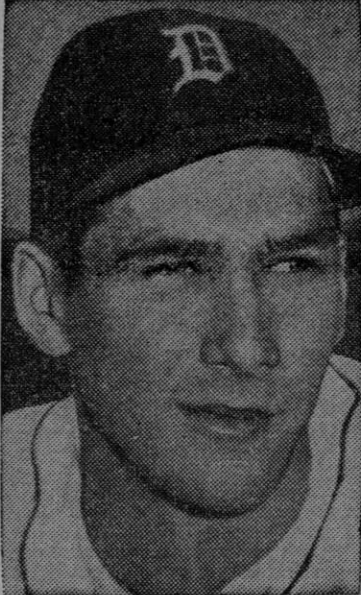
Hovious, who was a star back with the New York Giants last season, said he was not considering a permanent coaching job since he intends to play pro football. The head coach's job is vacant at Ole' Miss due to the recent resignation of Harry Mehre.

## U.S. Hockey League

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Kansas City.....	13	6	1	27
St. Paul.....	11	9	0	22
Omaha.....	10	6	1	21
Fort Worth.....	8	11	9	16
Tulsa.....	6	9	2	14
Dallas.....	6	9	2	14
Minneapolis.....	6	11	0	12

**Week's Schedule**  
 Tuesday—Omaha at Tulsa; Dallas at St. Paul  
 Thursday—Dallas at Omaha  
 Friday—Tulsa at Fort Worth; Dallas at Minneapolis  
 Saturday—Kansas City at Omaha; Tulsa at Minneapolis; Fort Worth at Dallas  
 Sunday—Dallas at Kansas City; Tulsa at St. Paul

## AL's Finest



Hal Newhouser

# Tigers' Hal Newhouser Crowned AL's Leading Moundsman of Year

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Speed-baller Harold Newhouser, who pitched the Detroit Tigers to the world's baseball championship, today officially was crowned the American League's 1945 king of the mound.

The final league statistics showed Newhouser compiled a brilliant 25-9 record, to rank him best among the league workhorses for the second straight year, and weave an amazing two-year victory skein of 54. Last year, Newhouser fashioned a 29-9 record.

## Leads in 5 Departments

The 24-year-old Lefty, who made good in his own home town, completely dominated American League pitching last summer, leading in five departments—win-loss percentages, earned run average, strikeouts, most innings pitched and most batters faced.

Although he toiled 313 innings in 40 games, Newhouser yielded only 63 earned runs for an incredible average of 1.81. At the same time, the 6-foot-2 Tiger pitcher struck out 212 of the 1,132 batters he faced.

Not reflected in the imposing array of statistics was Newhouser's immeasurable aid to the aged, crippled Tigers as a "money" performer. It was hurling Hal who stepped in as a reliever to hold the St. Louis Browns at bay until Hank Greenberg's grand-slam homer won the pennant on the last day of the season. And it was Newhouser who waded back, after an opening-game humiliation by the Chicago Cubs in the World Series, to win the fifth and seventh games.

## Two Other 20-Game Winners

Bob Muncie, of St. Louis, bettered Newhouser's .735 percentage, but the right-handed Brownie won less than 15 games, finishing with a 13-4 record for .765.

Besides Newhouser, there were only two other 20-game winners—Dave Ferriss, Boston's sensational rookie who had a 21-10 record and pitched 22 1/3 consecutive scoreless innings for a freshman record, and Roger Wolff, of Washington, with 20 won and 10 lost.

Al Benton, Detroit's 32-year-old right-hander, was runnerup in the earned run average column with 2.02 as he posted a 13-1 record. Wolff was next with 2.12.

## Fowler Hurled Lone No-Hitter

Others who shaded the 15 win mark were: Dutch Leonard, of Washington, 17-7; Steve Gromek, of Cleveland, 19-9; Paul (Dizzy) Trout, of Detroit, 18-15; Allie Reynolds, of Cleveland, 18-12, and Milt Haefner, of Washington, 16-14.

The season's only no-hit, no-run game was pitched by ex-service-man Dick Fowler, of Philadelphia, against St. Louis on Sept. 9. The unwanted distinction of allowing the most hits went to Ferriss with 263, while Marino Pieretti, of Washington, was touched for most runs, 114. Only five hit batsmen were charged against St. Louis pitchers for what was believed a league record.

## 68.33 Strokes a Round Averaged by Nelson

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP).—Byron Nelson, selected recently as the No. 1 athlete of 1945 in an Associated Press poll, averaged 68.33 strokes per round for 120 rounds of major tournament golf during the year, PGA Tournament Manager Fred Corcoran announced.

## Maryland Bans 9 More From State's Tracks

BALTIMORE, Dec. 24 (AP).—Maryland's racing crisis grew worse yesterday as the total of persons under suspension by the State Racing Commission rose to 17 with the addition of seven jockeys, one more trainer and a jockey's agent. These were added to a roster of eight trainers who had been suspended earlier on charges that horses under their care had been stimulated.

Through chairman George P. Mahoney, the commission said its move against the nine, accused of violating the turf body's rules prohibiting "bribery" and "conspiracy" at Maryland tracks, resulted from "two months of investigation" in which Baltimore and Maryland police took part.

In turn, the Commission had pending against it in the Baltimore City Circuit Court four suits, one by a trainers' association and three by individual trainers. These suits all dealt with the Agency's enforcement actions on stimulation.

## Cards Release Garms, Crouch

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23 (AP).—Outfielder Debs Garms and pitcher Bill Crouch were released unconditionally by the St. Louis Cardinals.

Garms, 37, was with the Redbirds three seasons and a member of the pennant-winning teams of 1943 and 1944. Crouch joined the Cardinals in mid-summer last season, appeared in six games and was credited with one victory and no defeats.

## John Marion to Pilot Can.-Am. Oneonta Red Sox

ONEONTA, N.Y., Dec. 24 (AP).—John Wyeth Marion, brother of Martin Marion, St. Louis National League shortstop, will manage the Oneonta Red Sox in the revived Canadian-American League next season, it was announced yesterday.

## Rickey Gets Insurance Post

BROOKLYN, Dec. 24 (ANS).—President Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn baseball Dodgers today was named a director of the Guardian Life Insurance Co.

## Riggs Bares All

# Bobby Tells Why He's World's Best Netter

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Bobby Riggs was in Chicago today to expound the latest feats and conquests of the world's greatest tennis player—Bobby Riggs.

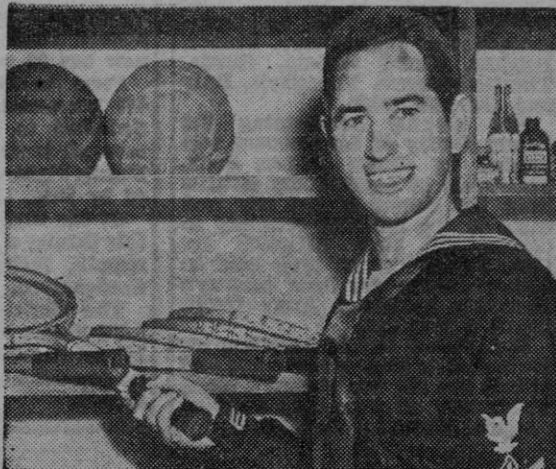
Free-swinging Riggs, late of the Navy, backed up his claims with some recent statistics. "I've defeated Don Budge four straight times now," Riggs said. "I've gained confidence and bettered my game and either Don has slipped or I've improved to the point where I'm the master."

Riggs' four conquests of the Oakland (Calif.) redhead all have been notched recently. Bobby defeated Budge at Los Angeles two weeks ago in a tournament billed as for "the world tennis championship."

"I also beat Don three of five times we met in a tour of the Pacific," Bobby added. "Don won two, then I won three straight. I beat him in Los Angeles and that makes four."

"I will gladly meet Budge in a match or series of matches," Riggs suggested.

Budge is scheduled for discharge from the Army soon. A match or a series of Budge-Riggs matches would be as good tennis as the fans could desire.



Bobby Riggs

## East, West Elevens Prep For Shrine Tilt

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Clearing weather yesterday enabled the Eastern and Western football stars to go through brisk workouts for the East-West Shrine charity game here on New Year's Day.

Coaches Andy Kerr, of Colgate, Bernie Bierman, of Minnesota, and Beattie Feather, of North Carolina State lined up the two prospective Eastern elevens and started intensive work on play and signals. The two teams were manned as follows:

TEAM A	POS	TEAM B
Fitch, Minnesota	LE	Skladany, Pittsb.
Savitsky, Penn.	LT	Prashaw, Michigan
Kolens, Illinois	LG	Dickerson, Penn
Snidacej, Columb	C	Kasnovich, Penn St.
Dobelestein, Tenn.	RG	Groh, Colgate
Hughes, Purdue	RT	Hollingshead, Yale
Accella, Syracuse	RE	Thompson, Columb.
Dekdebrun, Conn.	QB	Frost, Dartmouth
Evans, Penn.	LH	Robinson, Syracuse
Copoulos, Margu.	RH	Brealis, Mich. St.
Trojanowski, Con	FB	Draznevich, PennSt.

The Westerners raced through heavy programs with co-coaches Homer Norton, of Texas A&M, and Orin Hollingsbery, formerly of Washington State, forming numerous backfield and line combinations.

## Gaels and Cowboys Reach New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Galloping Gaels of St. Mary's and the Cowboys of Oklahoma A&M arrived here yesterday and headed for the Mississippi Gulf Coast to polish off training or their Sugar Bowl football clash Jan. 1.

Both coach Jim Phelan of St. Mary's and Jim Lookabough of A&M said their squads were in good physical shape, but need some workouts to make up for practice lost by bad weather back home.

## Holy Cross Eleven Heads for Florida

WORCESTER, Mass. Dec. 24 (AP).—The once-beaten Holy Cross football squad of 32 players, headed by triple-threat Stan Koslowski, entrained last night for its Orange Bowl New Year's Day clash with the University of Miami at Miami.

## Alabama Shoves Off On Trip to California

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., Dec. 24 (AP).—The Alabama football team, 34 strong, left yesterday for the Rose Bowl date with Southern California at Pasadena.

## NBA's 1946 Convention Is Sought by Montreal

MONTREAL, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Fred Duclos, chairman of the Montreal Athletic Commission, said he had made a bid to have the 1946 annual convention of the National Boxing Association held in Montreal next September.

He said he had sent his request to NBA President Abe Greene of Paterson, N.J., and planned to take steps to encourage the promotion of a major fight here if the convention is held in Montreal.

## AHL Standings

Eastern Division				
TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Hershey.....	15	8	4	34
Buffalo.....	14	11	5	33
Providence..	12	14	2	26
New Haven..	4	20	7	15

Western Division				
TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Indianapolis	15	10	5	35
Pittsburgh..	15	8	5	35
Cleveland...	11	9	5	27
St. Louis....	9	15	3	21

**Week's Schedule**  
 Tuesday—Indianapolis at Cleveland; Buffalo at Hershey; New Haven at Providence and Pittsburgh at St. Louis.  
 Saturday—Buffalo at Cleveland; St. Louis at Hershey and Indianapolis at Pittsburgh.  
 Sunday—Cleveland at Buffalo; Pittsburgh at Indianapolis; Hershey at Providence and St. Louis at New Haven.

# ★ ★ GI ★ ★ BILLBOARD

## Paris Area MOVIES TODAY

MARIGNAN—"And Then There Were None," Barry Fitzgerald, Walter Huston, continuous 1400-2300. Métro Madeleine.  
 ENSA PARIS—"Kismet," Marlene Dietrich, Ronald Colman, continuous 1400-2300. Métro Marbeuf.  
 OLYMPIA—Same as Marignan, 2330 only. Métro Madeleine.  
 EMPIRE—"Thousand and One Nights."

## STAGE SHOWS

ENSA MARIGNY—"RAF Gang Show," variety show.  
 OLYMPIA—"Christmas Belles," variety show, 1430, 2000.

## MISCELLANEOUS

PX Fountain SHOP—Adjacent to Main PX at Rue de Provence and Rue du Havre. Open daily except Sunday 1300-2130. Malted milk, ice cream, sundaes, beer.  
 PX BARBER SHOP—12 Rue de Seze opposite Rainbow Corner, weekdays 0900-2000, Sundays 0900-1300, avec beauty parlor, 146 Champs-Élysées, 0900-1900 weekdays only, avec beauty parlor, 48 Avenue Kléber, 0900-1900 weekdays only, no beauty parlor.  
 COLISEUM CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Métro Anvers.  
 LE PRADO CLUB—Enlisted men and guests only. Métro Bernes or Etoile.  
 ARMORIAL CLUB—Officers and guests only, 14 Rue Magenta. Métro George V.  
 OFFICER-EM CLUB—Lunch and dinner by appointment RIC 64-41. Hotel Louvois, Louvois Sq. Métro Bouras.

## Nancy

SHOWTIME—"Love Letters," Jennifer Jones, Joseph Cotten.

## Metz

SCALA—"You Came Along."  
 ROYAL—"Too Young to Know."

## Le Havre

STEERING WHEEL—"The Cheaters," SELECT—"Caribbean Mystery," HERBERT TAREYTON—"Personal Appearance."  
 PHILIP MORRIS—"Rhapsody in Blue Serge."  
 WINGS—"Stars on Parade."

## Verdun

VOX—"Man Alive," Pat O'Brien, Ellen Drew.

## Brussels

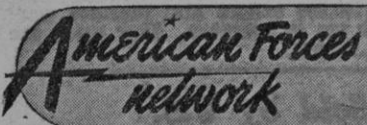
ENSA MUSIC HALL—"Magic and Music," GI show, 1430.

## TSFET Clarifies Civilian Extension Of GI Insurance

Discharged veterans who wish to continue their National Service Life Insurance must forward a monthly premium payment to the Collection Subdivision, Veterans' Administration, Washington, within 31 days of the payment of the last service premium. TSFET insurance officials reminded soldiers taking discharges in the ETO.

The Savings and Insurance Office reported that a recent amendment of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940 declared term insurance to be effective up to eight years from the issuance date of the original insurance, provided premiums were paid as they became due. Or service insurance may be converted to ordinary life, 20 pay life or 30 pay life plans.

Premiums on the insurance are due and payable monthly in advance, with a 21-day grace period, but ETO discharges were advised to mail premiums early and to continue payments as due, whether or not premium notices are received from the Veterans' Administration. A saving of three percent discount per year is allowed on premiums paid in advance.



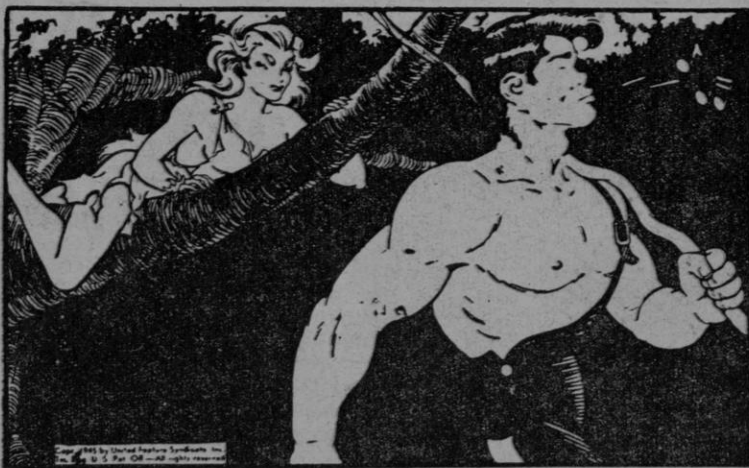
Time	TODAY	TOMORROW
1200-News	2000-Comedy Caravan	0600-News
1205-Off the Record	2030-Bob Hope	0615-Morning Report
1300-Xmas Music	2100-News	0715-Village Barn
1315-Lynn Murray	2105-102nd Div. Chorus	0730-Fred Waring
1330-Christmas Carol	2130-AFN Playhouse	0800-GI Jive
1400-Command Perf.	2200-Mall Call	0815-News
1600-Symphony Hour	2230-Tommy Dorsey	0830-Repeat Perf.
1700-Duffie Bag	2300-Xmas Melodies	0900-Modern Music
1800-News	2315-AFN Bandstand	0930-Sep. Center
1815-Personal Album	2330-Merely Music	0945-String Serenade
1830-Internal Xmas	2400-News	1000-Command Perf.
1900-Jubilee	0015-Midnight Paris	1200-News
1930-American Music	0200-Sign Off	1205-Off the Record
		1300-Help Wanted
		1305-Sports Review
		1315-Remember
		1330-Asked for it
		1400-Love Song
		1430-Science Mag.
		1500-News
		1505-Beaucoup Music

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## Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features

## By Al Capp



## Dick Tracy

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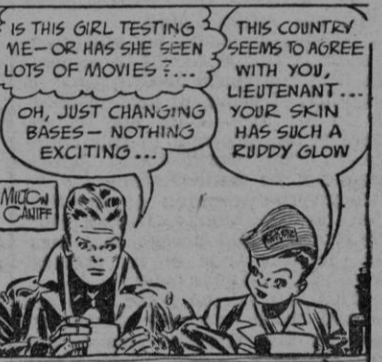
## By Chester Gould



## Terry and The Pirates

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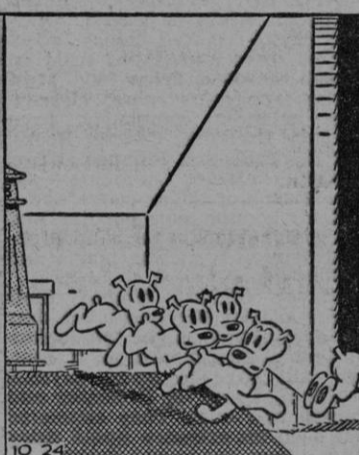
## By Milton Caniff



## Blondie

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate

## By Chic Young



## Joe Palooka

By Courtesy of McNaught Syndicate, Inc.

## By Ham Fisher



## Execution of Slayer Of Darlan Annulled

ALGIERS, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Algiers court has annulled posthumously the sentence pronounced upon Fernand Bonnier de la Chappell, who killed Adm. Darlan in Algiers, Dec. 24, 1942. Bonnier was sentenced by a military tribunal in Algiers the day after the assassination and was executed by a firing squad on Dec. 26 that same year. Annulling action by the court implied that Bonnier was considered to have acted in the interest of France. The proceedings revealed that documents found after the liberation of France showed that Darlan acted against France.

## Christy Mathewson Decorated By China for Training Fliers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—Lt. Col. Christy Mathewson, 39-year-old son of one of baseball's greatest heroes, has won the acclaim of China for his service in training Chinese aviators, the War Department disclosed yesterday. Mathewson recently arrived in Washington en route to a new assignment with the Air Transport Command in Paris. While here he was decorated with China's special badge, "Cloud Banner," by Maj. Gen. P. T. Mow, head of the Chinese Aeronautical Mission here. The presentation was in the name of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. He was graduated in electrical engineering from Bucknell, but turned to flying, joining the Army

Air Corps in 1928. In 1932 he left the Army and with 14 other pilots, headed by Col. John H. Jouet, established the Central Aviation School at Hangkow for the Chinese Republic. The school trained 300 Chinese annually, using methods of teaching common in the U.S. In this period Mathewson lost a leg in the crash of an amphibious plane. He returned to the States and took a civilian job with the Army. When the country entered the war he was commissioned and sent to Arizona where many Chinese airmen were being trained. He helped turn out more than 1,000 Chinese combat pilots and crews during the war.

## Unfamiliar Orange Chokes Her to Death

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 24 (AP).—Sixty-year-old Anna Nielsen choked to death here last night on her first orange since before the war. She was given the orange by her husband. She had been partially paralyzed for some time.

## Arthur C. Train, Author, Dies

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP).—Arthur C. Train, 79, lawyer, novelist and creator of "Ephraim Tutt," a fictional character whose corporeal existence was taken for granted by countless readers, died in Memorial Hospital after a year's illness.

# Truman Cites Sermon on The Mount

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (UP).—Lights shone brightly tonight for the first time in four years from the National Community Christmas tree on the White House lawn as President Truman, in a short address to the nation, called for acceptance of the teaching of the Sermon on the Mount "in this time of its greatest need."

The big fir tree on the East lawn had remained dark for Christmas since 1941 when President Roosevelt, with Prime Minister Churchill at his side—and America only 16 days at war—said "our strongest weapon in this war is that conviction of dignity and brotherhood if man which Christmas day signifies."

### Crowd Gathers

Thousands of people gathered on the White House lawn to see the ceremony and hear the President's holiday address. Speaking from a raised platform which had been erected for the Presidential party, the Marine band and 65 choristers, Mr. Truman declared "this is the Christmas that a weary world has prayed for through long and awful years."

"As we survey our destiny, we give thought also to our past," from which, the President said, "we shall gather wisdom and inspiration to chart our future course."

"With peace come joy and gladness, it is fitting for us to remember that the spirit of Christmas is the spirit of peace, of love, of charity to all men. I do not believe there is one problem in this country—in the world—today which could not be settled if approached through the teaching of the Sermon on the Mount. I wish that the world would accept that message in this time of its greatest need," Mr. Truman said.

"This is a solemn hour. It is but natural while we survey our destiny, that we give thought also to our past—to some of the things which have gone into the making of our nation. Happily for us, whenever the American ship of state has been storm-tossed we have always had an anchor to windward. In this solemn hour we bow to Washington, Jefferson, Jackson and Lincoln, fit symbols of anchors in our people's history as we face our destiny with its hopes and fears—its burdens and responsibilities."

### To Look Ahead

"With our enemies vanquished," Mr. Truman said, "we must guide ourselves for the work that lies ahead—we must not fail nor falter."

"We must strive without ceasing," he continued, "to make real the prophesy of Isaiah 'they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.'"

Concluding his radio address, the President said "in that day, whether it be far or near the kingdom of this world shall become indeed the kingdom of God. With that message I bring to my countrymen a Merry Christmas and joyous days in the New Year."

# Auto Deaths Stir Truman

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (ANS).—President Truman, expressing deep concern over an increase in traffic accidents, has asked Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Federal Works Administrator, to head a White House safety conference next spring to which representatives of states, municipalities and national organizations interested in traffic safety will be invited.

The White House today said that information supplied the President shows traffic fatalities totaled 2,510 in August, the month in which gasoline rationing ended. This was 30 percent higher than the corresponding month a year ago.

### Pickets Fail to Draw Line at These Birds

BALTIMORE, Dec. 24 (AP).—One hundred and fifty-nine Christmas turkeys crossed a picket line.

Striking bus workers broke ranks around a Baltimore terminal to allow a truck bearing the birds—gifts of the company to employees—to enter.

As they were being distributed, company officials and the idle workers wished each other "Merry Christmas."

# Arab Leaders Discuss British Policy in Palestine



Twelve Arab leaders met recently in Jerusalem to consider policies outlined by the British government regarding the Jewish problem in Palestine.

# Japs Are Wide-Eyed as They Get a Yank Slant on Christmas

TOKYO, Dec. 24 (INS).—The Japanese are finding out how Americans celebrate Christmas, and their reaction is wide-eyed wonder.

For the first time in its history, Tokyo is all lit up like a Christmas tree. Puzzled Japanese, shuffling past Gen. MacArthur's headquarters, stop to spell out the words "Merry Christmas" in brilliant lights across the facade. At night the light from the huge sign is reflected in the dark waters of the moat surrounding Hirohito's palace.

Through the Holy Day, American soldiers will stand guard over Japanese Shinto and Buddhist shrines. On Christmas Eve strains of Gregorian chants sung by a Japanese choir rose from Tokyo's largest public hall.

A soldier looking from the "Merry Christmas" sign to the mysterious blackness of the Imperial Palace grounds last night mused aloud: "I wonder what the old boy thinks of all this."

# Hungary Fears Vast Famine

BUDAPEST, Dec. 24 (AP).—Food Minister Karoly Baranyos told the Associated Press today that "wholesale famine this winter in Hungary seems unavoidable."

Baranyos pointed to "terrifying" statistics in Budapest, showing that deaths exceed births by 50 percent, with illness general because of malnutrition and starvation.

The Food Minister added: "By the middle of January Budapest will be devoid of flour and will be forced to eat maize for the first time in its history. There is no meat, fats, or sugar."

### Xmas Truce . . .

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promised it would intervene further unless the two parties adjust their differences before Dec. 28.

UAW has already outlined its demands on the Kaiser-Frazer Corp., latest firm to enter the car manufacturing field, and will hold its second meeting with company officials Thursday. One proposal was for a wage scale 30 percent above that now in effect at Ford Motor Co.

Ford officials are not scheduled to meet with the union again until Jan. 8. The union has turned down the firm's offer of a 15-cent-an-hour wage boost.

Employees of the Chrysler Corp. are working without a union contract, but UAW has said it will withhold any strike action for the duration of the GM dispute.

### Two Britons Sentenced For Berlin Broadcasts

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—A British mother was sentenced to a year in prison and her 22-year-old son was placed on probation for two years for conspiring to assist the Nazis.

Frances D. Eckersley and James R. Clark were charged with broadcasting propaganda from Berlin on behalf of the enemy between Dec. 1, 1939, and Feb. 1, 1942.

# U.S. Raps Tito In Recognizing His New State

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Karageorgevitch dynasty of Peter II passed into history Saturday, with recognition of Tito's new Yugoslav Republic by the U.S. and Britain.

In formally recognizing the new government, the U.S. at the same time criticized election tactics which helped bring it into being. State Department instructions to Richard C. Patterson Jr., who will be accredited as ambassador to Belgrade as soon as Yugoslavia's government assumes responsibility for obligations and treaties between the two countries, made it clear that establishment of diplomatic relations should not be interpreted as U.S. approval of Tito's policies.

### Elections Criticized

Patterson's instructions indicated that Yugoslavia had not made good pledges to extend basic freedom to its people, and that the Nov. 11 elections did not provide free choice of representatives for the assembly. However, Patterson was told to emphasize that America has "only the friendliest sentiments" toward the Yugoslavs.

American recognition was communicated to Yugoslav Ambassador Simic in Washington by Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

On the same day a British note of recognition was handed the Yugoslav ambassador in London. Yugoslavia proclaimed its new government on Nov. 29.

In reply to Yugoslav notification on Dec. 12 that "The monarchy in Yugoslavia is finally abolished and Peter II of Karageorgevitch with the whole of the Karageorgevitch dynasty is deprived of all rights which appertain to him and to the dynasty," the British said that the new government must accept responsibility for the country's existing international obligations and that the change in regime must not affect the status of British subjects in Yugoslavia.

### Youths Arrested

Radio Moscow reported Sunday that Yugoslav newspapers carried accounts of the internment of a party of Yugoslav youths in a concentration camp by British occupation authorities in Austria.

The youth organization members were returning from a tour of Czechoslovakia and an audience with President Benes, the broadcast said. British authorities were not available for comment.

In Belgrade, the governing body of the Serbian Orthodox Church asked that the new Yugoslav constitution embody guarantees against interference with religion. While it did not oppose the draft constitution's separation of Church and State, the Synod asked guarantees of non-interference on marriage rites, divorce and religious instruction.

# 3,200,000 Servicemen At Sea, Abroad on Xmas

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—About 3,200,000 soldiers, sailors and marines will spend this first peacetime Christmas either at sea or in foreign lands, the Army and Navy estimated today.

Last Christmas there were 4,933,682 soldiers overseas, compared with 2,100,000 now. A year ago 1,750,000 sailors and marines were at sea or overseas. Now there are 1,100,000.

### German Gems Sold by U.S.



Lewis M. Reed, supervisor of the liquidation section of the Office of Alien Property Custodian in New York, inspects jewels offered to bidders. Sealed bids were accepted for the sale of 300,000 precious stones, formerly owned by Germans.