

Ervin Appoints Tom Henderson As Assistant State Attorney General

DELAND, Dec. 16. (Special)—Attorney General-elect Richard Ervin yesterday announced the appointment of Charles Tom Henderson of DeLand as an assistant state attorney general in charge of the department of statutory revision in Florida.

Mr. Henderson, a son of Mrs. E. M. Carroll of Sanford, announced his resignation as a professor of law from the faculty of John H. Stetson University. Both President J. Ollie Edmunds and Dean L. A. Husup of the College of Law expressed regret at his resignation.

"Charles Tom Henderson's resignation from the law faculty of Stetson University marks the departure of an outstanding legal educator, whose personal qualities of loyalty, understanding and sincerity will long be remembered deeply by both the administration and student body of Stetson," Dr. Edmunds said. "We wish him every continued success in the future."

Dean Husup joined him in adding that "it will not be easy to fill the vacant spot left as Charles Tom Henderson leaves. Since the College of Law reopened after World War II, he has been a mainstay in the success and progress of our school. We envy the gain to the office of Richard Ervin of his services and abilities."

"Prof. Henderson's experience and training as an attorney, legislator and educator will make him invaluable in directing statutory revision," Mr. Ervin said. "It gives me great pleasure to announce his consent to join my staff in Tallahassee."

A native of High Springs, Henderson went to high school in Sanford and graduated from Stetson College of Law. He was a member of the Florida Legislature from Volusia county in 1939. Serving in the Navy during World War II, Henderson was separated with the rank of Lieutenant-commander in naval legal work.

A supreme vice-judge of Phi Alpha Delta Law fraternity, Henderson is a member of the Elks, American Legion, Masons, Lions, Florida Bar Association and the Baptist Church. He was a member of the Bar Association's committee working with the Joint House-Senate tax survey committee on state agency finances.

Nation's Shoppers

(Continued From Page One) a third of the entire Christmas season business."

Why the last-minute shopper reappearing in numbers this year? Why pretty much disappointed during the war years and the first two postwar years because of shortages of goods. He knew that if he wanted to get his gift list checked off, he'd have to get to the store before the shelves were picked bare.

This year almost everything held like to buy is on the shelf—waiting. If he can fight his way through the throng to the counter, he can get his choice.

Also, this year shoppers have been doing more comparing and shopping around, and thereby delaying the final purchasing. High prices have a lot to do with that. And the pinch on the family pocketbook of financing everyday living. What money is left for gifts has to be spent carefully.

This has been shown right along in the break-down of department store sales this year. While the upstairs sales have been running behind last year's record totals, down in the bargain basement sales have been as good, sometimes even better, than last year.

No matter how many or few the gifts under the Christmas tree this year, it should be the best-lighted Christmas in history. Merchants report that more Christmas tree lights are being sold than ever before.

Most of the 40 companies making lights for trees report they still have customers on an allocation basis—a hangover from the war days when few light strings could be made. The shortage has been accentuated by the growth in population and in the number of families and in the number of children during the very years when tree lights were in shortest supply.

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The British did not take action because of the danger of an incident involving British and Soviet troops.

It also was felt the Russians might retaliate by cutting off all cable communication between Berlin and the Soviet zone.

Today's French action came as a surprise to many, although the French communists said Berlin radio had been warned in advance.

The radio station was observing a brief pause in its schedule when the towers were dynamited. It was due to resume programs shortly afterward, but late in the day the station was still off the air.

Berliners could, if they wished, tune in to the fainter program of the Soviet-controlled Deutschlandradio, but five hours after the demolition, of which radio Berlin had been warned almost a month in advance, Deutschlandradio still ignored it.

While Western-licensed, afternoon newspapers splashed the news, Deutschlandradio transmitted Christmas music. Berlin officials refused to comment on the situation.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATION By Alley

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Farm Meet

(Continued From Page One) minimum wage which fluctuates either up or down with the cost of living." Condemned monopolistic practices by either management or labor.

Price controls... expressed strong opposition.

Nutrition... favored a national program to improve diets of people, with possible financial aid to low-income consumers in periods of recession.

Health programs... favored voluntary rather than compulsory medical, health and hospital insurance programs.

Education... any federal aid to schools should provide "absolute" state and local control of schools.

Public housing... opposed a "prodigious" expression of federal housing at this time of inflated prices, increased labor costs, and acute shortages of key building materials.

Foreign relations... endorsed present government programs, including foreign aid.

Commodity agreements... favored use of international agreements to deal with farm surpluses.

Spy Probe

(Continued From Page One) his assignment.

His attorney, Edward C. Leon, protested that Jan. 24 was too early for the trial. It was agreed the date would be tentative.

Immediately after the arraignment, Hiss was taken to FBI offices for the fingerprinting and photographing, a routine procedure.

In Washington, House committee members viewed the indictment as proving the value of their investigations.

Rep. Nixon (R-Calif.), a leading member, said the indictment vindicates the many long months of work done by our committee despite criticism from all sources from the President down."

Similar comment came from Rep. Rankin (D-Miss.) and Rep. Mundt (R-S.D.), also committee members.

Nixon said the committee will continue its probe of facts brought out by Chambers, who has testified he had sources other than Hiss in the government.

Diagrams of some Navy airplane devices, it was disclosed, were among the documents Whittaker Chambers says he got from government sources when he was a Communist courier in the 1930s.

This came to light when the House Un-American Activities Committee made public two sets of the secret papers secured from Chambers in its investigation of Communist espionage activities.

Acting Chairman Mundt (R-S.D.) said he understood the data on Navy flying devices reached Chambers from "contacts" in the Bureau of Standards in the Commerce Department, rather than from the Navy Department. He said the committee had been given to understand that no high military secrets were involved, but that the information would have been "valuable and useful to Russia."

Ybarbo Killing

(Continued From Page One) went away from his wife and pleading with him not to beat her.

"Remember your son, Jimmy," she said the maid told the sergeant.

"Then Mrs. Ybarbo said 'it is not his baby,'" Elfrida testified.

Neither Elfrida nor Mrs. Teener, who testified yesterday, made clear what the Ybarbos were quarreling about. Mrs. Ybarbo's attorneys have announced she will plead self-defense.

Elfrida, 22, testified she heard a few seconds before she heard three shots.

Mrs. Teener said yesterday she saw Mrs. Ybarbo standing before the half-open door with a pistol in her hand and saw her raise the gun and fire into the bathroom.

Elfrida said she had seen the Sergeant go into the bathroom and close the door a few minutes earlier.

Elfrida did not say what the Sergeant's reaction was to Mrs. Ybarbo's alleged statement about the child.

Mrs. Teener said yesterday that while she was holding the Sergeant, Mrs. Ybarbo told her to let him go. She said the Sergeant's nose was bleeding when the German girl went to the bedroom in response to Mrs. Ybarbo's call for help.

The Sergeant was quoted as saying "She hit me back."

Unofficial accounts said six-year-old Jimmy remained asleep in the bedroom throughout the quarrel and the shooting.

The two German women and three American soldiers were in the Ybarbo home the night Mrs. Ybarbo is accused of having shot her husband.

Mrs. Ybarbo is the first American woman to be tried on a capital charge in the occupied zone.

This was what the night of Sept. 21 and died 10 days later.

Rescue Of Fliers

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Brig. General Callic V. Haynes, head of the Newfoundland Base Command and in overall charge of the rescue mission, radioed Westover that additional supplies, including warm clothing, food and heating equipment, had been dropped to the airmen, seven of whom have been on the 8,000-foot ice cap since last Thursday, when their C-47 was forced down. The other two shared their fate when their B-17 Fortress nose-dived into a snow bank in a rescue attempt.

About 85 per cent of the nation's corn crop is fed to live-stock; most of the remainder is used as human food.

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Eggs And Poultry

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Net Wt. Per Doz. Per Lb. Lbs. in Ctn.

Large 24 oz. 49c 49c

Medium 21 oz. 48c 48c

Extra 18 oz. 48c 48c

Small 27 oz. 75c 75c

Florida Grade A poultry
Live poultry

To Dressers Consumers

Fresh red 25c 48c

2 1/2 lbs. 44c 44c

Hens heavy 44c 44c

Hens light 44c 44c

Broilers old 28c 28c

Turkey hens light 44c 44c

Medium young 54c 54c

Large young 54c 54c

Dressed New York Style (feathers

removed)

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By R. J. SCOTT



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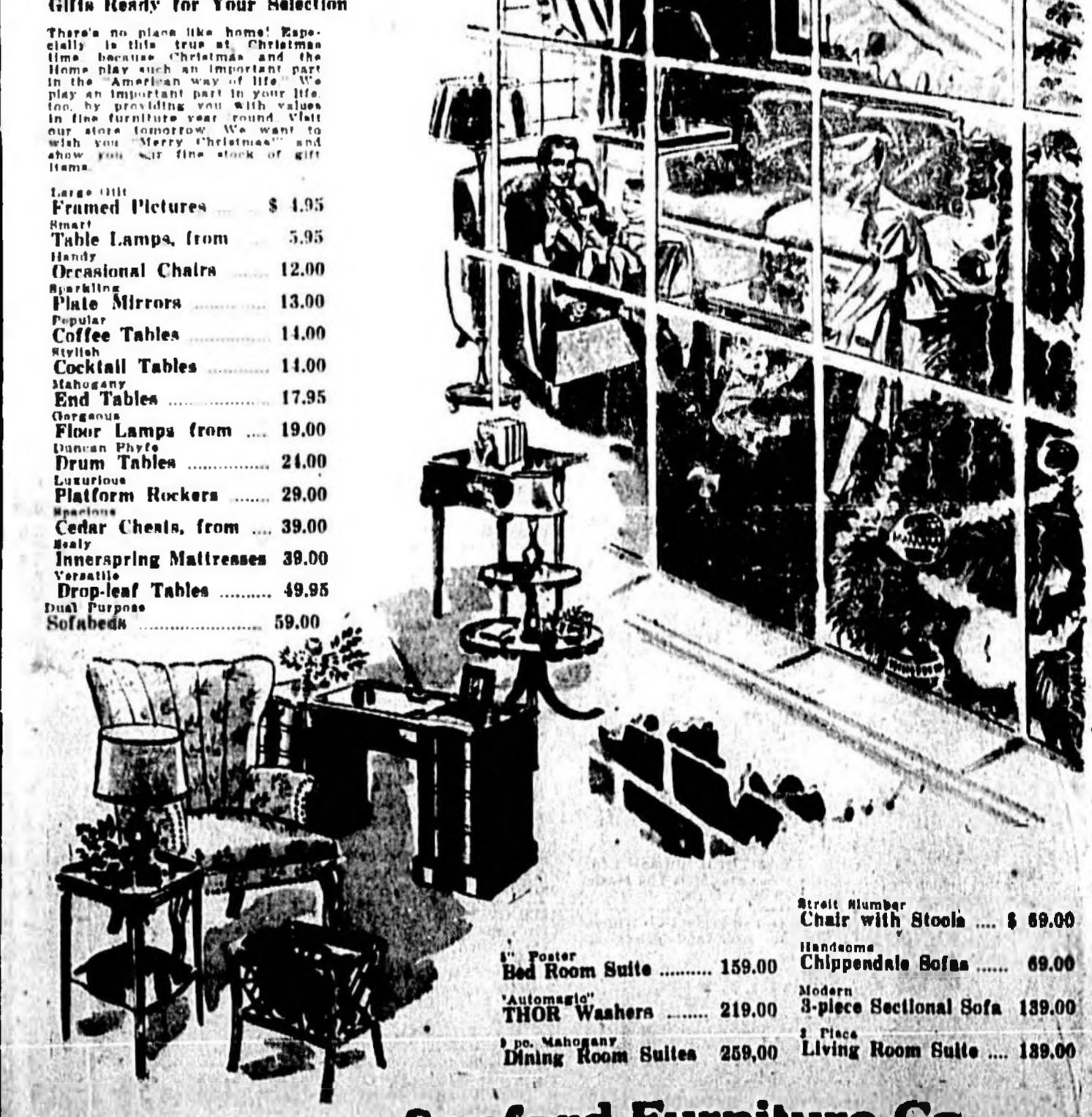
Approximately 650,000 people visit the historic Gettysburg battlefield every year.

About 3.6 per cent of all children about 50 per cent of all divorces in this country are granted to parents.

The giving of a ring to make a betrothal was originally an ancient Roman custom.

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Trygve Lie Sees World Peace Chance

U.N. Executive Says Palestine Dispute To Be Settled Soon By Arabs And Jews

BOSTON, Dec. 16. (UPI)—Trygve Lie, secretary general of the United Nations, sees some chance for final world peace. He also is optimistic about the outlook in Palestine.

The UN executive carried those impressions away from the Paris meeting, which, he said, accomplished "very much in the social and economic field."

Lie told reporters upon his arrival here from Paris yesterday that he thinks "they'll get peace in Palestine within a reasonable short time."

"I don't say more than a chance—don't say more than a chance—for more agreement about the final peace in the world."

He said the results of the Paris meeting were "better than many people expected they would be."

Many believed it would be impossible, he added, to arrange a successful general assembly out-

Seaway Project For St. Lawrence River Is Debated

Dewey Says Truman Delays Proposal To Start Activity

By JAMES C. DUNN
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16. (UPI)—The ever-controversial St. Lawrence seaway and power issue again was checked off as no lead to night in the investigation of the sex slaying of pretty Pauline Fornsworth of San Francisco.

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President Truman urged passage of the legislation. And, in a recent

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Clues Dropped In Brutal Slaying Of U.S. Girl On Guam

Bloodstained Shirt Underwear Said To Be No Lead In Case

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A police spokesman said the status of the case is now at the survey stage of all evidence thus far discovered.

Police Investigate Arms Expert Death

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 16. (UPI)—Police today arrested the slayer of Byron C. Hamm, 29, an aircraft armament expert from St. Louis, whose body was found in a blood-spattered room in a hotel room yesterday. There was evidence of a tetanic struggle.

Police detective Tom Conahan said police were alerted to be on the lookout for suspicious persons who showed evidence they might have been involved in recent heavy fighting. He said:

"We are certain that the assailant or assailants responsible for the murder could not have escaped without some such injuries as black eyes, deep facial cuts and banged up knuckles."

Coroner Robert Brush said there was no specific information on the cause of death. Hamm, 29, was found in his seventh floor apartment in the Hotel Des Moines in the early morning hours.

He was found lying face down on the floor, his head facing a window. He had a bullet wound in the back of his head and another in his right shoulder.

After reading of his plight, more than 50 persons and business firms contributed to the flood of gifts that poured into his desk, four room flats.

Now he has:

A job (the president of a glass company paid him a personal call to offer him work. Four other firms also offered him jobs).

A complete layette for his three-months-old daughter, Anna (from a woman who lost her child at birth).

Two tons of coal for the winter.

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Newspapers Prize Reputation For Accuracy Above Other Qualities

By ELLIOTT BAILEY, Pa., Dec. 16. (UPI)—Commenting on forecasting the election, Elmer C. Vogel, editor of the Memphis *Sentinel*, and now editor of the Pittsburgh *Press*, says you may not believe it, but newspapers and the men who make them pose a reputation for accuracy above other qualities. He says:

"A lot of soul searching has been going on in our business since the election. It is evident in the talk, the correspondence and the trade publications of those who make newspapers."

"We tell them we lost much prestige. And there is within our business much regretting and discussion as to how to establish the good will again."

"It isn't a matter of losing importance, it is losing credibility that has often happened."

"It is a matter of changing from being just a news organization to one that is also educational. That, however, always made the press readership suppose that the paper had a definite point of view."

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Poor Man's Philosopher Has Poor Man's Gout Or--Rheumatism

By HAL BOYLE

WRITTEN FROM A WRINKLED BED. (P)—Look at me. I'm an ex-rheumatooid.

No, not a pauper, bedridden and bath. A real, honest-to-aspirin, fully repaired ex-rheumatooid. That's me.

Some days back I wrote a piece revealing for the first time the true secret of staying healthy.

It was very simple. You just buddy up to all the office hypochondriacs—the people who imagine they have chronic ailments. Then you follow all their diets, and take all their capsules, pills, nose drops and nostrums.

Just borrow them. Any hypochondriac will share his last pill with you—if you just listen to his symptoms. And nobody ever asks you to return a used pill.

Well, for ten years this cheap, foolproof system worked perfectly. I knew sickness only through hearsay. Stuffed with scores of high-octane medicines, I was a strolling dragooner, protected against every disease known to man—from anemia to syphilis.

Or so I thought. Then I published my secret to the world—how to stay well by preying on hypochondriacs. And what happened?

Two days later I sprang out of bed and—"Ow-w-w-w-ch!" my right foot was red, swollen and sensitive as an old maid at a wedding reception.

I hobbled into the office, and bird-dogged around to my favorite hypochondriacs. I held up my lame foot.

"Didn't twist, strain, bruise, or break it—or anything," I explained. "Just woke up this morning gout," jeered the doc. "You have

and there it was, pulsing like a success story!"

"Look what thinks it's got to have enough money to eat well

to get the gout.

You've just got a rheumatooid infection. There's no use in my trying to explain what a rheumatooid infection is. Just tell your friends you got arthritis or rheumatism. These infections usually settle in a joint," I mumbled.

"Lucky I didn't settle in my jam," I mumbled.

"Would that be so bad for mankind?" murmured the doc, scratching out a prescription.

"Here, take these every four hours. Stay in bed for a week. Then you might soak the foot in hot epsom salts."

"What good'll that do?"

"Probably none," said the doctor cheerfully. "But it'll be a nice change for Frances to see you with only one foot in hot water."

Well, the week's over. I'm going to tell the boys at the office my ailment was "poor man's gout." Sounds better than rheumatooid infection. Might even give the boss the idea I am suffering from payday malnutrition.

And I know that within another week at least six phoney hypochondriacs will come limping in with "poor man's gout"—and say they caught it from me. When they come creeping and crawling

ear for my advice, I'll tell 'em: "Soak your head in epsom salts clear down to your big toe—as hot as you can stand it."

I did. He unvelled my throbbing foot. He squeezed it like a miser grabbing 420 gold pieces. When I climbed down from the chandelier, still tingling, I croaked hopefully:

"Tell me it's gout, Doc. My family has been in America for only three generations. If I'm the first one to get the gout—what a success story!"

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Increase In Farms

(Continued From Page One Sec. 2) years.

"These changes strengthen the basis of the nation's agriculture and, combined with other developments such as greater farm income and savings, indicate marked progress in the well-being and security of an increasing number of farm families," the Institute stated.

"One of the important factors in the decline in tenancy was the general prosperity in agriculture in recent years, a development which gave many tenants the financial means to buy farms of their own. Likewise, greater opportunities for employment off the farm in business and industry since 1940 led many tenants to give up farming entirely. Contributing to this trend were the great technological improvements in farming and rapid mechanization in recent years which permitted agriculture to raise more food and fiber than ever before with fewer people."

The peak in farm tenancy was established in 1935 when approxi-

mately 2.9 million farms, or 42 per cent of all farms, were tenant-operated. In the following decade the number of tenant farmers declined more than a million and their proportion of all farm operators fell to 32 per cent. A sample survey of 11,000 farms conducted by the Department of Agriculture early this year indicated that the proportion of tenancy at that time had declined further to around 27 per cent.

The highest number of sharecroppers on record was 776,278 in 1930. Fifteen years later, in 1945, the number had dropped to 446,666. This represented a decline of about 42 per cent as compared with a drop in all farm tenancy of 35 per cent from the 1935 high point to 1945."

Monitor Editor

(Continued From Page One Sec. 2) by news papermen to find out what is going on in the world and transmit news across frontiers have been increasingly restricted since the end of the war."

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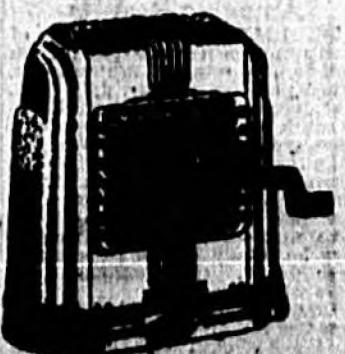
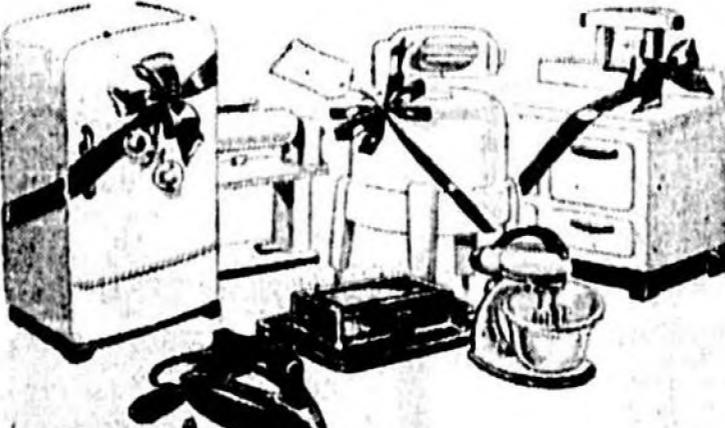


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HEATERS

(Continued From Page One Sec. 2) right now. I only hope we don't make the same mistake we made in 1939."

American GL's

(Continued From Page One Sec. 2)

In quick order 130 men in the outfit joined the travelers. They chartered three planes which will leave here the night of Dec. 21, when the Christmas furlough starts, and land them in New York and New England way-points within the following 24 hours. One of the 72nd's planes will stop at Chicago, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

Recruit Paul G. Currier of Brooklyn, organized his 23rd Infantry pals and today he has three planes chartered and a growing list of "me too's."

Men from virtually every unit on the post are clamoring to get on the tanks to force a path through the hedgerows, guns firing, instead of clambering over them. At first combat engineers were sent out on foot to blast holes in the hedgerows. But they were picked off by German infantry.

"When our tanks hit them, it was like cracking into a stone wall," said Culin. "And if we tried to climb over them, the underbelly of the tank was exposed. The German anti-tank guns then could rip us open like sardines cans. Our own tank guns were pointed at the sky; useless. We couldn't defend ourselves."

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"One day my commanding offi-

cer called a meeting of non-coms

to get suggestions," said Culin.

"I didn't know anything about me-

chanics or engineering, but I had

seen a lot of German iron road-

blocks."

"I suggested putting sharpened

chunks of iron from these road-

blocks on our tanks so we could

dig through the hedgerows."

"They tried it. They welded four

flanges to a crossbar, fixed it to a

tank, and the 16-ton vehicle

pitch-forked its way right through

the nearest hedgerow."

"General Bradley heard about

it and came down to watch a demon-

stration," said Culin. "He saw

it worked, and swore us to secrecy.

He then secretly had 600 of our

frontline tanks equipped. They

were to spearhead our attack."

The device caught the Germans

completely by surprise, and the

American army made a successful

breakthrough of the Nazi lines at

St. Lo on July 25th, 1944—the

breakthrough that carried to the

Siegfried Line.

"Later they called me and three

others back to corps headquarters

and gave us the Legion of Merit

for the invention," said Culin. "All

that meant to me was a half-day off

from the front."

"One of those who got a medal,"

he grinned, "was an officer who

insisted when I made the suggestion

that it would never work."

Culin lost his left foot and had

a few weeks later in the Huert-

gen Forest when he stepped on a German mine and fell on an-

other one."

"But it didn't make me a paci-

list," he said. "Hell, no. I don't

think we're doing half enough

thing."

The state of Pennsylvania's

motto is "Virtue, Liberty, and In-

dependence." Rhode Island's is

"Hope." South Dakota's is "Under

"God The People Rule."

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THE WEATHER

Cloudy and Vicky—Partly cloudy and continued warm through Saturday with a few afternoon showers likely. Gentle variable winds becoming north east Saturday.

Rail Employee Pay Increase Recommended

"Non-Operators" May Get Seven Cents Per Hour Hike On Forty Hour Week

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The White House said today President Truman's proposed labor legislation will be clearly stated in his State of the Union message to Congress Jan. 5. Today, presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross was asked if he knew whether Mr. Truman thinks the Wagner Act should be changed in any way. If the Taft-Hartley Law is removed from the books, Ross replied that he knows Mr. Truman's views on the matter, but could not state them for publication. He added that the President will cover the matter thoroughly in his state of the union message.

By NORMAN WALKER
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. (AP)—A presidential board today recommended that the railroads give their "non-operating" employees a 10-cent-an-hour wage increase immediately and put them on a 40-hour week next September without loss in pay.

The non-operating employees—the clerks and mechanical workers who do not operate trains—now work 48 hours a week.

The board proposed that the seven-cent increase be retroactive to Oct. 1.

Under the proposal, the shift to the 40-hour week would be made (Continued on Page Eight)

School Glee Club Presents Program At Tourist Center

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The tourist center was filled to capacity last evening as the Seminole High School Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Ollie Reiss Whittle, repeated the Christmas program given recently at the High School.

Performers were Stanley Brumley, Ingolf Esterson, Bobby Cawley and Anna Allen. Hymns were sung by the boys' and girls' glee clubs, mixed ensemble, boys' double quartette and girls' sextette.

Singing in the girls' sextette were Anita Aiken, Ingolf Esterson, Bertie Bill, Kathleen Babbie, Joan McTeer and Bette Duncan. In boys' double quartette (Continued on Page Five)

Sixth Graders To Aid Seal Campaign

Boys and girls of the Sixth Grade, under direction of Mrs. E. J. Routon, embarked to reach a sum of \$400 in donations in the sale of double barred cross buttons to aid the Christmas Seal campaign of the Seminole County Tuberculosis Association.

Mrs. Routon, teacher at the Grammar School, announced today that people who are shopping on Saturday will be asked by the boys and girls to share the change left over from their purchases. She is promoting the work in her capacity as a member of the Health Education Committee of the board of directors and as a representative of the American Legion Auxiliary of which she is historian for the Department of Florida.

All who have received Christmas Seals are urged to send in their contributions as quickly as possible. Mrs. Edward Kirk, secretary of the Association, advises who may not have received the seals are requested to telephone the Association office and seals will be promptly mailed.

SUMMER WEATHER
LAKELAND, Dec. 17.—(AP)—There's no end in sight to Florida's summer-like weather.

The Federal State Frost Warning Service temperature advisory said:

"Forecast for peninsular Florida for tonight and Saturday: partly cloudy and continued warm."

"Future temperature outlook: Mild through Monday."

THE WEATHER

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 17.—(AP)—High Low
Atlanta 51 44
Birmingham 51 44
Chicago 59 21
Denver 52 10
Gainesville 50 61
Minneapolis 42 38
New York 48 30
St. Louis 41 28
San Antonio 45 30
Seattle 58 53
Winnipeg 59 12
Miami 79 65
Tampa 79 68
Tucson 79 68
Tulsa 79 68

Spirit Of Joy, Mirth Abound In Sanford As Christmas Approaches

Christmas with its gay spirit of joy and mirth is approaching in Sanford and nowhere is its significance more evident than in the fact that the many colored lights glow on the tall Christmas trees up to the City in Central Park at Fourth Street, or from the oak trees in the shuffleboard court in Ft. Mellon Park.

Shoppers are hurrying about on downtown streets intent on the purchase of gifts, stores are jammed and starting Saturday evening, most of them will remain open until 10 o'clock evenings until Christmas in order to accommodate buy-

ers. Colored lights strung across the streets add a pleasing touch to the downtown scene at night. Christmas carols resound from a loud speaker on the Touchton Building. In front of grocery stores are large collections of Christmas trees and one can smell the tangy odor of cedars and spruces from

the display of the florist in downtown (Continued on Page Three)

Mrs. Moser Tells Executives Club Of China Needs

Air From The United States Is Stressed In Mayfair Inn Talk

The extreme need of China and all of the Far East for aid from the United States was stressed last evening by Mrs. Paul Moser in a talk to The Executives Club at a dinner meeting held at the Mayfair Inn. Mrs. Moser, who has just returned from an extensive tour of Europe which followed a trip to the Philippines, Siam and other countries of the Far East, impressed her audience with her intimate

Government Offers To Review Federal Taxes With Cities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The government today offered to negotiate with municipalities for the possible elimination or reduction of some federal taxes. The idea is to reserve them as sources of revenue for financially ailing cities.

Secretary Oliver Nelson of Denver, presiding over the conference, said a conference will be held probably in February. "To exchange ideas on overhauling the tax system of the state, federal and local governments," he said.

Only an hour before the 5th mayors and other city officials had voted unanimously to ask Congress to wipe out the federal taxes on night clubs, amusement and admissions. Those taxes are "peculiarly suited to municipal administration," the resolution said.

The association also fixed as a major goal of the coming year a

(Continued on Page Four)

Freezing Weather Hits Central U. S.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17. (AP)—Sub-zero and freezing weather hit the central section of the country again today.

Montana, the Dakotas and Minnesota are in the real cold temperatures. The low included 47 below at Miles City, Mont., 41 at Grand Forks, N.D., 40 at Aberdeen, S.D.

The freezing weather extended over most of the midwest and into the Oklahoma panhandle and westward into the Pacific Northwest.

There were several wet spots on the early morning weather map. Snow fell in the New England States and rain was reported on the east coast into the gulf states.

There was also rain over most of California and temperatures dropped. Los Angeles reported a reading of 44 during the night.

Light snow fell in the Rocky Mountains and also in the upper Great Lakes region.

DERRICK CHRISTMAS SAN FERNANDO, Calif., Dec. 17. (AP)—With Earl Anderson, an oil firm production foreman, it will be a "Derrick Christmas To All!"

He announced today he has ordered all lights—strung up in 47 oil well derricks in a small field near here—turned on Christmas eve and Christmas night.

SEEKS DECISION TALLAHASSEE, Dec. 17. (AP)—

The Supreme Court today was asked to decide who has jurisdiction over bus operations between adjoining municipalities and suburban areas.

The City of Miami Beach is appealing a decision by the Leon County Circuit Court which held the Florida Railroad and Public Utility Commission should assume jurisdiction over a proposed route from Miami Springs through Miami, Miami North, Hallandale, Miami Beach, Burroughs, and Harbor into Hialeah Park.

Headquarters Of Nationalists Leaves Pengpu

Government's Defense Posts Fall Back To Only 30 Miles From Capital At Nanking

By HAROLD K. MILKS
NANKING, Dec. 17. (AP)—Supreme headquarters of Chiang Kai Shek's Far China command today began withdrawing from threatened Pengpu to Chinkiang, only 30 miles north of the ancient capital.

Principally 105 miles northwest of Nanking, the anchor for the government's new base defense line, it became Nationalist headquarters after the abandonment of the stronghold at Suhow, 100 miles farther north.

The withdrawal coincided with reliable reports that the government's battered 13th Army Group, trapped by the Chinese Communists north of Pengpu for 18 days, has been wiped out.

Official reports from Nanjing reported that the 13th Army, making its last stand for less than half a day, had been surrounded.

It was believed that the 13th Army had been captured, but the Chinese Communists claimed they had been destroyed.

Just as the fall of Suhow (Continued on Page Three)

U.N. Rejects Membership Bid Of Israel

Little Nation Is Unable By Two Votes To Muster Strength To Enter Assembly

PARIS, Dec. 17. (AP)—Israel bid for membership in the United Nations failed to win Security Council approval today.

Five nations voted to admit Israel; five abstained and one voted against the new state. An affirmative vote of seven members was required for the UN action.

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Kiwianians Hold "Ladies Night" At Mayfair Inn

Program Presented By Edward E. Lane; 92 Persons Attend

Kiwianians, their wives and friends enjoyed a program of lively entertainment by singers and dancers at the "Ladies Night" dinner given in the ballroom of the Mayfair Inn last evening. Some 12 persons were present.

President Frank Lounion turned the program over to Edward E. Lane, who had arranged the entertainment, and Mr. Lane introduced the performers, all of whom were enthusiastically applauded.

Following the floor show, games were enjoyed and prizes were awarded.

Prior to the regular entertainment, group singing was enjoyed with Howard Moutteau leading and Harry Wester accompanying. Mr. Lounion led in the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of "America." Howe Mallon's singing of old Irish airs, such as "Dear Old Dame," and "McNamee's Band," produced a hearty round of applause.

Marvin McManus, 14-year-old son of Al Johnson, appeared in a short face make-up and after singing (Continued on Page Three)

300 Known Dead In Wake Of Heavy Rains In Brazil

By DE JASPER, Brazil

More than 300 known dead hundreds are missing and thousands are homeless in two states of Brazil today in the wake of heavy rains which sent record floods over wide areas.

The exact death toll is not definitely known but it is believed to be the state of Rio de Janeiro and Minas Gerais, tapped off by the heavy rains, has suffered the greatest losses.

Thousands of houses and buildings have been washed away by floodwaters, and many more are still submerged.

The 300 deaths are the result of flooding caused by the collapse of a dam in the state of Minas Gerais.

Charles Parsons, editor of the *International Herald Tribune*, which has had bureaus in Rio de Janeiro, said the death toll is probably higher.

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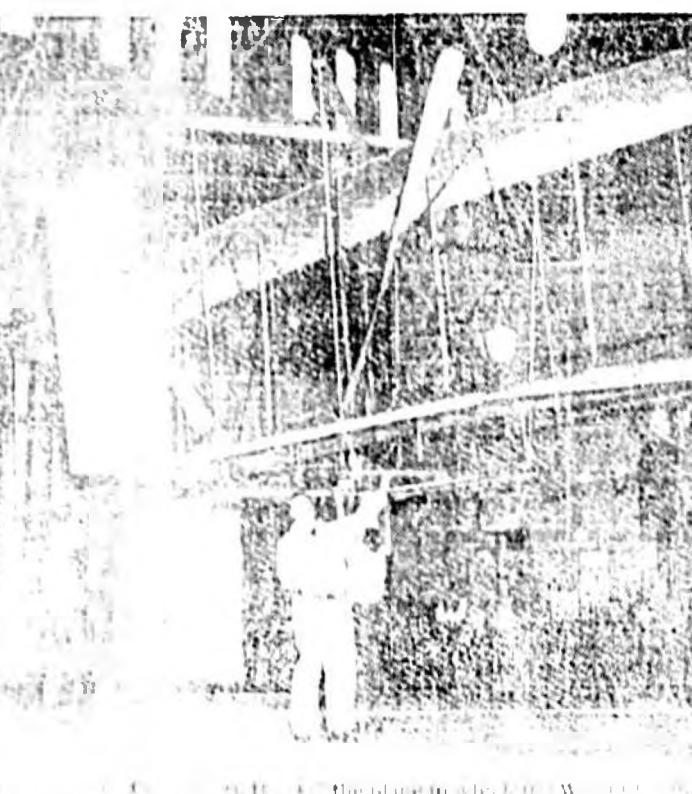
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President To Seek

Tighter Espionage Laws, Clark Asserts

Lift 'Kitty Hawk' Into The Air



Wright Brothers' "Kitty Hawk" Is Accepted By U.S.

Orlando, Fla., Dec. 17.—(UPI)—Miss Alice Boggs of Lincoln High School, Miss Helen Nichols of Oviedo High School and Miss Mary Kirchoff of Lake Wales High School delivered three letters containing a check for \$1,000 to the Wright brothers to help finance the construction of a new airplane, the "Kitty Hawk," at the University of Central Florida.

The three students, who are members of the school's Red Cross, are contributing \$100 each to the project.

The \$1,000 gift was accepted by Orville Wright, who is now 75 years old.

Miss Alice Boggs, a junior, has been working on the project for four months.

Miss Helen Nichols, a senior, has been working on the project for three months.

Miss Mary Kirchoff, a junior, has been working on the project for two months.

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