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## Borealis Has Spree Giving Europe Scare

Fantastic Display Of Northern Lights Is Seen In Many Lands Frightening People

## Firemen Dash To "Put Out" Blazes

## Phenomenon Is First Seen In Western Europe Since 1709

LONDON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—It was not the end of the world or a new war or even a fire. It was only Aurora Borealis that kept firemen dashing about much of Europe into early morning hours.

Firemen couldn't do anything about the scientific phenomenon so they finally went to bed and left the task of explaining up to scientists.

By press, radio and telephone officials explained that Aurora, rarely seen in southern or western Europe, was caused by an electrical disturbance on the sun's surface.

Many villagers in remote sections of Europe knelt in prayer as northern lights spread across the sky.

The brilliant cascade of red beams was streaked with ever-changing bands of orange, purple, green, blue and white—the first Aurora in Western Europe since 1709. French scientists said,

## Sanford Warned Of "Safety" Sponsors After It's Too Late

The old saying that they locked the barn door after the horse was stolen may apply to a situation that has taken place in Sanford.

An announcement from the Florida Safety Council calls attention to the fact that "every year a flock of 'Snow Birds' come to Florida collecting money from various business houses and individuals in the interest of safety, standing on corners and creating crowds and hazards and some of them get out literature making the local merchants pay for ads than they leave."

"Merchants," the report continues, "should spend their money with the local paper for advertising rather than with those 'fly-by-night' organs. They pull the wool over some of the local officers' eyes who are interested in safety, and in some communities they get the cooperation of officers."

"This type of safety work is no good and the people who engage in it should be stopped by law."

Sanford recently had an experience with "safety sponsors" which resulted in unpleasant reactions.

## Plans For Farewell Dinner Progressing

Details Of Poultry Project Disclosed

Details of the latest developments in the Central Poultry Project, sponsored by a concern in Oklahoma in conjunction with the Extension Service of the University of Florida were received here today from the office of R. W. Blacklock, head of the Boys 4-H Club activities for the State of Florida.

In accordance with the program, 5000 pullets have been sent to receive their initial doses of 100 chickens each which have been purchased by the state of Florida, O. C. under the extension of Florida in Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, Georgia and South Carolina.

It was announced yesterday that W. M. McDaniel, of Orlando would have 5000 pullets from the project sent to him at his home at the Orange County Fairgrounds.

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## Celery Shippers Of State Asked To Make Estimates As Proration Preliminary

## Talk Of Public Purchase By TVA Causes Activity

## Lilienthal Authorized To Negotiate With Utility Operators

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Talk of public purchase of private utilities in the Tennessee valley brought these developments to day:

1. The Tennessee Valley authority authorized David E. Lilienthal, a director, to negotiate with private utilities and municipalities for purchase of electric properties in Tennessee and Alabama.

2. Senator McKellar, democratic Tennessee, appealed personally to President Roosevelt to reject the proposal of Governor Browning of Tennessee for joint federal-state purchase. He said he did not object to their purchase by TVA.

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# Social And Personal Activities

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## Social Calendar

**THURSDAY**  
Troop Number One of the Girl Scouts will meet at 3:45 o'clock. The regular meeting of the Seminole Robeck Lodge will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall at 7:30 o'clock.

The East Side P. T. A. will meet at the school at 3:30 o'clock.

**FRIDAY**  
The N. de V. Howard Chapter U. D. C. will meet at the home of Mrs. F. E. Roumillet at 3:00 o'clock.

The regular business meeting of the Sanford Townsend Club will be held at 7:30 o'clock in their club rooms in the Welaka Building. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. George Maffett will present Miss Nancy Rossette in a senior expression recital at 8:15 o'clock at the Woman's Club.

**MONDAY**

A course of study on the Old Testament will be held at the Episcopal Parish House at 3:00 o'clock and will be under the leadership of Mrs. Amelia Nobis.

The women of Sanford and Seminole County are cordially invited to attend.

**Mrs. Ford Entertains In Honor Of Daughter**

Mrs. C. P. Ford entertained with a birthday party recently in honor of her daughter, Virginia.

During the evening various games and contests were enjoyed and a number of gifts were presented to the honors. At a late hour refreshments were served to the following:

The Misses Virginia Ford, Lois Wolfer, Doris Lake, Virginia Dunn, Alice Johnson, Carolyn Dague, Eda Stith, Saidee Williams, Marian Clause and Margaret Van Ness.

### To-Night

Lower Floor Balcony  
10-35 10-25

**BAD MAN OF BRIMSTONE**  
WALLACE BEERY  
Original Story - Screenplay - Joseph L. Mankiewicz - Directed by Harry Saltzman

Added Feature

It was "way up town... now it's down town... in the grand romance of the busies, dizzies, gayest and swingiest gurus in all the world!"

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52nd STREET

and

ESTHER HOWARD

DAVIS

VILLAGE

in Atlanta

DEEZ

Thurs.-Friday

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### Truth Seekers Class Has Meeting Monday

### Personals

### Simultaneous Offensives Are Launched By Both Armies

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Heavy casualties were reported today in bitter hand-to-hand fighting along the Yangtze River above Nanking as reinforced Chinese and Japanese armies launched new offensives simultaneously.

Chinese said both sides suffered severe losses as they fought for hours at close range near Wuhu, 60 miles up the river from the former Chinese capital, with Japanese warships shelling Chinese positions.

They placed their own casualties at 400, but made no estimate of the enemy's.

The Chinese reported they had captured Hohien, 25 miles down the river from Wuhu, near the scene of the bombings of the United States gunboat Panay Dec. 12.

Along the Tientsin-Pukow railway north of Nanking Chinese forces reported they were driving back Japanese near Pengpu, advance point of the invaders' northward drive toward Suchow, strategic rail junction 220 miles northwest of Shanghai.

At the same time, Chinese cavalry was said to have surrounded the Japanese garrison at Tsinling, Shantung Province, taken by the Japanese last week on their southward advance toward Suchow.

The big Japanese offensive in south Shantung, according to Chinese advice, was being held up until reinforcements arrived.

(A Hongkong dispatch said Japanese continued their aerial bombardment of the Canton-Kowloon railway in South China, striking closer to Canton than at any time since they opened fire.

Japanese warships were said to have fought a one-hour artillery duel with Chinese batteries on Namao, across deep bay from the northwest edge of the British crown colony.)

Shean's mementoes, old photographs of 52nd street celebrities, and posters advertising the thoroughfare's attractions were employed to fashion the backgrounds. These, and the old actor's remarkable memory for detail, form the basis of many of the picture's scenes.

Shean admitted that he was "thunderstruck" when he first saw the sets that were especially created for "52nd Street."

"The brownstone fronts built to represent that period," says Shean, "were so realistic that thought I was back on the old home street."

The best trust choruses of twenty years ago used in the picture also impressed Shean.

"I couldn't tell a particle of difference," he averred. "They made me feel 20 years younger."

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Seminole County Federation of Women's Clubs will sponsor a subscription bridge party to be given Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Woman's Club. See Mrs. Ralph Smith for tickets.

A cow herd was recently converted into a theater in a small English town.

The FBI obtained 4,621 convictions for the year ended June 1937.

### Friday and Saturday Special

### Two Lively Goldfish In Globe

With Every 50c Purchase Of Sterns Dependable Drug Products

Laney's Drug Store

We Fill All Prescriptions

Phone 103

### Heavy Casualties Are Suffered On Orient War Front

### Old Jokes Get Loudest Laughs From Japanese

### Oriental Audiences Roll In Aisles At 400 Year Old Tales

ropolitan theater and laugh himself into hiccups over it and others equally old and oft-recounted.

No After-Dinner Stories The answer is this: His attitude toward the ancient funny-story is somewhat the same as that of a music lover toward an opera. There is no surprise for either. Each derives appreciation from the shadings of the different performances.

Thus, formal humor in Japan is left almost exclusively to professional humorists. There are few, if any, amateur jesters. You don't find a "life-of-the-party" in a Japanese gathering. They seldom tell jokes at a Japanese stag. And no after dinner speaker ever pretends his remarks with, "This reminds me of a story—"

Humor is a thing apart, a specialized art.

Modern Japanese audiences still roll in the aisles over stories known to be 400 years old. In fact, they demand a pedigree. If a joke can't trace its lineage through at least two centuries, it seldom draws so much as a titter. Humor, the Japanese believe, should be aged in the wood.

The Japanese corollary for that famous opener, "It seems there were two—Irishmen . . ." usually is, "Yaji and Kita were going to Osaka."

Yaji and Kita are the Pat and Mike of Japan. They started toward Osaka, their perennial destination in hundreds of stories, about the time Columbus set sail for America. They are bumpkins, yet shrewd in a rustic way.

A "Manju" Yarn A typical Yaji-and-Kita:

"They were talking with some farmers about frightening things. One of the farmers said he was afraid of lightning, another named something else. Yaji said he feared, above anything else, the 'manju' (a kind of sweet cookie). He said the mere sight of 'manju' made him quake and pale with terror."

"Thereupon, he went to his room saying he was sleepy. At Kita's insistence, the farmers collected some 'manju' and placed them near Yaji's face. Then they went outside and made some noise to awaken him. After a few moments, they flung open the door, expecting to enjoy the sight of his fright.

The 'manju' were gone and Yaji was smacking his lips.

"I would also be afraid of a cup of tea," he said.

Almost every Japanese knows this story. He has heard it, read it, seen it played. It is several centuries old.

Yet, he can sit in a modern met-

### Mrs. Stemper Gives Party At Her Home

### Church Group Forms Intermediate League

The Methodist Church Intermediate Department has organized an Intermediate League which will meet each Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock and will be under the direction of Mrs. Pete Chapman.

The following officers have been elected:

President—Edwin Branan

Vice-president—Gwendolyn Hayes

Secretary—Edward Mulligan

Treasurer—Spencer Williams

Program Chairman—Gwendolyn Hayes

Publicity Chairman—Leslie Redfern

Recreational Chairman—Patty Hodge

Social Service Chairman—Joyce Steele

Pianist—Olive Chapman

Mrs. J. E. Stemper entertained a number of her friends with a bridge party Monday afternoon at her home in Pinehurst.

The playing room was decorated with a profusion of garden flowers. At the conclusion of the games Mrs. Otto Caldwell was awarded high score prize, Miss W. J. Pell low prize and Mrs. Denver Cordell screen prize.

At the tea hour a salad and sweet course was served by the hostesses assisted by Mrs. John Weaver. Those enjoying this entertainment were: Mrs. Dwight Smith, Mrs. H. D. Freeman, Mrs. E. W. Copeland, Mrs. Henry English, Mrs. O. G. Roller, Mrs. Denver Cordell, Mrs. W. M. Jennings, Mrs. J. M. Stinecipher, Mrs. W. J. Pell, Mrs. Otto Caldwell, Mrs. Lewis Hughey, Mrs. John Stanford and Mrs. John Weaver.

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CLUES

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## Japs Menaced By Red Forces In China Area

Guerilla Activities  
Are Proving Costly  
To Japanese Troops  
Far In Enemy Land

## Chinese Attack Swiftly, Disperse

Battles Of Irregular  
Bands Have Inter-  
rupted Rail Service

PEIPING, China, Jan. 27.—(AP)—China's Red legions and peasant irregulars are on march against the Japanese in the vast north China area. Concentrating swiftly, attacking swiftly and dispersing swiftly, they have struck time and again at Japanese communications lines and garrisons.

Authentic details of the warfare in broken northern provinces where the Chinese-Japanese conflict began were brought to Japanese conqueror Peiping by messengers who arrived from war areas.

They reported that Chinese irregulars along the main railroads wiped out small detachments of Japanese troops in at least 22 instances. Battles of irregulars interrupted traffic on Japanese controlled railroads at least three times this week, they said.

BEIJING, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Chinese military leaders declared today guerilla warfare on China's far-flung battlefronts and a revitalized air force has brought them increasing success against the Japanese invaders.

They contend the Japanese were over extended in a vast area of central China and were being harassed constantly by fast-moving guerilla forces striking repeatedly at thin communication lines.

Guerrilla tactics, the Chinese said, were being employed more and more, with the result that the Japanese have been prevented from undertaking further advances.

They cited reports purportedly received from fighting zones in southern Shantung and east.

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## Surplus Florida Oranges Will Be Bought For Needy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—The Surplus Commodities corporation said yesterday it would begin immediately purchasing surplus in Florida for relief distribution and to help growers market their large crop.

It said it would purchase direct from handlers and growers in citrus only oranges submitted to its local office in Lakeland and would issue acceptances twice a week.

The corporation said the fruit would be distributed to the needy by methods designed to increase consumption and prevent waste without interfering with regular commercial sales.

It said it would buy oranges surplus to 1937, or having a combination yield of at least 10 percent. It would buy and the balance U. S. grade A under federal minimum standards.

The purchases will be done through offices of the Surplus Commodities Corporation, which here has been reorganized with new headquarters.

## Grand Jury Meets, Witnesses Testify

The grand jury here, which has been investigating the recent shooting of James C. Edwards, a Negro, by a white man, heard testimony yesterday from two Negroes.

### New Jersey Solon Dies In Fall From His Hotel Window

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Edward A. Kenney, 52, New Jersey representative in Congress known for his advocacy of a national lottery, plunged or fell to death from the sixth floor of a fashionable hotel during the night. The body, clad only in underwear, was found by a hotel waiter. Kenney had been the guest at the annual congressional dinner of the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce at the hotel. He had spoken at dinner. Police said they believed Kenney remained at the hotel and decided to retire in the room set aside by the hotel for honored guests. The window of the room was open when the body was found. Kenney was a native of Clinton, Mass., and had served three terms in Congress from New Jersey.

### Local Concerts Are Assured By Women's Society

#### Association Member- ships Are Acquired In Final Campaign

The membership quota in the Artist's Concerts Association was acquired in a "whirlwind campaign" of the Sanford Woman's Club yesterday, assuring Sanford of the famous recitals to be presented soon.

The Woman's Club is gratified over the results of the campaign for subscribers to the recital, which will be presented by their Cooperative Concert Association, working in conjunction with the Columbia Broadcasting Company, officials of the Club stated today.

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## 400 Airplanes Rain Bombs In Aerial Attack

### Tons Of Missiles Are Dropped From Italian And German Aircraft Over Teruel

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Jan. 27.—(AP)—More than 400 Italian and German warplanes bombarded government lines and villages across the entire Teruel front for nearly 10 hours yesterday, loyalists reported, in a merciless attempt to blast a path for franchist forces' capture of the city.

The massing of the half-German bombers, which willed the sky like a flock of swallows and dropped 1500-pound aerial torpedoes, was believed to constitute the biggest air raid in aviation history.

The planes, dropping bombs by the tons of tons spread death and destruction without pause from 9:40 A. M. until nightfall. The Spanish press agency reported from Almudra, northeast of the already shattered city of Teruel.

The destruction spread from the government's front lines to the second and third lines of reserves and to villages 15 miles behind the battlefronts, it was asserted.

The bombardment appeared to have been led by a squadron of black-painted German Heinkel bombers.

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### Historian Claims Florida Material Is Yet Untouched

TAMPA, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Dr. Luther Evans, national director of the historical records survey, told the Florida Historical Society here yesterday there are hundreds of tons of historical materials yet untouched.

Speaking at the concluding of the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the two-day program of the organization, he brought out that the Federal survey being made under WPA funds was inventorying records and manuscripts of cities, counties, and States throughout the Nation and church, private and business archives as well.

"This work should be of untold value to historians of the present and future," Dr. Evans said. "At the beginning we had some excitement among observers of labor trends. The offers were announced at an uproarious session of the United Mine Workers convention. Lewis said his purpose was to quiet those abroad in the land who say this labor con-

vention has yet to act on the resolutions.

Lewis emphasized his peace proposals by declaring:

"If the AFL is so anxious for peace, we'll make a proposal. We all want peace—peace with honor."

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### Arthur Dobbins, 63, Dies From Illness

Arthur Emmet Dobbins, 63, died at his home at 201 East Fifth Street about 10:30 o'clock last night following a short illness.

Mr. Dobbins has lived in Sanford for the past 21 years and has operated the Dobbins Shop on East Fifth Street for the past 12 years. He was born in Georgia, Jan. 23, 1871.

He is survived by his widow, and two daughters, Mrs. Robert A. Williams and Mrs. E. J. Holmgren, both of Sanford; two grandchildren, Nancy Williams and Eugene Patridge III, also one sister of Coopers.

Funeral services will be conducted at the First Baptist Church of which he was a member, at 10:30 o'clock Friday morning, with the Rev. W. P. Brooks, pastor of the church, officiating, assisted by Dr. R. D. Brown, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Interment will be made in the Lake View Cemetery.

### Huge Sum Found

BOSTON.—(AP)—A bag containing \$27,000 was discovered today

in the coat of Rev. W. H. Jackson, a Negro, who was buried in the

Cemetery.

The bag was found in the

grave of Rev. W. H. Jackson,

the Negro minister who was

murdered in Boston in 1933.

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