

U.N. Firm on Releasing PWs

Texas Hens Please Notice



WE HAVE THEM, TOO—When Gordon Buzzell, 5502 Whipple Lake Rd., saw a picture in the Press from Beaumont, Tex., showing a double egg, joined at the center, he declared that Texas has nothing on Oakland County in the way of unusual eggs. One of his Berry-gold hens recently accomplished the same unusual feat . . . a Siamese egg. He brought in the shell (above) to back up his report.

West Europe's Dikes Hold Through 24-Hour Battering

LONDON (AP)—Western Europe's dikes and sea walls, age-old bastions against the raging oceans, stood strong and firm today after 24 hours of battering by gale-churned seas.

Anxious watchers, remembering when flood waters burst through the dikes and wrecked vast areas of the Low Countries and Eastern England last February, sighed with relief as they watched the seas die down today.

In England, police and Coast Guards kept an all-night vigil in low coastal areas, then left their watch as weathermen reported soon after 10 a. m. that the crisis hour of high tide had passed safely.

In The Netherlands, where overnight water levels were the highest since last winter's floods in which 1,795 persons died, the situation was reported nearly back to normal.

Blizzards and heavy snowfalls were reported continuing in other places from Scandinavia down to Italy.

In Denmark, the little Jutland town of Randers was flooded. Townsfolk rowed today through water-logged streets to salvage their belongings.

The storm took its toll of shipping and sent tiny coastal vessels scurrying for shelter. The German freighter Trautwein and the Greek tanker Lerios both ran aground off the north German coast in a heavy snowstorm.

The British collier Foch Rose ran ashore at Shoreham and partly blocked the harbor mouth. On Sweden several coastal vessels were reported missing in the overnight blizzards.

But while the storm hovered (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

Expect Little Change in Pontiac Weather

Partly cloudy with little change in temperature is the forecast for the Pontiac area tonight and tomorrow, according to the U. S. Weather Bureau.

A low tonight of from 28 to 32 is expected to rise to a high of 38 to 42 on Tuesday.

Sunday the mercury rose from a low of 22 to a high of 41 degrees in the city, Saturday's high was 48 degrees.

At 8 a. m. today the reading was 25, but by 1 p. m. in downtown Pontiac the temperature stood at 27 degrees.

Mother Rescues Three in Blaze

Runs From Home With Children as Heater Starts Flash Fire

Carrying two older children, one under each arm, a Waterford Township mother braved flames last night to rescue her 5-month-old baby from the blazing living room of her five-room home.

Mrs. Marcella Burney was in the kitchen at the rear of the log cabin house at 5067 Cass-Elizabeth Rd. with Clifford, 2, and Steven, 16 months, when an oil burner in the front room exploded.

Sleeping in a bassinette near the heater was Philip, 5 months old.

She caught up the older children, dashed through the flames, picked up the baby and ran out the front door.

By the time she was outside, her husband, Arlyn, had returned from a trip to a nearby grocery store for milk, and the Waterford Volunteer Fire Dept. was on the way.

No one was seriously injured. Damage was estimated at \$2,100 by Fire Chief Rudy Boss.

Burney is employed by Pontiac Motors Division.

Beria Name to Be Cut From Red Encyclopedia

MOSCOW (UP)—The State Scientific Publishing House advised purchasers of the new Soviet encyclopedia today to cut out the article on Lavrenti P. Beria, executed former police chief.

Subscribers received a four-page substitution which included an item on Friedrich Wilhelm Bergholtz, pictures of the Bering sea and directions on how to make the change.

Income Tax Returns Prepared Angus Campbell—Tax Consultant 955 W. Huron St., Open Eves. FR 3-3615

President to Tell Nation Tonight About 1st Year

Has Busy Week Meeting With 2-Party Leaders on 1954 Plans

WASHINGTON (A P)—President Eisenhower gives the nation tonight a report on his first year in office.

Perhaps he will present some broad outline of the program he will lay before Congress when it meets later this week.

But before that, the Chief Executive begins a busy week by meeting at the White House with members of his Cabinet and Republican leaders of Congress.

He may give them a look at the latest draft of the State of the Union message embracing in general outline his recommendations to the 1954 Congress.

Tomorrow morning selected Democratic congressional leaders, and again some of the GOP counterparts, will be given a preview of those sections of the message dealing with foreign affairs, national defense and possibly other matters.

Congress will reconvene at noon Wednesday on the next day Eisenhower will deliver his State of the Union message to a joint session. It will be carried by all the radio and television networks.

Tonight's 15-minute speech from the White House at 9:30 p. m., EST, will have similar radio-TV coverage, except that CBS radio will rebroadcast at 11 p. m.

White House sources were mum as to the nature of tonight's talk, but indications were that it would be devoted largely to a review of the national administration since Eisenhower took office 11½ months ago.

The President returned to Washington last evening from Augusta, Ga., where he and Mrs. Eisenhower took office 11½ months ago.

17,500 Students Back in Classes After Holidays

Some 17,500 Pontiac youngsters went back to school today after almost a dozen days of Christmas-New Year's vacation.

Pontiac Public Schools' 16,285 students had been vacationing since Dec. 23. St. Trinity Lutheran, St. Michael and St. Frederick schools had closed Dec. 22.

The semester's end Jan. 29 will give 5,000 students in Pontiac High School and five junior high schools a "long weekend," although elementary school youngsters will attend classes that Friday.

Final exams in PHS and the junior highs will end Thursday noon, Jan. 28, leaving youngsters free to rest as teachers do semester-end work.

Dearborn Mayor's Fitness Debated in Ouster Hearing

DETROIT (UP)—Orville L. Hubbard battled for his political life today at an executive hearing which will determine whether he will be ousted as mayor of suburban Dearborn.

Kent Probate Judge Wallace Waalkes Jr. was named by Gov. G. Mennen Williams to hear evidence pro and con regarding Hubbard's fitness for office.

Hubbard failed Saturday in his efforts to have Waalkes dismissed as arbiter.

Williams turned down the mayor's complaint that the case has been prejudiced by a meeting between Waalkes and Wayne Circuit Judge Miles N. Culehan, who filed the original petition for Hubbard's removal.

Culehan, who conducted a one-man grand jury investigation of Dearborn municipal affairs, asked Hubbard's ouster on charges of neglect of duty, malfeasance and nonfeasance. No criminal charge was levied.

The charges, all denied by Hubbard, were filed last Nov. 5, shortly after the mayor was re-elected by a sweeping majority.

Large Families Have Added Value This Time of Year



4 Drunk Drivers Bring Total to 12

County Jails Holiday Offenders; 80 Others Face Conduct Charges

Four more motorists, arrested on drunk driving charges Saturday and Sunday, brought to 12 the number of persons arrested on that charge since New Year's Eve.

Thirteen other persons were in Oakland County Jail this morning on drunk or disorderly charges, pushing that total to 80 since the start of the long holiday weekend last Thursday.

City judges and township justices were busy Saturday with some 35 complaints of drunk or reckless driving, or drunk and disorderly persons.

Two persons were jailed Saturday on drunk driving charges, and two others were booked Sunday. They face court hearings today.

Of the eight others arrested on earlier charges, three were given jail terms.

Only one person who pleaded guilty to drunk or disorderly charges was given a jail term. However 23 were fined, three pleaded not guilty and one received a suspended sentence.

Of those accused of reckless driving one was sent to jail and four were fined.

Elizabeth, Duke Resting at New Zealand Lodge

ROTORUA, New Zealand (U)—Queen Elizabeth II and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, rest today at Moose Lodge on Lake Rototiti.

The Queen cruised on the lake for two hours yesterday in a motor launch. The duke took a sailing dinghy out and later tried his hand at water skiing behind a speedboat.

THEY'RE ALL EXEMPTIONS—Here are 12 of the tax exemptions C. G. Peterson, a Portland, Ore., electrician can claim. And that's not all. An 18-year-old daughter was out of town when this picture was taken and Mrs. Peterson was in the hospital where she just gave birth to a 14th child. Jan. 15 is the date for fourth quarterly payment of estimated individual federal income tax for 1953, and date for filing amended declaration of estimated '53 tax if the taxpayer desires to change the estimate filed last year.

18 in Highway Mishaps

21 Are Killed in Accidents Over New Year Weekend

Michigan escaped in its New Year weekend the staggering accidental death toll of its Christmas weekend.

However, 21 persons died, leaving a grim mark on the New Year's opening.

Eighteen were killed in automobile traffic. There were two suffocations and a fatal accidental shooting.

Accidental deaths in the nation during the three-day New Year's weekend were just shy of the record set three years ago, but still were far below the total registered a week earlier during the Christmas weekend.

At least 288 persons were killed in traffic accidents during the 78-hour period from 6 p. m. Thursday to midnight Sunday. Another 39 died in fires and 71 more were killed in miscellaneous accidents for a total of 408.

The last of Michigan's New Year weekend victims included a young expectant mother and a small child, both killed in traffic Sunday.

Mrs. James Ricker, 18, of Owendale, who was expecting a child, lost her life on her way to church when her car skidded on icy pavement in Owendale and hit a utility pole. Owendale is 16 miles southwest of Bad Axe.

Mrs. Ricker's mother-in-law, Mrs. Vern Ricker, suffered back and neck injuries.

Three-year-old Julie Mendenhall of Berrien Center was killed when her parents' car collided with another three miles west of Cassopolis. Her mother, Mrs. Helen Mendenhall, 27, was hurt seriously.

Daniel W. Hansen, 4, of Jenson, died in a Grand Rapids hospital Sunday, 14 hours after he was thrown from his father's car as it was struck broadside by a truck.

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Draft Call Lower; Oakland Quota 48

LANSING (U)—Michigan was ordered today to send 918 men for induction into the Armed Services in February, the smallest draft call in more than a year.

Col. Arthur A. Holmes, state Selective Service director, said the call is for 210 men less than the January call.

Wayne County will provide 334 men and Oakland County 48 of the number called.

Fugitives Recaptured

NAIROBI, Kenya (U)—Forty Africans awaiting trial on various minor charges escaped from Nairobi prison in an organized break today. Within minutes 19 were recaptured and one was shot dead by prison guards.

Both the father and mother be-

State Collects \$283 Million

'53 Sales-Use Tax Total Up 11 Per Cent, Refuting 'Recession' Alarms

LANSING (UP)—Sales and use tax collections in Michigan during 1953 amounted to a whopping \$283,194,191, an 11 per cent increase over 1952 and an all-time high, the State Revenue Department said today.

Collections during 1952 totaled \$251,573,389.

"The figures for 1953 indicate that retail business in Michigan enjoyed its best year in state history during the last 12 months," Nims said.

Nims said December sales and use tax returns were an estimated \$24,174,000 compared to \$21,787,000 for the same month in 1952.

Collections during the last six months of the year amounted to \$144,194,191 compared to \$129,974,000 during the same period in 1952, an increase of 11 per cent.

"The figures for the last six months certainly indicate that Michigan has had no business recession or so called 'adjustment' during the last half of 1953," Nims said.

"Retail business volume was on a pretty even level all year."

Nims predicted January's sales and use tax collections may hit an all-time high for a one-month period. The January figures, which will be available at the end of the month, reflect December retail business, heaviest of the year.

Piccards Plan New Dive

CASTELLAMMARE DI STABIA, Italy (U)—Jacques Piccard, who teamed with his father to set a deep-sea diving mark last fall, says they hope to descend still further into the sea next spring.

Fire Kills Five Children Trapped in Maine Home

OLD ORCHARD BEACH, Maine (UP)—Five children—four brothers and a sister—perished today when a flash fire from a defective oil heater demolished their home at this beach resort.

It was the second such fire on the same street. Four children perished in a similar fire 10 years ago.

Victims of today's blaze, children of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Whitcomb, were: John 9, Howard 5, Allan 4, Irving 3, and their sister Diana 7.

The children's bodies were found in the upper floor of the 1½-story bungalow where their mother, Theresa, herself was trapped by the flames.

Mrs. Whitcomb was spotted by a neighbor, Vincent O'Connor, who persuaded her to leap from a window. She suffered only minor cuts.

Police said the fire started when a space heater exploded. The blast occurred a few minutes after Whitcomb had left for work on a school construction project in Kittery. He was summoned back by telephone.

Both the father and mother be-

Hull Prepares for Withdrawal of Anti-Commies

Says That All Non-Red Men Will Be Freed by Midnight, Jan. 22

MUNSAN, Korea (AP)—The U. N. commander, Gen. John E. Hull, today blamed the Communists for the breakdown of prisoner explanations and said without qualification that all anti-Red prisoners will be freed at midnight Jan. 22.

To drive home the UNC demand that the captives be released "as of 12:01 a. m. Jan. 23," U. S. Marines and engineers began stringing miles of barbed wire fences to channel the prisoners from neutral zone compounds to rail heads.

South Korea's Foreign Minister Pyun Young Tai hailed Hull's stand as "just right."

Hull reiterated the U. N. Command's position in a strongly worded letter to Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya, Indian chairman of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission.

The U. N. commander blasted as one-sided and slanted a report by Indian, Polish and Czech members of the repatriation commission that accused the UNC of maintaining control over the anti-Red prisoners.

"The U. N. Command," Hull declared, "categorically denies any implication that we have attempted, in any way, to exercise control to the slightest degree over" the prisoners.

He said the Communist high command caused the collapse of the explanation program by:

1. Unreasonable and changing demands for explanation facilities.

2. Refusal to accept reasonable numbers of willing prisoners for explanations each day.

3. The Reds' rejection of available explanation time unless the NNRC and Indian custodial troops approved all their demands—including the use of force to make POWs listen to explanations.

Hull told Thimayya the UNC is fully prepared to handle the 20,000 North Korean and Chinese prisoners who refuse to return to their Red-ruled homelands.

U. N. officers said rail car and truck convoys will be waiting south of the demilitarized zone for freed anti-Communist prisoners and that ships at Inchon will be ready to carry any of the 14,000 Chinese who may wish to go to Formosa.

Other officers have said the UNC is prepared to move all 20,000 prisoners—if necessary—out of the Munsan area in two to three days.

Neither the Indian command nor the NNRC apparently has made a firm decision regarding the Jan. 22 release date.

Thimayya, after reading Hull's (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

Commission Begins Year With Fire Station, Zoning Matters on Its Agenda

From Our Birmingham Bureau
BIRMINGHAM — City commissioners will start the new year with a lengthy agenda of topics to consider tonight.

Among them are a proposed fire station at Chestfield and Maple, and the rezoning of six lots on the northeast corner of 14 Mile Rd. and Southfield from single family residence classification to business A classification.

A contract for aeration equipment for the sewage treatment plant and the purchase of two new police cars and a truck will also be discussed.

A six page communication from Fred M. Harley, 498 Pleasant, regarding enforcement of the city's dog ordinance, and a contract for garbage and rubbish disposal are also scheduled to be taken up.

Past Kiwanis Lt. Gov. Ed Maier will officiate at the installation of

officers at a 6:30 p.m. dinner meeting of the Kiwanis Club, Tuesday at the Birmingham Community House.

Installed as new president will be Clifford Wright. Other officers are: Charles Savage, vice president; Don Donaldson, second vice president; and Marion Gossett, secretary-treasurer.

Patrolmen Lawrence Winkelman and Donald Mullen of the Birmingham Police Department, will attend a four week basic police training course at Michigan State College this month. Both men were hired last July.

Fathers of Boy Scout Troop B-5 scouts and explorers will hold a committee meeting at 8 tonight at the home of Neil Hyde, Tilbury road.

Future activities will be discussed and a report made on the troop's Christmas wreath sale. The troop will have its first meeting of the new year Thursday night.

"It Can Happen Here" is the title of the talk Mrs. Mildred Bennett will give, when she addresses the Exchange Club at its luncheon at the Community House tomorrow.

Mrs. Bennett, executive secretary of the Oakland County chapter, American Red Cross, will tell of the part the Red Cross played following last summer's Flint tornado.

Charles Mortensen, secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce, reports that Michigan's new blue and yellow license plates are experiencing a heavy sale here, "but — we figure that are still about 16,000 cars without '54 plates. One thing seems sure — there will be a tremendous rush the last part of February."

To avoid that last-minute wait while standing in a long line, he recommends buying plates early. Purchasers must have the titles to their car, and a pre-filled registration, if one was received.

For commercial plates, he said, also bring last year's registration or weight slip.

The Ruth Shain Class in international Affairs will resume its weekly meetings at 10 a.m. tomorrow, when Mrs. Shain reviews a new foreign policy headline book, which will be used during the next several meetings.

She will discuss issues that prevail in the nearer countries, divided Germany and Trieste, reviewing the situation there. Mrs. Shain said visitors or new members are welcome to attend any of the classes, at no charge.

This week's events at the Community House include:

Monday, Jan. 4, 7:30 p.m. Senior Activities; 8 p.m. V. F. W.
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 10 a.m. Ruth Shain Class in International Affairs; 12 noon Exchange Club luncheon; 1 p.m. Berkshire Hills Garden Club; 2:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 362; 4:30 p.m. Kiwanis Club dinner; 8 p.m. Birmingham Forum; 9 p.m. Civic Reception meeting; 10 p.m. Club.
Wednesday, Jan. 6, 11:30 a.m. Oakland County Superintendents' luncheon; 12 noon Lions Club luncheon; 1:30 p.m. James Church Women's Auxiliary; 2:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 362; 3:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge; Community Neighborhood Boy Scout at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, 9:30 a.m. Birmingham Musical practice; 12 noon Oakland County Principals luncheon; 12:30 p.m. Newcomers Club bridge; Republican Women's luncheon; 2:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 362; 3:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop meeting (Mrs. Schaefer); 6:30 p.m. Business Women's Club dinner; 8 p.m. Buffet supper; 9 p.m. by reservation.
Friday, Jan. 8, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Senior Workshop.
Saturday, Jan. 9, 7 p.m. Horticultural Society; 9 p.m. - 12 midnight - Quadrille Club dance.

Newcomers to Birmingham are: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lottman and daughter Nancy, 8, former Detroiters who now live at 1001 1/2 W. 10th St. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Magr and 11-year-old son, David, who recently moved to 1941 E. Lincoln from Detroit. He is with Van Horn Radio Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rodgers and son, Howard in service, and daughter, Linda, 18, who are living at 809 Adams, coming from Detroit. He is with Ralph Sharp Advertising.

Former Detroiters Mr. and Mrs. Al Area of 227 W. 10th St. He is with the J. L. Hudson Co.

Injuries May Delay Woman's TV Skit

A Bloomfield Township woman scheduled to make a television short with comedian Red Buttons within two weeks was injured Saturday in an auto accident near Birmingham.

Miss Lee Carroll, 27, of 4120 Orchard Way, self-employed Detroit advertising agent, suffered arm and ankle fractures and cuts in the accident at W. Maple and Clifton Rds. She is reported in good condition today at Pontiac General Hospital.

Miss Carroll's mother, Mrs. Clifford Carroll, said her daughter was to be featured soon in the TV show with the well known comedian.

Miss Carroll was in a car driven by A. E. Geigle, 34, of 24563 Rensselaer, Oak Park. Police said Geigle's car hit the rear of one driven by Robert E. Stahl, 16, of 939 Rivenook, Birmingham, when Stahl applied his brakes. Stahl was treated for face cuts.

Benoist-Mechin Paroled

PARIS (AP) — Jacques Benoist-Mechin, secretary of state in Pierre Laval's Vichy government, has been paroled after serving nine years of a 20-year treason sentence. He is 52.

Lord Ismay Treated

PARIS (AP) — Lord Ismay, secretary general of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, has entered an Oxford, England, nursing home for treatment of acute fibrositis.



NEW THIS YEAR — This 1954 Ford Crestline Fordor sedan is new this year. Its smart new grille has a characteristic Ford center spinner, recessed parking lights and jet-type air scoop. Like all 1954 Ford passenger cars, it has new ball-joint front suspension for easier handling and the choice of either Ford's completely new 130-h.p. Y-block V-8 engine or the new 115-h.p. I-block Mileage Maker Six. It has power steering, power

brakes, power operated windows and front seat, plus Fordomatic or overdrive, available at extra cost.

The 1954 Ford cars will be shown to the public starting Wednesday. In Pontiac they will be on display at Cy Owen's Ford agency at 147 S. Saginaw St.

Straley to Get Traffic Award

Association to Present Safety Commendation to Police Chief

Pontiac Police Chief Herbert W. Straley will receive a framed commendation certificate for outstanding work in traffic safety for 1952 and 1953 at the annual dinner meeting of the Pontiac Automotive Trade Assn., at 6 p. m. today in the Hotel Waldron.

Ben Jerome Jr., member of the Michigan board of directors and chairman of the Oakland County association, said the award is based on the "excellent work in the realm of highway and traffic safety Straley has promoted in Pontiac."

Jerome said that the association, which works in connection with the National Safety Council, has recognized that safety campaigns and improvements have been substantially increased during Straley's administration.

The certificate will be signed by the 13 member dealerships in the association. In addition to members, about 20 executives of various Pontiac firms will attend tonight's affair, during which time the group also will elect new officers.

President to Report '53 Progress Tonight

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how had been since Christmas Day. While there, the President played a little golf but spent most of his time working on recommendations to Congress.

Besides the State of the Union message, these include the federal budget, to be submitted about mid-month, and a message on the national economy, now on the subject of partisan debate, which may go to Capitol Hill late in January.

Also, it was announced at Augusta Saturday, there will be five separate messages spelling out in detail proposals for (1) tax law revision, (2) changes in the Taft-Hartley labor relations act, (3) a new farm program, (4) expansion of social security and public health benefits and (5) a revised housing program.

With 48 Democrats to 47 Republicans and 1 Independent in the Senate, Eisenhower will need some Democratic votes to put over any controversial features of his program. Heightening the tension is the fact that this is an election year.

Already the agenda is studied with issues of great potential controversy: Hawaii statehood, the St. Lawrence seaway, a proposal to limit treaty-making powers, taxes, international trade and tariffs, Taft-Hartley revision, foreign military and economic aid, postal rates, proposals to make some wiretapping legal, the level of government spending, especially for defense.

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threateningly with sub-zero temperatures over parts of Scandinavia, West Germany and high ground in Italy, France and Austria, other parts of Europe were untouched.

London and Brussels basked peacefully under clear skies and brilliant sunshine. From Paris and Oslo came reports of fair weather and temperatures normal for the time of year.

Way Now Open for Billy Rose to Get Divorce

NEW YORK (UP) — Billy Rose has agreed to give Eleanor Holm Jarrett \$30,000 permanent alimony yearly and a cash-free gift of more than \$175,000 in return for a divorce, the New York Post said today in a copyrighted dispatch.

Columnist Earl Wilson and William Greaves said the bantam Barnum and the former Olympic champion had reached a financial settlement in Rose's 30-month battle for marital freedom.

"They both feel they've had it," an intimate of Rose was quoted as saying. "They're tired of all the waiting and court expense."

The settlement, described as a compromise by both sides, would give Miss Holm \$600 weekly in alimony and a cash settlement of between \$175,000 and \$225,000 to be paid over a period of 10 years in annual payments. Thus Miss Holm would receive \$500,000 from Rose in the next decade, the dispatch said.

Bomber Down in New Mexico

Rescuers Buck Snow in Mountains to Locate Possible Survivors

CARIZO, N. M. (UP) — A B26 bomber crashed and exploded in the rugged Sacramento mountains early today and ground searching parties bucked deep snow drifts in an attempt to find two crew members believed to have parachuted in the darkness.

Leaders of the party said the two men may have been injured since a parachute landing would be "just a matter of luck" in the heavily forested mountains at night.

The shattered wreckage of the twin-engine attack bomber was found near White Peak some 10 miles northeast of Carizozo. One party of searchers was crossing the mountains toward a small ground fire about three miles away.

Col. Frank B. Sharp, commander of Holloman Air Development Center where the plane was based, said the fire may have been started by one of the crew.

Sharp said a large-scale air search would start at daylight with planes to be called in from as far away as California.

Cause of the crash was not known. The crew reported no trouble when making their last radio contact over Wink, Tex. The plane was returning from a flight to Brookley Field, Ala.

Shelley Winters Spats With Italian Spouse

ROME (AP) — Film Star Shelley Winters has walked out on her matinee-idol husband, Vittorio Gassman, after a quarrel which began when he thought there was too much ham in his Hamlet.

"We had quite an argument," the blonde dramatic actress said in a Rome hotel this morning after confirming that she left Gassman — at least temporarily — at Genoa on night before last. His interpretation of Shakespeare's Dane displeased her and they quarreled, Shelley reported.

She said Gassman talked to her last night by telephone from Genoa "but nothing was really settled."

Ulcers Bad for Cafe

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Classified for sale in a Memphis newspaper: "Cafe for sale. . . . Owner has ulcerated stomach."

Ford Warns on Sales Plan

Cautions Against Firm in Chicago Selling Cars at Discount

DETROIT (INS) — Ford Motor Co. today issued a warning against a Chicago mail-order firm which is offering to sell 1954 Ford cars to the nation's 150,000 National Guardsmen at 17 per cent below retail price.

L. W. Smead, general sales manager, stated:

"The Ford Motor Co. is not a participant in any such plan and has no knowledge that any Ford dealers have agreed to provide cars for such a purpose. . . . Individuals entering such arrangements should beware of the risk involved."

Another Ford official said the firm has warned Ford dealers not to sell to the National Procurement and Distributing Corp. of Chicago, but conceded there is no way to prevent them from doing so.

Charles Leggett, president of the 19-million-dollar-a-year mail-order house, said his firm has contracted with Ford dealers for 10,000 new cars. He said National Procurement would allow only \$15 profit on each auto. Leggett added:

"What's more, we are going to offer similar discounts on Chevrolts and Mercurys in a few weeks."

Announcement of the sale was made in a mimeographed bulletin, resembling an official military order, sent to all National Guard districts. Maj. Gen. Edgar C. Erickson, commanding officer of the National Guard bureau, denied any endorsement of the car-selling offer.

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statement, commented to newsmen:

"It has always been the Indian position that the two sides must agree to any detention of prisoners after Jan. 22. If the two sides do not agree, we will, of course, have to devise some means of releasing them."

A short time later, however, Thimayya said after an NNRC meeting, "This will have to decide how this problem is to be solved. If there is a wide difference we will have to discuss what to do."

The Communists are bitterly opposed to freeing the prisoners when the Jan. 22 deadline rolls around, demanding that a yet-to-be-convened Korean peace conference decide their fate.

Hull told Thimayya the armistice agreement clearly points out that the explanations period ended Dec. 23 — and that the prisoners be released 30 days later.

"We therefore cannot accept any alternate proposal," he said. The 21 American, 1 British and 327 South Korean prisoners who have embraced communism presumably would also be freed as civilians the same day the anti-Red POWs are released.

Strong Thief Lugs Off 100 Pounds of Pennies

GRAND RAPIDS, (UP) — Mel Jones reported to police that a burglar with a strong back stole \$300 from his tavern.

The money, mostly in pennies, was in two big bottles and the total weight was more than 100 pounds, Jones said.

Pontiac Deaths

Mrs. Albert Munson

Mrs. Albert (Gladys) Munson, 33, of 240 Hughes St. died Dec. 29 at Pontiac General Hospital.

She was born in Lebanon, Tenn., on July 22, 1920, the daughter of Robert and Mollie Denney Carr. She married Albert Munson here in 1951.

Mrs. Munson was a resident of the county for 30 years and was last employed at the Baldwin Rubber Co.

Surviving besides her husband is a son, Herbert Jones, at home. Other survivors include a brother and sister, Raymond Carr and Mrs. Cavell Corral, both of San Francisco.

Funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. from the Trinity Baptist Church, with the Rev. S. M. Edwards of the Liberty Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery. The body is at the Frank Carruthers Funeral Home.

Soviet Confirms Date for Parley

OKs Big 3 Acceptance of Jan. 25 for 4-Power Conference

LONDON (INS) — A dispatch from Moscow said today that Russia has sent identical notes to the American, British and French ambassadors confirming Jan. 25 as the date of the Big Four foreign ministers' conference.

The Big Three Western Powers accepted on New Year's Day the proposal of the Soviet Union to defer the projected Berlin meeting until Jan. 25.

The three Western powers originally had proposed Jan. 4 as the opening date, and in their Jan. 1 note expressed regret that Russia had not accepted the proposed earlier date.

The U.S. reply left unsettled the question of the exact place in Berlin where the discussions should occur, and agreed to a previous suggestion by Russia that this detail be worked out by the four high commissioners to Germany.

The American note reiterated American preference that the Big Four meeting on the German problem be held in the building formerly used by the four-power Allied Control Authority.

Two Men Are Held in Tavern Robbery

Pontiac Police arrested two men for investigation of unarmed robbery Saturday night about half an hour after a Birmingham man reported that he was strong-armed and robbed of \$15 and his wrist-watch in a Pontiac tavern.

The victim, Joseph Hoffmeister, 38, of 1292 Bird St., was able to furnish slight information of the pair's description after the robbery. Patrolmen James LaPonsie and Lawrence LaBair said they arrested a man answering the description and his companion in another tavern.

Hoffmeister later identified both men in a police shopup at the Oakland County Jail where they are being held.

Vienna Short of Water

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Warsaw newspapers reaching Vienna today reported a major water shortage in the Polish capital, caused by the low level of the Vistula River. Soldiers were working "night and day to relieve the situation."

1954 Ford Cars Unveiled Jan. 6

Higher Power Engines, New Front Suspension Are Featured

By DAVID J. WILKIE
AP Automotive Editor

New engines of higher power, a new ball-joint front suspension, a new hardtop model with tinted, transparent plastic roof over the driving compartment, and a four-way power seat, are among features of the 1954 model Ford passenger cars.

The new models will be introduced in dealer showrooms Wednesday.

Besides the other advances Ford also is offering power brakes, power steering and power-lift windows as optional equipment.

Styling-wise emphasis is being placed on bright exterior and interior body colors. There are 156 exterior and interior combinations and 13 single tone body colors, 10 of which may be ordered in 13 two-tone combinations.

Upholstery materials include broadcloth vinyls, woven plastics and nylons. In some models control panel and front door garnish moldings are in two-tone colors with matching colored steering columns and steering wheels.

The new 1954 line engines are a 130 horsepower Y-block, V-8 with overhead valves and a 115-horsepower six. The V-8 has been stepped up from the 1953 110 horsepower. The six is up from the 1953 model's 101 horsepower. Both are of the short stroke, low friction type and compression ratio is 7.2 to 1, virtually unchanged.

Both engines, under development for six years, are claimed by Ford to provide extraordinary fuel economy.

Ford's new ball-joint suspension is described by Ford Engineers as the greatest advance in front suspension in 30 years. It replaces the older type king-pin suspension. It is designed to permit up and down movement of the front wheels through the ball joints as the wheels travel over rough spots or directional movement as wheels turn right or left in steering.

The 1954 Ford line consists again of three lines—Mainline, Customline and Crestline—with 14 body styles.

Added for 1954 are three new body types, the Crestline Skyliner with front half of the roof of transparent plastic; a Crestline Fordor sedan and a new Customline two-door station wagon, called the Customline ranch wagon.

This year, for the first time the choice of V-8 or 6-cylinder engine is offered in all models.

Exterior changes include a new grille with the Ford center spinner, recessed parking lights and jet-type air scoop. Height of the crown of front fenders has been increased half an inch and headlamps have a new diagonal slant.

A single strip of chrome running the length of the car gives the new models a longer look.

Retained in the new models are the jet-tube tail lights.

Ford's four-way power front seat can be raised or lowered 1 1/2 inches and moved back and forth 4 1/2 inches by means of two electric motors.

The Fordomatic automatic transmission and the Ford overdrive also are continued as optional items.

Egypt's Envoy to Reds Home for Conferences

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Lt. Gen. Aziz El Masri, Egypt's minister to Moscow, arrived in Cairo today for consultation with his government.

Government sources said the envoy was bringing a detailed report on the Soviet Union's views on the Anglo-Egyptian dispute over the Suez and other Middle East problems.

Egypt's ambassadors to Washington and London already had returned home for consultations.

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Writer Says West's Hope for Peace Could Depend on Progress Inside Russia

(Editor's note: In articles printed earlier, William L. Ryan has reported on his observations in the Soviet Union. In today's concluding article, a summary of his findings on the progress of the Soviet government has been charted for itself and various pressures from its people, may hold hope for the West.)

By WILLIAM L. RYAN
AP Foreign News Analyst

The Soviet Union needs at least 10 years to get its "two to three years" internal development program on a firm foundation. In this fact lies perhaps the world's greatest hope for peace that will last.

In that 10 years, there is reason to expect, Moscow will avoid any risk of involvement in a major world conflict, even while attempting to hold its gains outside its borders. But with the many dilemmas and contradictions facing the Soviet Union, with its present trend of development, anything can happen.

Much of the Soviet Union today is like the America of the turn of the century, flexing its muscle. In today's world its development is likely to be swifter. But it faces years of road building, home building, machine production and transport development. The greatest obstacle in its way is the bureaucracy built up by the Communist party under Stalin. In order to approach successes promised, the government of Premier Georgi Malenkov will have to wield a willing knife against the red tape.

At any rate, the turning inward for which many in the West had hoped seems to be taking place. Along with this development comes a series of contradictions and dilemmas. Here are some:

1. While avoiding major war, the Moscow regime cannot afford peace in the non-Communist sense of the word. It has experimented and found it still needed the ferocious enemy at the door.

2. But, while telling the people on the one hand that they are threatened by an outside enemy armed to the teeth and ready to strike, the regime also tells them to make more refrigerators and vacuum cleaners, household goods and clothing, passenger automobiles and radios. Such propaganda could produce skepticism. People might logically expect to be told they must tighten their belts and make weapons if an enemy is at the gates.

3. Having promised the better life and advertised it so broadly and constantly, the new regime will be obliged to make some semblance of a delivery. It no longer has the absolute central power of the Stalin dictatorship, and its police arm has been weakened by the furious blood purge of Lavrenti, Beria and the MVD. For the pro-

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Liquor Raid Probably Most Quiet on Record

CLEVELAND (AP)—Police had to hold a written conversation during a liquor raid here last night.

After a period of questions and answers, the bartender was arrested on a charge of selling liquor on Sunday.

The clubroom is rented by the Cleveland Assn. for the Deaf and all of those present were deaf mutes.

Governors to Attend Conference in Detroit

DETROIT (AP)—All 48 U. S. governors have been invited to attend the two-day national governors' conference on mental health, Feb. 8-9 in Detroit.

It is the first such conference ever held, and grew out of a resolution by Gov. Williams at the last governor's conference in Seattle.

Heavy Haul for Thief

GRAND RAPIDS (AP)—A burglar took two large display bottles filled with \$300 worth of change and weighing more than 200 pounds from the Mel Jones tavern in the business area Sunday.

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French Toss Quick Attacks on Vietminh

HANOI (INS)—French air and ground forces threw a series of quick tactical punches at Communist-Vietminh forces today in the Dienbienphu and Red River delta areas.

Agence France Presse said French fighters and attack bombers harassed Vietminh supply lines in the region around the town of Dienbienphu. At the same time, French and Vietnamese ground forces carried out mopping-up operations in the delta country.

The ground attacks were designed to prevent the regrouping of some 70,000 well-trained and equipped Communist troops in the Red River delta. The French Command fears that these forces could mount an offensive against the Thai country.

The twin calamities of Stalinism and World War II held down the economic growth of the vast, rich and powerful country. The possibilities are all there. Industrialization, electrification, mechanization of agriculture have built a foundation. In the way stands the Soviet Communist bureaucracy plus the obsession with tremendous military strength.

All these things add up to hope for the world—hope that the present state of war without guns will gradually develop into something resembling peace.

Trusty Flees Jackson

JACKSON (AP)—Henry Nowocinski, 28, sentenced from Detroit April 14, 1950 to 1-15 years for assault to rob unarmed, walked away from southern Michigan Prison's West Farm where he was a trusty Sunday night.

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Ex-Prisoner of Reds Catches Up on News

HONG KONG (AP)—An American businessman just freed after three years in a Chinese Communist jail caught up on U. S. politics today.

Arnold Kiehn, 44, who arrived yesterday from Red China, asked a newsman:

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Plan 12 Nike Bases by Midsummer, 1954

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army reportedly hopes to overcome a half-year lag in its schedule for setting up Nike guided missile launching bases and have about 12 ready by midsummer.

Signs are that priority is being given obvious industrial targets such as the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area, Northern aircraft manufacturing centers like Buffalo and Seattle and the Chicago and nearby Indiana industrial complex.

Only one installation has been completed for the big missiles intended to seek out and destroy enemy aircraft. It is at Ft. Meade, Md., emplaced to defend Washington, and Baltimore. The goal is understood to be about 35 battery sites guarding the northern border of the United States.

Shortages of both equipment and trained manpower are understood to have hampered the program.

Released Patient Goes to Hospital Fatally Hurt

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP)—George S. Tingle, 74, homeward bound yesterday after three weeks in Good Samaritan Hospital, died at the same hospital two hours after being released.

Police said Tingle was driving home with his son Scott, 46, when their automobile was involved in a head-on collision with another car.



POP-EYED POOCH—Neighborhood kids in Ottawa Kan., get a big kick out of "Lady," who, as shown above, just loves to drink pop through a straw. The six-year-old pointer is the pet of Jo Ruth Igel.

POW No Hero in Army's Eyes

Authorities Would Like
to Softpedal Publicity
About Batchelor

TOKYO (INS)—Cpl. Claude Batchelor appeared today to be enjoying the limelight but Army authorities stated frankly they hope no one will try to make a hero of the soldier who once chose communism and then renounced it.

The 22-year-old Kermit, Tex., soldier asked for repatriation from the Indian-guarded prisoner-of-war camp in Korea early New Year's Day and was flown to Tokyo Sunday for a tear-filled reunion with his Japanese wife.

Batchelor was taken to Tokyo Army Hospital for a physical checkup.

Despite expressed concern over what was called "unfortunate" publicity, the Army announced that Batchelor will meet with newsmen at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow (11:30 p.m. Monday EST).

One highly placed officer said he did not think a soldier who admitted he was a leader of the so-called "progressives" or pro-Communist elements in prison camp in North Korea could be considered any sort of hero.

The officer pointed out that Batchelor could have asked for repatriation during the regular exchange of prisoners last summer and at any subsequent time before New Year's Day when he finally decided to forsake the Reds.

Rings Reported Stolen; One Detail Overlooked

WACO, Tex. (AP)—Mrs. Deriedean Howard reported yesterday three rings she'd pinned to her nightgown were missing when she awoke.

Police searched her house. No rings.

Shortly after they left, Mrs. Howard phoned the station again. She had found the rings, valued at \$750.

Mrs. Howard explained she had pinned them to her nightgown, all right, but had put the nightgown on backwards.

Police Guarding 265-Pound Thief

Powerful Lawbreaker
Faces Federal Charge
in Florida

MARIANNA, Fla. (AP)—Officers mounted a heavy guard over 33-year-old Jesse James Roberts, notorious South Georgia automobile thief and jail breaker, pending his federal arraignment today on a variety of charges.

He was scheduled to face U. S. Commissioner John H. Carter this morning.

The 6-foot-4, 265-pound criminal was captured without resistance at a Wewahatcha tourist court yesterday, but pulled a gun from between his legs and began firing wildly when an FBI agent and jailer began searching him at the Gulf County Jail a short while later.

The agent said Roberts was being stripped and it was "more or less a desperation move—we were down to his pants and taking them off." Two shots were fired, no one was hit and Roberts was immediately overpowered, the agent said.

One pistol had been taken from him at the tourist court.

The FBI and officers throughout the South—had been hunting Roberts since Dec. 20 when he overpowered a jailer half his size and broke out of the Greene County Jail at Eutaw, Ala., where he was being held on charges of forgery.

The FBI arrested Roberts yesterday on charges of interstate transportation of an automobile stolen at Eutaw when he escaped the jail there.

Astrologer Says Stock Market Predictions Tough

PARIS (INS)—Belgian astrologer Gustave Brahy, who predicts stock market fluctuations from the stars, complained today that his task is much more difficult than that of an astrologer who makes up personal horoscopes.

The personal astrologer, he said, could tell a man he was jealous and it was difficult to prove otherwise. But the predictions of a stock market forecaster are easy to check.

Nevertheless, Agence France presse reported, Brahy offered a prediction for the future. He said the present world crisis will continue for some time—as long as the earth remains within the influence of "the Uranus Pluto parallel."

Pope Reneives 381,534, Lists 84 Speeches in '53

VATICAN CITY (INS)—The Vatican news office announced that Pope Pius XII received 381,534 persons in audiences and made 84 major speeches in seven languages during 1953. Highlights of the Pope's year were the Jan. 12 consistory, when he created 24 new cardinals, and the opening of the Marian Year Dec. 8.

Dearborn Majorette Wins the Beauty Title

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. (AP)—Gail Gay Ponte is the "world's most beautiful majorette."

The pretty 15-year-old, from Dearborn, Mich., won the title last night at the world baton twirling championships at Johnstown, attended by more than 400 entries from all over America.

Rescue Team on Way to Plane Crash Site

PERPIGNAN, France (AP)—A ground rescue team made its way today toward the wreckage of a French military transport on a snow-covered peak in the Pyrenees. There was little hope that any of the 11 French military men aboard the plane had survived.

The plane disappeared Tuesday on a test flight from Algiers to France and wreckage was later sighted.

East German Labor Still Troubles Reds

WASHINGTON (AP)—A State Department publication says the Soviet-backed rulers of East Germany are practicing terrorism but reportedly are still encountering sit-down strikes and work stoppages.

Geoffrey W. Lewis wrote in the State Department Bulletin published yesterday that several thousand participants in the June re-

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Lewis, head of the Office of German Affairs, said some Communist leaders "heads have rolled" and that there are indications of a purge of those who favored leniency toward the rebels and major changes in the party program.

What a Pou!

CHAPELA, Spain (INS)—Enough is enough, said a Spanish husband,

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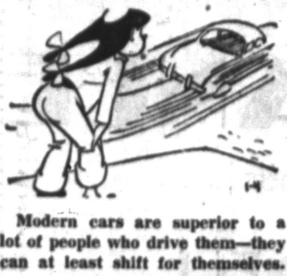
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Mary Margaret McBride Says:

Actress Buys Potted Fir, Later Plants It in Grove

A sad sight to me at this season is the discarded Christmas tree, still forlornly tied, rudely stuck in a refuse can on its way to the dump heap.

Mary Martin, the actress, was telling me the other day that she feels so strongly about discarded Christmas trees that she and her husband, Richard Halliday, have discovered a way to keep them. Each year they buy a young Douglas fir growing in a pot, decorate it and care for it as if it were a giant house plant.

Then, Twelfth Night past, they plant the little tree in a grove close by their house outside Norwalk, Conn., and now there is a living record of 15 merry family festivals.

Their daughter, Heller, 12, has a Christmas tree, growing there for every year of her life and one or two extras for dolls she particularly loved.

When I was 12, I had never had a Christmas tree, though there were plenty growing wild on our farm. The problem was thought, like most hard-working, just-ahead-of-the-mortgage farmers in our part of the country, that such institutions as Christmas trees were foolishness.

All the churches in our town had trees every year and children who went to Sunday School got presents off them, but the only home in which I ever saw one was the mayor's. When I went to deliver a pound of butter and a dozen eggs to the mayor's wife, there the tree was standing in the front room with a little smiling angel at the very top.

I decided then and there that if the Goetzes could have a Christmas tree, so could the McBrides. I planned for a whole year. As the next Christmas neared, I asked my mother if we could have a tree. She shook her head and said Papa would think it foolish.

Just then I heard Papa out at the woodpile, whamming away with his ax. That gave me an idea: I would make my brother Tommy take Papa's ax and cut us a tree, and once Papa saw it with popcorn and cranberry strings I knew he would like it.

Tommy wasn't enthusiastic. He reminded me that we were forbidden to touch Papa's ax and said if we hit a rock or nail with it the steel might chip and the ax would be ruined. But he finally gave in, as I knew he would.

So while Papa was milking next morning, we slipped into the woodshed, got the ax and trudged through the snow to a little rise where I'd seen some small cedars. The tree I chose was harder to chop down than I expected and once Tommy let the ax slip and it hit a rock. But at last we dragged the prize home and hid it behind the woodpile.

Papa had to chop some wood that evening and knew the minute he touched his precious ax that someone else had been using it. Tommy was the first suspect and, quaking, I came forward to shoulder my own guilt.

So we got what we deserved for taking Papa's ax—and we did not have a Christmas tree that year nor ever.

I can't even remember what happened to that little tree, though I'm so sentimental now. Probably we burned it in the kitchen stove.

From AP Newsfeatures



MISS MCBRIDE

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Miss J. D.—Coats in the new high-bloom fleeces, in frothy pinks or stark dramatic white, add spice to your black, navy or print dress in January. It is a span-season costume you can wear from now until really warm weather.



Try It Make Newspaper Apron

Newspapers can be used after the family has finished reading them. In fact, they can save you many hours during this new year, by "cleaning up" for you.

It seems that everyone always enjoys making things, but dislikes that after-work cleanup job. Today's Try It has a useful suggestion for newspapers after they have been ready by all of the family.

Here is the first person to receive one of the new original Try It drawings which are all ready to hang in your rooms. This is A. E. Christianson of Staten Island, N. Y. Congratulations.

What about you? Have you sent in an idea for Try It yet? I am waiting for your letter or card. Look at the drawing. Here is a handy work apron made from two double sheets of newspaper. When they are folded, they make four thicknesses of paper.

You will also need two snap clothespins. These should have an old shoelace, a piece of cord or some tape tied to them. The length of the cord will vary with the size of the person wearing the apron.

Tie another cord around your waist, tear the corners to fit under your arms, and you are ready for work. Mother and Dad will find this handy, too.

Bride's Aunt Not Wanted at Shower

Hostess Objects to Including Enemy in Guest List

By EMILY POST

A reader tells me: "I am going to give a shower for the daughter of a friend. Not knowing the bride's friends, I asked her mother for a list of the names of those who would like to come to a shower for Mary."

"Included in this list was the name of one of the bride's aunts. I have not spoken to this person for some time, and the bride's mother knows this."

"Wasn't it cheeky of her to expect me to invite this aunt to my house, knowing the circumstances, and can I take it upon myself to cross her name from the list?"

Answer: I think the bride's mother was trying to be a peace-maker, and put her name on the list in the hope that a truce might occur. At any rate, if you are serious about not inviting her to your house, you certainly can cross her name from the list.

Dear Mrs. Post: I would very much like to have your opinion of young girls, aged 13 and 14, wearing earrings to school. My daughter is 13 and is very much put out with me because I refuse to let her wear them.

She says that the other girls in her class wear them and she can't see why I won't let her do the same. I told her that I would agree to this if you said it was proper.

Answer: Long dangling earrings, or overlarge jeweled ones, would be very bad, but small button ones would be unobjectionable.

Sandbox Indoors

If you have a warm basement, why not place a sandbox there so the kids can enjoy a touch of summer fun even in the winter. Clean sand can be obtained from a tree or plant nursery.

Guest Wonders About Taking Present to Her Friend's Engagement Party

By ELIZABETH WOODWARD

"Dear Miss Woodward: I've been invited to the engagement party of a friend of mine and I planned to give her a gift. But I've since been told that gift-giving is not customary at this type of party. Is this true?"

"If it's not true, what type of gift is usually given? Something personal, or something for the home? Would it be improper to make my friend a gift of money?"

"Incidentally, the party is to be a buffet supper in a hired hall. Thank you for any assistance you can give me."

This party, from your brief description of it, is apparently to announce your friend's engagement. Maybe everyone is already aware of her "secret," just as you are. It's not going to be a surprise to anybody — it's just the occasion for celebrating the big news. In which case your friend and her family are having a big do to announce the news officially and generally — and gifts are not expected or indicated.

Showers may be planned for your friend — parties to which you also will be invited. You'll be expected to crash through with a gift for each such shower invitation.

But if it's not likely that you will be included in such parties before the wedding takes place, and you're very fond of your friend and want to give her an engagement present, make it something personal, and give it to her at any time that's convenient after the announcement party.

Money (except in large quantities) isn't as attractive as some luscious luxury daintily wrapped. At least I'd rather receive a fancy slip than some utilitarian old five dollar bill!

"Dear Miss Woodward: We went to a wedding some time ago, and the procedure at the reception had me completely puzzled.

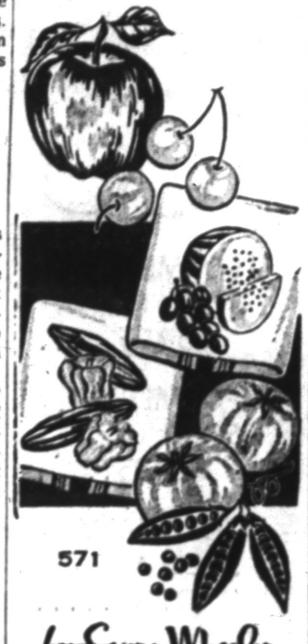
"Some of the guests would shake hands with the bride's parents, some with the bridegroom's — then everybody would shake hands with the bride and only a few with the bridegroom. I'm wondering who was right and who was wrong?"

At the usual wedding reception you're likely to find the parents of both bride and bridegroom standing in a receiving line with them and all the bridesmaids to greet the guests and receive everybody's congratulations.

I've been to weddings where the papa of the bride left the receiving job to his wife, and he floated around seeing to the serving of their guests.

When there is such a line, guests are supposed to start at the beginning and shake hands with everyone in it, muttering enthusiastic and glowing little speeches of compliment to each one. You're introduced by a name as you're passed down the line — and when you're introduced you shake hands.

Picking and choosing among the principals at a wedding is rather arbitrary, don't you think?



by Laura Wheeler

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City Visitor Has Recipe for Pudding

E. Lansing Woman Offers New Gelatine Dessert

By JANET ODELL

Pontiac Press Food Editor Mrs. D. M. Slack of East Lansing spent the holidays in Pontiac. She brought with her a new recipe for a winter pudding which we are happy to publish.

Mrs. Slack works with food daily as her job. She enjoys the many musical events that a college town offers its residents.

WINTER PUDDING

By Mrs. D. M. Slack

1 package lemon gelatine
2 cups boiling water
Dash of salt
1/2 cup raisins, finely chopped
1/2 cup cooked prunes, seeded and chopped
1/2 tablespoon citron, finely chopped
1/2 cup walnut meats, finely chopped
1/2 cup grapefruit
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon cloves

Add salt to gelatine dissolved in boiling water. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in fruits, nuts, grapefruit and spices. Turn into mold and chill until firm. Serve with whipped cream or pudding sauce. Makes 6-8 servings.

Sauce

Beat 1 egg until foamy. Add 5 tablespoons melted butter slowly, then 1 1/2 cups powdered sugar. Mix well. Blend in 1 cup whipping cream beaten stiff. Add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Makes about 6 servings.

Rug for a Sailor

Hand-knotted rugs, designed by Count Sigvard Bernadotte for the Swedish American flag ship Kungsbohm, are now available for U. S. homes through interior decorators. All designs bring to home the flavor of the sea, and come in any color combinations and sizes.

Boy Wants Same Love as Brother

Reveals Terror by Demanding Same Belongings

By MURIEL LAWRENCE

On Christmas the Browns gave their two boys chemical sets. Because Harry's contained two more vials than Marvin's, Marvin's resentment spoiled the day.

If Mrs. Brown buys a maroon sweater for Marvin that doesn't duplicate the one she gets Harry, he won't wear it. Explanations that the store doesn't stock the blue, turtle-neck type in his smaller size only irritate him. To get Marvin into a sweater, his mother has to ask the store to send to the factory for one just like his brother's.

I hope Mrs. Brown will soon be able to stop indulging Marvin's demands for duplicates of Harry's things. Because Marvin is not really interested in identical chemical sets and sweaters. What he is fighting for is a duplicate of the respect and interest his mother gives his older brother.

Unless she perceives this, she'll continue wasting time in explanations, in reproaches of Marvin's "selfishness." He is not selfish. He is afraid.

Instead of explanations and reproaches, he wants his mother to say, "Because your sweater is different from Harry's does not mean that I love you differently. You are quite as precious to me as he is."

Oh, he doesn't know he wants her to say it. Because he doesn't know he's afraid. To know that he's afraid he's loved less than Harry would force him to wonder if he is loved less.

That possibility would mean such hate of Mother that he would be overwhelmed with horror of himself.

I hope we begin to see why it's most cruel to call him "selfish." So, instead of giving cruelty to Marvin's fear, let's give it light. Let's lift it gently up out of the dark for him.

We do this when we say quietly, "A different sweater is never different love, darling." For we are, of course, denying what the terror is telling him. We are letting Marvin know that it cannot make us feel guilty and apologetic or alarmed.

And if our gentleness is sincere, our son will himself gradually accept his fear as unalarming, too. As he loses his terror of it, we can begin to speak of it openly to him until with us he learns to see how he has confused his need for identical things with his need for reassurance of identical love.

We mustn't let this competition for duplicate things go on. There are too many growing brothers and sisters racing each other for bigger incomes and identical cars. They never even suspect that they're still fighting for the biggest candy and identical chemical sets they fought for 25 years ago.

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