

### Senator Assails RFC Loan, Drags in Truman's Name

VALPARAISO, Ind. —(AP)—Senator Capehart (R-Ind.) said here that a \$37,000,000 loan by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to Lustron corporation was made at the insistence of President Truman.

Capehart recalled that he was a member of the Senate Banking and currency committee which studied the RFC loan to the Columbus (Ohio) prefabricated house manufacturing concern.

"The word came over that the president of the United States was insisting that the loan be made," Capehart said. When we investigated we found that the place was filled with people from Missouri."

The senator did not say from whom the word came. He said the RFC had repeatedly rejected the loan before word came.

His statement was made in a debate with Rep. Jacobs (D-Ind.) at Valparaiso university.

Capehart had said in a previous debate at Richmond, Ind., that the government is squandering money and mine over in Ohio on Lustron homes. Jacobs countered this by declaring that a Republican congressman who later became a Lustron official made the huge loan possible.

### Coal Gas Leak Kills Mother, 4 Children

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Deadly coal gas seeped through a small home undetected Friday day killing a 29-year-old mother and her four children, aged five months to six years.

Police described it as the worst single family tragedy in Scranton history.

Dead were Mrs. John Simon, a French war bride, and her children: Michael, 6, Francis Louis, 3; Jacqueline, 1, and Teddy, five months.

Jacqueline was to have celebrated her second birthday Monday.

The bodies were found by the husband and father when he returned from work.

Dr. Paul E. Kubasko, Lackawanna county coroner, said coal gas escaped from a defective choker in the basement of the home. The victims were asphyxiated.



ST. JOSEPH'S TROOP of Boy Scouts take time at lunch hour and after school to further the troop project of selling Christmas trees, which they have stocked in profusion in the church yard adjoining their school.

From the left they are: Front row, James Raade, Donald Lewis, Jerry Roberts, Ronald Kasper, Jim Harkin, Robert Parsons and Bobby Guse; second row, Larry Foster, Felix Durand, James Parsons, Donald Oddy, Tommy Martin, Paul Ryan and Jim Pinard.

Hope I got 'em all right. You'd thought I'd shot 'm with high explosive instead of a camera, the way they scattered when I pulled the trigger! (By Paul Jenkins).

### Sutherland

By MRS. BRITAIN SLACK SUTHERLIN—Clarence Malitz, who was confined to his home for the past two weeks with the mumps, is able to be out again.

Lloyd Holgate, student at University of Oregon, spent the weekend in Sutherland visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vera Holgate and other relatives and friends.

Edgar Slack, who was confined to his home for the past two weeks, was able to return to his service station last Wednesday after a siege of the mumps.

George Cornish left the latter part of the week and took Mrs. Jerry Vansteenberg to Seattle, where she was called by the serious illness of her brother.

Clint Bamber spent Sunday in this city visiting at the Brittain Slack home.

Delmar Murphy of Umpqua was a business visitor in this city Monday.

Henry Frotcher was a business visitor in Roseburg last Friday.

Mrs. Meryl Wahl and Mrs. Lola Rose shopped and transacted business in Eugene Wednesday.

Miss Myra Kamp and Mrs. Anna Good of Umpqua, who both underwent major operations at Sacred Heart hospital, Eugene several weeks ago, have improved enough to leave the hospital but they have to remain in Eugene for some time for medical treatment.

Ray Nichols of Eugene made several business calls in this city Tuesday.

Bill Rogers of Eugene, representing the Morton Salt company of Portland, was a business visitor in Sutherland Monday.

### Wealthy Honeymooners Robbed Of Jewelry

WEST LOS ANGELES. — (AP)—One of the world's wealthiest couples have reported the theft of nearly \$100,000 in jewels from their luxurious hotel honeymoon suite.

Suzy Stephenson Veiga, 27, who Dec. 3 married Antonio Mayrink Veiga, 47, multi-millionaire Brazilian industrialist, told police yesterday the jewels disappeared Wednesday or Thursday.

The loss included the former model's wedding present from Veiga, a \$40,000 diamond bracelet, as well as rings, earrings and necklaces set with diamonds, amethysts and topazes.

The bride, born in Birmingham, Ala., was wed at 18 to George Schrafft, candy fortune teller. She divorced him to wed Carlos Guinle, Brazilian coffee magnate, whom she divorced when she told the court he tried to make her a Brazilian wife.

As for Veiga, who owns railroads and maintains plants in Brazil, his bride said they would live in New York as well as in Rio de Janeiro.

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**Note To Santa: Boys Want Jet Planes, Girls Toy Pianos**

SANTA CLAUS, Ind. —(AP)—If Santa Claus makes his rounds in a jet plane this Christmas, you can be sure he took a hint from the youngsters.

"Almost all the boys want jet planes this year," said Santa, looking up from his big stack of letters. They've been coming in at the rate of 2,500 a day at Santa Claus postoffice.

"A surprising number of girls are asking for toy pianos," he announced.

Last year Santa and his helpers answered 30,000 letters, and postmaster Elbert Reinke thinks the number will go higher this year.

Helpers are members of the Santa Claus committee of the American Legion post here, as well as high school student typists.

During the year, Santa sometimes calls him self, Jim Yellig. But in December he hasn't much time for his restaurant business in nearby Mariah Hill.

"When I put on my outfit I live the part. I AM Santa," he said. And sure enough, his beard is as white as snow, and he's so fat he shakes like a bowlful of jelly when he laughs.

"No matter where I walk, the little hands go up wagging," he said.

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Mrs. Minnie Holmes of Sacramento, Calif., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cunningham. Mrs. Holmes plans to stay until after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cooper are visiting in Los Angeles with Mrs. Cooper's sister.

Mrs. Noble Standley has a new Buick and Mr. and Mrs. Oran Standley has a new Mercury.

Mr. and Mrs. Harmsen have just returned from a two weeks visit with Mrs. Harmsen's mother, Mrs. H. A. Davenport, who lives in Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Goodman and children, Eddie and Mary spent the weekend in North Bend.

Guy Jacobs has purchased the Shelton place and has moved his family there.

Mrs. J. H. Caldwell of Chester, W. Va., is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Meeks. Mrs. Caldwell is an aunt of Mrs. Meeks, and has been spending the winter in Fresno.

The next square dance in the school auditorium will be on January 4, from eight to ten p. m.

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