



ROSE QUEEN AND ROYAL COURT—Queen Eleanor Payne, who will preside over Pasadena's New Year's day festivities, and the six princesses forming her royal court, as they pose in formal gowns, at Pasadena, Calif. Left to right, front: Nancy June Robinson, Queen Eleanor, and Laurie Engdahl. Back row: June Roan, Billie Joe Hudnall, Norma Dragaset and Betsy Josi. (AP Wirephoto).

American Swimmers Win Titles in New Zealand

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — (AP)—Bill Heuser of Chicago, Jim McHale of Yale, and Wally Wolf of southern California won swimming titles in the Canterbury athletic games last night. Heuser, swimming for the Chicago town club, splashed through the 440-yard freestyle event in 4:58, establishing a New Zealand record. Barrie Kelleway of Australia was second with Alan Gilchrist of Canada, third. McHale, winner of the Olympic 1,500 meter title, took the 110-yard race in 1:39.9, finishing just ahead of Lucien Beaumont of Canada. Wolf defeated Roger Gibb of New Zealand by a foot in the 220-yard backstroke. The time was 2:39.6, cutting almost seven seconds off the listed New Zealand record. Irma Schumacher of Holland captured the women's 220-yard breaststroke in 2:30.6, almost nine seconds under the old New Zealand record.

Sooners, Wildcats Follow Different Paths To Bowl

NEW ORLEANS — (AP)—Oklahoma and Kentucky followed different roads to the Sugar bowl, but that'll be hard to realize when the two football teams get into action here Monday. Both teams throw a lot of passes, use a lot of deception and win a lot of games. But there is a big difference between them. Oklahoma, now working out at Biloxi, Miss., rose to become the nation's number one team, because its morale wouldn't allow a defeat. Kentucky took its place in the national spotlight because its team was willing to pay the price. Kentucky is holding drills at Baton Rouge, La.

Frozen Milk Routs Would-Be Holdup Man

DETROIT — (AP) A would-be robber turned into a "milk icicle" here. He tried to rob Mrs. Dorothy Kezol while she was returning from a grocery. But Mr. Kezol slammed a half-gallon milk carton over his head. The carton broke and milk streamed over his face. In the 20 feet zero temperature the milk froze almost instantly. He fled without any money.

Heligoland Use As Target Draws German Protest

HAMBURG — (AP)—A German prince today joined the protest invasion of Heligoland to win back that island—now a target for training Allied bombers—for its ousted inhabitants. The new recruit in the Heligoland crusade is Prince Hubertus Zu Lowenstein, a former anti-Nazi refugee who has been a bitter critic of Allied occupation policies since returning to Germany after the war. As Prince Hubertus set sail from Hamburg, six Germans were already on the island which has been barred to Germans and used for Allied aerial bombing practice since the war. British officials were reported considering drastic measures to halt the protest movement which was threatening to grow into a mass demonstration. The British, however, issued orders halting the aerial bombing of the target island until further notice—thus sparing the invaders from the threat of death by bombs. Heligoland, a small island of rock in the North sea 40 miles off the north German coast, was cleared of its 1,400 inhabitants in 1945. Since then no one has been permitted on the island, while British and American bombers have blasted it repeatedly in practice bombing raids. Germans have clamored increasingly for its return to their hands. The protest invasion began Dec. 20, with two German university students declaring they would stay on the island until bombed to death or until the island was "liberated." They left after two days, just as the British were ready to remove them forcibly. But they returned yesterday, reinforced by two former residents of the island. They found a Bremen taxi driver already encamped on the island, and fishermen reported that an unidentified German newspaper reporter had increased the invading force to six. Prince Hubertus fled Nazi Germany in 1933 and served as visiting professor of history and government in several American universities before returning to Germany in 1946. His mother was a daughter of a former British undersecretary of state, Lord Pirbright.

Culmore Leads Shoemaker With 378 Wins To 377

NEW ORLEANS — (AP)—Jockey Shoemaker is riding every mount he can get in a win-or-bust effort to overtake Joe Culmore, currently the nation's leading rider. Shoemaker rode four winners yesterday and Culmore three. That gave Shoemaker a total of 377 wins against 378 for Culmore. Shoemaker's agent, Harry Silbert, said yesterday he would have full cards (eight mounts) tomorrow and Saturday at the fair grounds in New Orleans. After Saturday's races, the jockey plans to fly to Agua Caliente, Mexico, to ride Sunday. The record, by Walter Miller (1906) is 388 firsts.

Orange Bowl Grid Teams Close Gates To Outsiders

MIAMI, Fla. — (AP)—A warm tropical sun greeted the Clemson college football squad today as it headed into its second mid-afternoon workout for a Jan. 1 Orange bowl date with the University of Miami. Both squads closed practice gates to outsiders but Coach Frank Howard of Clemson and Coach Andy Gustafson of Miami reported their teams in tip-top shape. Fullback Fred Cone of Clemson was probably the most inspired player on either squad, and no one had to see him work out to find out why—Orange bowl Queen Mary Davison of Miami greeted him with a lusty kiss when the Clemson squad arrived by plane yesterday.

Aid To Policeman Gets Man Rose Bowl Tickets

LOS ANGELES — (AP)—Little did Victor Perry think, when he threw a block at a gunman last Nov. 23, that it would get him into the Rose Bowl. Perry, a Santa Monica businessman, was driving on a boulevard when he saw a traffic officer held at gunpoint. He had stopped a motorist for a violation, and the latter had pulled a gun. Perry halted his car, jumped the gunman, and was wounded in the leg before the man was subdued. The policeman escaped injury. Thursday Perry received a resolution lauding his bravery, presented by Police Chief William H. Parker. A check from the Fire and Police protective league to cover his hospital and medical expenses. Two Rose Bowl seats, a gift from grateful police.

Jockey Ted Atkinson led the riders during the 196-day New York thoroughbred season with 164 winners. He had 1002 mounts. Eddie Arcaro was runnerup with 134 winners for 606 mounts.

German Barges Laden With Junk Held Up By Reds

BERLIN — (AP)—Three were German barges carrying scrap metal from Berlin have been held for four days in the Soviet zone, allied officials reported. They said they were pressing an inquiry into the case with Russian authorities, who have conducted a sporadic "battle of barges" with the west this year. Pending further investigation, the allied officials said no reprisals against Soviet zone barges in west Berlin canals were under consideration. In previous clashes over water traffic, the western powers have compelled the Russians to release West German barges by tying up eastern craft in Berlin. The new barge trouble came on the heels of an informal warning by the Soviet front command on the international frontier at Helmstedt that Germans would not be allowed to cross in allied automobiles. Allied officials said the warning was given orally, but even if it were in writing, they would not accept it. Many Germans are employed by the Western powers to drive government-owned vehicles, they pointed out. No serious delay of German drivers or passengers has been reported at the frontier recently.

Lumber Unions Slate Eugene On Wages

EUGENE — (AP)—Eugene area lumber and sawmill workers unions, AFL, have notified operators they wish to begin contract talks on wages. Eldon Kraal, secretary of the Willamette Valley District council of the union, said that meetings will probably begin within a week or two. No specific wage increase has been asked, he said. Members of the Willamette Valley Lumber Operators association negotiate as one body with the union's district council. Kraal said various operators not members of the association will also start wage negotiations soon.

Book Salesman Admits Slaying Of His Wife

OAKLAND, Calif. — (AP)—Ray B. Taber, 47, a salesman of children's books, Wednesday admitted in open court that he had strangled his wife in their hotel room here Sept. 29. The nude body of Mrs. Aurelia Taber, 48, was found on a bed in the room. There was a wilted orchid corsage on her bosom. Several weeks after Taber's arrest he admitted strangling Mrs. Claudia Elizabeth Yocum in a Cheyenne, Wyo., hotel, last August. Cheyenne police had a hold order against him. Taber's preliminary hearing was resumed in municipal court Wednesday. Taber was placed under oath. His attorney, Rupert Crittenden, said the defense wanted to waive further preliminary hearing. Taber spoke up. "Well, Mr. Crittenden," he declared, "it is my intention to plead guilty to second degree murder at this time." "Speaking very rapidly he added: "But I wish to state that it was without forethought or premeditation that I caused my wife's death."

Operators Wary Of Price Freeze

WASHINGTON — (AP)—Soft coal operators, with a wary eye on the unpredictable John L. Lewis, have been trying to persuade price Administrator Michael V. Disalle to keep the lid off coal prices indefinitely. For one thing, the operators have argued in conferences already held that coal prices are trailing last year's and profits are down from 1949, despite heavy production and expanding markets. The 25 cents a ton which the last March settlement with union Chief Lewis cost them was absorbed without a price boost, they said. A price freeze would bring with it controls on the miners' wages, and the operators—who don't look for trouble this year—are fearful that might stir Lewis to challenge the whole stabilization set-up. Reports circulating through the coal fields have it that Lewis soon will ask for another dollar a day for his miners—now getting \$14.75 as base daily pay. It also is rumored that the miners' boss will seek to increase the 30 cents a ton now paid into the United Mine workers welfare and pension fund. It is piling up at the rate of \$150,000,000 a year, but outlay is high. Figures on his welfare demand run from 3 cents to 10 cents more a ton. Lewis himself, who returned recently from a Florida vacation, hasn't tipped his hand. The contract signed last March 5, giving the miners a 70 cents a day wage increase and 10 cents on the welfare fund, was for two years, but either side may open it on 30 days' notice next April 1.

Foreign Photographer Ordered Out Of Mexico

MEXICO CITY — (AP)—John Roberts, free lance correspondent for an European photo agency, has been ordered to leave Mexico within five days. Roberts, a U. S. citizen, said he would appeal to the interior ministry to cancel the order. Guillermo Jimenez, chief of the press section of the ministry, said Roberts was ordered out to the country because his papers were not in order. Jimenez said the Association of Foreign Correspondents had informed him Roberts was not a member.

New Catholic Church Rises In Bethlehem

BETHLEHEM — (AP)—A new Roman Catholic church was dedicated Monday above the plain from which shepherds came to see the newborn Christ Child centuries ago. The little church, built on the ruins of a former edifice, was dedicated and named "Our Lady of Fatima and St. Theresa" by Archbishop Albert Gori, Patriarch of Jerusalem. The project was made possible by donations of \$28,000 from 5,000 American Roman Catholics.

Two Missing Girls Sought On Mountain

VANCOUVER, B. C. — (CP)—In a blinding snow storm, police sought two missing girls on Mount Seymour. They are Marilyn Long, 15, and her 13-year-old companion, Frieda Neufeld. Lightly-clad, the girls have been missing since about noon Tuesday when they separated from a Sunday school hiking party near the 13,100-foot level of the mountain.

Governor Advises Shortened Session

SALEM — (AP)—Governor Douglas McKay told his department heads they must help toward making the coming legislative session as short as possible. "We must make a supreme effort to do our part to shorten the session. We are in a state of emergency and don't want to waste our time making speeches when everyone should be trying to get a good job done in the shortest time it takes," he said. The department heads agreed to submit their bills to the legislature shortly after it meets Jan. 8. The governor said revenue and civil defense would be the chief matters to be considered by the legislature. "I will ask the legislature for a strong but not elaborate civil defense program because that and the tax problem will be the matters of the greatest importance. "This session will be one of the toughest in state history, and our job is to cut out anything we can get along without," he said.

Korean Actress Nabbed On Commie Aid Charge

SEOUL — (AP)—A South Korean investigation board announced today the arrest of an attractive Korean actress Sunday on charges of distributing Communist handbills. Col. Kim Chang Yong, chief of the board, said Kim Chook Ok, 25, was arrested in Seoul, in front of the municipal theater where several thousand people had gathered to hear Christmas carols. He said the handbills stated: "Let us welcome the North Korean peoples army crusade of liberty."

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