Violence Marks Texas Waterfront Strike

None to Go Hungry Here Today; Minto Invites All in Need

Christmas Dinner Baskets Sent Out by Charitable Organizations to **Hundreds of Families**

Thousands of Children Given Cheer; Elks, Veterans, Salvationists **Assist; State Wards Dine**

NTO man, woman or child need go hungry in Salem this Christmas day.

Chief "Santa Claus" Frank Minto of the city police department announced last night that any person not having other means of obtaining a Christmas dinner should come to the city hall around 4 p. m.

"Please announce that anyone-men, women or children-needing a Christmas dinner can get it here tomorrow,'

A bountiful dinner with chicken as the main course will be served to transients and local needy people alike at Hotel de Minto, which is located on the third floor of the city hall.

Charitable Salem organizations mobilized their forces yesterday in generous fashion to distribute dinner baskets, clothing and toys to hundreds of

with Robert Cole, chairman, was

in charge, estimated. They re-

painted by members of the Salen

fire department, more than 900

pounds of candy and a large quan-

Christmas tree party at which

they received candy, nuts, oranges

Although turkey will not be on

mashed potatoes and gravy and

string beans wil be served, fol-

lowed by pie and cake. Apples,

oranges, candy and nuts will be supplied for after-dinner munch-

turkey or chicken dinners, Chief Minto said.

Santa Gets Wet

soaked Oregon.

Snow-flakes,

clung to his whiskers.

for "occasional rain."

Visiting Oregon

But the general fall of snow

previously indicated as a possi-

bility failed to materialize. The

weather forecast for today called

however, and recipients of sleds.

skii and snowshoes were advis-

ed by the state motor association

to spend the day at Mount Hood

and other winter resorts to ob-

tain the full benefit of such gifts.

Snow fell in the mountains,

City jail prisoners will have

tity of nuts and oranges.

men who were in need.

Associated Veterans

Send 155 Baskets

Extensive Supply

Candy Bought

families and thousands of child-Three Are Killed, More than 2000 children attended the Elks lodge Christmas party during the day, Lou Thomas, who

in charge, estimated. They received clothing, toys, repaired and More Feared Dead; Store Scene of Disaster as **Explosives Ignite**

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 24-The Associated Veterans yesterfireworks store tonight killed at Christmas." day afternoon distributed 135 healeast three persons and injured vily-laden provision baskets, each an undetermined number.

also containing toys for children, An hour after the explosion firemen, hacking their way through the wreckage, had Salvation Army workers esti-mated they had supplied 625 perpressed fear several others had over. Workaday cares were lifted. sons with Christmas dinners in

delivering 125 baskets. Toys and At that time the firemen had clothing also were given out and last night more than 100 childof the building, which caved in. ren enjoyed the Army's annual It was said a number of persons | bles.

Christmas tree and special programs were held at vertually Bud Shaney, professional baseall of the state institutions on ball pitcher, said the fire probab- Tin Soldiers Are ly was caused by an open charcoal pot, around which employes were There will be other programs today including turkey and chick- gathered. Shaney said six to ten persons were in the store. en dinners with all the trimmings. At the Oregon State hospital more

than 1500 persons, including pa-Reed's Condition tients and attendants, will sit down to dinner at noon. Warden Lewis said a special dinner also Little Different had been arranged for the 1000 inmates of the state penitentiary,

Robin Reed, well known Salem wrestler, who attempted suicide brightened the day for French Approximately 4000 pounds of candy was required to supply the at his home here Monday morning, was reported to be about the several state institutions. There also was a liberal supply of nuts same at the Salem General hospital last night. Reed tried to take his life, police said, by first shooting himself and then hanging the bill of fare, prisoners in the from the ceiling in the basement Marion county jail will deliberate of his house. He was saved by his housekeeper and secretary. Swiss steak flanked by

Attendants reported that Reed seemed a little more cheerful yesterday than he has any time since being taken to the hospital. His critical by physicians who give him

Keep Christmas Entire Year

President's Advice on Radio

Peace "cking In Mary Lands On Christmas

Good Will Message Goes Forth From Officials of Church, Nation

America Rejoices, New Prosperity; Orient Spain Face Cloud

(By the Associated Press) Christendom recalled the savior's birth today in an atmosphere

of mingled joy and misery. "Peace" was the keyword in messages from leaders of church and nation to a world divided between prosperity and war.

The spirit of Christmas was soothing influence to that third of the earth's population which professes Christ. Millions ceased toil to turn their thoughts to oth-

The bells of Bethlehem pealed their annual message to a guarded city, where soldiers joined the crowds which watched traditional

In Rome, center of Catholicism Pope Pius XI rallied his strength for a plea for peace in a message heard yesterday over most of the globe. The pain-ridden pontiff, in a voice weakened by illness and quavering with emotion, offered his suffering for God's glory and the "peace and good of the entire Fireworks Blast church—and, in particular, for

Roosevelt Strikes Keynote in America

President Roosevelt led his na tion's observance. Speaking to people riding the swell of mounting business, he said yesterday in his his traditional message the western hemisphere had "render-(P)-An explosion in a downtown ed special tribute to the spirit of

By all indices the Lation was enjoying the best days since the 'boom" era. Pockets bulged with bonuses and pay increases.

The yule spirit brought relief to brought out three bodies, and ex- the needy and lonely the world The Christmas picture was a patchwork in lands beyond the not penetrated to the basement seas, with millions tense as war threats hovered over holiday ta-

Shell-torn and blood-spattered Christmas is observed through- Spain was a focal point for politiout this region with fireworks cal leaders of Europe. The population, divided in civil war, hoped for a yuletide truce.

Gifts of Goering

Germans set sparse tables under war-time restrictions. Reichsfuehrer Hitler, holding what leaders said was the key to a situation watched by three continents, took cognizance of the season. Like his chief aide, General Goering, he entertained children of the poor, and orphans. Goering's gifts were tin soldiers.

Pere Noel, different only in name from America's Santa Claus, children, whose fathers looked anxiously across conference tables toward the Rhine.

day observances in Great Britain. Led by the new King George VI, Englishmen rejoiced in the Christmas spirit. Sandringham house was aglow over resumption of the practices of his late majesty, George V.

On the other side of the earth, peoples of the orient watched events fearfully. China faced civil war. Japan awaited events which a fair chance to recover if compil- might decide between fascism and parliamentary government.

Glory to God in the Highest; and On Earth Peace, Good Will to Men



Santa Is No Myth

Truck-Loads of Toys and Other Gifts Received by Stricken Town

BANDON, ORE., Dec. 24-(AP)-Fire-stricken Bandon laid down its tools of reconstruction tonight cheered by the knowledge Oregon had opened its heart to destitute families and hundreds of children a yuletide long to be remembered.

Truck-load after truck-load of toys, books, all manner of gifts. and much-needed merchandise arrived from all parts of the state. Christmas baskets went to famlies all through the area ravaged by the conflagration Sept. 26 when at least 10 persons lost their lives in forest fires along the southern Oregon coast. Santa Is on Hand

In Bandon, wiped out by the blaze, scores of children saw a free movie and received sacks of candy today, and a live Santa Claus appeared as a messenger of good will and gifts this after-

Three entertertainments will be held Christmas day. The women's club committee said it was possible enough clothing and non-perishable staples would be left over to continue the Christmas message well into the

Rebuilding of the city is well

Second of Motor Strikes Settled

By the Associated Press The second strike settlement in two days in the automobile industry topped yesterday's developments in the nation's far-flung

Two thousand members of the united automobile workers, on strike for several weeks, decided to accept the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel company's proposal for a settle-ment. Operations in the Detroit plants are to be resumed Monday. Previously, striking employes at the Aluminum Company of America's auto parts branch at Detroit accepted a settlement.

Wines Recovers, Leaves Hospital

Apparently recovered from effects of poison tablets he swallowed Wednesday afternoon, Albert Wines, 51, 1073 Oak street, was discharged from Salem Deaconess hospital yesterday morning. Dr. E. E. Berg, city health officer, who handled the case, said Wines apeared in good condition but the danger of reaction from the bichloride of mercury tablets the man took before walking into police headquarters Wednesday still

Efforts were being made to obtain admittance for Wines to the veterans hospital at Portland.

Another "Meanest" THE DALLES, Dec. 24-(A)-

Soldiers in Bethlehem to Odell Arabs Take Part in Annual Worship

25-(Christmas)-(AP)-Worshippers from many lands thronged the ancient Church of the Nativity and the adjoining St. Catherine's church early today in a joyous celebration of Christ's

their saviour were government officials and their wives, camel drivers, water carriers, townspecple and British soldiers, many of whom were rushed out to Palestine to quell the violence arising from the Arab strike against Jewish immigration.

Carols Are Sung By English Choir

and continued for an hour and a half. At its close the aged patriarch took the image of the Christ a procession through the Church tual place of Jesus' birth.

robed ecclesiastic placed the image in a manger where it is to lle until Epihpany, January 6, the day several of the eastern churches send representatives to the church to celebrate their Christmas.

Start Next Week

Delivery of concrete pipe to the site of Salem's new water supply line, near Stayton, will egin next week, it was reported at the office of the American Concrete & Steel Pipe company, 12th and Howard streets, yesterday. Actual laying of the line, however, will not get under way before the first of the new year. Several thousand feet of pipe, manufactured at the 12th and Howard street plant, is now

Approximately 300 feet a day is being fabricated by a spining process. Each section is tested under 70 pounds of water pres-Concrete work on the new

Key to Future Is Paris View

French Threaten Aid for Defenders If Reich Helps Fascists

Italy Withdraws; Break in Solid Front Now Hope of Britain

PARIS, Dec. 24-(P)-The key to war or peace in Europe was Chan-cellor Hitler's decision -whether to send 60,000 German soldiers to Spain, foreign office officials indicated tonight.

Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos awaited Hitler's word on the request of Gen. Francisco Franco to send troops to aid the Spanish fascists.

Delbos conveyed to Count Johannis von Welczeck, German ambassador, the French government's concern, and hinted a French army might go to the aid of Madrid-Valencia socialist gov-

ernment, reliable advices said. Foreign office circles said they had reports that five German army divisions were fully equipped and ready for immediate service in Spain, if the reichstuehrer should command. Only Experts Sent

So Far, Indicated Officials who charged Germany thus far had sent only technical experts or aviators to aid the Spanish insurgents, admitted the decision would be a difficult one for Hitler because "if men are

not sent, Franco will probably the war." Celebrates Again official said, "will go Germany's hopes for political influence and "With loss of the war," one obtaining raw materials that only

fascist Spain can give her. "On the other hand, if men are sent there will be the risk of European war which Germany in her present economic condition, can hardly stand."

The foreign office spokesman added that Italy, which with Germany recognized the fascist completely" withdrawn Spain following a favorable turn in her negotiations with Britain for a Mediterranean agreement.

LONDON, Dec. 24-(AP)-Britain striving in cooperation with France to keep the peace in Europe, tonight studied chances of breaching the solid front of the fascist nations as a means

to that end. Authoritative quarters indicated that aid to Germany in her economic difficulties might lesson the danger of the Reich intervening in the Spanish civil war, while prospects of lessening Italy's attachment to the fascist bloc through the pending British-Ialian Mediterranean accord were said to be good.

British observers took view that France was "over excited" by reports Germany was considering sending 60,000 troops to Spain, but that such a step would mean "a nasty war in Spain."

Pedestrian Killed PORTLAND, Dec. 24-(AP)-Alex Mohr, 57, became the second holiday season traffic accident victime in Portland today. Driver of the car which struck and fatally pary 14, Yambill January 21,

injured him was not held.

Hitler Holding Seamen Are Beaten And Dispersed for Defying Picket Ban

Threat to Attack Police Station Is Reported; Chief Gives Permit For Peaceful Patrolling

Coast Union Heads, Shipowners Hand Each Other Blame in Answers to Labor Secretary's Peace Plea

OUSTON, TEX., Dec. 24—(AP)—Police, using tear game clubs and firing guns into the air, routed striking rank and file seamen on the waterfront tonight after the sailors had defied orders from Lieut. J. E. Murray to cease

Some 15 seamen were beaten as police broke through picket lines three times and later visited cafes and beer parlors in the vicinity, evicting seamen wherever they were

Shotguns and revolvers were fired skyward and the waterfront was thrown into a near panic as the strikers' picket lines were broken and reformed.

Police first reported that the seamen had attacked the police station. Later, Lieutenant Murray, who had been in

Raid by Fascists Upon

Besieged Madrid

MADRID, Dec. 24-(AP)-War crowded into Madrid's Christ-

mas eve celebrations tonight as

fascists bombers raided the eap-

ital and the socialist capture of

a German freighter was reported

Several were injured in the

air raid as the insurgent craft

dropped two bombs in the center

of the city and rained missiles

on the Arguelles district when

Madirlenos were about to eat

A report from Bilbao said the

German freighter Palos was

brought into the harbor there,

escorted by two socialist govern-

ment gunboats, after officers al-

legedly had found "contraband"

destined for the fascist insurg-

The German ship en route

from Hamburg was reported to

have been proceeding to Pasajes,

tian, with a cargo of \$1,500 tons

of merchandise for the fascists.

New Farmers to

this state since 1933.

Douglas January 22.

Receive Pointers

12, Lane January 13, Marion Jan-

It was understood the agree

ment was applicable to Seattle,

Tacoma, Vancouver, Wash., Long-

view, Wash., and Portland, and

Spanish seaport near San Sebas-

their Christmas eve suppers.

from Bilbao.

since the strike started 55 days Socialists Seize ago, said he had ordered the pickets to disperse but that the seamen refused to leave and threat-German Freighter ened to storm police headquar-

Then, Murray said, police Several Injured in Aerial charged the picket line. The pickets fled. Officers chased several seamen into alleys, firing at them with tear gas guns.

Acting Chief of Police R. T. Honea rushed to the waterfront and tried to quiet the situation. He gave strikers permission to resume picketing as long as they were peaceful. He relieved Murray of duty on the waterfront and sent him back to his regular as-

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24-(AP) Strike leaders and shipowners cut loose at each other with a jolting Christmas eve barrage of charges tonight in assuring Secretary of Labor Perkins they were eager to make speedy peace on the waterfront.

The union leaders told Miss Perkins the employers were plotting to split their "solid front" and to "mislead the public."

Employers reported to the labor secretary that "subversive" union leadership and a personal feud between maritime strike spokesmen were delaying peace. Each asked Miss Perkins to hurry the other in the peace-

The labor secretary had urgently requested both elements to hasten peace, asserting "public interest requires that these negotiations be completed promptly,

Indications of a possible break in the "solid front" disappeared CORVALLIS, Dec. 24-(A)-Agri- from the surface at least when cultural problems peculiar to Ore-Harry Lundeberg, sailors union spokesman, repudiated a subordgon will be aired at a series of January meetings for the benefit inate's published attack on Harry of the 5,000 persons settling in Bridges, powerful leader of the longshorement. Dates for the meetings: Benton However, Bridges was attackcounty January 11, Linn January

ed from another union quater when Paul Scharrenberg of the international seamen's union denounced him as "an alien blatherskite" and "a blustering knave" in an address before the San Francisco commonwealth club. Peace negotiations, precarious-

days, came to a full stop for the holiday as the shipowners turn-ed to social activities and the strikers prepared for restricted celebrations under strike condi-

Both sides indicated to Miss Perkins, however, their desire to get back to the peace table as soon as possible, and mestings were tentatively arranged for Saturday.

Harry Lundeberg In Salem Briefly

Harry Lundeberg, secretarys treasurer of the Sailors Union of the Pacific, was a visitor in alem briefly last night but not for a long-enough period to be interviewed.

It was reported that Lundeberg, union spokesman in the strike negotiations, on his way to Porte land to present details of the pro-posed settlement, was notified en route that provisions of the 1936 maritime act would go into effect tomorrow and decided to return tion. The union is opposed to cer-The board's plan called for re- tain features, but had understood

Of Log Trucker's Death

Blowout Indirect Cause

Everett, 41, Myrtle Point,

tion tonight to keep Christmas (By the Associated Press) It was propably a mighty wet Lighting a tall community Santa Claus who returned to his tree in Lafayette Square, he turnfamiliar haunts this morning after an all-night trip over rain-

ed to the radio with a message from his favorite Christmas story -Dickens' "Christmas Carol." "On this eve of Christmas," he said, "I want to quote to you the pledge of old Scrooge when, after many vicissitudes, he had come to understand in his heart

opportunity of Christmastide: "I will honor Christmas in my heart and try-to keep it all the year. I will live in the past, the present and the future. The spirits of all three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons that they teach." Task Is Impeded

The president thus shared with the nation a Roosevelt Yule-COQUILLE, Ore., Dec. 24.-(AP) reads the Dickens story to his gifts to members of the White died today as a result of injuries Last night he finished this year's hold staff and police. incurred when a tire blew out on family reading under consider- Like millions of other incurred when a tire blew out on family reading under consider-his logging truck. He was crushed able difficulties, with little Ruth the president's will get up early by a log. The cab of the truck was Chandler Roosevelt, his 21/2-year- tomorrow to explore its Christold granddaughter, insisting on mas stockings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24-(AP)- | climbing into his lap or running gayly about the room. He minded not at all, calling for her first of all the grandchildren when he awoke this morning. Two automobiles of Roosevelts,

among them the president's mother and the first lady, were present as the president broadcast the pledge of old Scrooge and went on to tell of another present day pledge. "We of the western hemis-

phere," he said, "have this year rendered special tribute to the spirit of Christmas, for we have ledged anew our faith in the arbitrament of reason and ractice of friendship." After the president's party, Mrs. Roosevelt spoke at another

Christmas tree in an alley of the

capital's negro section. In other

alleys where poor families live,

hundreds gathered about radioequipped cars to hear her greet-Earlier in the day, Presiden tide custom. Each Christmas he and Mrs. Roosevelt distributed

Bandon Discovers Place of Nativity

BETHLEHEM, PALESTINE,

While the bells of the town, six miles south of Jerusalem, rang out their Christmas message, hundreds pushed into St. Catherine's, to find rows of nuns saying In the crowd come to honor

Outside, as the throng awaited his beatitude, the white-bearded Latin patriarch, to celebrate the pontifical mass, a Church of England choir sang Christmas carols.

The mass began at midnight child from the high altar and led of the Nativity, down into the grotto which since the second century has been considered the ac-

The bells chimed again as the

Pipe Delivery to

stored in the curing yard there.

Fairmount hill reservoir had been finished yesterday and dismantling of the large cement batching tower was in progress. A considerable amount of cleanp work remains to be done

Corn is Unloaded; Flareup Over Worsted Strike Occurs PORTLAND, D c. 24-(A)-The | an agreement on wages and work

peaceful conclusion to current ing conditions for 1937. worries of Oregon poultry pro-ducers, and a flare-up of bitter feeling occasioned by the re-opening of the Oregon Worsted mill culminated pre-Christmas labor controversies in Portland today. unloading of 4700 tons of Argentine corn from the ship Primero, under special arrangement be-tween union officials and owners

of cooperatives said was badly needed by chicken raisers. The outbreak at the Oregon Worsted mill, which reopened with a skeleton crew yesterday, came when 25 employes went through picket lines to work. William Meier, 22, who gave his occupation as an artist, was ar-

Inciting Crowd to Break Lines, Charge

Captain W. C. Epps, head of a detail of Portland police, said the arrest quieted the sullen attitude of 50 or 60 strikers. He said Meier had been inciting the crowd to break police lines, and that the lines could not have been held without use of force.

Fourteen-year-old Eulie Johnson, given \$15 for Christmas shopping by her blind and invalid father, laid her purse on a counter to examine merchandise. The purse hill water tank has been completed.

Co-incident with the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the work of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the work of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment to the primero was an announce-ment today that grain exporting that the unloading of the Primero was an announce-ment to the primero was an

that employes would receive a wage increase of 15 cents an hour provided they are able to return to work imediately to handle grain between cars and docks but not between docks and ships prior to the end of the maritime strike. The agreement under which a part of the Primero's cargo moved of the corn which representatives shoreward provided that longlongshoremen receive \$1.20 an hour, the wage demands involved

in the maritime strike, and a sixhour day. Half of each man's pay will revert to a strike fund, Re-opening of the worsted plant followed the company's ac-ceptance of a temporary settlement plan offered by the state labor conciliation board, John O'Neill, labor representa-

tive on the board, said today, Roy Bishop, president of the plant, gave this board the run-around by opening so soon, . . . The union feels it got a raw deal and that feels it got a raw deal and that immediately to San Francisco to a public hearing should have been attend to matters in that connect