

The Weather
Unsettled with local rain or snow today and Sunday, little change in temperature; max. temp. Friday 47.5, min. 38; river 4.5 feet.

Chinese Leader Reported Safe in Nanking

Youth Shot at Olympia Gives Salem Address

Claims to Have Escaped Sheriff Here While on Way to Prison

Local Officials Believe He May Be Fugitive From Bend Sheriff

OLYMPIA, Dec. 25—(AP)—A man giving the name of Burrell Gaddin, 25, Salem, Ore., was shot in the left arm here tonight by Detective Captain Ray Hays who said Gaddin tried to escape after being arrested by patrolmen responding to a burglar alarm.

Captain Hays said Gaddin had been searched before he was put in a police car, but the prisoner drew a revolver and demanded his release as he was being removed from the automobile at headquarters.

Hays fired, striking Gaddin's arm. Under questioning, Gaddin admitted having escaped from a sheriff at Salem while being taken to jail, Hays said.

Placed in Hospital Under Guard
A guard was placed over the prisoner in a hospital.

Sheriff's deputies, city and state police and penitentiary officials have no record of an escaped prisoner by the name of Gaddin. They decided last night. They believe, however, that the man shot in Olympia may be Chris Aitken, 20, who escaped from a Bend hospital while awaiting transfer to the penitentiary. Aitken made his getaway October 29.

State police are to check with Olympia authorities today to compare descriptions and finger print records of the men.

Daughter Born to Duchess of Kent

LONDON, Dec. 25—(AP)—The Duchess of Kent gave birth to a daughter today—sixth in line to the throne of Great Britain.

The baby, as yet unnamed, is the second child of the youngest of the brothers Windsor and his wife, the former Princess Marina of Greece. They were married on Thanksgiving day, 1934, and their first child, handsome Prince Edward George Nicholas Paul Patrick, was born on October 9, 1935.

Sir John Simon, the home secretary, whose presence at the birth of either a prince or princess is required by constitutional practice, was among those at the Belgrave Square home of the Duke of Kent when the little girl arrived.

Both she and her mother were reported to be making satisfactory progress.

Injections Given As Pope Weakens

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 25—(AP)—Pope Pius XI, in periods of weakness, twice submitted today to injections to rally him from the exhaustion of his brave Christmas message of peace to the world.

Dr. Amanti Milani, his physician, noticed an appreciable depression in the holy father's condition on two distinct occasions and administered injections to bolster him.

The setbacks were believed to be a favorable reaction from the half hour broadcast which the stricken pontiff made yesterday from his sickbed.

Throughout the day his holiness seemed enveloped, more than ever before, in prayer.

He did not arise, but assisted from his bed at a Christmas mass, celebrated in the chapel adjoining his room.

Pickets Abandon Posts for Dinner

PORTLAND, Dec. 25—(AP)—Seven hundred members of the various unions involved in the maritime strike had Christmas dinner at the joint union soup kitchen.

Only a handful of pickets remained along the waterfront. The majority of married strikers stayed at home to provide as much Christmas as their dwindling purses would permit.

Such Luck! Sleds From Santa Claus But No Snow

PORTLAND, Dec. 25—(AP)—Many fine new sleds under Christmas trees went right into storage today. Portland enjoyed cool, brisk weather and a combination of sunshine and shower.

Merchants Say Trade 20 Per Cent Greater Here, Christmas Time

Some Find Business Best Since ; Look Ahead to Bright New Year; City Feasts, Rests; Meals Provided for All Needy

Seamen Plan to Picket Congress

Object to Discharge Book Provided in Copeland Maritime Act

NEW YORK, Dec. 25—(AP)—Plans of striking seamen to picket the next session of congress as an expression of opposition to government moves regarding continuous discharge books for employes on American ships were announced today by Joseph Curran, head of the strikers' strategy committee.

A committee of six men representing the sailors', stewards' and firemen's units of the International Seamen's union, Curran said, has been appointed by the strikers to recommend amendments to the Copeland act, which embodies the plan.

Blacklisting Opportunity Is Protested
He said the men are opposed to terms of the law which they charged, give ship owners opportunity to blacklist employes for union activities or for reasons not connected with their ability as seamen.

Markle Girl Able to Stand on Own

PORTLAND, Dec. 25—(AP)—Little Lou Ann Markle, rushed to Portland nearly a year ago by plane, boat and train, stood on her own feet today and said "hello" to Santa Claus.

A few months ago doctors doubted if the child, suffering from a leg infection, would live.

The plucky youngster from Alaska lost her parents in a northern airplane crash last September.

Special crutches assisted her in walking today but doctors at the Sh. Burns' hospital for crippled children are confident she will soon walk alone.

Springfield Lad's Injuries Mystify

EUGENE, Dec. 25—(AP)—Donald Mathison, Springfield youth, was injured in a mysterious crash this afternoon near the Springfield airport, and was taken to a local hospital where he was reported to be suffering from "critical" injuries.

He was found by passing motorists, who were unable to get details of the accident. Mathison had been driving a motorcycle.

Edward Reads Scripture at Anglican Service in Vienna

VIENNA, Dec. 25—(AP)—Edward, Duke of Windsor, read the story of the nativity from the lection of Vienna's English church today.

His unexpected decision to participate in Christmas services of the Anglican faith was interpreted by some as an answer to reports he might leave the church because its leaders, the archbishops of Canterbury and York, have so sharply criticized his momentary romance with Wallis Warfield Simpson.

The former monarch's part in the service was that of lay reader. He read the second scripture lesson, St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews, the British minister, read the first.

The Rev. C. H. D. Grimes, chaplain of the British legation, preached on "Womankind."

GANNES, France, Dec. 25—(AP)—The Duke of Windsor and Wallis Simpson exchanged Christmas greetings by telephone today.

Wally's Call Through
The call between balmly southern France and chilly Vienna was put through by Mrs. Simpson, shortly before she left the villa Lou Viei where her host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rogers, had Christmas luncheon with "Aunt Bessie" (Mrs. D. B.) Merriam at a hotel.

SANDRINGHAM, Eng., Dec. 25—(AP)—England took a long step to normal in the Christmas quiet of Sandringham today.

A new king and queen, George VI and Elizabeth, with their little princesses, attended Christmas services in the chapel where George V and Queen Mary once worshipped.

Reaper Calls Upon Brisbane Christmas Day

Noted Columnist's Death Is Caused by Slight Heart Seizure

Highest-Paid Newspaper Writer Began As Cub 53 Years Ago

NEW YORK, Dec. 25—(AP)—Arthur Brisbane, 72, the voice of "Today"—the newspaper column known to millions—died Christmas morning.

America's highest-paid newspaper writer, the veteran newspaperman succumbed to a heart seizure in his Fifth Avenue apartment at 5:30 a. m., 12 hours after he had written his last column for Christmas day editions.

Dictates Last Column Following Heart Attack
The end came peacefully, as he slept. He had suffered a mild heart attack yesterday afternoon but recovered sufficiently to perform his daily task of dictating approximately 800 words of timely editorial comment on the news of the world—a syndicated column which was the mainstay of his \$250,000-a-year salary.

The last word in his final column, epitomizing his own success story was "imagination." Shortly after "reading proof," the famous editor drifted off to sleep under an oxygen tent. He had been ill for several days, a member of the family stated, but with characteristic concern (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

Sun Paints Rare Picture on Hood

Late Afternoon Break in Clouds Affords City Beautiful View

Sight-seeing Willamette valley residents yesterday afternoon were treated to an unusually beautiful view of Mt. Hood, illuminated by a late afternoon sun.

The clouds which had blanketed the valley all day broke slightly and permitted rays of sunshine to burnish the mountain to a golden shade. Blue foothills below and dark clouds above formed a natural frame to the alpine painting.

Salem experienced a mild Christmas day with rain falling gently toward evening. The maximum temperature was 47.5 degrees and the minimum 38.

The forecast for today and Sunday by the weather bureau with little change in temperature.

Betrayal Charged To Madam Perkins

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Dec. 25—(AP)—C. H. Jordan, secretary of the San Pedro joint strike committee, charged in a telegram he sent today to President Franklin D. Roosevelt that Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins had "betrayed" the maritime unions.

The accusation was made in connection with the Copeland bill's "Fink book" and seamen's certification clauses, which Jordan asserted the maritime unions had been told would not be enforced.

The Copeland act becomes effective in mid-January under a 20 day extension order issued by Secretary of Commerce Roper.

The unions want a 90-day extension in order to argue against the bill.

Drunken Burglar Fires in Flight

NORTH BEND, Dec. 25—(AP)—A burglar took a parting shot at Mr. and Mrs. Isaac R. Tower and then leaped through a window. He left behind a heap of silverware, all ready for removal.

He took several guns. Police discovered bullet holes on the walls and floors and said the intruder apparently was drunk. They also found an empty wine bottle.

Eighth Auto Victim in Month Dies, Portland

PORTLAND, Dec. 25—(AP)—Portland's eighth traffic fatality since the start of the police year on December 1 occurred today with the death of Mrs. Minnie E. Cassidy, 61. She died of injuries received yesterday.

President Term Limit Proposed



He'll ask the next congress to sponsor amendment limiting presidents to single six-year term, said this bewhiskered Boston representative, George Holden Tinkham, yesterday.

Northwest Plane Believed Nearing

Ground Party Camps 3 Miles From Spot Noted By Guard Airmen

SPOKANE, Dec. 25—(AP)—Radio messages received at Fort George Wright here tonight said a ground searching party is camped for the night only three miles from the spot where Washington National guard flyers reported having seen this afternoon a snow-covered object they believed to be the wreckage of the Northwest Airlines transport that crashed in northern Idaho December 18.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 25—(AP)—Driving snow brought discouragement tonight to crews seeking a Western Air Express transport, missing since December 15 with seven persons.

Aviators participating in the disheartening 11-day hunt for the lost airliner watched mounting snow with concern.

Continued fall, they said, would blot out all trace of the big ship until spring.

Fascist Blockade On Ports Ordered

Mining of Harbors Held "Necessary"; Madrid Is Bombed Again

AVILA, Spain, Dec. 25—(AP)—The Fascist command here tonight proclaimed all government-held ports in northern Spain "closed to commerce."

It said the insurgent administration found it "necessary to mine" the ports in the power of the government.

MADRID, Dec. 25—(AP)—Christmas bombs and shells smashed death and hatred into the streets of Madrid today.

At least five persons, one of them a woman, were blown to bits.

A score of others were wounded.

Between 4 and 5 p. m. insurgent gunners sent twenty high explosive shells into the heart of the besieged city. Half a dozen landed in the streets; the others "closed to commerce."

For an hour and a half the central part of the city, filled with thousands of Christmas day strollers, was a place of tragedy and terror.

Broadway Flooded By Break in Main

PORTLAND, Dec. 25—(AP)—A broken water main turned lower Broadway and the surrounding blocks of downtown Portland into a lake tonight.

Water a foot deep covered the area, halting traffic and cutting off water from many homes and buildings on the west side of the river.

Firemen kept sewers open and police diverted heavy traffic to side streets. Water was as high as fenders on parked cars.

Reed's Condition Improves Friday

Robin Reed, professional wrestler, who attempted suicide here Monday, was improving yesterday, hospital attendants reported. He is now given more than an equal chance for recovery.

Yule Day Cheer Marred By 265 Mishap Deaths

Automobile Accidents Get Blame for 224 of Day's Numerous Fatalities

Stabbings, Gunshot and Drownings Have Part; Boy Dies in Cave

Violent deaths changed Noel gaily into grieving at many fire-sides of the nation yesterday.

At least 265 were counted dead after the merry-making of Christmas eve and Christmas day—224 of them killed in motoring accidents.

Yule weather in many parts of the land was exceptionally gentle. Clear skies and comfortable temperatures brought motorists out in thousands, a fact to which the volume of accidents was largely traceable.

15 Drowned When Launch Upsets
At Kingston, Jamaica, at least 15 persons were drowned when an excursion launch capsized and sank in the harbor.

Carelessness and ill-fortune, too, claimed other lives to blight the holiday season with untimely deaths by fire, gunshot, stabbings, train and airplane mishaps and firecrackers.

Twenty-three of Illinois' 23 fatalities were attributed to traffic. Five persons were killed at Benton, Ark., when their car blew into a filling station fuel pump and burst into flames.

At Newport News, Va., a ten-year-old boy, shooting firecrackers in a cave of (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

F. D. R. Jr., May Take Transfusion

Blood Samples Are Taken; Mother Says Son Is "Doing Fine"

BOSTON, Dec. 25—(AP)—An authoritative source said tonight a sample of Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr.'s blood was taken today and watched for a possible transfusion.

From this same source, also came information that although the son of the president was not in serious condition, he was not making as rapid a recovery as was hoped.

Meanwhile at the Massachusetts general hospital, Dr. George Loring Tobey, physician in charge of young Roosevelt, issued the following bulletin:

"Resting quietly. Mrs. Roosevelt is staying for a few days. Miss Du Pont is not coming for the present."

Earlier tonight Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt smilingly told reporters her son was "doing fine."

The nation's first lady hurried from the White House to spend Christmas day with Franklin Jr., who last week was operated on to relieve a sinus condition.

Sorrell in Jail On Fresh Charge

Released on a \$100 undertaking for bail on an assault and battery charge from justice court late Thursday afternoon, Melvin Sorrell was in the city jail at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning on charges of being disorderly and drunk.

Arrested with him was Ward Graham, who was charged with being disorderly. The two men were found by officers fighting on a downtown street corner.

The assault and battery complaint against Sorrell was signed by George Jassen. He is to have a preliminary hearing in justice court at 10 o'clock this morning on the assault charge.

Paris Believes Aid Offered Germany to Block Invasion

PARIS, Dec. 25—(AP)—Diplomats believed tonight that France and Great Britain had offered to give Germany a hand in her economic troubles to forestall a mass Nazi invasion of Spain.

They based their belief, in part, upon the fact that Count Johannes von Weizsaeck, the German ambassador, had conferred with Minister of Commerce Paul Bastid, as well as with Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos.

LONDON, Dec. 25—(AP)—With Chancellor Hitler's decision on intervention in Spain yet to be made known, official Europe remained tense tonight but with the mounting hope that Germany would avoid any step that might endanger widespread peace.

General Chiang is Freed; His Captor Takes Captive Role

Parts in Oriental Political Drama Reversed Is Government Organ Announcement at Nanking

Mrs. Chiang, Who Took Rescue Part, Returning With Husband; Rebel Marshal Will State Case

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26—(Saturday)—(AP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was reported today by Chinese sources to have reached Nanking in his return from captivity.

Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek, his wife, was reported to have reached the capital with him by airplane at 12:30 p. m. (11:30 p. m. Friday, E. S. T.)

Others returning with the military head of the Chinese state from Loyang, Honan province, were said to be following in a second plane.

NANKING, Dec. 25—(AP)—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek tonight was free again to resume his leadership of the Chinese nation, and his erstwhile captor, Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, was on his way to Nanking "to face the music."

The government, through its highest executive organ, the executive Yuan (council), announced that the military head of the Chinese state had arrived at Loyang, Honan province, at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, accompanied by Marshal Chang.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, who had flown to the rebel stronghold to free her husband, was with him.

They arrived by airplane from Sifu, capital of Shensi province, where Generalissimo Chiang had been held captive with several of his generals since December 12, when he was seized in a military uprising by Marshal Chang and his followers.

End to Civil War Threat Is Seen
News of the generalissimo's release was received jubilantly as word spread rapidly throughout the nation. It was greeted as marking an end to the ominous crisis which for nearly a fortnight had hung over China, with the threat of civil war and destruction of all the painful work of unification carried forward under General Chiang's leadership.

The government's announcement said the generalissimo and Marshal Chang, their roles of captive and captor reversed, would continue tomorrow by airplane to Nanking, where they were expected to arrive about noon.

Government Unconditional
The Nanking foreign office asserted the generalissimo's release was "unconditional" that no terms had been made with his captor, who was declared to have seen the "errors of his ways."

In spite of the government's assertion that its leader was now freed "unconditionally," authoritative quarters expressed belief that the ultimate settlement might include three points:

1. Marshal Chang's retirement from all official posts and exile abroad, at least temporarily.

2. Transfer of Marshal Chang's troops to the command of General Yen Si-shan, pacification commissioner for Shansi and Suiyuan provinces.

Payment of a large sum of money to Marshal Chang for "expenses of his army."

Accommodations For Legislators Are Scarce Here

The demand for rooms and apartments for the 1937 legislature is greater than at any previous legislative session, hotel owners reported yesterday.

Accommodations in Salem's two leading hotels have been exhausted. Apartment houses are already filled and desirable rooms in private houses are scarce.

Prices for both apartments and rooms are slightly higher than at previous legislative sessions.

Stork Doubles Little Girl's Yule Requests

CLEVELAND, Dec. 25—(AP)—Five-year-old Louise Lucas scored a triple win in her Christmas wishes today. She had wanted a doll or a baby brother or a baby sister to play with.

The doll was waiting for her when she awakened. A baby brother and a baby sister were born to her mother, Mrs. Nicholas Lucas, in the afternoon.

"Oh, boy, what a Christmas present," he cried.

Louise.