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Peace on Earth Is Wish of War-torn World

Common Front Presented Against Threats From Outside Forces

Move Is Strongest Ever Taken by Pan-America Republics

LIMA, Dec. 24-(A)-Republics of the western hemisphere tonight presented a common front, in the words of Secretary of State Cordell Hull, against "any threats or activities from outside forces" imperiling their peace and security or the integrity of democratic in-

A plenary session of the Pan-American conference approved the solidarity "declaration of Lima" as conference leader after leader proclaimed its importance in the face of what Hull called a "critical world situation" when "resort to persecution, force and violence are threatning the peoples of the world with destruction and the horror of armed conflict."

Landon Assures Steadfast Policy

Former Governor Alf M. Landon of Kansas assured the session that Latin-American nations, whatever party was in power in Washington, could count on the continuing of United States policy toward Latin America, based on peaceful settlement of disputes and cooperation "for our mutual advancement and security."

Landon said: "It is my conviction that it (United States policy) will be sustained irrespective of what political party may in the future hold office."

The republican party leader Cabin Fire Burns would "contribute towards making the future one of security, not of tragedy.'

Delegates Overlook Christmas Eve

Because of the rush of work, most of the delegates had forgotten that it was Christmas eve. Hull, recalling the birth of the Prince of Peace, said that "Without force, His kingdom lives today after the lapse of nineteen centuries" and added: "It is a principality of peace; peace which we here hope in humble measure to help give by his grace to the continent of the Americas."

Afranio Mello Franco, head of the Brazilian delegation and last to sign the declaration before it Tittle retired about 8 p. m. Clemwas presented to tonight's session, declared that "America continues united and vigilant in safeguarding her common interests, in defending her peace, and in efforts toward collaboration."

The declaration of Lima grew out of more than a fortnight of day and night conferences to give the declaration its strongest meanin and yet preserve the independence of each signatory nation.

It was the strongest step ever taken by Pan-American nations to bind themselves together-taken in the shadow of influences from Europe and Asia which many delegates regard as incipient threats to their independence. Although it was stronger than

anything in the past, Mello Franco, before he signed the declaration, issued a statement saying, "Brazii is sure it will be extended in the future through the continuous work of Pan-American con-

By their declaration the western hemisphere nations recorded "their continental solidarity and their purpose to collaborate in maintenances of the principles

and to their absolute sovereignty, they reaffirm their decision to activities that may threaten clined to ask state aid.

Americas Pact | Bombir Threat Causes | German Press | Gets Approval | Hurrit Evacuation of | Says Relation | Uneasy Europe Warmed by Yule | Says Relation | Control of | Control o Of Lima Group Portland Retail Store With US'Low' Fighting Mars Hallowed Message Rings End of Wars

5000 Customers Ushered From Store After Threat Note Is Handed Cashier at 3 P. M.; Police Search for Clues

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24-(AP)-Christmas shopping ended abruptly for some 5000 customers in the Portland Sears, Roebuck & Co. store at 8 p. m. today after a bomb threat note had been slipped through the grating of a cashier's cage by a man who fled. Customers and employes were rushed out of the store and the building closed. The note read:

Seen in Congress

Efforts Will Develop to

Retrieve Some Powers

Lost to FDR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-(AP)-

Members of gathering congress

gave notice today that reports of

unnecessary spending by some gov-

ernment bureaus would be

agad nst President Roosevelt's

court reorganization proposal— Senators Wheeler (D-Mont.), and

McCarran (D-Nev.) - predicted

that the new conress would re-

trieve some of the power it had

"turned over to the executive un-

Wonder He Didn't

Offer Her a Deed

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24-(AP)-California tourist, identified

oaly as Mrs. Foster, won't trust

the next toll bridge gate man she

meets. She paid \$1.10 yesterday

to drive across the interstate

bridge between Portland and Van-

man who demanded toll.

bridge several years ago.

der stress of emergency."

viously to the president.

"There is a bomb planted in your store in a spot where it will Fight on Spending around 3 p. m. unless instructions herein contained are complied

The note gave instructions that \$2500 in used currency be paid man at an east side rendezvous. A description of the man was contained in the note.

The threat, received shortly be fore 2 p. m., stated that "if instructions are carried out, you will receive a telephone call."

Assistant Manager G. Vanderneynde said he received a call a little later by a man who said the instructions had not been complied with and that another 15 minutes of grace would be granted. Vanderneynde called police and

the store was evacuated of some 5000 customers and 300 employes. At a late hour detectives were still examining the hundreds of into reports that some bureaus parcels in storage rooms and be- had made an extra effort to spend hind counters but had found nothing. The store remained closed and had asked for more, in order and the management announced to indicate a need for increased it would not reopen until after Christmas.

Farmer to Death credit, Taylor declared.

Clackamas County Man Is Victim of Blaze When Stove Overheats

OREGON CITY, Ore., Dec. 24 (AP)-One man was burned to death and a second barely escaped when a log cabin near Damascus in northeastern Clackamas county, was destroyed by fire tonight. Carl Tittle, 45, farmer, was the victim. A companion from Portland, Emen Clement, 66, Christmas eve guest at the cabin, and ent awoke later to find the cabin ablaze and the room dark with smoke. He tried to drag Tittle from the place but failed, sustainin serious burns in the effort. Clement was taken to a hospital here where physicians said he would recover.

The fire was believed to have started from an overheated stove.

Militia Guarding **Petroleum Plant**

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 24.-(P)-National guard troops numbering about 200 took charge at the scene of the Mid-Continent Petreleum corporation refinery strike in West Tulsa late tonight and about 100 pickets quietly broke rank and moved from their position on the command of Col. Charles A. Holden.

Adjutant General Charles F. Barrett at Oklahoma City said five companies had been ordered to aid Sheriff Garland Marrs at upon which solidarity is based."

They agreed that, "faithful to the above-mentioned principles ported."

to aid Sherili Garland Maris at the strike scene. Barrett said "no serious trouble" had been reported.

Gov. E. W. Marland from his Ponca City home ordered the maintain and to defend them troops out at the request of Sheragainst all foreign intervention or iff Marrs, who yesterday had de-

The mobilization was looked on The declaration provides for as a promise of release of several

Il Duce's Move Boomerangs;

Mussolini's decision to consider invalid the 1935 colonial pact with France went back like a boomerang today when the Daladier government let it be known that the denunciation, theoretically at least, would deprive Italy of territory in Africa.

With one eye on the insurgent offensive in Spain which reports have said was launched by Italian troops concentrated during the recent Italian clamor for French Tunisia, the cabinet ratified Premier Daladier's wish to deal with Italy in stern terms.

The offensive in Spain drew in today's review of the foreign miles once part of French West

ment lead further with Italy if retically as reverting to France.

tion of the 1935 agreement.

Behind Italy's decision observers felt there was a clear intention to seek greater territorial concessions than those granted in 1935. The French government had

said none would be made. Under the French view that the Italian move restored the territory in question to the status beparticular attention of the cabinet fore the treaty, 44,000 square Africa and French equatorial Af-French sources said that Da- rica and a few thousand square ladier might follow British Prime | miles formerly part of French So-Minister Chamberlain's appease- maliland would be regarded theo-

Berlin Journal Implies **Question of Relations** Rests With FDR

Another Paper Declares Effort Is Made in US for "Hysteria"

BERLIN, Dec. 24.-(AP)-The nazi press declared today that United States - German relations were at their "lowest point" as a result of the "Ickes incident," which a propaganda ministry spokesman declared was closed diplomatically.

The spokesman said Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles "left a sting behind" when he rejected a German demand for an apology for Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes' attack in Cleveland last Sunday on nazi antisemitic measures. The spokesman added that the protest was couched in such terms that diplomatic action ended with the American retort. Daily in Berlin

"smoked out" and that an effort Says Affairs Tense would be made to retrieve some The Berlin daily, Das 12 Uhr of the powers turned over pre-Blatt, implied that relations between the Washington and Berlin governments had reached a Chairman Taylor (D-Colo.), of state of suspense with chances for the house appropriations commitimprovement or rupture resting tee, announced an investigation on President Roosevelt's future attitude toward any possible American attacks on German and Chancellor Hitler. all of their regular appropriations, "Relations between Germany

and America," the newspaper asserted, "have reached their lowappropriations the following year. est point, thanks to the organized He said he would ask the house agitation of these Americans, appropriations sub-committees to Ickes, Pittmans, Baruchs, La "reward economy" hereafter. The Guardias, Wises and Untermeyers. showing of a balance at the end

Washington now wan of a bureau's fiscal year should matters even to go so far as dotbe considered a great mark of ting the 'f'f The question is up At the same time, two of the President Roosevelt." men who led the successful fight

(The reference was to Senator Rey Pittman, Bernard M. Baruch, Fiorello H. La Guardia, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise and Samuel Untermeyer, all of whom have been outspoken against anti-Jewish violence.) Under the heading, "three times

Roosevelt," the Koelnische Zeitung of Cologne, in a dispatch from New York, said that efforts to stir up an "unparalleled armament hysteria" in the United States was an example of "hushing up the inner political fiasco of the government by kindling international passions in the American nation."

Mrs. Latourette Dies

OREGON CITY, Dec. 24.-(AP)couver, Wash. She said she was stopped by an official-appearing Portland's city attorney, Lyman New Year. E. Latourette, and member of a Tolls were removed from the

hristmas

England Celebrates Its Christmas in Fashion of Dickens

Goose in Germany Are Favored Dishes

LONDON, Dec. 24-(AP)-Christmas warmed many of the warconscious peoples of the old world tonight with hearty cheer and homely jollity.

Splotches of suffering - new fighting in Spain and new threats Explosion of Plane Gives to the Jewish race in Hungarywere superimposed on the snowrimmed panorama of Europe and on the near east.

But these were exceptions to the general will to subordinate the the most vexing personal and political problems to the joy and solemnity of the moment-"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace and good will to men." England Gets Out Ear Muffs

England got out ear muffs for the snowy day, perhaps the coldest Christmas here in ten years. White flakes lay over northern Spain, where men fought despite frozen feet. Fifteen-degree temperatures in Belgium brought six deaths in 24 hours and icieles as

far east as Rumania. and those long before him knew. The royal family gathered at Sandringham house, eager for tunes of bagpipes which are the royal Christmas morning alarm clock. English Dinner

Rites Savory Gently roasted fowl, huge cuts of roast beef, and rum-flavored puddings were plentiful in savory dinner preparations throughout the United Kingdom.

Goose was the favored main dish in Germany, where candlelighted Christmas eve celebrations centered upon the family circle. (Turn to page 2, column 4)

Farley Telephones Martin Greetings

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24.-(P)

-James A. Farley, chairman of
the democratic national committee, telephoned Governor Charles H. Martin tonight and wished him Mrs. Lillia M. Latourette, wife of a merry Christmas and happy

Governor Martin reported Farpioneer Oregon family, died Sat-urday here. | ley as saying, "My friends are your friends,"

Yule in Spain Over Sacred Bethlehem Seen as Goal

And Palestine Venerable Patriarch Leads Christian Worshippers to Church of Nativity While Armed British Privates Keep Peace

By JAMES A. MILLS BETHLEHEM, Dec. 25 — (Sunday) — (AP) — The immortal message of peace on earth and good will to man rang Roast Fowl in England, out like a trumpet of hope in the rebellion-troubled Holy

The venerable Latin patriarch, leading a band of Christian worshippers from Jerusalem, reenacted the 2000year-old drama of the birth of the Army Is Probing king of men in the Church of the

world.

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on Christmas Eve, so

Presents Saved

McKESSROCK, Pa., Dec. 24-

Three Borden children-Thom-

Borden arrived January 7, Rus-

mas holidays in the hospital,"

(P) For the 12th year, birthday gifts decorate the H. Bordon

family's Christmas tree.

sian Christmas.

March 1.

one time."

as spokesman said:

we'd get gifts then, too."

His Turkey With

Little Sausages

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 .- (AP)

President Roosevelt liked his

turkey with little sausages,

chestnut dressing, cranberry

jelly and giblet gravy. Those things, with peas and sweet

potatoes scalloped with pine-

apple, will be the main course

on the White House Christmas

Before the turkey is served,

the menu calls for clams and

saltines, clear soup with sherry,

celery and assorted olives.

After the turkey, there's to be orange and cress salad with cheese twists. Then plum pud-

din and hard sauce, egg nog ice cream and cake, and coffee.

Hosts of pilgrims, walking or Causes of Crash riding donkeys, camels or horses streamed into Bethlehem last night, guided only by the feeble light of a crescent moon.

Army Problem to Mull

From Wreckage UNIONTOWN, Ala., Dec. 24 (P)-The death rol! fixed definitely at seven, officers today pressed their examination of scattered wreckage to learn why an army airplane exploded and crashed

near here last night. Officials at Maxwell field, air corps post at Montgomery, Ala. reported late today they had identified three bodies and said remains of four others had been taken to a mortuary at Montgomery, fixing the casualty list at seven,

'and no more." At first it was feared the twinmotored bomber might have carried eight or nine to death when Christmas that Charles Dickens and those long before him knew life the control of the control of

Col. J. H. Pirie, commandant of Maxwell field, said the cause of the crash had not been determined definitely, but Hajor Warren A. Maxwell, operations officer, conceded gas collecting in the passenger compartment from a broken pipe line could have caused the explosion. Major Maxwell declined, however, to accept the theory pending further investigation. A military board of inquiry, ordered the wreckage transported to

Maxwell field. Major Maxwell said he was convinced the explosion occurred old Jackie-were born on Christupon contact with the ground, not before. He was unable to explain why one body was found 600 feet from the wreckage and another 500 feet in the opposite direction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24-(AP)-Senator James P. Pope of Idaho, whose term expires January 3, has accepted appointment to the Tennessee valley authority board of directors, an informed person said

This person said President

Roosevelt would send Pope's nomination to the senate immediately **President Likes** after the new congress convenes. Pope, who was defeated for renomination in the Idaho demoeratic primary, recently has been mentioned as a likely successor to Dr. Arthur E. Morgan, who was dismissed as TVA chairman last March because of his refusal to meet President Roosevelt's demand for substantiation of his charges against the other TVA directors, Dr. Harcourt A. Morgan and David E. Lilienthal.

Jobless Law Rule Due Late in Week

PORTLAND, Dec. 24. -(AP)- T. Morris Dunne, chairman of the Oregon unemployment compensation commission, said today that decision by the federal security Portland after appearing before the federal board January 19. "Unemployment is serious in Oregon during January," he said. "and it is of vital importance that

distributed on schedule." He repeated his contention that the state unemployment compen- state through the "mistreatment" sation law was not thrown out of of the lay organization, Catholic conformity with federal standards Action, and restrictions on marby passage of the labor regulation riages between Jews and nonlaw in November.

earned benefit rights, which may

amount to a million dollars, be

County's Guests to Get Turkey Feed on Holiday

Christmas day won't be so bad for 17 prisoners in the Marion county jail as it could be. There'll be no bread and beans for them today; instead, Sheriff A. C. Burk sadness."

By President

President's Christmas Message Carries His Hope for Peace

Mrs. Roosevelt Presides Over Yule Observance at White House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-(P)-President Roosevelt promised the world in a Christmas eve message tonight that he would do everything in his power to hasten the day when war shall be no more.

The chief executive, who will The pious cavalcade, resembling spend Christmas day with four generations of Roosevelts, spoke an old testament spectacle, wound at a brilliant tree-lighting in Lafthrough the Judean hills, along ayette square.

heavily-patrolled highways, to the historic church where the pilgrims "We do not expect a new heaven and a new earth overnight," worshipped at the infant Savior's Mr. Roosevelt said in the message manger, sang Christmas carols, that was broadcast throughout and prayed for the dawn of a this country and sent by short lasting peace throughout the wave radio to other lands. Promises Work Within the hallowed edifice to Ban Hatred built by Constantine the Great to

"But in our own land, and oth enshrine the manger of the Christ er lands-wherever men of good child, peace reigned but in other will listen to our appeal-we shall parts of Palestine there were rework as best we can with the inminders of the strife among rival struments at hand to banish hatclaimants of Palestine-Jews and red, greed and covetousness from the heart of mankind." Twenty thousand British sol-"We derive new strength, new diers, longing for Christmas at

courage or our work from the spirit of Christmas," the Presi-The atmosphere of Christmas was all about the president as he

For Borden Kids ity tree twinkled in the dusk. The crowd of hundreds was hushed and intent. Across Pennsylvania avenue, the White House gleamed Three of Them Were Born in its holiday dress. Mrs. Roosevelt, free for a mo-

ment from a round of Christmas eve calls, joined other members of the family on the platform. The red-coated marine band was on hand. President Reads

Dickens' Story Earlier this afternoon, the presas, 12, Harry, 5, and 23-monthsident and Mrs. Roosevelt said 'Merry Christmas' to some 200 mas eve. Eight-year-old Betty members of the household staff and their families. This evening, the president arranged to read Bobbie, 3, is the only child in Dickens' "Christmas Carol" to the family who doesn't have a three grandchildren and another "Christmas birthday." His is small guest, 6-year-old Diana Hopkins, daughter of the new secretary of commerce.
"It is indeed a holy season in "I got used to spend my Christ-

laughter Mrs. Borden. "Santa which to work for good will TVA Board Post Claus and the stork came hand in among men," the president said in hand. I am heartly in favor of his greeting to the nation and the combination birthdays and Christ- world. The western world should mas. All our celebrations come at take heart, he said, from the atmosphere of hope and promise in The Borden children don't which representatives of 21 Amershare her opinion. Harry, acting ican republics were assembled at Lima, Peru, in the Pan-American 'After all, we really don't have conference. any birthdays. If we had birth-

"I consider it a happy circumstance," he said, "that these deliberations will be successfully days at other times in the year concluded soon after the birthday of the Prince of Peace." Mrs. Roosevelt

Carries Greetings Mrs. Roosevelt, who was up ear ly to se that the White House family guests were taken care of before she kept her first appointment at 8:45 a.m., carried word of good cheer to hundreds of children during the day. "Merry Christmas," she called

o people along the way. "I hope you will memorize the story of the Christ child as well as that of Santa Claus," she told poor children at a theater party. 'And I hope you will feel this is a good world to live in and that you are having a good time Christ-

"I hope you all will get just what you want from Santa Claus,' she called to children at a Kiwanis party in nearby Arlington, Va. The White House rang with (Turn to page 2, column 4)

board on Oregon's program was not expected until late next week. Dunne returned recently to **To Reconciliation Concordat**

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24.—(P)— flying of the nazi swastika in Pope Pius XI today deplored Rome last May when Reichsfuehfascist blows to the 10-year-old rer Hitler visited Premier Mussooncordat of reconciliation between the church and Italian

The ailing 81-year-old pontiff, disregarding the advice of his doctor to rest after his recent Illness, gave his annual Christmas message to the cardinals and told how troubles with the Italian government had gone straight to his heart.

He spoke, he said, in "bitter

lini-insignia which the holy father described as "a cross inimical to the cross of Christ." He criticized as "inhuman" that "which is anti-Christian," especially that which affects the

"dignity, liberty and integrity of the individual." God, he declared, would "en-lighten minds and move hearts in the direction of truth and justice, which are the sole true and solid bases of the welfare of the in-dividual and also of peoples."

The pope's Christmas speech in the mangificent consistory chamber was heard by 25 cardinals and numerous other prelates and dighas furnished an 18-pound turkey and directed Byron Randall,
jail cook, to add the customary
trimmings for a real holiday dinner.

He appeared tired but spirited nitaries of his court. It was believed the pontiff was working on the address when he collapsed with a heart attack that caused fears for his life early this month.

consultation among foreign minis- hundred refinery and office workters or secretaries of state in case ers who had remained in the of menace to the peace. picketed plant. Italy Would Lose Territory PARIS, Dec. 24-(P)-Premier | Generalissimo Franco conquered Catalonia. But for the present Daladier seemed intent to trade blow for blow in the territorial dispute. Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet was instructed to reply to Italy's note announcing invalida-