



**Honoring Columbus**—Felicitá Lozada decorates the family "egg tree" with empty shells as Puerto Rican country folk, the jíbaros, prepare to celebrate the birthday of Christopher Columbus who visited their land on his second voyage in 1493.

### Jury Convicts Man for Rape

Belvidere, Ill., Dec. 8 (AP)—A jury convicted George Frost, 34, Tuesday night of raping a 13-year-old bobby soxer and recommended a five year prison term.

Frost, a laborer, was the first of 10 men to be tried on morals charges involving nine girls 13 to 15 years old. The charge was statutory rape.

All ten are accused of plying the girls with ice cream sodas and then taking them into neighboring fields and haymows.

Frost was convicted on testimony by Clara Jane Grelee, a slim brunette, who hesitatingly told the jury she was intimate with him in a field. Both had climbed a fence around the field she said.

Clara Jane and two other teenagers told of a wild beer party the night of October 8, when the alleged intimacy occurred.

She said she and Barbara Friebrantz, 15, had been employed earlier that night as baby sitters. Afterward, she said, they went to a confectionery, met Frost and two other defendants, Fred Ashley, 18, and Herbert Dyer, 18, and then went to the party.

After the affair in the field, she said, she got home about 6 a.m.

### Bischoff Wins For Corn Yield

The committee in charge of the Marion County Corn show makes the following correction:

According to a delayed report received from Oregon State college, Peter Bischoff, Route 6, Salem, was winner of the Marion county corn yield contest.

Mr. Bischoff had a yield of 96.5 bushels per acre, which exceeds by a little over 10 bushels that previously announced. He is receiving the cash award to which this entitles him.

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### Claim Radio Waves Open Warfare on Crop Insects

By CLAUDE RAMSEY

La Feria, Tex., Dec. 8 (AP)—Now they're starving Texas bugs to death by short wave.

It's part of the new radionic warfare on insects. The gentleman farmer of the future may sit in the parlor and twist a few dials to kill every bad bug in his citrus grove two miles away.

And, with all that, the lady bugs and other good little bugs won't even be hurt.

The tale of the new field of insect control by radionics is told by Sam Gerald in the Lower Rio Grande Valley magazine, Border Scope.

Experiments in insect control by radionics have been conducted by William J. Knuth and H. V. Hughes of Grafe-Knuth Radionics Co., Dallas, on Rio Farms, Inc.

They've aimed their short waves at cabbage worms, suck flies, tomato fruit worms and the grain weevil. They report "some success" in corn fields with more ears free of insects in the controlled area than in the uncontrolled sections.

One corn field being treated is entirely free of corn ear worms, one of the hazards of the valley's corn crop.

Work in insect control by radionics by the two men started 10 years ago and they report "definite successful results" against aphids, white pine beetles, live oak caterpillars, whiteflies and cotton bollworm.

Knuth and Hughes even have checks from happy Texas farmers to prove they de-insected their cotton fields.

The only equipment needed is a small radio-like machine, an aerial photograph of the area to be treated, electric current and a "reagent," a substance that is a natural repellent to the insect to be eliminated.

The repellent and photograph are placed in the machine and radionics does the work, sending its waves to the plant harboring the insects.

By selecting proper "reagent" the radionic fight is made selective, not harming friendly insects, Border Scope reports. Plants in the path of the radionics actually thrive better than others, according to Knuth and Hughes.

The pest control is achieved by the radionic introduction of

### Empty Socks Sent To Harry Truman

Washington, Dec. 8 (AP)—The White House said it has received about a dozen pairs of stockings sent to President Truman by Long Beach, Calif., naval yard workers protesting the closing of their installation.

Attached to the stockings were letters saying "we hope you will rescind the order closing the Long Beach navy shipyard. If you don't, our Christmas stockings will be as empty as these."

The shipyard was among several naval installations which Defense Secretary Louis Johnson has ordered closed in an economy drive.

### Brothels to Close

Hamburg, Germany, Dec. 8 (AP)—Legislation is being prepared to close down all houses of prostitution in the West German republic.

Prof. Andreas Knack, president of the Hamburg health board, said the ban was being proposed by a parliamentary medical committee. It would be similar to a law of the old Weimar republic which remained in force until the nazis reopened brothels in 1934, Knack said.

foreign vibrations into the plant which disturb the insect so much that it starves to death.

In California, Knuth and Hughes claim to have controlled the spread of red rust in citrus groves from a distance of 125 miles. Here in the Rio Grande Valley they say the range is not more than 25 miles but recommended the equipment be within two and a half miles of the area to be treated.

At holiday times turkey may mean a big meal, but in radio slang it's a program that has been a complete failure.

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1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup sugar

Add:  
1/2 cup Snowdrift (Emulsorized—quick-blending)  
1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed  
1/2 cup strong coffee

Mix enough to dampen flour. Beat 2 minutes. If by hand, count beating time only. With electric mixer, use "low speed"; scrape bowl often; scrape beaters after 2 minutes.

Add:  
2 eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Beat 1 minute. Turn into 2 greased 8" square layer pans, lined with plain paper. Bake in moderate oven (375°F.) about 25 minutes. Cool and frost with—

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