



**Self-Service** — When Smokey, deer mascot of the Lackland air force base, near San Antonio, Texas, needs a drink of water it tucks its mouth in the fountain and tries to get the most of the limpid liquid. Nothing like helping one's self.

### Portland's Biggest Christmas Tree Is Not So Big After All

Portland, Dec. 19 (AP)—A professional surveyor pulled the roots out from under Portland's "biggest Christmas tree" today.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce lit up the Douglas fir last night and proudly announced that—at 161 feet—the tree outstripped Bellingham's as the country's largest.

### Denmark Fears Armament

Copenhagen, Dec. 19 (AP)—Danish Foreign Minister Gustav Rasmussen said today Denmark, as well as Norway, is opposed to a large American military mission being sent to his country under the U. S. arms bill, because of possible communist criticism.

Commenting on reports that Norway has complained that a large military mission to that country might cause criticism from the Soviet Union and eastern European countries, Rasmussen said Denmark has stressed the same point during negotiations in Washington.

Under the U. S. arms bill—providing the basis for bilateral agreements between the U. S. and other members of the Atlantic pact—U. S. military missions are to be sent to each Atlantic pact country which receives American arms to instruct military authorities in their use.

### Nitze to Succeed Director Kennan

Washington, Dec. 19 (AP)—Director George Kennan of the state department's policy planning staff, who starts an extended leave Jan. 1, will be succeeded by his deputy, Paul Nitze.

The department announced yesterday that the 45-year-old Kennan is taking a leave from his job as top policy adviser to Secretary of State Acheson "in order to carry out a number of important studies in the field of foreign affairs."

Kennan, considered one of the government's chief experts on Russian affairs, is credited with authorship of the western "policy of containment" against communism. The department did not say specifically what his plans are, but he is due to return to the foreign service later.

### Aurora Erects Tree

Aurora—Members of the Aurora Community club led by Everett Hobbs, erected a huge Christmas tree Sunday afternoon at the intersection, its perennial location. A social party followed at the community hall.

### Europe Plans Central Bank

Paris, Dec. 19 (AP)—Nations getting Marshall plan money are studying a U. S. plan for a central bank of Europe to simplify their financial problems, it was learned today.

Plans for such a central bank were given to the 18 participating nations a week ago by the economic cooperation administration (ECA). Since then individual governments have been pondering the scheme and will bring their ideas to a consultative conference in Paris, probably Tuesday.

Briefly, the plan would be a currency pool, or clearing house, in which European nations could balance their books with each other. Deficits and surpluses resulting from trade between the participating nations would be settled periodically through the bank instead of between individual nations.

### MATRIMONIAL TURNOVER HEAVY

### Filmland Has Big Year in Hitching and Unhitching in '49

Hollywood, Dec. 19 (AP)—This was Hollywood's marryingest year. Also the divorcingest.

Never has there been such a terrific turnover in film matrimony as in 1949. The hitching and unhitching had reporters scrambling for scoops.

Most sensational of the marriages came on May 27 when Rita Hayworth and Aly Khan exchanged gold rings in the town hall of Vallauris, France. This merger of Hollywood glamor and the riches of the east captured the world's interest.

Another European wedding ranked with that one for excitement. While Italian mobs screamed "Ty Ty Ty," erstwhile Actress Linda Christian became the bride of Tyrone Power in Rome. The ceremony took place on Jan. 27, just eight hours before Annabella's California divorce from Power became legal.

Bachelorhood lost its long-time exponent when Jimmy Stewart married Socialite Gloria Hatrick McLean on Aug. 9. She confessed she used to be his fan and "cut out his pictures when I was a kid."

Jennifer Jones married her boss, David O. Selznick, at Genoa, Italy, on July 13. Greer Garson took another fling at married life with Texan Buddy Fogelson. Rudy Vallee, 48, wed Eleanor Kathleen Norris, 21, a psychology graduate.

Mickey Rooney began his third marriage with Martha Vickers. Angela Lansbury and Peter Shaw found another parson after the vicar of her family church in London refused to perform the ceremony, she being a divorcee.

Other nuptials: Guy Madison-Gail Russell; George Sanders-Za-Za Hilton; Viveca Lindfors-Don Seigel; Jane Powell-Geary Steffen; Sonja Henie-Winthrop Gardiner. Even Lucille Ball got into the spirit and went through another ceremony with Desi Arnaz.

### Santa Claus Finds All Boys Want New Jet Planes

Santa Claus, Ind., Dec. 19 (AP)—If Santa Claus makes his rounds in a jet plane this Christmas, you can be sure he took a hint from the youngsters.

"Almost all the boys want jet planes this year," said Santa, looking up from his big stack of letters. They've been coming in at the rate of 2,500 a day at Santa Claus postoffice.

"A surprising number of girls are asking for toy pianos," he announced.

Last year Santa and his helpers answered 30,000 letters, and postmaster Elbert Heinke thinks the number will go higher this year.

Helpers are members of the Santa Claus committee of the American Legion post here, as well as high school student typists.

During the year, Santa some-

times calls himself Jim Yellig. But in December he hasn't much time for his restaurant business in nearby Mariah Hill.

"When I put on my outfit I live the part. I AM Santa," he said.

And sure enough, his beard is as white as snow, and he's so fat he shakes like a bowlful of jelly when he laughs.

"No matter where I walk, the little hands go up waving," he said.

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### Shah Drops In on 'Ordinary' American Family; Gets Pie

San Francisco, Dec. 19 (AP)—The Shah of Iran chatted with a typical American family and ate homemade apple pie in their living room.

His Royal Highness and the Americans were equally impressed with one another.

The Shah, who often has expressed his desire to visit an ordinary American home, got his chance Saturday.

Accompanied by State Department Special Agent William Huskey of Washington, he ducked out on the high brass for a couple of hours and dropped in on Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ratto of Alameda, Calif.

Huskey, a friend of the Ratto's, called them earlier and told them he would be over with a friend for a visit. He didn't tell them who he was bringing.

The Rattos were astounded when Huskey introduced his tall, athletic-looking friend, the Shah—but not too excited to forget hospitality.

While the Shah sat on the sofa and chatted with the younger members of the family, teenaged Martin, Jr., and Dickie, Mrs. Ratto dashed to the kitchen and cut an apple pie fresh from the oven.

The pie was baked by Mrs. Ratto's mother, Mrs. Richard Osterberg of Alexandria, Minn., who is visiting for the holidays.

Sipping coffee with his pie and a side dish of ice cream, the Shah chatted amiably with the Ratto family for almost an hour.

Driving his blue convertible back to San Francisco across the San Francisco Bay bridge, he told Huskey he was very much impressed with "the complete, sincere friendliness" of the Rattos.

"I would have considered my trip to the United States incomplete if I had not met an ordinary American family," he said.

The Shah is scheduled to leave for New York Sunday after a week in San Francisco.

### No Lasting Ill Effects Of Arthritis Treatment

Chicago, Dec. 19 (AP)—Arthritis patients will suffer no lasting ill effects from treatment with the new hormones Corisone or Aeth, says the arthritis and rheumatism foundation.

The foundation's medical advisory committee, in answer to what it said were "recent reports of unfavorable and even dangerous results from use of the drugs," said in a statement: "Once the new drugs become available in sufficient amounts, there is no known reason for withholding them from any arthritis patient because of dangers associated with their administration."

The foundation's conclusions were reached, the statement said from "published and verbal reports and unpublished observations of the qualified medical and research scientists who have worked extensively with the new drugs in recognized research centers in Chicago."

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