



Top China Reds Arrive in U.S.S.R.—Chinese Communist Premier and Foreign Minister Chou En-Lai is greeted by top Soviet officials as he arrives in Moscow. (L-R): Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky; B. F. Podtserov; T. A. Selivanov; Wan Tse-San; Oo Su Tsuan; Premier Chou En-Lai; N. V. Roschchin; A. I. Mikoyan; and Yeh Tse-Chjwan. Stalin received Chou En-Lai presumably to discuss a treaty between Red China and the Soviet Union. Communist China's President Mao Tse-Tung, has been in Moscow since Dec. 16. (Acme Radio-Telephoto)

Linn Ponders Road Damage

Albany, Jan. 25—Fear for the fate of Linn county's road system is expressed by members of the Linn county court after they had viewed the 1949-50 winter damage in the light of dwindling road funds.

County Judge E. G. Arnold points out that in an effort to so reconduct the county's roads that they might withstand the present winter the court has used all funds available and has even overdrawn the general road, market road and road district funds in repairing last winter's unprecedented damage.

While the road break-up is not so severe thus far as it was last year, Judge Arnold said, it is far worse than had been expected and even with the 4-ton load limits now prevailing softened roadbeds are going to pieces at many points.

According to the treasurer's semi-annual statement, just issued the general road fund was overdrawn by \$34,594.75 as of December 31, 1949; the road district fund by \$58,460.83 and the market road fund of \$6,890.

Favors Trial of Gov't Loans to Small Firms

Chicago, Jan. 25 (AP)—E. A. Mattison, executive vice president of the Bank of America, told bankers Tuesday that "it may be well" to give government-insured loan programs a trial to aid small business.

Mattison, addressing the American Bankers association's national credit conference, said that "a great many small businessmen obviously do not get the credit which they feel they are entitled to from their banks."

He said that meeting the credit needs of small, independent businessmen is "banking's mid-century challenge."

Mattison said that less than 600 commercial banks have made GI business loans insured by the veterans administration.

OMS Express Rates Upped

George H. Flagg, public utilities commissioner, has signed an order permitting Oregon Motor Stages to increase express rates.

No shippers or receivers of express shipments were present to protest at the hearing which was held in Portland.

In its findings the order says: "That the volume of express business now being handled at the petitioner's terminals places an undue hardship on their passenger service; that the congestion affects the convenience of the passengers; that the volume of express has grown to such an extent that it can no longer be considered as an incidental part of the passenger service authorized by their permit; that to a great extent rates account for the large volume of express shipments rather than a need for fast service."

Navy's Top Brass In Norfolk About 'Mo'

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 25 (AP)—Scuttlebutt today linked the sudden scheduled appearances in Norfolk of the navy's two highest ranking officials with the plight of the mud-stuck battleship Missouri—but naval spokesmen insisted it was purely coincidental.

Secretary of the Navy Francis P. Matthews addressed the graduating class of the armed forces staff college today in a once-scheduled, then-cancelled, then-rescheduled appearance.

His office in Washington said Matthews planned to return to the capital tonight without viewing the "mighty Mo," aground on a Chesapeake bay shoal since last Tuesday.

Admiral Forrest P. Sherman, chief of naval operations, arrives tomorrow for an "informal visit" at the Norfolk naval air station. He will address a closed session of some 230 former air combat intelligence officers of World War II.

He also will lunch informally with the Atlantic fleet commander in chief, Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, and the Atlantic fleet air force commander, Vice Admiral Felix B. Stump.

Lockers Are Occupied

Scio—A large number of people have moved their frozen foods from the old lockers into Thurston Brothers' new lockers, which are now ready for use. These lockers are of several sizes to accommodate the needs of the individuals.

Statistics show that the most important item in agricultural mechanization is the tractor.



Cleared of Fraud—Preston Tucker is center of a happy huddle after he was cleared in a federal court in Chicago along with seven of his associates of charges of mail fraud and conspiracy rising out of his attempt to build a dream car. Left to right are: Mrs. Preston Tucker, Tucker, Defense Att. Frank J. McAdams Jr., and Jury Foreman Joseph Kauba. (Acme Telephoto)

Actress Shunning 'Cheesecake' Just Cheats Herself, Says Lola

By PATRICIA CLARY

Hollywood, Jan. 25 (AP)—An actress who won't stand still for "cheesecake" is just cheating herself, curvy Lola Albright said. She's not giving herself a chance to be another Lana Turner or Rita Hayworth.

Some cuties cover up to the toes when a photographer goes by and pout that it'll hurt their art to show any more than great-grandmother did. Horsefeathers, says Miss Albright.

"Who ever refused to go see a girl because she was pretty?" she demanded. "If a girl has a good figure and shapely legs, she ought to be proud to show them."

She added, further, that many a beauty has climbed to stardom on piles of cheesecake pictures.

"Betty Grabel, Ann Sheridan and Rita Hayworth became known for their beautiful figures before anybody noticed they could act," she said.

In some quarters, they're still known for their beautiful figures.

Right now Lola is playing Evelyn Keyes' seductive sister in Columbia's "The Killer That Stalked New York." The parl calls for her to double-cross her sister, seduce her brother-in-law, wear clinging dresses and sweaters and expose several lengths of shapely limb.

"It's all part of the business," she shrugged. "Good business, too, if you ask me. No girl can get to be a pin-up favorite hiding her good points under long burlap sackings."

Miss Albright poses for all the bathing suit art studio photographers ask for and magazines will take, and she says she won't change if she's ever a big star.

"I think some stars get so genteel and reserved the public

Neglect of Burned Child Is Charged

Pittsburgh, Jan. 25 (AP)—The parents of a four-year-old girl are held without bond today after testifying a belief in divine healing prevented them from calling a doctor when the youngster was badly burned.

Appearing in morals court yesterday, James Bennett, 41, and his wife, Odessa, 37, said they notified their church's pastor, Miss Fannie Washington, that their daughter, Shirley Ann, had been burned last Thursday when her clothing caught fire.

They were told, the Bennetts said, the congregation would pray for the little girl and that they then bathed Shirley Ann with oil, sprinkled talcum powder on her burns and put her to bed.

Police testified they found the youngster suffering from first, second and third degree burns of the entire body. She was taken to Pittsburgh hospital where doctors said her condition was critical.

"loses interest," she said. "I'd rather be a regular person."

Alan Hale Rites Held
Glendale, Calif., Jan. 25 (AP)—Alan Hale, a movie actor for 39 years, will be buried today at Forest Lawn Memorial park with Pat O'Brien, Leon Errol and Wallace Ford among the pall bearers.

Hale died Sunday from a virus infection and liver ailment. He was 57.

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Airplane Carrier Has 'Angel' on Board That Saves Lives of Pilots

By PAUL F. ELLIS (United Press Staff Correspondent)

Aboard U. S. S. Franklin D. Roosevelt in West Indies, Jan. 25 (AP)—There is an "angel" aboard this big carrier of the Atlantic fleet.

It is an angel that saves lives—that is, when necessary, which isn't too often.

This particular angel is a new type helicopter. It hovers near the carrier when planes are taking off and landing, ready to throw a life line to any airman whose plane may hit the sea.

Significantly, the helicopter with its whirling 24-foot revolving blades is known in the code language as "angel." It has picked up a flier from sea less than two minutes after an accident, and had him aboard the carrier in about four minutes.

All the big ships in the navy now are being equipped with helicopters for rescue work, and their part definitely has been established since the end of the war with Japan.

A typical pilot is Lt. (jg) Mark R. Starr, 26, Pasadena, Calif., senior aviator on the helicopter of this reserve officers training cruise which is winding up this week.

A former carrier pilot, Starr has one assistant pilot and a crew of four maintenance men who belong to helicopter squadron two, Lakehurst, N.J., from where all the Atlantic "angels" are assigned. The navy's other squadron, No. 1, is in Miramar, Calif., serving ships in the Pacific area.

The Roosevelt's angel takes a position off starboard and toward aft, hovering 50 feet above the water during landings. It

goes to 150 feet altitude during takeoffs.

The positions put the helicopter in readiness to swoop down to the water's edge if a plane hits the drink. By the time the pilot, already equipped with a "Mae West" life vest, gets out of the plane the angel is there hovering over him.

A sling is attached to a steel cable, lowered, and the pilot slips it under his arms. The hoist operator, riding with the helicopter pilot, turns on the hydraulic lift, bringing the airman to the side of the helicopter. He steps inside, and if necessary is hurried to the carrier for medical attention.

Starr said that in the last two years his squadron had made about 30 rescues, most of them carrier pilots.

The general feeling among navy men is that the presence of the "angel" boosts the airman's confidence, particularly if they are new at the game.

The helicopter also is used to transfer men from ship to ship and distributes mail among task force ships in a matter of minutes whereas in the old days a destroyer took hours to make the same jog.

Club Meets Thursday

Fairview—The Fairview Community club will be held Thursday evening, January 26 if weather is favorable, Carl Wood announced. Mrs. Peter Parvin is ill with severe cold.

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