



Love Lifts Iron Curtain—Former West Berliner Herbert Nimz, 20, who left Germany 18 months ago and became a U. S. citizen and soldier, presents his Christmas gifts to his girl, Erika Busch, 16, at their Yuletide reunion in the former German capital. In the states Nimz had expressed his desire to go to Berlin to see Erika, a resident of the Soviet sector, to ask her to marry him. The army and air force arranged for him to get there and sure enough Erika left East Berlin for a holiday call on the Nibz family. Herbert has applied to American army authorities in West Berlin to sanction their marriage and arrange for him to take Erika to the U. S. (AP Wirephoto.)

Farm Prices Up 4% in Month

Washington, Dec. 29 (P)—Farm prices rose about four percent between mid-November and mid-December, the agriculture department reported today.

The advance put prices about 15.6 percent above the level prevailing just before the Korean war. But they still were about seven percent below the record level set in January, 1949.

Commodities which increased during the month included eggs, wheat, corn, sardines, flaxseed, cottonseed and wool.

Lower prices were received for cotton, grapefruit, hogs and chickens.

Nine major commodities were at or above permissive minimum price ceiling levels authorized by economic stabilization legislation. They included cotton, rice, flue-cured tobacco, wool, cottonseed, sardines, beef cattle, lambs and veal calves. All other important commodities were selling for less than minimum ceiling levels. No price ceilings have been set on any farm commodities.

The department said prices paid by farmers for good and services used in family living and farm production went up nearly one percent during the month to set a new record.

The index of prices received by farmers in mid-December was 286 percent of the 1910-14 average compared with 276 percent a month earlier and 233 percent a year ago. The record index was 306 set in January, 1949.

CIO Woodworkers To Talk Higher Pay

Portland, Dec. 29 (P)—The CIO Woodworkers Northwest Regional Negotiation conference here today will have 1951 pay raises as the chief topic.

Virgil Burtz, research director for the International Woodworkers of America, said higher wages have priority for the January 13-14 session. He noted that in the past year health and welfare gains were the major demands.

Negotiations are to formulate the union's wage negotiation pattern, Burtz reported. He did not indicate how much the unions may ask employers to add to the paychecks. A strike settlement this week at Fall Creek, Ore., resulted in a five-cents-an-hour boost for CIO workers there.

Traditional Service Stated

Dayton, O., Dec. 29 (P)—Dr. Hugh I. Evans of Dayton, moderator of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A., will administer communion at the National Presbyterian church in Washington Wednesday.

It will be the traditional service prior to the opening of the 82nd congress. President Truman is expected to top the list of government officials who will be guests.

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School Declares Fee Suit Stand

Albany—The Albany school board is not trying to get out of paying what it understands to be the fees district No. 5 owes to Glenn Stanton, Portland architect, who designed the three new local grade schools, it was stated Wednesday by John Bucknum, school business manager.

Bucknum explained that the school board's contract with Stanton called for payment of 4 1/2 per cent of the contract cost of the buildings, according to the board's interpretation. The district had paid Stanton on this basis all but \$650.81 of the amount it estimated was due him, and offered him a check for that amount as final payment but he refused to accept it, Bucknum said.

Now, the district business agent asserted, Stanton is claiming fees not on the basis of actual cost, but on the lowest of the original bids, all of which were rejected as too high.

Furthermore, Bucknum pointed out, on August 3, the school board received a letter from Stanton claiming he was entitled to an additional \$4,505.53 above the total amount the Albany board had proffered. Now, he added, Stanton is claiming \$8,339.03.

This is the amount Stanton named in a complaint filed in circuit court here against the school board.

Crime Probe of Miami Underway

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 29 (P)—Sen. Lester Hunt (D., Wyo.), opened a Kefauver committee hearing here today with the statement that "much of the criminal business in Tampa is hatched up in New Orleans."

Tampa, he added, is believed by narcotics agents to be a principal receiving point for narcotics smuggled into the United States. Senator Hunt, member of a sub-committee of the Kefauver committee to investigate interstate crime, reiterated the statement the committee has "definitely established that criminal gangs are operating without regard to state lines."

He promised that the hearing here will show how the national crime pattern fits together from many local situations.

"When the police seized the effects of Jack Dragma, a notorious California hoodlum, they found the telephone numbers of Santo Trafficante, Sr., and James Luma, victim of Tampa's most recent gang-type murder," he stated.

The Wyoming senator declared the committee has proved definite links of crime syndicates "all over the United States," with headquarters at New York and Chicago.

He said this would be the last Florida session before the life of the committee expires March 31. The committee, however, may be authorized to continue.

Senate Session Lasts Nine Seconds

Washington, Dec. 29 (P)—The senate met for just nine seconds today in a record-breaking performance for brevity.

Senator McKellar (D., Tenn.), president pro tempore, guided the senate to its new record.

He took the rostrum a few seconds after the 12 o'clock noon (EST) opening, banged his gavel and said:

"The senate will be in order. Under the previous order, the senate will stand in recess until Tuesday next at 11 o'clock a.m."

Then he banged his gavel again.

U. S. Subs Coming Out of Mothballs

Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 29 (P)—American submarines are coming out of "moth balls."

The navy announced today the U. S. Tenth—a veteran of World War II—will be recommissioned at the naval base here next Wednesday.

This is the first inactivated submarine being put back into active service since President Truman declared a station of national emergency, officers said.

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Trade Envoys—Stanton Griffiths, left, has been named by President Truman as this country's first ambassador to Spain since Dec. 31, 1945. Jose Felix Lequerica, right, former Spanish foreign minister, will be Franco's envoy to the United States. (Acme Telephoto.)

Spring in December in Sunny Central Oregon

Redmond, Dec. 29 (P)—The bees are flying. There's pollen on the juniper trees. Late December in central Oregon has been like spring.

Dandelions, daffodils, violets and pansies are in bloom. One Redmond resident, Supt. M. E. Larive, ate fresh broccoli from his garden for Christmas dinner.

On five days last week the mercury climbed above the 50-mark, instead of keeping well under freezing, as is customary for a central Oregon December.

Roger Sanford and his father, A. J. Sanford, say that their bees have been coming back from mid-winter flights, their legs covered with balls of yellow pollen.

The darker pollen is from dandelions and the lighter from Junipers, Roger Sanford explained. The bees can't collect any honey this time of year, of course, but they get the pollen, or "bee bread," as it is commonly called, to feed the young larvae.

Bees don't actually hibernate, as some people think, but they won't fly unless the sun comes out and the temperature warms up to at least 50 degrees. Then they'll fly, even though there is snow on the ground.

The juniper tree's blossom is so small you'd hardly recognize it unless you knew what you were trying to find, Sanford said. It's a tiny nubbin or ball, which opens to show a star-shaped yellow spot about the size of the head of a pin. That's the juniper tree's blossom, which normally doesn't appear until late in February or in March. However, central Oregon's junipers are blooming now.

A. J. Sanford, who has been in the beekeeping business here since 1916, says it's the first time he's ever seen bees collect juniper pollen before February. The Sanfords have 1500 colonies of bees.

Last year at this time Redmond and central Oregon were shivering in sub-zero weather, with water pipes, ears and toes frozen solid. Now it's almost like spring, with even ranglands showing green grass and foothills bare of snow.

Big New Liner Will Be Delivered Jan. 15

New York, Dec. 29 (P)—American export lines will formally accept delivery of the fastest and one of the largest passenger liners in this country's trans Atlantic fleet on Jan. 17, J. E. Slater, president, announced today.

The S.S. Independence, a 1,000-passenger liner, will be taken from Bethlehem Steel's shipyard in Quincy, Mass., to a Boston drydock for final preparations and the signing of a crew before leaving for New York Jan. 21. She will sail on her maiden voyage Feb. 10.

Seaplane Pilot and Radioman Rescued

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 29 (P)—The pilot and radio operator of a crashed seaplane were rescued last night after spending four hours sitting on the bottom of their overturned craft in the Fraser river.

Neither of the men—Pilot Rex Clibbery and Radio Operator Fred Hearsey—was injured.

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Venezuela Ousts A P Newsman

New York, Dec. 29 (P)—Robert Berrellez, American chief of the Associated Press bureau in Caracas, Venezuela, has been ordered to leave the country by the Venezuelan office of national security.

No reasons have been given officially for the expulsion order and Venezuelan government agencies have refused to answer requests by the Associated Press for an explanation. However, it has been learned authoritatively that Berrellez sent news dispatches deemed "inaccurate and insulting to the Venezuelan government."

In the absence of any documentation, it was presumed these reported charges stemmed from news coverage, in mid-November, connected with the assassination of Carlos Delgado Chabaud, president of the ruling Venezuelan junta. Berrellez denied there was any basis for accusations that they had been unjust or failed accurately to report the news facts, as he found them. His and all other requests for explanation met with official silence.

Frank J. Starzel, general manager of the Associated Press, issued this statement:

"It is a source of profound regret that Venezuelan government authorities have thus far declined to specify reasons for the arbitrary action taken and failed to permit a full and fair examination of grounds for criticism of Berrellez or the news dispatches he has filed."

Born in Nogales, Arizona, Berrellez was on the staff of the Nogales Herald as a reporter and editor for 15 years before joining the Associated Press staff at Phoenix in January, 1949.

Aliens Must Report Addresses to P O

Portland, Dec. 29 (P)—Alien residents of Oregon must report their residential addresses to the federal government—at post offices—between Jan. 1 and 10.

R. J. Norene, immigration bureau officer here, said about 150,000 aliens live in the four Pacific northwest states. He said this is about 15,000 more than reported during the 1940 alien registration.

Norene said check cards were available at post offices. They should be filled out immediately and handed to clerks at post office windows, not dropped in mail chutes or boxes, he said.

He said the check-up was part of the new federal internal security act. Failure to comply could result in a fine, a jail sentence or both, Norene added.

Portland Bread Prices Boosted Cent a Loaf

Portland, Dec. 29 (P)—The price of bread will be boosted one cent a loaf tomorrow by some major Portland bakeries, an industrial spokesman said today.

Other bakeries are expected to follow suit early next week.

The increase is in line with boosts in most other Pacific coast cities, the spokesman said.

Bread would retail at 24 cents for a 1 1/2 pound loaf and 19 cents for a 1 pound loaf under the new price schedule.

Material costs have gone up 22 percent since July, one bakery manager said.

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Wilmington, Del., Dec. 29 (P)—Your daily quart of milk may soon come to your door in a compact, 11-ounce container. You'll simply add water to make a full 32-ounce quart of whole milk.

Sales of a milk concentrate, the volume of which is one-third less than whole milk, are already underway in Wilmington.

Henry Huff, official of the Clover dairy which distributes the milk concentrate, said its flavor cannot be distinguished from ordinary milk. The product is available in one-third quart and quart containers. The smaller size is delivered on retail routes at 22 1/2 cents, Huff said.

The product was introduced on the firm's routes Nov. 1 but so far, Huff said, no surveys have been taken to determine public reaction.

But, he added, the sales have been "gradually increasing."

In Chicago, the Beatrice Foods company said it is test selling a concentrated chocolate drink in about 100 stores. The Beirlein company said it is experimenting with what it describes as a new form of concentrated milk but did not know when the product would be placed on the market.

8,006,000 Autos And Trucks in 1950

Detroit, Dec. 29 (P)—Ward's automotive reports estimated today that the auto industry produced a record 8,006,000 cars and trucks this year, nearly one and three-quarters million more than last year's previous high.

At the same time the industry statistical agency said that the nation's auto plants may turn out nearly 2,000,000 vehicles in the first three months of 1951 despite government restrictions on use of critical materials.

In fact, Ward's estimated that truck output for the first three months of the new year "may reach 400,000 units, an all-time high for any quarter in industry history."

Chicago Goes Out After Jaywalkers

Chicago, Dec. 29 (P)—Chicago is going to try again to halt jaywalking.

Beginning today jaywalkers—pedestrians who cross streets in midblock or against traffic lights—will get warnings from police. Later warning notices will be handed out and eventually violators will get traffic tickets. The new traffic code provides fines up to \$200 for jaywalking.

Chicago had an anti-jaywalking ordinance once before but the Illinois supreme court declared it unconstitutional.

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Party Planned For 1st '51 Babe

Salem's first baby born in 1951 is going to have a birthday party before its first anniversary—planning it are a number of Salem firms, together with the Capital Journal.

Only rule to take part in the "First Baby for 1951" contest is that the attending physician turn in a statement indicating the time of birth.

There are no box tops to turn in and no essays to write—the Capital Journal just wants to have the name of the parents and of the baby.

To first baby born in Salem in 1951 and its mother will go many gifts from Salem merchants, any of whom may participate by calling the Capital Journal before 10 a.m. Saturday, December 30.

A list of the birthday gifts and the donors will appear in the Saturday night issue of the Capital Journal.

Mother Locates Missina Son

Charleroi, Pa., Dec. 29 (P)—A mother who spent Christmas day listening for a telephone call from her missing 19-year-old son has found him in California.

Mrs. Emil Huttner and her husband made a nation-wide appeal Christmas night for help in finding the son, William, a former student at Pennsylvania State college. He disappeared November 6.

The appeal was answered by officials at the Pittsburgh and Washington, Pa., posts of the reserve officers corps. William, an army reservist, had notified officials of a new address in Los Angeles. He told a friend he couldn't stand cold weather, and wanted to live in a warmer climate.

Mrs. Huttner said yesterday: "I'd like to go out there myself. If he's happy where he is, it's what we want too."

Most Roads Bare

Pavement is bare on all state highways except those closed for the winter, the state highway commission said today.

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