

Yuba City Prepares To Hold Christmas Observance Feb. 25

Yuba City—(U.P.)—Only seven more shopping days until Christmas—in Yuba City. Christmas will come on Feb. 25 for the 10,000 persons here who were cheated out of their regular yuletide by a disastrous flood of the Feather river last Dec. 24. It will be Christmas in every way, regardless of what the calendar says. There will be special

church services, a community Christmas party, a visit from Santa Claus and toys for all the kids.

Shopping Rush
There will even be a last-minute Christmas shopping rush at the stores.

The Christmas in February will not be without its sober side, however. Families still are mourning the loss of 37 persons who are known to have died in the swift-rising flood waters. Others are still missing.

South of Yuba City, in the rich "Peach Bowl" agricultural area, flood waters only recently were drained from thousands of acres of orchard land. There may be permanent damage to the trees that represent the livelihood of hundreds of families.

But with the help of outsiders the Christmas spirit has been rekindled in Yuba City. The idea was born in four Southern California Lions clubs and spread rapidly throughout the state.

Lions At Work
Lions at Lynwood, Huntington Park, South Gate and Compton, all in the Los Angeles area, began making plans for the event while the Christmas gifts Yuba Cityans never had a chance to open, were still floating in the flood waters around the town.

Youngsters who spent Dec. 25 in emergency shelters scattered throughout Northern California, in many cases separated from their families, will have their Christmas party in a huge tent brought up from Hollywood. The San Francisco Lions will present a vaudeville show. Lions at Sunnyside arranged to truck in a load of Christmas trees.



THOMAS L. CLARK
Victim of Initiation?

Singer Billy Daniels To Face Grand Jury

New York—(U.P.)—A Manhattan Grand Jury has indicted singer Billy Daniels on five counts involving the shooting of a fight trainer in a bottle club Jan. 31, it was learned yesterday.

Daniels, currently in Palm Springs, Calif., singing in night clubs said he would return to New York to fight the indictments.

The indictment includes two charges of second degree assault, two charges of violation of the state weapons law, and one charging that Daniels fired a gun in a public place. The charges grew out of the wounding of James Jackson, 33, in the Seven-One-Ten club during a row. Jackson told police he didn't know who shot him but police arrested Daniels later that day after they learned he had been in the club.

Reservoir Dragged For Body of Young College Freshman

Cambridge, Mass.—(U.P.)—Volunteer drivers, dynamiters and scores of students converged today on an ice-blocked reservoir where a missing fraternity "pledge" is believed drowned. Darkness and bitter cold winds halted dragging operations last night for the body of Thomas L. Clark, 18, son of a Harvey, Ill., business executive. The student vanished Friday during a fraternity initiation stunt. Earlier yesterday a shoe and

a white scarf found imbedded in the snow-encrusted Cambridge reservoir were identified by the missing youth's father, Alfred R. Clark. "My boy had a scarf exactly like that," the father said. "I am certain those are his things." The elder Clark, who had waited tensely all day for news of his son, collapsed into a chair. "This never should have happened," he said. "How could

they allow such a thing? What were they thinking of?" Police said they were certain that the missing Massachusetts Institute of Technology freshman fell through the ice when he attempted to cross the reservoir at night. He had been dumped blindfolded out of an automobile by upperclassmen and told to "use your own resources" to find his way back 12 miles to the fraternity house. Police said they would not

eliminate the possibility of foul play. District Attorney Ephraim T. Martin said that "when and if the body is found there will be an inquest." Members of Delta Kappa Epsilon which young Clark had pledged, said the youth had been assured of his election to the fraternity. Fraternity President Paul H. Luckett of Juarez, Mexico, said Clark "accepted the hazing willingly. He made no objection to

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Coos Bay May Get Ammunition Depot

Coos Bay—(U.P.)—Coos Bay area officials were busy testing public response today to the possibility that the Navy might move its Chicago, Calif., ammunition depot to Coos Bay.

The depot, which employs 850 civilians in addition to service personnel, has been asked to move out because the 4500 additional acres needed for the depot would wipe out potential industrial sites.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger D. Ore. asked city, county and Chamber of Commerce officials yesterday to check public response and gather economic data to support any bid for the project.

The Oregon Democrat said State Sen. George Miller of California had asked him to check possible Oregon sites for the project which uses 6500 acres now and needs an additional 4500 acres.

Navy sources said the depot does not manufacture ammunition. It stores and transships it under close security.

Back Stairs: Hagerty Winces at Name

By MERRIMAN SMITH
United Press White House Writer

Thomasville, Ga.—(U.P.)—Backstairs at the quail-shooting White House.

President Eisenhower's Press Secretary Jim Hagerty still winces when he hears Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey's place here called a "plantation."

When the President first visited Humphrey in 1954, Hagerty insisted before the party arrived in Thomasville that the Humphrey place most certainly was not a plantation, but a farm. Hagerty thought the word plantation carried with an implication of luxury.

But when the presidential motorcade rolled up to the gates of the place, Hagerty could not escape seeing a large stone pillar on which was engraved, "Milestone Plantation."

Jim shouldn't worry, however. Just about everything over five acres in this part of the country is called a plantation.

Italian Cabinet In Special Session

Rome—(U.P.)—Premier Antonio Segni called his cabinet into special session today in an attempt to avert a political crisis caused by the death of his treasury minister.

Ezio Vanoni, Italy's top financial expert and father of her first modern income tax law, was stricken with a heart attack during a confidence vote in the Senate chamber Thursday. He died on a couch in a nearby office shortly afterwards, and most pessimistic observers wondered whether his bold 10-year economic plan and the stability of the Italian currency died with him.

Vanoni collapsed after delivering a financial speech in support of the Segni government which was seeking a vote of confidence. A friend said Vanoni, who was also interim budget minister, worked through the night to prepare the address.

Vanoni's death threw the Senate into confusion and right and leftwing extremists jumped at once into the breach with demands that the Segni cabinet resign.

Around Hollywood

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Jacques Bergerac confesses he's waved goodbye to a quarter of a million dollars worth of acting jobs

—all because he's determined not to be known as Ginger Roger's husband.

The handsome, young Frenchman wed the blonde film star three years ago and launched his own acting career. Not much of a splash has been heard from his corner. But Jacques revealed that's because he is determined to make it on his own.

"I just refused a TV series because it was for the two of us," he said. "It would have meant a great deal of money. She was willing, but I refused to do it. We also have been offered two big TV 'spectaculars,' one play on Broadway and two movies."

Hitchcock Film Picked
Jacques instead chose an Alfred Hitchcock TV film because it involved him alone. The story is "Safe Conduct," also costarring Claire Trevor, on "Alfred Hitchcock Presents" next Sunday. And the network, CBS-TV, predicts the role will boost his acting career.

Jacques and Ginger apparently have a successful marriage, despite cynics who had predicted the combination wouldn't last.

He was under contract to MGM for a year while he studied English. When the studio couldn't come up with a suitable role, he says, he quit. He and Ginger costarred in one movie made abroad, "Twist of Fate." Then he appeared in a play in Paris and decided he must act

alone until he is "established." He even refused to pose for CBS-TV publicity photographs with Ginger.

Own Career Desired
"Of course, I want to do another picture with my wife, but only after I have established my career on my own," he said.

Jacques is a mature, intelligent, masculine-type actor—a refreshing switch from some of the new heart throbs around town. But having a French accent has been another hurdle to stardom.

"After you're established, an accent can be offset and charming, but in the beginning it has some limitations," he said. "Then, too, you have to get away from those prejudices producers have about French men. They think a French actor must be hand kissing, weak. I've refused three pictures based on that type. I think I am far different."

'Nightmare Sickness' Claims Eighth Victim
Manila—(U.P.)—The mysterious "nightmare sickness" that has killed seven Filipinos in their sleep was reported today to have claimed an eighth victim—Dr. Lachon Ledesma, a 25-year-old medical interne.

Fellow internes at Victoriano Lua hospital said Ledesma, apparently in good health, went to bed about 1 a.m. Thursday after eating a heavy meal. He was found dead of undetermined causes at 7:30 a.m.

The lack of symptoms indicates the young physician had succumbed to nightmare sickness. Victims of the disease show no traces of injury, poison or disease.

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