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SATELLITE MESSAGE—Undersecy. of Defense Donald Quarles (left) presents President Eisenhower at the White House with the tape recording made at Cape Canaveral of the President's historic Christmas message transmitted from the Air Force's Atlas ICBM satellite.

Papa Noel Due In Argentina On January 6

Buenos Aires—(UPI)—'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, not a creature was stirring—except the mosquitoes. On Christmas Eve in Argentina, where it's summer, it's too hot for anything else.

The children are in bed, some of them perhaps peering out the window for a glimpse of Papa Noel darting among the palm trees, but most of them dreaming of the Three Magi Kings, although they don't arrive until Jan. 6, Epiphany Day.

Papa Noel (who bears a striking resemblance to Santa Claus with his red suit, white beard, shiny black boots, ruddy cheeks and fat belly) is growing in popularity south of the equator.

But, said Miguel A. Alcaine the father of two "it's the Kings' Day (Dia de Reyes) that the children still wait for."

Letters To Three Kings
Most of them write letters to the Three Kings ahead of time and, on the night before the Kings' Day, they leave their shoes on the doorstep. If they've been good, they will find the toys they wanted in their shoes.

Though eclipsed by Jan. 6 as a holiday, Dec. 25 is still the most important holy day. Manger scenes are assembled in many homes and, beginning with midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, the day is one of considerable reverence in this overwhelmingly Catholic country.

But only in the English-speaking sections of Buenos Aires are homes decorated with Christmas lights, and there are no popular Christmas stories or carols.

In the stores, though, Christmas is getting more and more attention each year. This year, in fact, most of them featured a Papa Noel—although this caused some confusion recently when Papa flew in from the U.S., Spain and Uruguay by different airlines to different stores all within one week.



INGRID MARRIES—Actress Ingrid Bergman has married Swedish millionaire Lars Schmidt in London, in a quiet civil ceremony. Here Schmidt and Miss Bergman are shown in a file photo made during a vacation in Sweden last summer. Legality of the marriage has been challenged in Italy, which does not recognize her divorce from film director Roberto Rossellini.

Russian Novelist Sure All To Be Well With Him in Future

By ANTHONY AUSTIN
Moscow—(UPI)—Boris Pasternak says he is sure "all will be well" with him despite the blaze of anger which lit up high places in Russia when his novel, "Dr. Zhivago," won the Nobel Prize.

The white haired, craggy-faced Russian poet and novelist talked animatedly about his book and the flood of mail it brought him from abroad when this reporter visited him at his home at Peredelkino

village, 15 miles outside Moscow.

He said "hundreds of letters" had come thus far from Europe, the United States and other countries, and about half of them would need answering. After that, he said, he intends to start another "major work"—although he is not sure whether it will be another novel.

No Sequel To 'Zhivago'
Anyway, he said, it will not be a continuation of "Dr. Zhivago" which is banned in the USSR as anti-Soviet. Pasternak also made it clear that anything he writes henceforth will never see the light of day unless it is publishable in the Soviet Union.

Pasternak laughed often during the interview and said he was in good health. Only in his silences, when asked about details of his daily life, was there any hint of what he has gone through.

He was asked how he plans to spend Christmas Day. By those who still mark Christmas in the USSR—it is celebrated Jan. 7 in accordance with the old Julian calendar.

"The same as always," Pasternak replied evasively.

Will he go to church? There is a beautiful one nearby, built in the days of Ivan the Terrible.

"Sometimes I go to that church," he said.

Will he and his wife have guests over?

"We may have a Christmas tree on New Year's Eve," he replied.

Pasternak apparently felt that in view of bitter attacks on him and his expulsion from the writer's union he must be circumspect in talking.

To Meet New Year
What are their plans for meeting the new year? he was asked. He laughed expansively.

"We won't be meeting the new year, exactly," he said. "We'll be sort of getting acquainted with it, seeing what it brings."

He gazed out of a window across a snow covered field. "All will be well eventually, I'm sure," he said.

Soon, he said, he intends to resume the two and three-hour walks through the woods around his home which is set in the writer's colony. He indicated that he has been keeping pretty much to home lately, just taking short walks to the village and waiting for the storm caused by his Nobel Prize to blow over.

to agree that the overwintering fly is not a major factor in developing the new crop. In that case, the problem of eliminating the insect from the temperate zones should consist mainly of destroying the egg and larval stages before the return of spring.

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Congress Will Be Asked To Up Debt Limit To \$290 Billion

Washington—(CQ)—Congress will be asked to raise the debt limit once again in 1959, to \$290 billion or more.

Here are the fiscal "facts of life" that make this a near certainty:

—The present ceiling of \$288 billion approved by Congress in August, automatically reverts to \$283 billion next June 30.

—A deficit of \$1.1 billion in the first five months of fiscal 1959 pushed the debt outstanding at the end of November to \$282.7 billion.

—Although Federal receipts normally jump in the January-June period, there is little prospect this year that they will greatly exceed expenditures. Even a \$10 billion deficit for the full fiscal year, the official forecast is still \$12 billion) would leave almost no airspace next July.

—No matter what happens in fiscal 1960, the Treasury is certain to dip into the red

by \$6 billion or more between July 1 and next New Year's Eve. Lagging receipts have produced July-December deficits of \$5.7 to \$9.3 billion every year since fiscal 1953.

—Add \$6 billion to \$283 billion, allow some margin for flexibility in the week-by-week job of refinancing the debt, and you get a minimum ceiling of \$290 billion.

Budget Outlook
Raising the debt limit is perhaps the least onerous of the several fiscal and economic tasks awaiting the heavily Democratic 86th Congress.

Few men in Congress think that total spending next year can be held below the \$80 billion outgo now forecast for this year. Defense outlays are

expected to continue rising, interest costs will climb as credit tightens, and the chances that Congress will agree to cut back civil benefits and services are almost nil.

Budget receipts will depend on the rate at which economic recovery proceeds. Each increase of \$1 billion in personal income, for example, is worth about \$150 million to the Treasury. Right now there is more hope than conviction that recovery in 1959 will maintain the pace experienced after the 1948-49 and 1953-54 recessions. Even if it does, revenues under the present tax structure probably won't suffice to cover spending in fiscal 1960.

Tax Reform
Under these circumstances, higher rather than lower taxes appear to be in order. Rep. Wilbur D. Mills, Chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee, has gone on record in opposition to raising present rates. But, he says, "a great deal of revenue could be provided by a broadening of the tax base, a removal of some special deductions and preferences, and an increase in rates on some specially favored incomes."

Tax reform is more likely to be studied than to be enacted in 1959. But Congress will have to make up its mind on four specific revenue matters:

—Present rates on corporation income and certain excises will drop on June 30, unless Congress agrees (as is expected) to a sixth one-year postponement.

—A temporary formula for taxing life insurance companies must be revised or extended.

—The sagging Highway Trust Fund must be replenished, either from the general fund or by an increase in the Federal gasoline tax, which the President is expected to propose.

—An increase from 4 to 5 cents in the first-class mail rate is another step likely to be recommended, since a pay raise absorbed most of the increases in postage approved in 1958.

Inflation Worries
Some of the growing pressure on Congress to take a new look at Federal income

and outgo arises from renaissance fears of inflation. Although price levels have remained fairly stable for the past six months, many observers see the prospect of another wage-price spiral in the near future, fueled by the heavy deficit spending now in progress.

Senate Majority Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Texas), who is sensitive to the President's characterization of Democrats as "spenders," has proposed a "searching" Congressional inquiry into the causes of inflation and its remedies, if any. Previous excursions into this uncharted field suggest that any new study will reveal more discord than agreement among the business, labor, and academic economists to whom the inquiring Congressmen will turn. No law to be passed in 1959, it seems safe to say, will serve to stay the course of inflation when the upward movement of prices and wages is resumed.

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Scandinavia Nations Devote Two Days To Observing Christmas

Oslo, Norway—(UPI)—In Scandinavia, Christmas is more than just a one-day affair.

From the snowy ridges of northern Finland to the fishing villages of western Denmark, Christmas is at least a two-day holiday devoted to family gatherings, good food, presents, Christmas trees, and a good time.

In bygone days, Christmas often lasted until Jan. 6—Twelfth Night—and a Danish refrain says that "Christmas lasts until Easter."

In any event, the Big Day now is Dec. 24, a short workday. The big Christmas Dinner is held on the 24th—not on Christmas Day itself, or "First Christmas Day," as Dec. 25 is called.

Variety of Games
Christmas Eve is also the time when presents are brought out by red-clad, white-bearded men who bear a variety of names.

The Finnish child knows him as the "Joulupukki" or Christmas Man. The Swedish boy or girl knows him as "Jultomten" or Christmas elf. The Danish youngster knows that it's the "Julemand" who brings his gifts.

The Finnish "Joulupukki" may come with sleigh and

reindeer while the children are taking their Christmas Sauna bath, then disappear before anyone spots him. The Danish Santa Claus often has little red-capped elves as his helpers.

And in Sweden, just as familiar as the bearded fellow is the straw figure of a goat—often life-sized—found in every living room.

The Christmas Eve dinner varies—boiled ham in Finland, roast goose in Denmark, roast pork, cooked mutton or a codfish dish in Norway, and ham or codfish in Sweden.

There is plenty of drink, to, whether it be the traditional Danish "Christmas Beer," a sweet non-alcoholic drink, or the steaming potent glog of Sweden.

In rural areas, it is still a custom to put a sheaf of grain outside for the birds. In Denmark, a dish of rice porridge is placed in an attic for the little Christmas elf.

Religious Services
Throughout Scandinavia, Christmas is also a time of religious services, with churches filled on Dec. 24 and again the next morning.

The Christmas tree forms the center of the family observances on Christmas Eve, with members of the family singing carols and reading Christmas stories, or dancing, hand-in-hand, around the candle-lit tree.

With Christmas Eve behind him, the average Scandinavian—whether he's a Finn, Swede, Norwegian or Dane—can look forward to two solid days of enjoying life. This often means heavy lunches on Dec. 25 and 26, family visits, coffee-and-cake sessions, and a few hours now and then to rest up for the next round.

Saint Who Gave Santa Claus Name Buried in Italy

Bari, Italy—(UPI)—The Roman Catholic saint who gave Santa Claus his name lies buried here beneath an altar of solid silver.

St. Nicholas of Bari is honored by the faithful of the church as the patron saint of children. Youngsters pray to him on Dec. 6, his feast day.

The name "Santa Claus," now associated with a jolly old man in a red suit, comes from the Latin version of St. Nicholas' name—Sanctus Nicolaus. But little else is known of Nicholas, a fourth century priest from Asia Minor.

He is known to have been a generous and saintly man, and tradition says his generosity included dowries to the poor girls who wanted to get married but could not afford the traditional gift to the husband.

Italian fishermen were said to have heard of Nicholas' open heartedness and some seven centuries after his death brought his body here from its original resting place in Patara, Lycia, his home town in Asia Minor.

Star Over Crypt
A silver altar was erected over the crypt where his remains were placed and Pope Urban II, in the midst of planning the first Crusades, traveled across Italy from Rome to consecrate the tomb.

Although the American-style Santa Claus with Christmas day gifts has caught on along with the Christmas tree in some Italian families to day, the traditional day for giving presents is Jan. 6, Epiphany day.

Epiphany in church tradition is the day the Three Wise Men appeared at the stable crib of the Christ child, bearing gifts after following His star to His birthplace in Bethlehem.

For Italian children, Epiphany means visits from a good, grey-haired witch called "Befana."

Befana swoops down on a house on her broomstick, slides down the chimney just like Santa Claus and deposits toys and goodies for youngsters on the kitchen table.

Germans Start Early Behavior

Frankfurt, Germany—(UPI)—German children start behaving well several weeks before Christmas. The reason is that their version of Santa Claus arrives on Dec. 6.

But St. Nick-Nikolaus in German—does not bring the kind of Christmas presents he is associated with in America and elsewhere. In Germany, he merely distributes candies and nuts.

It's the Christkind who brings Christmas toys. These arrive Christmas Eve. Christmas day is devoted to playing with them.

But it is up to Nikolaus on Dec. 6 to decide if the children have behaved well enough to receive any presents at all. He comes with a bundle of sticks in one hand and goodies in the other.

If the child has been well behaved, he gets the goodies. If he has been mischievous, it's the stick. Needless to say, it's always the goodies that are handed out.

Governor Requests Appointment Ruling

Salem—(UPI)—Gov. Robert D. Holmes has asked an attorney general's opinions concerning the right of appointment of the next Oregon secretary of state.

The opinions are expected within a few days.

The governor announced last month that he would appoint Dave O'Hara, former state elections chief, to the post.

He said he was asking the opinions because newspaper reports indicated a conflict between the legal advice given him and that given Governor-elect Mark Hatfield.

Is That So?

By OLGA BURNS

The common housefly you occasionally find buzzing around a room in the winter months; though probably man's oldest nonhuman associate, is still definitely the most dangerous.

The source of the danger is

his feet—he has no bite or sting—and the reason is that he transmits a variety of diseases.



Throughout the major part of the country today he does not seem much of a menace, ostensibly because of modern methods of sanitation and the invention of insecticides. However, important as sanitary practices are, much credit must go to the invention of the automobile. The auto, unlike the horse, provides no means whereby the housefly can lay and incubate its eggs. What the housefly requires for that is decaying matter which may include anything from manure to old rags.

The time the fly requires is comparatively negligible. During the summer months its life cycle, from birth to procreation, may take no more than 12 days. In other words, that is all the time required for an egg to develop into a fly and lay eggs in turn.

It is true that the average number of eggs a housefly lays is only about 120, but because of the speed with which the insects reach maturity it is mathematically possible for one female's descendants to total over five trillion during a single season. That, coupled with the amazing adaptability of the creature, is the reason the invention of powerful insecticides has proved of only temporary value. The fly can breed new strains of insecticide-resistant stock faster than man can invent.

Eggs Not Injured
But if the life cycle of the fly is so short, how can it survive so well in climates where there are severe winters? So far as I can find, it is mainly because the eggs or larvae are not injured by the cold. Freezing merely arrests their development, pending the return of warm weather which restimulates the life process.

While the life span of the fly may be three months, and though it is known that some adults do manage to go through the winter in houses the majority of students seem

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Land Withdrawal Sought by Service

Portland—The U.S. forest service has requested withdrawal of approximately 152 acres of public land in Siskiyou National forest adjacent to Virgil T. Heath, state supervisor of the bureau of land management.

The land is along or adjacent to the Illinois river a few miles upstream from its confluence with the Rogue river in east central Curry county. The land varies in elevation from 300 to 1,200 feet, Heath noted.

Other than sand bars and beaches along the river, the lands are rough and mountainous. The forest service said the purpose is to preserve the natural scenic and recreational values of the land for the public. The withdrawal will be subject to valid existing rights, existing withdrawals, and will bar the future location of mining claims.

A period of 30 days from the date of publication of the notice of the proposed withdrawal in the Federal Register is provided for filing comments or protests of the public, which should be addressed to Heath at 809 NE Sixth ave., Portland, 12.

Salem—(UPI)—Word is expected in a few days from Vice President Richard Nixon on whether he can attend Oregon's 100th birthday next Feb. 14.

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