

### Book to Fit Age Of Child Urged By OSC Specialist

Corvallis—If a book or book set is on your list of Christmas "stocking stuffers," choose one to fit the child's age. Some books may be ageless but youngsters aren't, Mrs. Robert Frasier, Oregon State college extension family life specialist, reminded Christmas shoppers.

She said well-meaning parents and relatives often select books that are too advanced for their youngsters. They choose books for pre-schoolers which they recall as favorites but which they probably read at 8 or 9. There is little excuse for choosing books that are "too old" for the child for bookshelves are full of selections tailor-made for pre-school children, Mrs. Frasier reported.

Some families, she continued, buy books and even book sets suitable for the school-age child, while the children are still babies. By the time youngsters are old enough to read them much of the contents is dated. Every book is written for a select age group. Suggested ages are often listed inside book jackets. Lists of recommended reading for various age groups are also available from libraries and bookstores.

When shopping for books by mail, study advertisements carefully, the specialist advised. Buy from reputable salesmen and well-known companies. If in doubt, ask librarians for suggestions. Some companies offer to send "typical examples" of their books, which may turn out to be selected samples of their best. Beware of advertising that pushes books that fit a wide age span, such as "6 to 16." What's simple enough for the 6-year-old is usually dull reading for the teenager.

Consider use books will receive. For example, if shopping for a music book, select a size and soft cover, that will be easy to use on a music or piano rack.

Families considering purchase of book sets—encyclopedias, music volumes, nature series, storybook tales, adventure or travel series—should compare cost of "sets" with what they could purchase in individual books. Mrs. Frasier said that families sometimes end up buying a lot of books to get one or two that are finally used.

Don't expect one set of books to answer all the child's reading needs. Encyclopedia sets contain a limited amount of information on a number of topics. However, they may provide the incentive a child needs to get interested in learning more about a subject.

### Austin Young Escapes Prison

Pinar Del Rio, Cuba—UPI—Two top-ranking army officers came here from Havana late Wednesday to investigate Miamian Austin Young's escape from the prison where he had been sentenced to serve 30 years.

Maj. Juan Almeida, commander of the army, arrived with Maj. Dermidio Escalona, commandant of the 6th Military District, who had been in Havana on leave.

Almeida returned to the capital after inspecting the washroom from which Young and a Cuban companion, Sergio Hernandez Reyes, made their escape. Escalona remained to direct the search for the fugitives, who are believed to have fled into the nearby Organ Mountains.

Investigators said Young appears to have made the hole in the wall through which the two men escaped, with a piece of iron detached from the furniture of his cell.

### Colombia Plane Wreckage Sought

Balboa, C.Z.—UPI—U.S. Air Force planes took off at dawn today to resume the search for a Colombian airliner with 46 persons aboard, missing for more than 24 hours over the Caribbean Sea.

A report Wednesday that another Colombian plane had sighted the wreckage of the twin-engine C-46 in the jungles of central Panama proved to be a misunderstanding apparently caused by inaccurate translation of a Spanish-language report by operators at the Canal Zone rescue center.

The plane, operated by Colombia's SAM Airline, was on a flight from the resort island of San Andres to the North Colombian port of Cartagena when it vanished. All of those aboard were believed to be Colombians.

### Killing a Bear Like Falling Off a Log

Saginaw, Mich.—Mrs. Lowell Pedersen bagged a bear "as easy as falling off a log." In fact that's about how it happened.

She was hunting deer with her husband and sat down on a log for a rest. The log moved. Mrs. Pedersen jumped up and whirled around to face a 180-pound bear.

The Pedersens both fired, killing the bruin which apparently had been in a shallow den beneath the log.

Potatoes originated in the Andes mountains of South America.

## Nation's Economy Should Set Record in '60, Say Experts

New York—UPI—The nation's economy and the stock market will set new records in 1960 if the experts' prophecies come true.

Daily now the predictions are coming in. None believe the steel strike broke the back of the recovery movement. The belief is the strike stretched out the rise which now seems to the prophets likely to run through 1960 at least.

Standard & Poor's sees a gross National Product in 1960 of \$500 billion or higher. That figure would compare with

an estimated \$480 for 1959 estimated between \$4 and would represent a rise of 4.2 per cent, a rise greater than the normal growth rate.

Standard looks for its industrial index of 425 stocks to move between 57-58 and

What will be the world's longest highway tunnel when it's completed in 1962 is being built under Mont Blanc to connect France and Italy. It will be 7.3 miles long and about 5,200 feet above sea level at its center.

the upper 60s. Currently the index is around 62. The high this year—a record—was 65.32 and the low was 57.02. The upper 60s would mean a new top.

This year's stock market movement has been restrained, Standard says. It currently is up 7.6 per cent. Last year the market rose 36.5 per cent in the industrial index. A broader movement is looked for in 1960.

Earnings on the index are \$4.15 for 1960 and if they are realized it will be the most prosperous year on record.

Dividends are expected to rise to around \$2.25 on the index against \$2 indicated for 1959.

On this basis, says the statistical agency, industrial stocks now around 62 in the industrial index are selling at 15 times next year's estimated earnings.

"This," says Standard, "is not an excessive valuation, and the price-earnings ratio could go higher on the wings of bullish business news in the forefront of the year. The prospect of a leveling of earnings after the initial upsurge, however, may act to restrain enthusiasm."

Other reasons for restraint are given as the continuing tight money policy and the increased investment appeal of bonds. The spread of yields between stocks and bonds has widened substantially.

But Standard doesn't rule out a somewhat higher level of stock prices for two reasons: 1. A prospective average increase of 12 1/2 per cent in dividend payments next year, which would lift stock yields appreciably in terms of current prices, and 2. the promise of higher earnings and dividends eventually, based on strong growth trends inherent in the economy.

Personal consumption expenditures are expected to reach \$323 billion, up 4.1 per cent. Of these \$45.5 billion are expected to be spent on durable goods, a rise of 5.8 per cent; \$151.5 billion on non-durable goods, a rise of 2.9 per cent, and \$126 billion on services, a rise of 5 per cent.

Personal Income to Gain  
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