

DIES REPORTS TURNING POINT IN CASE WORK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP)—The Dies committee completed work on its report covering its investigation of un-American activities last night as Attorney General Frank Murphy requested a special grand jury probe of three organizations and eight individuals in his drive against alleged law violations by communists.

The committee's report is scheduled to be submitted to the house at noon tomorrow, coincidental with convening of congress. No intimation came from committee members as to its contents, but observers recalled Chairman Martin Dies, D. Tex., has announced he will seek a year's extension of authority for the committee's work.

Murphy's request was in the form of a letter to the District of Columbia federal court, asking a special grand jury be convened to investigate alleged misrepresentations and omissions in connection with filing of registration statements with the state department by agents of foreign governments.

Organizations named by Murphy were the Workers Library, International Publishers and World Tourists, all of New York. Individuals named were Israel Anter, communist party candidate in many New York City elections; Robert Minor, communist organizer; Alexander Trachtenberg, former official of International Publishers; Joseph Brodsky, attorney for several communist party officials; Abraham Heller, Wallace Douglas, J. N. Golos and Rebecca Grecht.

The Dies committee's report was approved during a meeting which lasted until early evening. Acting Chairman Joe Starnes, D. Ala., indicated the report would be unanimous.

Rep. H. Jerry Voorhis, D. Calif., and John Dempsey, D. N. M., both of whom have disagreed with various committee actions in the past, declined to comment after the meeting. The committee's authority to act expires tomorrow.

A subcommittee headed by Voorhis reported it had been unable to locate William Dudley Pelley, leader of the Silver Shirts, who has successfully eluded agents of the committee and of the federal bureau of investigation for several months. The committee seeks to question Pelley about his organization's activities.

At the same time, another committee member—Rep. J. Parnell Thomas, R. N. J.—issued a statement through the republican

national committee charging that the recent report of special trial examiner James M. Landis absolving Harry Bridges, west coast labor leader, of being a communist, was a "whitewash."

Thomas said he supposed Landis would not "in any way embarrass Secretary of Labor Perkins, who long ago threw the protecting arm of the federal government around this Pacific coast labor agitator."

MAN WHO BUILT FIRST PICTURE HOUSE SUCCEUMBS

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 3 (UP)—Harry Davis, the man who built the world's first motion picture house, died Tuesday. He was 78.

One of America's foremost showmen, Davis succumbed in his hotel apartment here, ending a 12-year period of invalidism.

Davis' first job in the theater and its allied industries was that of an errand boy in a florist's shop. There he earned \$1.50 a week and acquired a love for flowers that led him to make foyers of his many theatres into virtual conservatories.

At an early age he took his savings of \$60 and backed a road show that soon ended at Hubbard, O. After various attempts at promoting walking races, children's shows, grand opera and stock companies, he evolved the idea of devoting one of his theatres to the "flickers."

In June 1905 he and Senator John P. Harris set up in downtown Pittsburgh "The Nickelodeon," the first theatre to show only motion pictures. "The Nickelodeon," which taught the motion picture industry for the next two decades, was set up in a store-room decorated with a burlap front and had a seating capacity of 96.

VIOLATORS OF LAW HAILED INTO COURT AFTER NEW YEAR'S

Eleven drunks, three charged with drunkenness and vagrancy, one with vagrancy, one with being drunk and disorderly, and another with being just plain disorderly, appeared in police court Tuesday morning as the result of the New Year holiday. There was no court held Monday.

Robert C. James, involved in an accident this past week, was charged with reckless driving and having no operator's license. He was released on his own recognizance.

Twelve traffic fines were paid to the desk sergeant, and \$140 was paid in bail and forfeitures. Twenty-eight men and one woman were guests of the city when noses were counted Tuesday morning.

Fascist Italy continues to follow the development of events with a vigilant spirit ever ready, if possible, to give once again her contribution to world peace.

HIGH H SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

By Bill Ganong

Tuesday, the first day of school after the Christmas vacation, found all in the usual spirit that follows an extended vacation—wary in body and mind. The classrooms were filled with drowsy students, as all agreed that Christmas vacations should be extended in order to give you a chance to get rested up from the regular vacation and ready for school.

The lethargy seemed to be everywhere, even the weekly calendar which is usually posted on the bulletin board in the main hall was missing as until up to Tuesday there was not enough worth posting scheduled for this week. However, it is slowly being filled and will be tacked on its usual place on the bulletin board before the week is over.

As dismal as was Tuesday, all will be back to normal before Friday for during this week students will have to burn the not so often used midlight oil as one and all start reviewing for the semester exams scheduled for next week.

The Pep Peppers are drilling for the performances to be presented during the half time of the next basketball games. It will be somewhat on the same order as those performed by the band at the last home game.

The Literary club is hard at work writing for the club annual. The members plan on selling 400 at the school in the spring. A more extensive selling campaign will be waged than has ever been before, and it is believed that annuals will be sold to about one-third of the student body. The annual is being subsidized this year by the funding committee.

MAN JAILED ON BURGLARY COUNT

Nathan Wright, charged with attempted burglary in a dwelling at night, was placed in the county jail Tuesday with bond set at \$1000 cash or \$2000 property, after he was arraigned before Justice of the Peace J. A. Mahoney. Time was taken with breaking in the door at the B. W. Johnson residence, on the night of December 30.

REMODELING BEGINS AT SUGARMAN STORE

What remains of the Sugarmen stock of men's clothing, recently damaged by fire, has been taken over from K. Sugarmen and the insurance underwriters by Henry Haas and Thomas Hancock and moved to 521 Main, where it will be closed out. The closing out must be completed by February 15.

The work of remodeling the Sugarmen store at sixth and Main was begun on Tuesday, and will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The store will be wholly remodeled and completely new fixtures installed. It is expected that the new store will be

opened for business about March 1.

Irving Joseph, of the Sugarmen organization, will be in New York and other eastern merchandise centers during the greater part of the time between now and March 1 buying stock for the new store.

Temporary offices for receiving accounts and handling future orders will be maintained at 521 Main by K. Sugarmen.

They would never have gotten the Bremen—that ought to tell you everything.—Commodore Adolph Ahrens, Bremen command, had done had his boat been captured.

British submarines do not wage war on neutral vessels. They do not attack fishing boats.—Winston Churchill, first lord of British admiralty.

Defense Agent Describes Methods in Wartime Trade

OTTAWA, Jan. 3 (UP)—The defense department's spokesman last night described in a nationwide radio broadcast the two systems followed in outfitting prowling enemy war vessels and keeping empire shipping moving to Britain and France with war supplies.

The first—and simpler of the two—was called "diversive routing and patrol of focal areas." The second, which he said had been adopted "very unwillingly," is the convoy system.

The former method consists of routing merchant ships by pre-arranged plans over any one of the hundreds of trade lanes which

criss-crossed the waters of the globe. Where the trade lanes meet constituting a "focal area" with its consequent concentration of shipping, naval patrols are established, to guard against attacks either by submarines, surface crafts or airplanes.

The spokesman said that the plan's success is attested by the fact that two of the largest German raiders, the Deutschland and the Graf Spee, in their weeks of raiding, accounted for only nine ships between them.

The objection to the convoy system, the spokesman revealed, was, that while it afforded maximum protection, it reduced the

carrying power of the merchant fleet 25 to 35 per cent. They are forced to travel at speeds to suit the slowest ship and as a consequence fewer crossings can be made by the faster vessels.

But, he continued, the system is necessary to combat submarines which concentrate on the lanes of heaviest traffic. Without a wide cruising range and hampered by a comparatively slow speed while submerged the U-boats usually frequent harbor approaches and the roads to large ports.

If a people believe they have reached a point in their national life when they must either fight or give up a principle, then it would certainly do something to the spirit of the nation if they did not go through.—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

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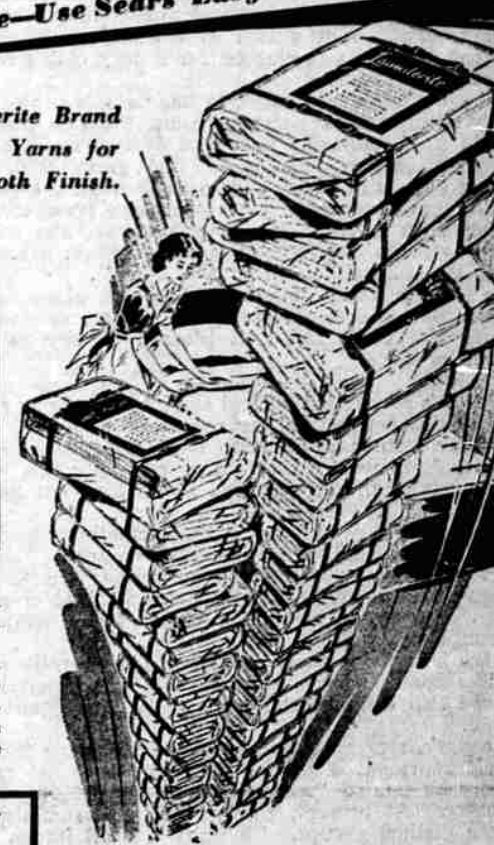
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