

REPUBLICANS TO BAR BILBO

In The Day's News

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AS we face 1947, these plain realities look us in the eye: NEVER (in America) were opportunities greater to obtain the solid satisfactions that we all want out of life.

Nearly everything that must be done IF THESE OPPORTUNITIES ARE TO BE REALIZED will have to be done the hard way.

IF we are to get where we want to get and what we want to get, we must

1. Pay off our debt.
2. Produce hugely.
3. Get along together.

These things can't be done with mirrors. They can't be done by the waving of wands. If they are to be achieved, we must all work hard and cheerfully. Dancing gaily down the primrose path won't bring us to the destination we want to reach.

That is flat.

THE price of what we want and are entitled to have is the stamina (sometimes called "guts") to face the realities of life.

THE National Association of Manufacturers today calls upon labor to abandon (for the present) industry-wide attempts to obtain blanket wage increases, upon government to lower taxes and upon management to lower prices.

That is a realistic program. If EVERYBODY will follow it, the results will be good—for everybody.

IN Washington, a new congress is organizing. For weeks, there have been rumblings of strife for personal power. But this morning this dispatch comes over the wires:

"Both parties scheduled caucuses today to select candidates for organization of the senate and house when they convene tomorrow. Most differences that had threatened to rupture harmonious intra-party relations already have been removed."

That, too, is encouraging. What we want from congress is wise legislation—not bitter battles for personal power.

IN Washington, a house investigating committee tells reporters that sale of war surpluses has been so badly handled that the result may be a net loss to the government (meaning that

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City Hall "Fire" Turns Out Fluke

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2 (AP)—"The city hall's on fire," screamed an excited woman over the telephone, and half the downtown district's fire trucks rushed to the towering building.

When a hasty search of the 32 floors failed to disclose trace of a blaze, the firemen called the woman back, at her home on a nearby hill.

"It's gone now," she said. "I guess it was just a floating cloud. I thought it was smoke."

Special House Committee Investigates WAA Sales

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)—A special house committee investigating surplus disposal accused the war assets administration today of "sloppy business methods" and "favoritism, if not downright corruption."

The committee declared WAA's cost of doing business is "stupendous, in fact prohibitive" and said the whole surplus property disposal program may end up "showing a net loss to the government."

The group, headed by Rep. Slaughter (D-Mo.), said in its final report the investigation should be continued through a successor committee. Meanwhile, it recommended,

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Winter Wonderland On Link River



This remarkable picture was made on the bank of Link river just above Copco's east side plant. Water, spurring from apertures in the big wood stave pipe, has frozen into fantastic masses creating such scenes as that displayed above. This pipe, 12 feet in diameter, carries water from Link river dam to the east side power plant. It is supported on wooden cradles, and has warped so that water is released through cracks between the staves.

Campaign Violation Reported

Truck Wreck Blocks Road

YREKA, Calif., Jan. 2—Traffic on the Pacific highway was held up for six hours from midnight New Year's Eve until 6 a. m. Wednesday, when a big lumber truck and trailer jackknifed on the icy pavement and the cab dangled precariously over the edge of an 800-foot cliff, held by the weight of the cargo.

The incident occurred near the Pioneer bridge five miles north of Yreka and long lines of trucks and cars were held up.

One traffic fatality was reported in Siakiyou county with the death at 3 a. m. New Year's morning of Mrs. Caroline Rose Gammon, 32, killed instantly a few yards from her home in Seiad Valley, 50 miles west of Yreka, when a car in which she and two others were returning from a dance, overturned and broke Mrs. Gammon's neck. The other occupants were uninjured.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)—The house campaign committee today reported "widespread violation" of the election laws and sent to the justice department a list of unions and 11 corporations it said had made campaign contributions which "appear" to violate the corrupt practices act.

In its final report of an investigation of the November 5 congressional election, the committee also asserted the communist party had failed to file a report of receipts and expenditures as required of political parties. Attorney General Clark was asked to look into the matter.

There also was evidence, the committee said, that some of the congressional candidates themselves violated the law by failing to file required reports of their expenditures. The candidates were not named.

The list of unions whose names were turned over to the attorney general contained 58 specific cases of contributions ranging from \$2.50 to \$5000. In some cases the same unions made several contributions either to the greater New York political action coordinating committee or the New York county American Labor party campaign committee.

The corporations, most of them in New York, were listed as having contributed to "Americans United for World Government."

Chairman Priest (D-Tenn.) told a reporter the committee had asked the justice department to take whatever action it believes necessary.

Airliner Crash Injures Sixteen

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 2 (AP)—Eighteen persons were injured last night when a DC-3 two-engine airliner, groping its way into Nashville's fog-bound airport, crashed into a dwelling.

Two occupants of the dwelling were hurt, and the 16 occupants of the plane, members of a vaudeville troupe, were injured. The plane was piloted by John Calvert of Hollywood, a magician and head of the troupe.

No Highway Deaths Here

State police, anticipating a big celebration over New Year's Eve, operated a double shift on the highways until early Wednesday morning but not a single major accident nor an injury occurred in Klamath county, Sgt. E. W. Tichenor reported.

The officer said it was one of the quietest New Year's Eve celebrations since he has been stationed here and he considered the high toll on the two previous holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas, had a sobering effect on the motoring public.

One major accident was reported from near Macdoel, Calif., and two occupants of a car were in Hillside hospital recovering from injuries. Clifton B. Hughes, 18, Macdoel and an employee of the Sprague River Lumber Co. (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

GOP Says He Used Office For Gain

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)—The republican steering committee recommended today that Senator Theodore G. Bilbo (D-Miss.) be barred at the door of the senate when he attempts to take the oath for a new term tomorrow.

Chairman Taft (R-Ohio) said the committee's recommendation would be laid before the full republican membership of the senate at a meeting this afternoon.

Bilbo has been accused by an investigating committee of misusing his office and breaking the law in his relations with war contractors.

Agreement Taft indicated the possibility of an agreement with the democratic leadership under which a threatened filibuster, which would delay organization of the senate, would be avoided.

The Ohioan told a news conference that the possibility of setting a date shortly after the president's state-of-the-union message is received by congress Monday for full discussion of the Bilbo case had been talked over with Senator Barkley of Kentucky, the democratic leader.

Taft said no agreement had been reached with Barkley yet but indicated the republicans hope to come to an understanding. (Continued on Page 2, Column 1)

First '47 Babe Born 30 Minutes After Midnight

Mister 1947 is a little bit of a fellow who arrived at Klamath Valley hospital at 12:39 p. m. January 1, first baby of the year. He is legally Robert Boyd Chambers 2nd, first child born to Mr. and Mrs. Troy Chambers, 2126 Arthur street. Robert Boyd is named for his paternal grandfather. Papa is brick mason's helper for Joe Robustelli.

Not only does Robert have the distinction of being the first baby born here in 1947, but he is also the recipient of an elegant layette presented by the Klamath Valley hospital.

Second baby born January 1, 1947, is a girl, their third, to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Barnett, Klamath Auto court. The little one, who has not yet been named, arrived at 6:45 p. m. Wednesday. Her father is here with Warren Northwest Inc., on the state highway job.

WEATHER

Max. (Jan. 1)	40	Min.	9
Precipitation last 24 hours	00		
Stream year to date	3.74		
Last year	7.27	Normal	4.65
Forecast: Clear today, tonight and Friday. Little temperature change.			

Largest Flock Of Starlings In West Seen At Tule Lake

The largest flock of European starlings—a small bird of European nativity—ever seen west of the Rockies has been sighted on the Tule lake refuge, according to Howard Sargent of the U. S. fish and wildlife service.

A few of the birds showed up at the refuge headquarters November 28, and there were about 100 around on December 31, Sargent said. He has no idea where they came from, but in 1942 there was one lone bird reported on the refuge.

European starlings are about the size of a redwing blackbird, with green and brown iridescent markings speckled with gold. On the refuge they are dining on some spilled grain and on the shrubbery around the headquarters buildings. The species, a hardy bird that

multiplies rapidly, is destructive to crops and beneficial insects, and in many of the large eastern cities are considered a major public nuisance. In Washington, D. C., they congregate by the thousands on public buildings and pose a more vexing problem to janitorial crews than do pigeons.

Also in the east they are the bane of orchardists and can wreck a cherry or berry crop in a short time.

Starlings were brought over from Europe to Long Island in 1890 and a year or so later another family was brought into Massachusetts. Never have any been brought to this side of the Rockies, according to the fish and wildlife service, and the Tule lake visitors are undoubtedly emigrants from the eastern flocks.