

TYPHOON SWEEPS PHILIPPINES

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

CHESTER BOWLES, who now carries the impressive title of chairman of the International Advisory Committee for the United Nations Appeal for Children, is to leave in a few days for Europe, where he plans to organize committees in 38 countries to "give one day to aid needy children."

Contributions, he tells a reporter this morning, will consist either of one day's pay or its equivalent in labor.

IF people do it because they WANT TO DO IT, his new movement will be wonderful. If they are dragged into it, it will be just another organized charity. If the world's hungry people, young and old, could be fed by purely voluntary contributions, there would be sound reason to believe that we are passing through a door into a better world.

THERE is a challenging dispatch in the news this morning from Birmingham, (N.Y.). It starts off: "Well-fed, jolly groups of United Nations employees set forth today to view the inner workings of three industrial communities that had just given them an American Christmas with all the trimmings."

That is to say, these U.N. employees had been entertained over Christmas in the typical American manner in three New York state industrial towns, Birmingham, Endicott and Johnson City. This morning they start on a tour to see how we do it in America.

HERE is the challenge: Can well-fed, jolly people, with good jobs and nothing much to worry about, solve the problems that United Nations faces in a hungry world?

How can you understand the needs of hungry people if you aren't a little hungry yourself?

WHILE we're on the subject of challenges, a drunken Indian in Gardnerville, Nevada, was rebuked by his father for getting drunk. He flew into a rage, kicked over a stove and tossed a gallon jug of gasoline into it. In the ensuing holocaust, ten Indians died and seven others were critically burned.

He had a weak and undisciplined mind. What we can do about things like that isn't apparent.

THERE is big news in a small way on the wires this morning. A couple of researchers in the National Institute of Health in Washington have isolated a common cold germ. Not only that, but they have learned how to grow the germ at will.

Why is that important? Well, before you can shoot a marauding bear, you have to SEE the bear. Before we can hope to control the common cold, we must be able to see the germ that causes it.

Common colds are among humanity's most troublesome burdens.

IF we could lick the common cold, people could produce more. If we could produce more, we could have more. Maybe, in time, we might produce enough quickly enough to leave us time to be just plain contented.

THERE'S a shade of encouragement (for a change) in the Washington news this morning. Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of the President's council of economic advisers, tells us the next 12 months "should bring record-breaking U. S. production and as perhaps an ebb in the tide of rising prices."

"Given a fair crop year," he says, "there is a distinct possibility that 1948 will see an abatement of inflation."

WHAT can insure us a good crop year? Dr. Nourse's answer is crisp and to the point: WEATHER.

That leaves you still up in the air. As Little Tommy Jinks so aptly remarked: "Nobody knows what the weather's going to do."

THAT brings us to another of the day's stories. In St. Petersburg, Fla., an enterprising evening newspaper is undertaking to give its community a white Christmas in the modern manner by sending up a plane to dust the clouds with dry ice pellets. It was a flop because clouds of the right sort refused to get close enough to be dusted. But the pilot and his newspaper employer are going to try again, hoping maybe to provide a white New Year's.

In these modern days, we might even rope and tie the weather.

WEATHER	
Max. (Dec. 26) 58	Min. 37
Precipitation last 24 hours	3.18
Stream year to date	3.18
Last year 3.18	Normal 3.11
Forecast: Partly cloudy.	
Shooting hours, December 27	
Open: 1:30 a. m. Close: 3:30 p. m.	

PRICE FIVE CENTS

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Business Back To Normal After Big Christmas Rush

The Christmas tree still held its tinsel and glittering baubles, as the world settled back to a dull routine in comparison with the hectic days of shopping and gift wrapping which preceded Christmas Day.

The tissue paper, piled high in the living room floor, was stuffed in the furnace and mother attempted a semblance of housekeeping yesterday as she skirted toys and Christmas boxes while preparations went on in the kitchen for a bountiful feast.

Today—the day after—saw business as usual with a mild form of shopping going on as exchanges for "a size larger, please" went on over the counters.

At Klamath Valley hospital there were several additions to the nursery with the stark stepping aside

for St. Nick who left two Christmas Day babies, two on Christmas Eve, and one the day after Christmas. First of the holiday babies to arrive was a blonde baby girl for Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lindmeier, 2919 Clinton. The infant, Cynthia Jean, checked in at 9:35 a. m., December 25, weighing 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces. Lindmeier is with Gilmore Sign Service. Cynthia Jean has a brother two years old.

Next to claim Christmas Day for her birthday was Yvonne Irene, 6 pound 13 ounce daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reche, 1620 Halsey. This is the third child for the Reches. There is a son and daughter in the family. Reche is with Safeway Stores.

Christmas Eve babies arrived for Mr. and Mrs. Russell Marshall, 1530 California, and Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Gordon, 4269 Freida. It was a girl, their first child, for the Marshalls and she has been named Robyn. Marshall is head of Men's Hand Laundry. The Gordon baby was a boy, Kenneth Lee. This is their sixth child. Gordon is the head of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers, A. F. of L. Today, the day after Christmas, the stark left a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Tim White, 1412 Nimitz. White is with Glass Mountain Industries.

Although state, city and federal law enforcement agencies reported one of the quietest holidays on records, there were a number of accidents and local medics were called away from Christmas celebrations to take care of a number of freak accidents. None was sufficiently serious to call out the ambulance, however.

Two local housewives were treated at Hillsdale hospital for lacerations (Continued on Page 4, Column 4)

Long, Long Wreck Report

ESSEX, Md., Dec. 26 (AP)—Police began to write a report when a motorist knocked down a telephone pole here on Christmas Eve, but before they were done they had written and written and it was Christmas.

Patrolman William Boyd and William Weikam said they looked a drunk charge against the local man, who set off a sort of chain reaction by knocking the pole across the road. (He was treated for minor injuries.)

Another car stopped because of the pole, and a third car bumped it from behind. One more drunk charge and two more sets of minor injuries.

Two more cars entered the scene, collided, and both drivers were charged with reckless driving. During the general melee a sixth car turned around to avoid the pole, backed into a seventh, and embroiled its driver in an argument of drunken and reckless driving, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

But hardly had the last defendant been booked when a friend who had come to bail him out stepped out of the police station and into the path of a moving car.

But police said he was unruffled. He picked himself up and shouted to the motorist: "Merry Christmas!"

Ten Die In Raging Fire

GARDNERVILLE, Nev., Dec. 26 (AP)—A drunken Indian's raging reaction to his father's rebuke was blamed today for the fiery deaths of 10 Indians and the critical burning of several others—tragic ending to a Christmas party.

Sheriff James Farrell said Greeley Jim, enraged because his father, Willie Jim, rebuked him for intoxication, kicked over a stove and tossed a gallon jug of gasoline into it.

The resulting explosion and fire trapped the celebrants in a 30-foot-square shack, operated as a gambling hall by Greeley Jim, 24, a paratrooper veteran. The Indians, terrorized, yanked off the door knob trying to escape. Some smashed windows and got out.

Greeley Jim, his wife, his mother, his brother and two sisters were among the victims. His father escaped; Greeley Jim threw him out of the shack before starting the conflagration, Farrell said.

A mass funeral is planned.

Arab Attackers Slay High Ranking Jewish Official

JERUSALEM, Dec. 26 (AP)—Arab attackers slew Hans Beith, a high ranking Jewish agency official, and four Jewish Jews in attacks on two Jewish convoys in the Jerusalem area today, associates of Beith reported.

Earlier, stray snipers' bullets killed a three-year-old Jewish girl in her crib, and a 70-year-old woman. Five other persons also met death in the Holy Land's continuing Arab-Jewish warfare.

Beith was an organizer of immigration for Jewish children. He formerly was an aide to the late American philanthropist, Henrietta Bould.

An agency source said the car in which Beith was killed and another Jewish was wounded also carried Mrs. Golda Myerson, acting head of the Jewish agency's political department, and Isaac Gruenbaum, an

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Gets Stay And New Suitor



Maria Formicola, 21, Italian girl who came to New York to marry a Kentucky ex-soldier, only to discover he'd been killed in an auto accident, smiles happily as she is surrounded by her cousins John (left) and Michael (second from right) Canevaro, upon learning she was granted a 90-day visitor's visa by the immigration service in Philadelphia. At right is Frank Alfidi, New York music teacher, who hopes to marry the girl.

Guerrillas Open Fight With Cannon

ATHENS, Dec. 26 (AP)—Guerrilla forces opened heavy attacks near the Albanian border today in what military experts said was an attempt to expand territorial holdings for the newly proclaimed communist state within Northern Greece.

More than 500 persons have been arrested by Greek authorities in the Athens area since the proclamation of the state by Gen. Markos Vafiades, leader of the anti-government communist forces in the northern fighting zones.

The guerrillas attacked 1500 strong south of Ioannina and sliced Greek army supply lines to Epirus.

Two guerrilla brigades and two additional battalions launched a heavy attack yesterday at Konitsa, covering the assault with a heavy barrage of mortar and artillery fire. An army communiqué said they were held back with "very heavy losses."

Fierce Action

Forty miles to the west, at Philhites, a fierce action was reported under way today between a "strong" force of guerrillas and army troops. Reports on the action were sketchy. Press reports said a plane with Yugoslav air force markings, reconnoitering over the area, was driven off by Greek fighters.

Greek army reinforcements were being rushed to defense points in the fighting zones.

War Minister George Stratos flew to Konitsa, only a few miles south of the Albanian border, to take personal charge of the operations.

An official announcement said the bulk of the attacking force came from Albania, while the remainder was made up of small guerrilla bands from the surrounding hills.

By 3 p. m. yesterday afternoon the attacks had dropped 250 shells into Konitsa. The brigadier commanding the Konitsa garrison was among those wounded.

Gen. Vafiades, leader of anti-government forces in Northern Greece, who recently announced the creation of an independent communist state in the fighting zone, has so far succeeded in keeping its whereabouts a mystery to the Greek army.

Police Spend Quiet Holiday

City police had a very quiet holiday period with only a handful of arrests being made Wednesday night and Christmas Day. There were no crimes or accidents of a serious nature in town.

Harold Jess Briggs, 42, was turned over to county authorities for disorderly conduct after he escaped from the city police station Christmas Eve while being booked as a drunk.

Police said that Briggs was arrested at Tat's tavern and taken to the city jail. While other prisoners were occupying the attention of the officers on duty, Briggs stroled out.

Later he was located at a hotel and taken to the county jail.

Elna Vernon McCourry, 39, 335 N. 11th, arrested for drunk driving Christmas Eve on S. 6th, spent the holiday in jail and was due for a court appearance today.

The police blotter showed a Christmas toll of 12 arrests for drunkenness, four for disorderly conduct, one for vagrancy and four for traffic violations.

Earthquake Tale Still Going On

Klamath folks continued to regard the 12 o'clock "shake" last Wednesday as a minor tremor and still talked about the disturbance which was felt by many in various sections of the town.

One resident called The Herald and News today and said that eight charges of dynamite had been set off simultaneously at noon Christmas Eve day, but a check showed that no dynamite had been set off after Tuesday at 9:25 a. m.

At a late hour today it still looked as if Klamath had had a minor shock.

Stock Prices Set New Records

PORTLAND, Dec. 26 (AP)—It was a year for record breaking at the North Portland livestock market, a survey of 1947 prices showed today.

The price of cattle, hogs and sheep soared to all-time high this year, as prices continued the upward climb begun after the lifting of OPA ceilings.

Highest price paid for any animal was \$33 a hundred pounds for feeder pigs, paid in September. The peak on cattle was reached this month, with \$31 paid for choice calves.

Death Waits



A woman identified by Police Detective Peter Harb as Mrs. Patricia Brody (above), plunged to her death in Chicago some 10 seconds after this picture was taken in her west side apartment. Police and a Times photographer rushed to her home after she called the newspaper. She told police she had not asked for help, and as officers left the apartment, she double-locked the door, with the photographer still inside. She then plunged out the window.

Snow Balks Rescue Try

WESTOVER FIELD, Mass., Dec. 26 (AP)—Heavy snow whipped by whistling winds today balked at attempts to rescue nine American airmen marooned on dreary ice-covered "Lake Astray" in the heart of Labrador's wilderness.

Cheerful over being alive despite their plight, the stranded men accepted in good spirits a radioed report they would have to spend another night—their third—outdoors in 18-below-zero temperatures.

Emergency supplies — blankets, food, heavy clothing and axes for wood-chopping — were dropped to them from the air. It took 24 hours to locate the grounded Flying Fortress, 275 miles southeast of Goose Bay.

The big air transport command plane made a forced landing in daylight Wednesday 275 miles southeast of Goose Bay after developing engine trouble while on a Christmas mission delivering mail and gifts to isolated weather stations on Baffin bay.

All aboard—seven crewmen and two passengers—survived the landing in packed snow up to 29 inches deep, apparently without serious injury. Their names were withheld by the ATC temporarily.

A special Douglas C-47—equipped with both skis and wheels—will be used in an attempt to take the men out of their snowy trap all at once.

Rockets have been attached to the rescue ship to facilitate a take-off in the rough country.

Liquor Store Has Busy Day

The whiskey and rum business was very good over the days immediately preceding Christmas, particularly in the rum department, according to OLCG reports.

The local state store did not run short of the better brands of short and blended whiskies, but reported that the seasonal demand for rum—ingredient for popular seasonal drinks—was greater than anticipated and the supply of the better brands did not hold out.

When the liquor store closed its doors at 8 o'clock Wednesday night the lobby was jam-packed with customers and many more were left on the sidewalk, unable to get in. The day ranked among the largest ever for the state store.

Communist Curbs Slated

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—Rep. Nixon (R-Calif.) said today hearings will start late in January on legislative curbs for communists built around registering them as "foreign agents" rather than outlawing their party.

Nixon is chairman of a house un-American activities subcommittee in charge of developing the legislative program.

The Californian told reporters he regards a bill by Rep. Mundt (R-S.D.) as the most "workable" so far offered for combatting communists by tightening up the laws. It would require them to register as agents of a foreign government.

A couple of laws are on the books now requiring registration of foreign agents but without specific application to communist party members.

Nixon said he does not think outlawing the communist party is the solution.

Furthermore, he said, he wants to find some method for getting at communist front organizations by putting it up to them to disclose their membership lists, source of funds, how they spend their money and the names of officers.

Tacloban Wiped Out By Storm

MANILA, Dec. 26 (AP)—A savage typhoon swept the Philippines today, leaving at least 56 persons dead or unaccounted for — 46 of them from the Danish motorship Kina, which sank off Samar.

Five other ships were damaged, 70 per cent of the historic city of Tacloban was reported wiped out by storm-whipped fire, and portions of Manila were hard hit.

The latest official death toll in Manila and nearby Quezon City was five, and the Red Cross reported 45 persons missing in Laguna province.

President Roxas declared an emergency holiday to permit all energies to be devoted to recovery as the storm—the worst Philippines typhoon to hit the Philippines in 29 years—swept over the China sea toward Hainan.

Fifth Storm

The typhoon stripped the last vestige of Christmas gaiety from the Philippines and left residents gasping from the shock of the islands' fifth and most violent storm in two months.

The Danish motorship Kina, bound from Tokyo to Europe with a crew of 36 and 15 passengers, was reported a "total loss" in the Samar sea. It crashed on rocky Camandang island about five miles off the coast of Samar island.

The 9823 ton vessel of the Danish East Asiatic Lines was driven around by the storm.

Its loss was reported by the Norwegian motor vessel Samuel Bakke, which was grounded itself but managed to pull free.

The Bakke radioed that it had picked up five survivors, all from the Kina's crew. It added there were "more survivors," but did not say whether they were passengers.

The steamship line reported the passenger list included three Americans: WACS, three married couples and three children.

(In Chicago, the family of Ada Espenshade, 33-year-old civilian employe of the war department, said their daughter and two companions, Louise Russo and Anne Malek, both war department employes, were aboard the Kina. The Espenshades said the three might be those listed as WACS.)

Other passengers, the Espenshades said, were a Mr. and Mrs. Olfusum, Mr. and Mrs. Mattis and their three sons, aged 19, 17 and four years. They did not have the addresses of any of the passengers.)

The continuing fierceness of the winds, which reached peaks of 80 miles an hour, had prevented sending rescue craft or planes to aid the frantically appealing vessel.

At 10 p. m. the Kina sent this final message:

"We are preparing to abandon ship now. Please transmit no further traffic. It is no use."

Manila, which escaped damage from previous blows the past few months, was caught directly in the center of this one.

A report to the Chinese Commercial News from isolated Tacloban on Leyte island said 70 per cent of the business district of that city had been wiped out by a fire which whipped through the town on the wings of the typhoon.

Preliminary reports of the Manila police listed three killed here and 11 injured. The city's transportation system was completely disrupted and the power, light and telephone lines were down.

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C. S. Martin To Head Foresters

TACOMA, Dec. 26 (AP)—Clyde S. Martin, chief forester of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, has been elected president of the Society of American Foresters.

Martin's election marked the first time in the 48-year history of the society, a professional organization for foresters engaged in private, federal and state forestry work, that a forester in the field of private industry has been named to the presidency.

The new president was at one time consulting forest engineer for the government of India and chief forester for the government of Madras. He has been Weyerhaeuser's chief forester since 1939.

Hykle G. Halbertsma, transport and communications worker from Holland, caught the train, however, after deciding at the last moment to join the festivities.

On arriving here, he stood bewildered while hosts and hostesses claimed their guests. Finally, he approached one of the guides with the query: "Do I have to sleep at police headquarters?" So the Rogers got Hykle.

One of the advent - warming touches of the heart in internationalism was the informal use of first names.

"Maybe we'd get further in this peace project if we stopped mispronouncing last names and calling each other mister," commented one host.

Dr. Otto Frey became "Otto" and "forgot" the difficulties of his work as chief of the UN atomic energy commission. He relaxed on a couch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tomiska.

"The way to get to know Americans is to get out of New York City," he observed.