



**STUCK IN SNOQUALMIE PASS**—Walter Smith (above) scratches his head and ponders how to get his truck out of ditch on the ice and snow covered Sunset highway six miles west of Snoqualmie pass, Wash., after skidding off the road. The truck was loaded with turkeys en route from Sunnyside, Wash., to Seattle when it went out of control and into the bank. Cargo was transferred to another truck and was safely delivered.

### German Watcher Locates Two More Trojan Asteroids

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From Harvard announcement  
card No. 1042 we learn that quite  
recently two more of the little plan-  
ets (asteroids) belonging to the so-  
called Trojan group have been dis-  
covered by Dr. K. Reinmuth at the  
observatory at Heidelberg, Ger-  
many. This brings to 14 the number  
of planetoids which encircle the sun  
at about the same distance as Jupi-  
ter, and are named for the heroes  
whose valor in the siege of Troy in  
Asia Minor was extolled in the  
writings of Homer, the ancient  
Greek poet.  
Almost 200 years ago, the great  
French mathematician Lagrange  
calculated that if three bodies were  
given a certain arrangement in the  
heavens, their positions in relation  
to each other would be fairly stable.  
One must be quite massive; another,  
not over 1/26 that of the larger  
body; the third, so small that it  
could be considered infinitesimal in

comparison with the others. A fur-  
ther condition was that the three  
bodies be so placed they would be  
close to the corners of an imagi-  
nary three-sided figure (triangle)  
all sides of which were equal (equi-  
lateral).  
Lagrange said that such an ideal  
condition would exist should there  
be a very small body, A, traveling  
about as far ahead of or behind this  
huge planet as the planet is from  
the sun. This would make equal the  
following distances: sun to Jupiter,  
sun to A, and Jupiter to A; an im-  
mense celestial triangle nearly half  
a billion miles on each of its equal  
sides.  
Lagrange announced this result  
in 1772, but since none of the near-  
ly 1600 asteroids now known was  
discovered until 1801, he had nothing  
concrete to which to tie his  
theorem. As one after another of  
these little bodies was located, not  
one fitted the Lagrangian condi-  
tions. But finally in 1906, 83 years  
after the noted Frenchman's death,  
Max Wolf at Heidelberg discovered  
just such a planet. It was named  
Achilles.  
Up to 1949, 12 Trojan asteroids,  
bunched in two groups, had been  
found. Seven of these travel ahead  
of Jupiter, and five behind. This  
gives two equilateral triangles in-  
stead of one, and groups of little  
planets instead of one — or two.  
Information is not at hand as to  
the group affiliation of numbers 13  
and 14.  
Students of classical mythology  
will readily recognize some of the  
heroic names applied to the Trojan  
Odysseus and Agamemnon.  
The Harvard announcement  
cards mentioned above are one-cent  
postal cards on which are printed  
and sent out all new astronomical  
discoveries or important events.  
Harvard observatory, the receiving  
and distributing center in the Amer-  
icas for such information, sends it  
out as soon as obtained. Anyone can  
subscribe to this service at a very  
reasonable cost.

### O'Dwyer, Bride Cruising

PORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Dec. 22 (AP)—New York's Mayor William O'Dwyer and his pretty bride cruised off Key Largo today on a deep sea fishing honeymoon.  
The luxury yacht Almar II, with the 50-year-old mayor and his 33-year-old bride aboard, left here yesterday for Key Largo, just off the southeastern tip of the Florida mainland.  
"We'll do some deep sea fishing off the Angler's Club at Key Largo for four or five days and then probably come back here," the mayor said.

### 22 Plead Guilty To Rioting

THE DALLES, Ore., Dec. 22 (AP)—Twenty-two CIO longshoremen pleaded guilty yesterday to charges of rioting on the waterfront here September 28 in the Hawaiian "hot cargo" pineapple dispute. Cases against two others were dismissed for lack of evidence.  
The plea came as a surprise. The day before the defense attorney had asked for separate trials and argued for a change of venue.  
Six men, whom the state accused of active participation in the storming of The Dalles dock, were fined \$500.

### Power Production Records Set

SEATTLE, Dec. 22 (AP)—Two new records for power production were set Tuesday by Bonneville and Grand Coulee dams, the Seattle office of the Bonneville power administration said yesterday.  
During one 60-minute span, the two dams generated 2,078,000 kilowatts of power; in 24 hours, the production was 44,428,000 kilowatt-hours.

**DEATH THREAT**  
FRANKLIN SQUARE, N. Y., Dec. 22 (AP)—Joseph Curran, president of the CIO National Maritime union, found the words, "Death to Curran," smeared all over his garage in red paint today. "You know I've been carrying on a fight—just a little fight—with the commies," Curran told a reporter. "I think they had a hand in this."



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### California Solons Pass Lobby Bills

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22 (AP)—The California legislature left with Governor Warren today the choice of three bills to regulate lobbying—but not the one he wanted.  
The 10-day-old special session ended last night in a "home-for-Christmas" scramble. Unless Warren summons the state's lawmakers

back, they won't meet again until the March budget session.  
The senate-passed bill advocated by the chief executive to drive "dishonest" lobbyists out of business died in the assembly in the closing minutes. The adverse vote was 31 to 23. Assemblymen objected that the measure was too broad.  
**Quick Passage**  
Once it seemed clear the assembly would not accept the governor's program—but before the fatal vote—the three other measures whizzed through both houses with barely any opposition.  
Warren can take his pick of bills very much alike in their provisions. Each would require registration of paid lobbyists along with public dis-

closure of where they get the money to influence legislation and how they spend it. The three chief sponsors—Assemblymen John L. E. Collier (R), Los Angeles; Glenn M. Anderson (D), Los Angeles; and Arthur W. Coats Jr. (D), Yuba City—followed the federal lobbyist statute in writing the bills.  
In addition, the legislature sent down to the governor for his signature or veto another measure by Coats outlawing "cinch" bills. These are known as bills introduced with the idea of getting a fee for their defeat.  
In other respects, Warren got what he asked for when he convened the session a week ago Monday.  
The legislature heeded his call for new sex crime laws. The series of

bills now on the governor's desk include several providing the death penalty for child sex slaying.  
It voted \$8,200,000 to pay costs of aged and blind security until June 30—during the transition from state to county administration.  
School districts with bulging enrollments will share \$2,100,000 in state aid. Funds will go to those most in need and least able to pay their own way.  
Turned down was a bid to continue the relatives' responsibility clause in the state welfare act until next July 1. A request to keep persons 63 and 64 years old on the aged assistance rolls until July 1 also was refused. Proposition 2, effective in March, returns the eligible age to 65.

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### Infant Burns To Death

WAPATO, Wash., Dec. 22 (AP)—A 15-month-old child burned to death and three others, the oldest about 5, were carried to safety by neighbors last night when fire broke out in a two-room West side cabin.  
The rescuers had to batter down a door to the cabin to gain entrance.  
The dead infant was Jimmy Ventura, son of Mrs. Elsie Ventura. His brother Donald, 2½, and Johnny Dandara, 1, son of Mrs. Lucy Dandara, were ill from breathing smoke. A fourth child, about 5 but unidentified by name, was not injured.  
The children were alone in the cabin when the fire broke out. Cause of the blaze was unknown.

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