

# Thousands of Worshippers In Bethlehem for Christmas

BETHLEHEM (AP)—By the thousands the faithful come to Bethlehem today and once more, as it was on the first Christmas nearly 2,000 years ago, there was no room at the inn.

Arab and Israeli border guards relaxed their frontier regulations to let the pilgrims approach the holy places of Christianity. The thousands of visitors filled every room and every bed in the hotels, hostels and pensions of the Arab sections of Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Jericho and Haunallah.

At 8 a. m. today the Mandelbaum Gate into the Israeli part of Jerusalem opened to admit 1,200 Arab Christians who live in Israel. They had special permission to visit relatives on the Arab side of the frontier dividing the holy city and to attend Christmas services to-night. They must be back in Israel by Christmas night.

Hundreds of foreign pilgrims also came through Israel and the Jordanian frontier. They will not be allowed to return home through the Jewish state, however.

Like the three wise men of long ago, the pilgrims today pressed toward Bethlehem. Tonight a brightly gleaming star atop the Church of the Nativity will lead them to another star led the Mass—the birthplace of the holy child.

Christmas Eve was a day of ceremony and worship, climaxing tonight in the midnight services marking the birth of Christ.

Roman Catholic Patriarch Alberto Gorri was to lead the procession to Bethlehem. Attended by four mounted constables, his party included the consular corps and United Nations officials from both sides of the frontier that has split the holy city since the Palestine War of 1948.

The official party from the Israeli side of the frontier traveled the traditional road from Jerusalem. Normally held in Israel and closed to the Arabs, the road was opened especially for the procession.

The route lay past the tomb of Rachel to the Church of the Nativity, which marks the supposed birthplace of Christ. Representatives of the Orthodox and Armenian churches were on hand to welcome the patriarch at the church entrance. Inside the church are chapels for Orthodox, Armenian and Latin worship.

The climax of the ceremony will be the traditional midnight mass, beginning in the Latin Chapel of St. Catherine and concluding in the Grotto of the Nativity, where tradition says Mary and Joseph finally found shelter and where the baby was born.

The Protestant service was arranged in a similarly hallowed spot—the terraced slopes outside Bethlehem where the angels announced the birth to the shepherds watching their flocks by night. During this service, a special shepherd's meal of coarse bread and meat was planned.

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"MIDNIGHT MANEUVER." Ernest Gross (left), U. S. delegate to the United Nations, is apparently mindful of the time as he makes a phone call at the close of the record-breaking session of the General Assembly in New York. At right, Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko, fingers his watch as he leaves the all night session described as the Soviet "midnight-maneuver. The 11-hour session was a last-gasp Soviet demand to condemn the United States for "mass murder" of war prisoners in Korea. It was defeated 45 to 5.

# Senate Elections Group Said Critical of McCarthy

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate elections subcommittee was reported today to have reached virtual agreement on a report sharply critical of Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) and much less critical of his political enemy, Sen. Benton (D-Conn.).

# Man Lifts Mink Coat

LONDON (AP)—A young man strolled into a Mayfair furrier's shop yesterday, swept a \$4,000 mink coat into his arms and dashed out the front door.

As a startled showroom employee ran to the door shouting "Stop! Stop!", the mink-clad man jumped aboard his getaway vehicle—a bicycle—and pedaled madly out of sight into the traffic.

The coat belonged to a sister of the Duchess of Sunderland.

the draft now is ready for a final language and there is just an out-vote, "but at least one member side chance that they will wind up in a disagreement."

# Merry Christmas

To all our friends and customers in the Klamath Basin, we wish you the best of everything for the coming year.

Jimmy Barnes

FARMER'S SAND and GRAVEL

# Surgeons Try To Save Eyes

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# Teachers In Japan Work

TOKYO (AP)—Hundreds of American schoolteachers in Japan—Department of Army civilians—will still be going to school during the holidays, while their pupils are at home.

"That's the regulation," said Lt. Col. James T. Dean of the Army's personnel section. "Regulations require that the DACs either have to be working or on leave. If they go on working they do it without pay."

The husband of one DAC said the teachers are "hopping mad about this whole thing, sitting out at the schools twiddling their thumbs."

Students from elementary schools through high school don't have to come back to school until Jan. 5.

But teachers must report back next Monday and "work" through the week.

"What work will they do with no pupils?" Dean was asked.

"Why, there's plenty for them to do," he replied. "They can study their curricula, grade papers and inventory the libraries."

Charge for the service is \$2.50 per sample.

In addition, according to the County Agent's office, the soil's organic matter and boron contents will be determined.

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*Gilda*

Ben B. Lee, Mgr.

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