



LINKED BY LEGAL TANGLE, Florin M. (Curley) Coon, left, alleged wife slayer, and Andrew Joseph Bushman, accused of a sex offense, are in jail anxiously awaiting supreme court action on their cases. Attorney George Proctor, counsel for both men, has attacked the state change of judge law which is holding up disposition of their cases. The high tribunal is expected to rule soon on two writs of mandate filed by Proctor. The lawyer contends the change of judge law deprives his clients of their constitutional right to speedy trial.

Senator Denies Economic Aid Now Planned For Asia

By FRANK O'BRIEN

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Bridges (R-NH) said today it is not true that the Eisenhower administration plans to propose for Asia a big program of economic aid patterned on the postwar Marshall Plan for Europe.

Similarly, a high administration counselor, who asked not to be named, said the administration had agreed on a further shift in foreign aid policy — aside from arms help to allies—from billion-dollar grants toward lending and investment "with a little giveaway aid here and there to fill in the cracks."

A GOP lawmaker who attended White House legislative briefings during the past two days, but who asked not to be named, said Foreign Operations Administrator Harold E. Stassen had talked originally in terms of an Asian aid program running into the billions, but that it had been trimmed down. This source estimated that perhaps "several hundred mil-

lions" might be sought.

A number of congressional Democrats and Republicans had indicated they would oppose any big-scale foreign spending in the coming year.

The policy adviser to the administration said the new aid empha-

sis would be aimed at "more selective and effective" use of this nation's economic weight in a long-range effort to win the allegiance of the free world's hungry areas.

The economic offensive would focus mainly on Asia, the Middle East and Latin America, this

source said, with an accompanying reduction of dollar aid to some areas—probably European countries whose economies have been helped back to health.

Details of the new program are to be worked out by former Budget Director Joseph M. Dodge, newly

recalled from his Detroit bank to be special assistant to President Eisenhower for foreign economic policy.

The administration source said that as now envisioned, the 57-nation World Bank, the U.S. government's Export-Import Bank and the proposed International Finance Corp. would be the main lending agencies under the new program.

Both banks would be prodded to "step up and intensify" their lending programs, the source said.

Douglas, Aide Marriage Held

TALLULAH, La. (AP)—Associate Justice William O. Douglas and a 37-year-old member of his Washington staff were married late yesterday at her parents' home here.

The bride is Mrs. Mercedes Hester Davidson, ex-wife of former Asst. Secretary of the Interior G. Girard Davidson, now a Portland, Ore., attorney. They were divorced three years ago.

Douglas, 56, was divorced last year by his wife Mildred, who said he abandoned her while engaged in his work and world travels.

The new Mrs. Douglas did research for Douglas on his last three travel books.

The couple left last night for a two- or three-week honeymoon to an undisclosed Western destination.

Mrs. Douglas is the daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. C. E. Hester, who were among the 10 friends and relatives attending the private wedding and reception.

The Rev. Arthur F. Strickland, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, performed the double-ring ceremony.

Mrs. Douglas' children and Douglas' son were among the guests. They are Michael Davidson, 13, Joan Davidson, 11, and William Douglas Jr., a student at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash.

Douglas' daughter Mrs. Frank C. Wells Jr. was unable to attend. Mrs. Douglas' children will spend the Christmas holidays with their father and will rejoin the couple at their home in Washington after the honeymoon.

English To Have Food For Xmas

LONDON (AP)—This will be Britain's first ration-free Christmas in 14 years, and the British housewife will have everything she needs — except possibly money.

Never since the war has there been so much food in the shops. Even raisins, once as precious as jewels, are piled up in heaps.

Costs are another matter. The massive annual influx of turkeys into Britain's chief cities got started this week, and shoppers were unhappy over a price of 7 shillings 3 pence (about \$1.02) a pound for the best Norfolk birds.

Overseas turkeys, chiefly from Northern Ireland, Hungary and the Argentine, will balance the situation. Dealers predicted there will be enough to go around at prices around 70-84 cents a pound.

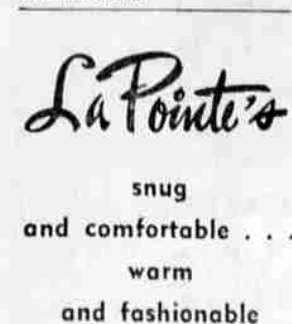
There are geese to spare, and one dealer foresees more beef and pork than the market can absorb conveniently.

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STAMFORD, Conn.—The New Haven Railroad plans eventually to adjust commuters fares to rises and falls in the cost of living index. Its president Patrick B. McGinnis has announced.

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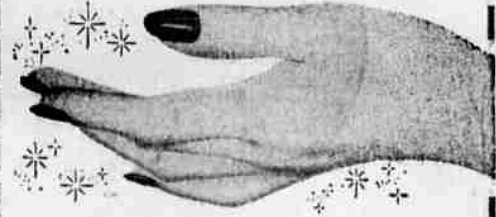
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