



CHRISTMAS PARTY WELCOMED — The generosity of people of the Klamath Basin made the Friday Christmas party at the County Nursing Home one of the most successful held in recent years. Presents were ample for members of the home and everyone was extremely happy with the presents and the program. At left, some of



the many members of the home watch the program which featured musical events and a special dog act. Second from left, Nora Page hands a present to Huey Barnes. Third from left, Santa Claus (Mrs. Madeline Brown, nursing home superintendent) presents a gift to Cornelius O'Connell, and at far right, Jack Smith reflects all the



joy of the occasion as he poses for the photographer holding some of the gifts he received on the occasion. The 54 members of the home were all remembered by Santa and received gifts that fulfilled their wishes. Everyone who contributed to the event can share in the warm feeling of having shared their Christmas with these people.



Tempers Boil As Adjournment Delayed

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Washington as this is written, Secretary of State Rusk urges the Western Allies to help Russia win its power struggle with the Chinese communists.

Question: Is he right? Or is he wrong? Seeking an answer, let's try another question: Did you ever butt into a family quarrel in an effort to bring peace and tolerance?

If so, you will be prepared to say to Secretary Rusk: "You're wrong, sir. NEVER interfere in family quarrels. Both sides will gang up on you, and you'll come out of it beaten to a pulp."

Let's STAY OUT OF IT! Down in San Mateo county, in the Bay Area, they have what is known as the honor camp system. Under the honor camp system, prisoners in the county jail go out each morning to work on various public projects. They give their word of honor that they won't try to escape. So they are not guarded while they work. In the evening, when their shift is finished, they come back to the jail house.

The other morning a crew of 70 was starting out to work. On their way to the job, they were led by a deputy sheriff, whose job was to show them where to work and what to do. He had the keys in his pocket. Suddenly, he fainted—and fell and hit his head on the concrete floor, knocking him out completely.

What did the convicts do? Three of them ran to the camp radio to tell the sheriff's office of the deputy's accident. Some of the rest gave emergency first aid to the deputy to bring him back to consciousness.

The rest went about their work assignments. Not one flew the coop. You never can tell about people.

An ancient question—One that has puzzled us all at one time or another—How does Santa Claus, who is reputedly round and woolly, with a waist measure that would shock the average tailor, get down the average modern chimney?

It puzzled John Deoduc, aged three, who lives down in Santa Clara. So—He decided the other day to find out. He left his home in the late afternoon, climbed a six-foot fence and walked up the sloping roof of the empty house next door, climbed into the fireplace chimney and with no trouble at all he got halfway down.

Then—Disaster struck. He GOT STUCK! As a small boy should, he screamed for help. His mother heard him and called for the fire department. The fire ladies responded, and with their help he reached the floor of the fireplace some two hours later. As a special favor, he asked his mother to let him stay up ALL NIGHT on Christmas Eve so he could find out how Santa manages it.

Weather
Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview—Fair today. Increasing cloudiness tonight and Monday with a chance of showers or snow flurries. Highs today and Monday 37 to 42. Lows tonight 17 to 25. Southerly winds five to 15 miles per hour.
High Friday 38
Low Saturday morning 23
High year ago 34
Low year ago 24
Precip. past 24 hours .00

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LONG-RANGE OUTLOOK
Cool to mild temperatures to continue with highs about 40 and lows near 20 as minor storms move through the area Monday and again about Christmas Day.

Train 'City Of Portland' Hits Freight

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo. (UPI)—The Union Pacific passenger streamliner "City of Portland," carrying nearly 400 passengers and crew, crashed into a derailed UP freight Saturday on the southwest Wyoming desert. There were no fatalities. Nineteen persons were reported taken to Rock Springs, 35 miles west of the scene, and a total of 11 were admitted to Sweetwater County Memorial Hospital.

A UP spokesman said 26 of the 34 cars in the westbound freight derailed because of a "failed journal"—a broken or burned-out axle — on the ninth car.

The freight cars spilled out over the tracks in front of the east-bound, 17-car passenger streamliner about 10:37 a.m. The "City of Portland" locomotive and 12 cars derailed. The locomotive and mail and express cars were tipped on their sides beside the tracks, but the other cars which jumped the tracks remained upright, the railroad said.

A spokesman said the streamliner carried about 350 passengers and about 27 crew members, and that the freight carried about 5 crewmen.

The railroad pulled the five intact passenger cars back to Rock Springs with about half the passengers. Four buses took 118 more.

Record Cold Continues To Grip Much Of U.S.

By United Press International
Bitter cold continued through the last full day of autumn from the Rockies to the Atlantic Saturday, setting more low temperature records and counting much of Mississippi with up to 5 inches of snow.

For the ninth consecutive day the temperature dipped below zero in Chicago, a December record. It was 14 degrees below zero at Indianapolis, Ind., early in the day, 8 degrees below the record for the date, set in 1901.

Temperatures hovered near the zero mark early in the day as far south as North Carolina, where Raleigh recorded a low of 7 degrees.

It was 31 degrees below zero at Bemidji, Minn.; 28 below at Devils Lake, N.D.; 7 below at Columbus, Ohio; 12 below at Des Moines, Iowa; 12 below at Omaha, Neb.; 1 below at Kansas City, Mo.; 21 below at Moline, Ill.; 4 below at St. Louis, Mo., the coldest since last Jan. 11; and 19 below at Eau Claire, Wis., where the mercury has failed to climb above the zero mark since Tuesday.

At Crownpoint, N.M., four Navajo Indians died of exposure. A volunteer fireman died when a chimney exploded while he was battling flames in sub-zero

cold on a farm near Mooresville, Ind. At Lebanon, N.Y., a light plane "disintegrated" during a violent snow squall late Friday, killing two men.

Shortage Of Coins Not Serious Here

Only one out of three Klamath Falls banks has been affected by the shortage of coins to hit the rest of the state and the rest of the nation.

It was reported Friday that the Federal Reserve Bank in Portland was completely out of dimes and nickels are in short supply.

But the only bank in Klamath Falls to feel the pinch is the First National Bank.

Jim Floyd, assistant operations officer of the bank, said it must depend on the other two local banks to keep up its coin supply, as the Federal Reserve System has not been able to fill orders. He said this situation so far exists only in nickels

and enough of them are available to meet normal demands. A spokesman for the U.S. National Bank of Portland in Klamath Falls said a few shortages are noticed in dimes and quarters and these haven't become serious.

Destitute Blind Man Fails In Attempted Bank Robbery

DETROIT (UPI)—The thought of Christmas without food and warm clothing for his pregnant wife was too much for Walter R. Sain, a 42-year-old blind man.

He showed Federal Judge Wade McCree a tin cup Friday and said, "I tried standing on street corners to get a few cents but the police kept moving me on."

Sain and his wife, LeWanda, 19, who is six months pregnant, plotted to rob a bank. The attempt was a crude one.

They picked one of the busiest and best guarded banks in Detroit.

Sain and his wife walked up to teller Stanley McHale of the Detroit Bank and Trust Company's main office in the heart of downtown Detroit and handed him a scrawled note. It read in part:

"This man is truly blind. We got his wife in the car. Do not press the alarm. There are four of us, two in the bank and two are outside the bank."

The note demanded \$50. McHale, however, pressed the alarm and the guard took the couple into custody. The Federal Bureau of Investigation said apparently no one else was involved in the holdup attempt.

The couple was questioned extensively by the FBI and taken before McCree for arraignment.

Sain told the judge, "I was desperate. Our wedding rings



DESPERATE MOVE — Walter Raleigh Sain, who at 42 has been blind for the past 24 years, attempted to rob the Detroit Bank and Trust Company of \$50 Friday. He is shown here leaving court with his wife, LeWanda, 19. The destitute and desperate couple was given \$85 by the judge and his staff after the man was released on \$1,000 personal bail and a promise to show up for a Jan. 15 hearing.

Demos Charge GOP With 'Sit Down Strike'

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The 88th Congress — in a shouting mad temper — scuttled plans to adjourn for the year Saturday night and ordered sessions this week in an effort to end a bitter deadlock over the foreign aid spending bill.

A White House source and a top Democratic House leader accused Republicans of waging a legislative "sit down strike" against the \$3 billion aid appropriation.

Tribes Okay Claim Offer

CHLOQUIN (UPI)—Members of the Klamath and Modoc Indian tribes and the Yahooskin branch of the Snake River Tribe have voted to accept an Indian Claims Commission offer of \$2.5 million in additional settlement for lands taken from the Klamath Indian Reservation by the federal government.

The vote was 49-1. The three tribes claimed they were paid too little for lands purchased from them by the government. The decision will be reviewed by the commission at a hearing in Washington Dec. 23.

The group also voted to comply with a court order to elect officers and a 10-man executive committee to govern the confederation.

The group had been operating with a five-member executive board.

jected any softening of the wheat credit ban. "You lost in a clean fight," he told the Democrats. "You come back today and want to do it all over again."

Halleck said he was willing to do even that, but wanted some promise that would be the end of the controversy. "Three times and you strike out," he shouted. "I just am not going to plead guilty in any respect to any misconduct on my part," Halleck said. "... I just happen to believe the American people are with us in this controversy."

Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield announced the Senate would conduct no further business sessions until the House takes action on the \$3 billion aid bill.

In the House, Democratic leader Carl Albert, Okla., delivered a searing speech accusing Republicans of going on "a sit-down strike."

This echoed a charge by a White House aide who had leveled any softening of the wheat credit ban.

It was Albert who had upbraided Halleck and the Republicans for waging what he called a legislative "sit down strike."

Albert based his accusation on the fact that the House Rules Committee could not officially meet to clear the compromise aid bill to the floor because of a boycott by needed Republican members.

A White House official also used the phrase sit-down-strike.

At the heart of the controversy was an amendment which would curtail President Johnson's powers to extend credit in sales of wheat and other commodities to Russia.

The House had twice attached the amendment to the foreign aid legislation and the Senate had twice rejected it.

Reject Amendment
The House, by a narrow partisan vote early Saturday morning, had rejected a compromise amendment which would have voiced congressional dislike of such a credit extension but allowed the President to do so in the name of national interest.

Halleck stressed that the House already had twice re-

Joyful Germans Reunited

BERLIN (UPI)—The hungry hearts of joyful West Berliners defeated bitter cold, snow and red tape Saturday for week-end pre-Christmas reunions with loved ones on the other side of the Communist wall.

The West Berlin Senate said about 7,000 West Berliners were permitted to cross the anti-refugee barrier on Saturday, the second full day of the Communist-approved, yuletide opening in the iron curtain. Friday was a working day and about 3,500 crossed.

Mourning Will End

SALEM (UPI)—At sundown Sunday the official period of mourning for the late President John F. Kennedy will be terminated in accord with a declaration by the U.S. State Department Gov. Mark Hatfield said today.

A 30-day period of official mourning was declared after the President's assassination in Dallas, Tex., Nov. 22. Flags will be flown again at full height Monday morning.

guard at the holes they chopped through the concrete, steel and barbed wire they erected 28 months ago, greeted the visitors with a cheery "good morning."

For the most part, they declined to inspect the packages of food and gifts carried into East Berlin by those lucky enough to obtain passes.

Information Bureau West, a private anti-Communist intelligence agency, reported a high rate of absenteeism Saturday among East Berlin factory and office workers.

It said many employees stayed home to await visits from West Berlin relatives.

One man, Erik Zatz, a 24-year-old intern, dashed out of a West Berlin charity hospital to keep his appointment at the Invaliden crossing point with his sister whom he had not seen for more than two years.

Zatz, still wearing his hospital garb and stethoscope, tearfully embraced his sister while the usually grim Communist guards looked on with smiles. Nearby, however, a Communist party official passed out propaganda leaflets to the visiting West Berliners.

A pretty young red-haired West Berlin woman fell into the arms of a frail elderly woman and sobbed, "Oma, oma, oma, grandmother, grandmother, grandmother. You haven't changed in two years."

More than 25,000 West Berliners stood in long, seemingly endless lines waiting to apply to East German postal officials for the hoped-for passes.

More than 250 queued up at the Tiergarten School were told over loudspeakers to "go home, go home" because 800 applicants were already inside the building and that no more could be processed.

Those standing in line refused to leave. West Berlin police rushed in a 20-man detail to keep order when tempers grew strained. They formed a human barrier between the crowd and the school, and those in line finally did go home in disappointment.

"I wish President Kennedy were alive," said Herbert Schmidt, 48, a truck driver. "He'd straighten this out."

Schmidt said he wanted to visit his mother in East Berlin. "I've got to deliver her Christmas present," he said. "She's 83 and cold all the time. I bought her a good warm woolen sweater — real wool, not that Chinese cotton they call wool over there."

Shooting Hours
OREGON
December 23
Open 7:05 a.m. Close 4:40 p.m.
CALIFORNIA
December 23
Open 7:01 a.m. Close 4:37 p.m.

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