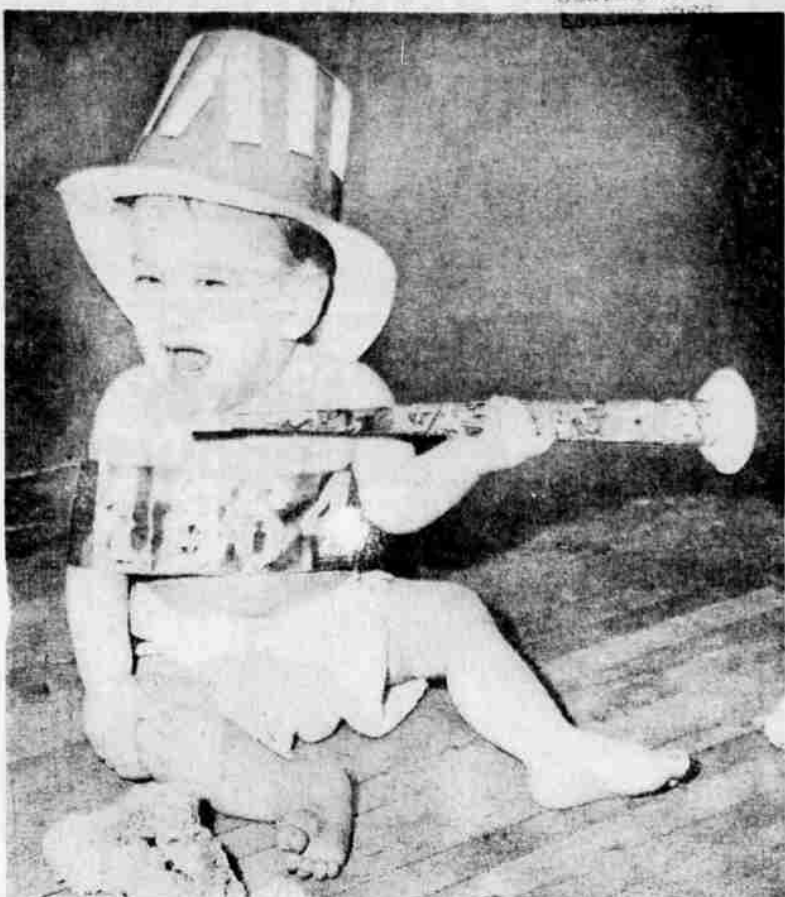


EXTENDED OUTLOOK  
Temperatures continuing above seasonal with highs 38 to 42. Lows 22 to 28. Recurring periods of very light showers.



WHO SAYS HAPPY NEW YEAR — Nine-month-old Lonomaikalani Beamer, whose parents are featured in the Hotel Lexington's Hawaiian Room in New York City, doesn't hold much hope for the new year as he makes like 1964 for photographers. Maybe the floor's cold or maybe his diaper's wet — or both. — UPI Telephoto

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Mishmash in the Holiday Week news:  
At his ranch in Texas, President Johnson names nine top administration officials as a committee to produce new ideas for cutting waste, red tape and other deficiencies from the foreign aid program.  
He gave his new committee a seven-point program "to seek all possible ways to simplify procedures and to make the administration of foreign aid assistance as speedy and effective as possible."  
He says his action, "far from reflecting any lack of conviction in the necessity of foreign assistance," demonstrates "my strong determination that these programs be so administered as to yield the greatest benefit to our country and the free world."

It sounds like he means business. But he could have made it strong by adding one more brief directive:  
CUT OUT THE BOONDOGGLE.

In Cleveland, a New York economics professor, addressing the 130th meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, urged overhauling of the federal income tax laws to allow deductions for "human depreciation" resulting from age and general wear and tear.  
He added:  
"My proposal resembles the way credits now are allowed for depreciated machinery."

There is, of course, this difference:  
When the old machine reaches the point where it is no longer worth repairing, you can throw it away and buy a new one. We haven't reached that point yet with the human body.  
When the old heap is gone, IT'S GONE!

Still—  
One never can tell  
What the scientists are doing is amazing.

Back to President Johnson.  
On Christmas Day, he issued a hard-hitting directive aimed at the nation's two and a half million federal employees. The general result of his order is expected to be increased pressure from their bosses to work harder and get more done.

How many more?  
Hmmm  
Think about another demand:  
TAKE ON FEWER USELESS PROJECTS — including those dreamed up by members of congress whose chief objective is to get more votes at the next election.  
This could save a lot of the money that is now going on the way to be added to our fantastically enormous national debt.

This word in conclusion:  
It looks so far like President Johnson's objective is to give the nation a businesslike administration.  
If so, most people in this

### Weather

Klamath Falls, Tulelake and Lakeview — Mostly cloudy through Wednesday with a few light showers possible at times. Patchy fog early Wednesday.  
Lows tonight 23 to 32.  
High yesterday 33  
Low this morning 23  
High year ago 39  
Low year ago 19  
Precip. last 24 hours 0.0  
Since Jan. 1 10.45  
Same period last year 14.94

## Johnson Ponders Public Works Bill

JOHNSON CITY, Tex. (UPI) — President Johnson today reluctantly signed into law the \$4.4 billion public works appropriations bill, with a firmly worded reservation that a section dealing with the Panama Canal Co. is unconstitutional. In a special statement, Johnson said he would not abide by the section requiring prior approval of appropriate congressional committees before the canal company can dispose of property.

## First Baby To Receive Many Gifts

Since the stories of finding new babies under a cabbage leaf or swinging from the long yellow bill of a member of the Cicconiae family, commonly known as stork, have been relegated to the attic, there is an air of expectancy at Klamath Valley Hospital.  
The reason? It is New Year's Eve, an exciting time for new arrivals, boy or girl, twins or triplets, to put in an appearance. And there are several prospects.

Being born on the first day of a brand new year, especially if first after the bells ring at midnight, somehow sets the newborn on a special pedestal for the remainder of his years. . . . It makes him a brand new exemption from taxes to be paid from papa's pockets and gives him an edge over brothers and sisters whose natal days fall later in the cycle of months.

Within the brick walls of Klamath Valley Hospital on 3rd floor, where several other small bundles of joy have arrived in the last two or three days, a very special baby will arrive, possibly soon after the clock strikes 12, possibly later, for who can be sure?

This baby will start out on the long road to growing up with gifts from persons he may never see, gifts from merchants and business firms . . . from a sterling silver bib holder to baby food on which to grow, gift certificates, clothing, starter savings accounts to encourage thrift, and others for his proud parents, who may dine out, pass on the chore of washing the family linens to others and go to see a motion picture . . . all on junior.

## Death Toll From Fire Rises To 22

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (UPI) — An Atlanta woman died today, raising to 22 the toll in the Roosevelt Hotel fire.  
Mrs. Josephine Dupre, 35, whose husband died in the blaze Sunday, was pronounced dead at St. Luke's Hospital at 4:45 a. m. EST. She had been in critical condition since being rescued from the smoking building.

### Shooting Hours

OREGON  
January 1  
Open 7:05 a.m. Close 4:30 p.m.  
CALIFORNIA  
January 1  
Open 7:04 a.m. Close 4:40 p.m.

## West Hails Nikita's Friendly Tones

Year's statement was issued Monday in response to questions put to him by this correspondent, said the new year could bring "decisive change for the better in the entire international situation." He listed a broad range of issues on which East-West agreement might be possible.  
They included:  
—Measures aimed at slowing down the arms race and at further alleviating international tension.  
—Reductions in armed forces and military spending by both sides.  
—A non-aggression agreement between the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) nations and the Warsaw Pact members.  
—Agreement not to spread nuclear weapons to countries which do not have their own.  
—Establishment of nuclear-free zones.  
The lowest priority was given to a Berlin settlement, although Khrushchev warned that "it would be unwise and I would say dangerous to put this matter off for future years."  
In a separate New Year's greeting to President Johnson broadcast by Moscow Radio Monday night, Khrushchev expressed the hope that the new year will produce "more substantial progress" in solving major world problems.  
The message, which was signed by Premier Nikita Khrushchev, said the USSR was in a position to discuss "with the West" the possibility of "good relations" which includes "nations can cooperate in relaxing world tensions and reaching mutually advantageous agreements if the real situation in the world is soberly appraised."  
**Feature Statement**  
Soviet newspapers spread Khrushchev's statement over front pages Monday and today and Moscow Radio broadcasts featured it.  
"The Western press also welcomed Khrushchev's stand," "Moderate and hopeful," London's Daily Mail said. The Guardian of Manchester said the USSR will agree with many of Khrushchev's plans, and said "the vital one is to keep nuclear weapons in the hands only of those now possessing them, and if possible, in fewer hands still."

# Prisoners Exchanged During Uneasy Truce

## Mercury Tumbles In North Snow Falls In Deep South

By United Press International  
Snow fell in the Deep South, temperatures plunged to 20 degrees below zero in the North and broke records, and heavy rains beat against Florida today as winter turned on the special effects for a departing year.  
In the North, winter was as wintry as ever. The temperature plummeted to 23 below at Johnsbury, Vt., and Lebanon, N.H. Watertown, N.Y., and Lone Rock, Wis., recorded 21 below readings.  
The mercury fell to an official 2 below at Chicago to set a record for the day and the Indianapolis Weather Bureau said Indiana had its coldest December in 93 years of record-keeping with an average temperature of 18.3 degrees.  
Other cities across the Great Plains, Midwest and Ohio Valley reported temperatures ranging down to 18 and 19 degrees below zero.

Chicago ran its string of sub-zero days in December to 12, five more than the record set in 1905 and tied three times since.  
Milwaukee, Wis., had its 13th sub-zero day this month, breaking a record of 10 set in 1876 and tied in 1916.  
Temperatures well below the freezing mark were posted as Dallas, Tex., and Atlanta, Ga. The mercury plunged to near zero at St. Louis, Mo., and Louisville, Ky.  
At Madison, Wis., Gov. John Reynolds announced that the Agriculture Department has agreed to supply government grain to farmers in eight drought stricken counties.

## Public Hearings Will Test School Reorganization Plan

Klamath County Court's school reorganization plan faces its first test next week when the public gets three chances to comment on it.  
Three public hearings will be held during the week. The first will be held at Merrill High School Monday, the second at Mills School in Klamath Falls on Tuesday, and the third Wednesday at the new Chiloquin High School. All hearings will begin at 3 p.m.  
The county school board has studied the plan in secret session, but no announcement on its position has been made.  
Directors of city elementary schools have directed Supt. Ray Hunsaker and Chairman Jack Reine to attend the hearings, but have not adopted any policy concerning the plan.

## Gun Battle Interrupts Cease-Fire

NICOSIA, Cyprus (UPI) — Greek and Turkish Cypriots today began releasing refugees and hostages held by both sides in a step toward restoring peace to this bitterly-divided island republic.  
The exchange began shortly after a new gun battle marred the uneasy cease-fire.  
A British military spokesman said the shots were fired in the Omorphita area of Nicosia when Greek Cypriot police ran into three Turkish Cypriots trying to return to the quarter. No injuries were reported. Two Turks were taken to police headquarters and the third disappeared.

## Mandy's Not Mad At Anyone

LONDON (UPI) — Mandy Rice-Davies, a central figure in the Profumo scandal, said today she invited former Prime Minister Harold Macmillan and former War Minister John Profumo to her New Year's Eve party.  
"It's time to let bygones be bygones," she said.

## Claims Administration "Dead"

His statement followed a comment by Vice President Fazil Kuechuk, leader of the Turkish Cypriot community, that the constitution that created an independent Cyprus in 1960 is dead and that partition of the troubled Mediterranean island may be the only solution.

## West Berliners Continue Talks To Keep Wall Open

BERLIN (UPI) — A West Berlin spokesman today repeated the city's desire to continue talks with East German Communists on traffic through the Berlin wall.  
He made the statement after the United States warned the city to go slow in its dealings with the Communists on passes to visit East Berlin.  
West Berlin Free Chief Egon Bahr, a close aide of Mayor Willy Brandt, told a news conference both the East Germans and the West Berlin city government want the wall to remain open for West Berliners after expiration of the Christmas pass agreement on Jan. 5.  
The American warning to go slow, the first public one of its kind, was relayed Monday by West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard on his return from talks in the United States with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.  
Erhard told newsmen Monday the U. S. government fears the talks between the West Berlin and East German governments could strengthen the Communist argument that West Berlin is a separate entity with no legal ties to the West.  
The chancellor repeated that Washington wants the West Germans to avoid doing anything that might "complicate" the Berlin situation.



ROYAL WELCOME — Oregon Gov. Mark O. Hatfield greets an enthusiastic welcome from Sun Carnival greeter Susie Boyd on his arrival in El Paso, Texas, Monday evening. The governor was in El Paso to attend this afternoon's Sun Bowl game between the University of Oregon and Southern Methodist. Hatfield and Boyd came to cheer Oregon, as he did at previous Sun Bowl games.