

Flying a 'Straight' Line
Pilots of super-planes flying at supersonic speed will have an instantaneous check on instruments when army air forces scientists work out a regrouping of the instrument panel into a "line" pattern. When the gasoline, oil, temperature, manifold pressure and other flight elements are functioning properly, a graphlight block will show the pilot one solid line. If trouble threatens, the solid line immediately shows a break, and the pilot knows instantly what is wrong.

Greek Hero
When Louis, a Greek peasant, won the marathon race in Athens at the first modern Olympic games in 1896, his reception was so great that women threw their jewelry at his feet. A hotel proprietor gave him an order for 365 free meals and even a street urchin pressed forward with a promise to black his boots for nothing for the rest of his life.

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One of the possibilities of the future is the use of paper bags. The secret, of course, is a flexible plastic. Gay colors, durability, water-proofness, stay-putness, and ease of cleaning are mentioned as other advantages. The material may have other uses, including coverings for furniture.

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WHAT?

YOUR LICENSE! YOU HEARD ME! WHERE'S YOUR LICENSE?

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SILLY? WHY?

WHO THE HECK WOULD GIVE ME A LICENSE THE WAY I DRIVE?



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By Margarita

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BLESS MY MOM, AND PLEASE MAKE CHICAGO THE CAPITAL OF THE U.S.A.!

WHY REGGIE! WHY DID YOU SAY SUCH A THING?

BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I PUT ON MY EXAMINATION PAPER.



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History Has Been Made On New Year's Since Early Ages

While January, Capricornus, the Goat, symbolized the nurse who cared for the young gods of the sun, the first month has furnished many of the important dates in the history of the world, and the first day of the year has been generous in its contributions. The Gregorian month of January is the namesake of Janus, the two-faced Roman god accredited with the ability to look backward and forward simultaneously.

Following is a partial list of important events that took place on New Year's Day:

452 B.C.—First New Year's Celebration held.

38 B.C.—Era of the Caesars began.

1735—Paul Revere born.

1752—Betsy Ross born.

1776—First Union flag of 13 stripes unfurled by George Washington.

1792—Kentucky entered the Union.

1801—Union of Great Britain and Ireland.

1815—General Jackson repelled the British at New Orleans.

1863—Emancipation of Negro slaves proclaimed by President Lincoln.

1882—Greece gains independence from Turkey.

1898—Five boroughs of New York City incorporated.

1901—Commonwealth of Australia formed.

1907—U. S. Pure Food law became effective.

1912—Republic of China founded.

1923—USSR formed.

1942—United Nations' declaration signed.



THIS has been an odd and un-guessable season in college football, outside of Army and Notre Dame, but its greatest mystery moves in the direction of the Rose Bowl, the Pacific Coast conference and the Big Nine. Here we have something that passes all understanding. It was perhaps a trifle foolish in the first place to think that the Big Nine would pass up the \$100,000 or more it could collect from the com-

ing Rose Bowl game and give Army its proper chance to meet the wishes of both U.C.L.A., Southern California, the entire west coast and practically 100 per cent of this country's football lovers.

The Big Nine's only interest was in \$100,000. This can be understood in a great game that is getting to be more and more commercial, with sportsmanship now a mere sideline. The Big Nine is not alone in this commercial angle, although it is one of the leaders. But what we can't understand is how the Pacific Coast conference suddenly turned and passed over the Rose Bowl to Big Nine control. For many years the Rose Bowl delegation has been trying to get the Big Nine in line.

A Sudden Change

Year after year the Big Nine or the Big Ten has handed the Pacific Coast conference the dead eye and the frozen hand. It has completely ignored the Far West. Apparently the Big Nine, awaking suddenly to \$100,000 revenue which had been going to southern teams, most of them also commercialized, had a startling change of heart. The Big Nine has decided to shut off this revenue from southern teams in the honest belief that such teams were using this important cash to "take care" of players, many of them from the Midwest.

But the mystery is this—why should the Pacific Coast conference suddenly decide to turn over the running of the Rose Bowl to the Big Nine, after so many years of back-handed action? Why should the strong Pacific Coast turn yellow? Every one who follows football knows that Army should have been the only possible selection—a great team, playing its final game, keen to go—the team both U.C.L.A. and Southern California wanted.

With this chance to regain its bowl leadership, why should the Pacific Coast conference suddenly decide to make this just another intersectional game, secondary once more to the Sugar Bowl as far as class and general interest go?

The Major Mystery

But this isn't the most baffling point of the five-year arrangement. In the future the Pacific Coast conference will enter its Far West champion. The Big Nine will play its champion the first year but, if this champion repeats, another team will be named. This may be the second or third Big Nine entry. It won't be a champion who repeats. And later on the Big Nine will select the opponent to face the Pacific Coast conference champion—from the Midwest or from the East—or from anywhere else. This gives the Big Nine control of the Rose Bowl game, a game the Pacific Coast conference started and developed and placed on top. The Big Nine, hostile to the South's system of paying or recruiting football players, hostile to the South's financial benefit from bowl games, now becomes the South's greatest benefactor. From now on the Sugar Bowl, the Cotton Bowl and the Orange Bowl will benefit considerably from the recent Rose Bowl action.

The Biggest Thrills

This has been a sporting season, now moving swiftly into ancient history, that has known more than its share of ups and downs, of dull spots and of thrills, of brilliancy and second rate effort.

But, it still has given us sport thrills that will hang on in memory. A few of these in the order of their appearance were:

Assault's great stretch run in the Kentucky Derby, the opening shot for the Triple Crown.

Two others came in the solitary, but solid, punch that Tami Mauriello threw at Joe Louis, in the first few seconds of their meeting, and the melodramatic melee between defending champion, Tony Zale, and challenger, Rocky Graziano, in their middleweight brawl, a super production in its fashion.

Then there was the final game of the last world series where, in the closing two innings of the seventh contest, the Cardinals and the Red Sox, with slim Harry Brecheen called on for the third stand, put on a show that came near tearing the human pulse out by the roots.

The two final thrills belonged to the last two football games I saw: The Pennsylvania-Cornell contest and the Army-Navy game. In each case the underdog, given from 25 to 30 points the worst of it, battered and beaten, came from far back to steal the show.



Bonne Annee!
Feliz Ano Nuevo!
Buon Capo D'Anno
Got Nytt Ar
Godt Nytt Aar
Ein Glueckliches
Neues Jahr
Gelukkig Nieuwjaar

No matter the tongue, the greeting is always the same—it always means a wish that all share in a Happy New Year.

Debate of Solar Years vs. Calendar Years Continues

The earth evolves around the sun in exactly 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 46 seconds; consequently, Leap Years omitted haphazardly might result in the sun running away from the calendar and too many Leap Years would speed the calendar on ahead of the sun.

The Gregorian calendar, devised and presented to the world in 1582 by Pope Gregory XIII, provides that years divisible by four—exclusive of the years numbering the centuries—shall have 366 days.

Calendar Revised Date Changed New Year's Day

In 1582 the Julian calendar was replaced by the Gregorian in a proclamation issued by Pope Gregory XIII. This established January 1 as New Year's Day. Our present calendar, known as the Gregorian calendar, is based upon Pope Gregory's revision of the Julian calendar and is more nearly in accord with the solar calendar—the error being reduced to only one day in 3,223 years.

Protestant states did not adopt the Gregorian calendar until the 18th century. It was not until the 20th century that Russia and others of the Balkan states decided to do likewise.

Scotch Handsel Monday Day of Gift-Giving

The Monday after New Year's is traditionally the "big day" for Scotch boys and girls; and, in addition to being the Scotch day of gift-giving, it is a day of feasting and gaiety. Families and friends gather to "Drink a cup of kindness yet For Auld Lang Syne."

See New Year's First

Hanson island, a little British colony in the Chathams, 414 miles southeast of Wellington, New Zealand, will be the first to greet 1947. It is just east of the international date line, from which all time is reckoned.

Early Scots Used Bible for Fortunes

A glimpse into the future and the fortunes of individuals could be found in the Bible, the early Scots believed. The sacred book was laid upon the table, opened at random and a finger was placed on the printed page. The entire chapter was then read, and the message it held was believed to describe in some way the happiness or misery in store for the person concerned.