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1. Excluding defense orders, the total business volume in 1951 will be less than that for 1950. However, National Income in 1951 will be the highest ever recorded, as war orders take the place of peace production and high prices prevail.

MORE GOVERNMENT CONTROLS COMING

2. The outstanding feature of 1951 will be the ever-increasing interference of the government in the lives of businessmen and consumers.

3. The Administration and its economic advisors are firmly convinced that radical inflation is about to break out next year. But the "brain trusters" are overlooking the fact that the boom is already old and that it was creaking badly when the Korean War broke out. War post-poned the downturn which would have taken place much sooner. The date of the slide has only moved ahead.

4. Rushing to catch up on its neglected defense program, the Administration is anxious to shrink business volume to an unnecessary degree. Efforts at first will be along the line of tighter credit curbs, such as restrictions on mortgage and installment loans and increased bank reserve requirements:

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5. As 1951 wears on, the effect of credit controls will cause a decline in legitimate business. Civilian production will decline more than armament production will increase. The public may then cry, "This is a revenuent-made slump; let's get rid of the controls!"
6. If in 1951 it becomes evident that business is declining too fast as a result of government curbs, the planners at Washington may rush their potient into an oxygen tent.

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7. Most labor groups will not be successful in getting a sixth round of
wage increases in 1951. Although there may be more strikes in the first
part of 1951, there will be fewer for the whole year as compared with 1950.
8. Tightness in the labor supply will be continued as the year wears
on, particularly of highly-skilled workers.
9. The Taft-Hartley Law will not be repealed during 1951 but may be
amended. The Administrators of the law will continue to wink at some
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10. Wholesale prices of many commodities will be marked by a mild decline in 1951 when compared with the price level for December 31, 1950. In some lines the drop may be quite steep from the high levels of late 1950. Retail prices for 1951, I do not now forecast.

11.The year 1951 should prove an excellent time to keep a tight grip on inventories. Commodity speculation for the rise will not pay in 1951. Furthermore, our expanding stockpile of strategic materials present a real price threat in the event of a peace scare. Such stockpiles could then act strongly as a depressant on prices.

12. The cost of living will remain high during 1951. This prediction recognized that living costs next year may be above the lower levels that existed during the first half of the year now closing.

FARM OUTLOOK GOOD

13. Farmers' income for 1951 should average no less than that for 1950. Since the trend in the first half of 1950 was down, this forecast is not so optimistic as it might otherwise seem, for there is likely to be a weakening of the farmers' income position during the latter part of 1951.

14. Barring crop failures, the total supply of food available should be larger in 1951 than for 1950, since the government will raise planting quotas as part of its attack on inflation. If the weather is extremely favorable, the government will be blamed, for farm-price weakness during the latter part of 1951.

15. With prospects good for a rising supply of feed grains, meat should be more plentiful next year than in 1950. Prices for meat, however, will be held up by continued high National Income and by military needs.

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17. There will be an excess profits tax in 1951. These excess profits taxes will ne milder than those in force during World War II; but they will be inflationary and retard efficiency, economy and incentive.

18. There will be heavy pressure for increased federal "sales taxes" to discourage purchasing of luxury and certain monessential goods. Congress will see the value of some such sales taxes as an inflation road block.

19. States and municipalities will again be under pressure to find adequate sources of revenue. Further increases in such taxes can be looked for next year with additional cities and-or states adopting sales taxes, tax above the present 25 per cent figure, rates will remain unchanged.

20. Despite renewed efforts to increase the long-term capital gains tax bove the present 25 percent figure, rates will remain unchanged.

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21. Credit curbs will cut into the demand for automobiles and house hold equipment. Completions of fewer dwellings will also act as a damper on furniture sales.

22. Falling demand for hard goods should mean a stabilization of the public's spending for food and lower-priced soft goods.

23. The trend forcaset in No. 22 will mean a decline in department store volume, but I predict a rise in the sales of variety chains and of drug chains.

POREIGN TRADE OUTLOOK FAIR
24. Barring new war developments, I look for continued shrinkage in
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General Motors Unveils "Jet Plane On Wheels

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UP Autometive Writer Rear end: Twin tail fins in sim-

McCarran Says **Anti-Red Bill**

STRENGTHEN BILL

By UNITED PRESS WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. (UP)—Senator Pat McCarran, D., Nev., predicetd today that the more his subversive control law attacked, "the stronger it will become."

McCarran said opponents of the law are "unwary and uninformed" and fooled by Communist propa-ganda. He had no comment on a new national organization fighting for repeal of the act.

"But so much has be misleading statements and false information," he said, "that it is not surprising to find men of high intentions and good purposes enrolling themselves in groups which later they will regret."

ELSEWHERE IN CONGRESS

Air raid shelters--A joint committee, trying to iron out conflicts be-tween House and Senate virsions of the administration's \$3,100,000,000 civil defense bill, agreed tentatively to authorize federal loans to build atomic air raid shelters which also can serve as garages and subways.

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D. Ill., set a new record for continuous Congressional service. The
84-year-old dean of the house has
been in congress for 43 years, nine
months and 25 days, topping by
one day the record set by former
Sen. Justin S. Morrill of Vermont,
who died in 1898.

Kerr-Acheson--Sen. Robert S. Kerr, D., Okla., urged the nation to support Secretary of State Dean Acheson who, he said, is doing his best "working for peace, if it can be had, or to win the war if it is forced upon us." Kerr said "it is to the best interests of all Americans to help our secretary of State to be to help our secretary of State to be

Draft Board Seeking 11

Eleven registrarits were cited as delinquent Thursday by the Harnett County Draft Board.

Local Board No. 44 in Lillington pointed out that those delinquent registrants are liable to prosecution under the Selective Service and Training Act of 1948 for not com-plying with that law.

Anyone having information regarding the men should notify them to report immediately to the local board, according to the announce-

The missing registrants are: David Calvin Gilmore, Dunn Rt. 4; Louis Harden Smith, Varina, Rt. 1; Lester Olen Hobson, 301 S. Mag-nolia Ave., Dunn; and James Ben-jamin Mercer, 301 Magnolia Ave. all white.

Early Womack, general delivery. Broadway; James P. Green, Apex, Rt. 1; James Edward Clegg, Dunn, Rt. 5; Luttion Brown Tolson, P. O. Box 704, Dunn; George Archie Malloy, Dunn, Rt. 3; Thomas James Fairley, Jr., 605 E. Edgerton St., Dunn; and William Oscar McPherson, general delivery, Varīna, all

Ernest Fox, 4, Died Last Night

Sign Of The Times--Uniforms Back



SOBER NOTE AT SORORITY DANCE—Last night was a gala one for members of the Delta Theta Delta Sorority of Dunn and their escorts. The sorority members entertained their boy friends at their annual holiday dance. Seven of the young men came wearing the new Air Corps uniforms. As a Record Photographer snapped this picture, one of them remarked: "It may be many a year before this group gets together again," and after a pause he added, "If we ever do." The service men, left to right, are: Bobby Johnson, Sonny Draughon, O'Dell Faircloth, Lt. I. R. Williams, Jr., Lexie Nordan, Ed Hinson and Angus Monds. Seated in front of them are: Mrs. William Jernigan, Betty Cathey, Sara Frances Thomas, Rogie Tyler, the sorority president, and Becky Lee. All of the boys are in the Air Corps. From some far off air Zace somewhere in the world, they'll probably recall many times the fine time they had at the sorority dance of 1950. (Daily Record Photo by T. M. Stewart.)

To Motorists

With winter rain turning to ice on Harnett's highways, Cpl. William O'Daniel of the State Highway Patrol warned motorists Thursday to drive only in emergencies -- and then with extreme caution.

"This part of the State is in the heavy rain and ice area," he stated Thursday. "Driving on the high-ways, and especially on bridges, is

langerous."

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persons who intend to take holiday trips during the New Year's week-end. Corporal O'Daniel pointed out that Harnett's list of highway fatalities now totals 12, which is three below the 1949 mark, and urged that holiday motorists try to keep that figure from rising.

Harnett has fared somewhat better than the rest of the State in regards to highway fatalities, according to figures compiled by the State Department of Motor Vehicles.

The State total stood Thursday morning at 968 deaths on the highways, compared with 841 for 1949.

Harnett has 12 fatalities on the public roads, though, against 15 for the (Continued On Page Seven)

Patrol Cites Chinese-Russian Road Dangers Split Is Predicted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. —(UP)— Government strategists believe Red China's military campaign in Korea may brng an eventual split between China and Russia over which Communist nation shall be the supreme power in Asia.

This possibility was reported to-day by informants who are assess-ing events in Korea for signs of Moscow-Peking cooperation or dis-

The analysis is part of a continuing survey to provide the framework for long range U. S. policy in Asia. Conclusions may not be available for a long time.

Experts are making no firm predictions. But they are intrigued by chances that seeds of dispute have been planted in recent weeks.

Initial himts that Russia and China may not see eye-to-eye on their future roles in Asia were noted in late November when the Chinese Reds moved into Korea and Gen. Wu Hsiu-Chuan, their foreign minister, addressed the United Nations' security council. Experts feel that Wu almost stated openly China's dreams of being the dominant Asian power.

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CHINESE AMBITIOUS Estimates in official quarters are that the Chinese might use a (Continued On Page 3) that

dle of joy in his long beak. That bird will also bring a beakful of gifts, presents and honors for the first baby in 1951. At least 14 local firms have combined to give 1951's first toddler a rousing reception with Diankets, food, a baby chair—and his own bank acount. The contest is being sponsored by The Daily Record. SOMETHING FOR PARENTS

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And there are even remembrances for the parents, such as a shampoo for the mother and a belt for father. Eligible to compete for the prizes will be babies born after midnight, Dec. 31, 1950, when the old year goes stumbling out.

Will Bring

Many Gifts

The first stork to arrive in Dunn in 1951 will bring more than a bundle of joy in his long beak.

TOKYO, Friday, Dec. 29.—(UP)— The main body of U. S. 8th Army forces completed its withdrawal behind the Imjin River line 21 miles northwest of Seoul Thursday while allied warplanes hit back at the Chinese Reds. **Woman Facing** BIRMINGHAM, Ala. Dec. 28 — (UP) — Mayor Cooper Green said today that guards will be stationed soon around city reservoirs to protect Birmingham from any saboteurs who might contaminate the drinking water. **Court Charges**

TOKYO, Dec. 28—(UP)—Red China has thrown two of its five field armies into the Korean War and appropriated \$8,000,000,000 for military purposes in 1951, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters reported today. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—(UP)—The Army has asked that 80,000 young men be drafted during the month of March, the Defense Department said today. The March call brings the total Army request since the beginning of the Korean fighting to a total of 450,000.

ROCHDALE, England, Dec. 28—(UP)—Thirty-Six spin-ers at the Mariand textile mill quit work and went home day when the thermometer reading fell from 70 to 69

UN Can Soon Strike Enemy REDS ARE REPORTED INVADING IN GREAT FORCE, UNOPPOSED

McArthur Says

TOKYO, Dec. 28.—(UP)— Elements of Gen. Lin Piao's crack 4th Chinese Communist Field Army were reported invading South Korea in force and unopposed today for an all-out assault on American-defended Seoul.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's head-quarters said the entire 4th field army of 171,000 men would be in a position to strike at Seoul any time after Jan. 1 and may attack in lesser strength of one or more Army Corps even sooner.

Red Troops tentatively identified

Red Troops tentatively identified as from the 4th Field Army Already have occupied abandoned Kaesong and Chujon, two miles south of the old North Korean border, and pushed on in force another two miles to within 33 miles northwest of Seoul an 8th Army spokesman reported.

A Chinese platoon also was reported across the Imjin river near Korangpo, 15 miles east of Kaesong, a mile south of the border and 27 miles northwest of Seoul.

The 8th army spokesman said the Chinese march across the 38th parallel was unopposed. Kaeson, Chujon and Korangpo were abandoned

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NORMAL BUILD-UP

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The apparent Chinese crossing of
the 38th parallel was not regarded
as the actual start of the offensive
against Seoul. Rather, it was believed part of the normal Chinese
buildup for the offensive.
Father east, other Communist
forces believed North Koreenoccupied the abandoned Central
Korean town of Chogyo and Oron,
two to four miles south of the 38th
parallel, and skirmished with United
Nations Patrols as much as 17 miles
below the frontier. elow the frontier. In the air, three F-80 Shooting

Wood To Head Benson Lodge

Sleet and freezing rain laid a dangerous sheath of ice over the Carolinas today , turning highways into near-impassable hazards, cancelling airline service, disrupting bus service and slowing Carolinians to a slow, skittish waik

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Cold Canadian air which swept southward over the Carolinas early yesterday laid a low blanket over the Carolinas only a few thousand feet deep. Above that cold air was warm. moist air flowing up from the Gulf of Mexico.

The weather bureau said the precipitation came from the high, warm air. As it passes through the cold band it freezes into sleet of freezes after it hits the ground.

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The Highway Patrol reported that worst conditions were fa the central Carolinas, but the ice blanket was reported as far south and east as Charleston, S. C.

The patrol advised "extreme cau- (Continued On Page Two)

P. B. Wood, Jr., worshipful master; Jr. M. Lee, senior warden; G. R. Lee, senior warden; G. R. Lee, senior warden; G. R. D. Appointed officers who will be installed at the meeting are Shelton stalled at the meeting

birth must state exact time and place of the event, along with the name, sex and weight of the child and the names and address of the (Continued On Page 3)



Ice And Sleet

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