

HOME REPAIRS SET AT \$54,480,000

Tile Council Survey Shows North Carolinians Will Spend Money

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—(AP)—North Carolina's expenditures for home repair and modernization this year will total an estimated \$54,480,000 and set a record for such work, according to a study released today by the Tile Council of America.

More than 85,800 of the state's single-family homes alone need new roofs or roofing repairs, the study revealed. Some 24,700 will have bathrooms altered, showers tiled or water pipes repaired, and still another 22,100 will require carpentry work during the year, according to the report.

Pointing out that increases are reported for practically every product needed in homes, Ortmann said that floor and wall tile volume, for

LABOR LEADERS JOIN IN ENDORSEMENT OF RED CROSS CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Secretary of Labor Schwelienbach and Presidents William Green of the AFL and Philip Murray of the CIO pledged their support today to the \$60,000,000 Red Cross drive beginning March 1.

A Red Cross statement quoted Murray as pledging to give "the same cooperation in this campaign as we have in the wartime drives." Green praised the Red Cross as "one of the most valuable public service institutions in our country."

Schwelienbach said the Red Cross "provides an annual opportunity to give to, and participate in, a work which recognizes the intrinsic worth of the individual and embodies the love of fellowman."

example, are expected to hit an all-time high this year. The most commonly wanted home improvement is painting, the study revealed. The exterior of some room of the interior is redecorated in about a third of the state's home during the average year. Minor repairs are made to the interior of one out of every 16 homes each year and work on electrical installations is required in one home in 90, the study showed.

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Public Approves Placing Of Limit On Number Of Terms For Senators

BY GEORGE GALLUP
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Princeton, N. J., February 21.—A majority of American voters think it would be a good idea to place a limitation upon the number of terms a U. S. Senator can serve.

When asked what the limit should be, voters say, on the average, two terms.

This result coincides with a proposal of Senator Edwin C. Johnson, Democrat, of Colorado. Senator Johnson has announced he will not run for a third term.

It is significant, perhaps that people with college training interviewed on the issue vote in a majority against limitation—a result in contrast to people whose education did not go beyond high school.

Republicans approve the limitation by a larger proportion than Democrats in the poll.

The question asked in the survey: "A U. S. Senator now serves six years in one term of office. Do you think there should be a limit on the number of terms which a Senator could serve?"

The result across the nation:
Yes 54%
No 39%
No Opinion 7%

The people voting yes to the first question were then asked: "What do you think the limit should be?"

The median average of all replies comes out at two terms. Sentiment on the first question is shown below by ages of people in the poll, by education, by political preference.

	Yes	No	Opin.
POLITICS			
Democratic	50%	42%	8%
Republican	58	38	4
AGES			
21-29	49%	45%	6%
30-49	52	41	7
50 and over	61	33	6
EDUCATION			
College	40%	58%	2%
High School	55	41	4
Grammar School or Less	58	33	9

Former German Liner Slated For Retirement

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The George Washington, one-time German liner which transported allied fighting men in two world wars, is to be retired, the Maritime Commission announced tonight.

The 38-year-old vessel soon will be placed in the permanent reserve fleet at Baltimore—idle but ready for service again in an emergency. It was offered for sale last month but failed to attract any bidders.

Meanwhile Chairman Bradley (R-Mich) of the House Merchant Marine Committee said in a statement the liner Washington, another vessel now in passenger service, is safer than the Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary of the British merchant fleet.

The vessel's safety was questioned in testimony before the committee this week. It is considering legislation to continue the Coast Guard's authority to waive the full peacetime safety requirements.

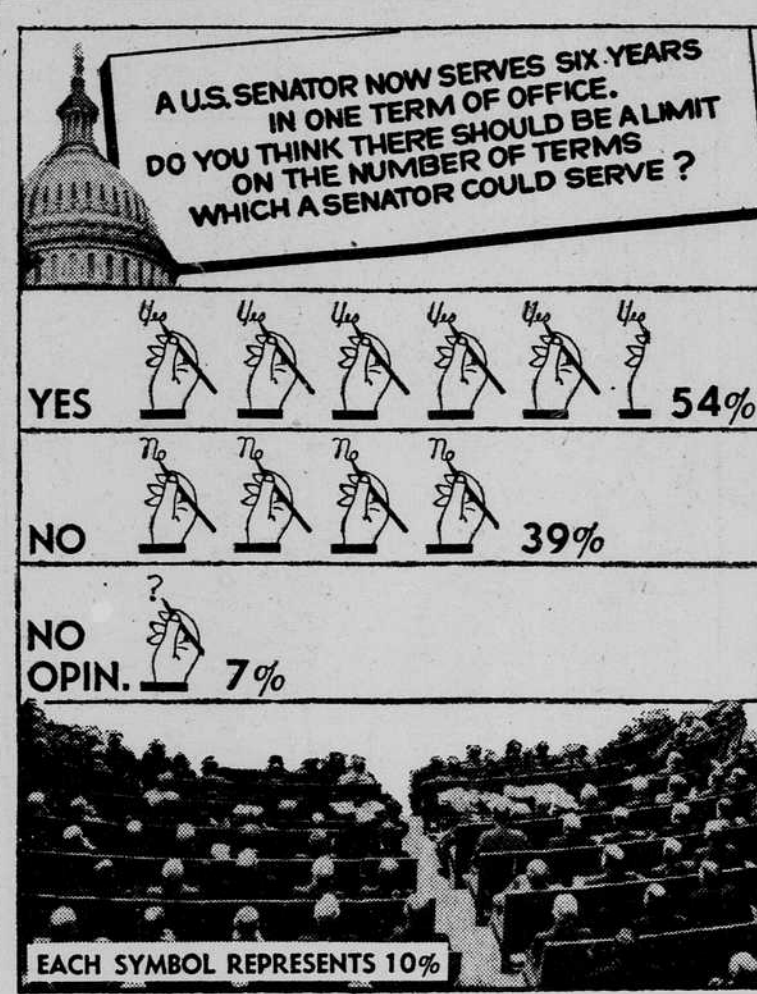
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Edward Arnold Finding Father's Role Pleasing

Former Bad-Man Of Movie Thrillers Now An Ideal Papa

BY ALINE MOSBY
United Press
Hollywood Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Edward Arnold's a lucky guy on the screen. He gets paid for letting some of the prettiest actresses in Hollywood stroke his hair, pinch his cheeks, and snuggle up.

True, most of these film beauties play his daughters. But, Arnold points out, they're really not, and that's where the fun comes in.

He's had Lana Turner to lay out his pipe and slippers, Janis Paige to ruffle his hair, Joyce Reynolds to sob on his shoulder and Joan Caulfield to tuck into bed. "It's not papa who pays," he told us, "but it pays to be papa." Arnold never has counted other actors' celluloid offspring, but he doubts if any other picture pater could boast of more children. He's played papa to nearly every child star and a lot of older players, too.

His current daughters are Joyce Reynolds and Janis Paige in Warners' "Wallflower." This is the second time he's been Joyce's father and he allows as how she's his favorite child.

He can think of a couple, though, who'd be sharpened up by a good paddling. Like Lana Turner and Butch Jenkins.

This paternal business has been going on so long that Arnold's getting carried away with the idea.

"I work myself into this benevolent mood every morning when I start work," he explained, "then I go home that night feeling the same way."

He thinks he does, anyway. Sometimes the real Arnold children—he's got three—have a different slant.

"A couple of times they've come home from my pictures saying 'Why don't you act like that at home?'" he grinned. "But though the Arnold menace doesn't think his roles are always natural, the fans do. He's swamped with letters from fathers who wail, 'that's just the way things happen in our house.'"

Some fans have the idea Arnold is a father confessor and they unburden their home troubles. But Arnold never hands out advice.

"I have enough trouble keeping up with my own family," he said. The fans, he added, evidently

SCIENTIST CHURCHES STUDY "MIND" SUNDAY FOR LESSON-SERMON

"MIND" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian Science Churches and Societies on Sunday, February 23.

The Golden Text, Romans 11:33. "Oh the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!"

Among the citations comprising the Lesson-Sermon were the following from the Bible: "Praise ye the Lord: ... Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite" (Psalms 147: 5). And from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Infinite Mind is the creator, and creation is the infinite image or idea emanating from this Mind. If Mind is within and without all things, then all is Mind, and this definition is scientific" (Page 256).

No Contract
ROME, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The Italian news agency Ansa said in a Milan dispatch today that the New York Metropolitan Opera company had signed Conductor Sergio Faloni, a favorite at Milan's La Scala opera house, to a three-year contract.
In New York, a spokesman for the Metropolitan Opera company denied that a contract had been signed with Faloni.
"The matter was discussed with him but there was definitely no contract signed," the spokesman said.
Wilted fruits and vegetables retain very little of their original vitamin content.

PENNSYLVANIA GROUP IN CONGRESS PLANS HOME STATE TALKS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The entire Pennsylvania Republican delegation in Congress—Senator Martin and 28 Representatives—is to meet with state GOP leaders in Philadelphia on Tuesday night to discuss the legislative program.

A member of the delegation who told of the plan today said the meeting is at the invitation of Pennsylvania Republican leaders, including Joseph R. Grundy and Joseph N. Pew.

Asked whether the tariff question is on the program in view of Congressional proposals of restrict the administration's reciprocal trade pacts, the Congressman said that matter probably will be discussed but the conference will not be devoted to that specifically.

He said the general legislative program will be discussed, and that similar conferences have been held previously. The Congressmen are to travel to Philadelphia in a special railroad car.

Truman Returns

Washington, Feb. 23.—(AP)—President Truman returned to the White House today after spending the night aboard the Presidential yacht Williamsburg in the ice-clogged Potomac river.

Because of the ice, the yacht remained anchored off Mount Vernon before starting the short cruise back to the Navy yard here where it docked at 2:30 p.m. The President had boarded the Williamsburg there yesterday, with members of the White House staff, after placing a wreath at Washington's tomb.

Takes Chances

CAIRO, Feb. 23.—(AP)—The outlawed Fawzi El Kaukji, leading figure of the Arab revolt in 1936, arrived in Cairo today after a flight in which his plane refueled in Palestine where an \$8,000 price rested on his head.

(There was conjecture that the exiled Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin El Hussein, might appoint him general of two recently-merged Arab "Youth organizations.")

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