

SEATTLE MAN SITTING TIGHT

Wins Right To Rent Home For \$60 A Month

SEATTLE, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Bernard G. Lampe, wartime chief carpenter's mate in the Seabees, was sitting tight today—hoping.

Lampe won the right to rent a \$14,000 home at \$60 a month for two years during a drawing ordered by Federal Judge Lloyd L. Black after the builder, R. F. Allison, pleaded guilty to the improper use of veterans' priorities to obtain material.

Today, however, he learned the mortgage holder has started foreclosure proceedings.

The case was further complicated by the fact that Judge Black sentenced Allison to three months in the county jail, suspended the sentence and put him on probation for two years and two months. If Allison loses the house through nonpayment of his obligation, Judge Black said, he would have to serve the jail sentence.

Now the case is to come again before Judge Black.

The Weather

Weather bureau report of temperature and rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M. in the principal cotton growing areas and elsewhere:

Station	High	Low	Precip.
WILMINGTON	41	31	
Atlanta	41	30	
Asheville	38	31	
Atlanta	43	35	0.08
Birmingham	43	36	
Boston	38	32	0.85
Buffalo	28	24	0.00
Burlington	38	27	
Charlotte	40	30	
Chattanooga	40	32	
Chattanooga	40	33	
Chicago	33	28	0.01
Cincinnati	33	28	0.12
Cleveland	33	28	
Dallas	46	35	
Denver	39	24	
Detroit	29	24	
Duluth	27	16	
El Paso	54	31	
Fort Worth	43	38	
Houston	42	27	
Galveston	42	27	
Jacksonville	49	31	
Kansas City	41	30	
Key West	34	24	
Knoxville	45	36	
Little Rock	45	37	
Louisville	37	32	
Los Angeles	41	35	
Memphis	42	36	
Meridian	42	31	
Miami	68	41	
Minn-St. Paul	25	4	
Mobile	70	47	
Montgomery	66	34	
New Orleans	73	58	0.32
New York	39	34	
Newark	37	34	
Philadelphia	41	31	0.09
Phoenix	40	27	
Pittsburgh	35	29	0.06
Raleigh	38	15	0.13
Richmond	34	29	
Savannah	59	34	
San Antonio	64	41	
San Francisco	58	40	
Seattle	39	25	0.52
Tampa	71	56	
Vicksburg	46	40	
Washington	42	33	

CONSERVATION

voluntary and that there is no way of rationing fuel oil in the state except through action by the State legislature.

The oil industry representatives told Governor Cherry that they believed there is an ample supply of oil available in the oil-producing areas and that the principal bottleneck is in transportation facilities.

They pointed out that in the year 1941, a total of 69,000,000 gallons of kerosene was consumed in North Carolina, and that in only 10 months of 1942 some 198,000,000 gallons were used.

Radio Speech

In a radio speech after the meeting today, O. Y. Kirkpatrick of Charlotte, assistant manager of the Southern division of the Pure Oil company, said that the oil shortage was caused "in large measure by the fact that demand for petroleum products has reached record peaks much higher than those of wartime and that the United States alone is now using as much oil as the entire world used in 1938."

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

HIT'S ALL RIGHT TO WANT MONEY IF YOU DON'T GIT TO WEARYIN' 'BOUT IT !!!



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DEPARTMENT

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clear they regarded the Panama Assembly's unanimous rejection of the new lease agreement as a stinging rebuff. The State Department was understood to have been confident only a week ago that the agreement signed by Hines and a Panamanian government official would be approved by the Assembly.

One official said the United States at the time had "assumed" that the Panamanian administration would not sign an agreement "unless it has assurances it would be approved by the Assembly."

Year To Run

He said the United States still has the legal right to continue using the disputed bases until one year after the signing of definitive peace treaties with the defeated axis powers.

But to do so would "make no sense," he said, and "would give us a false sense of security."

The department revealed for the first time that in the recent negotiations it had tried first to obtain a 60 to 90-year lease of the 14 bases, including the huge Rio Hata Air base in Western Panama.

That proposal was scaled down to 50, 30 and 20 years before the December 10 agreement finally was reached. That would have given this country use of the 13 smaller installations for five years and a 10-year lease on the Rio Hato base, with an option for an additional 10 years.

It asserted that the American negotiators made "substantial and repeated concessions" to Panama in an effort to reconcile differences over the defensive needs of the canal zone. The rejected agreement would have given Panama a yearly rental of \$180,500 for the installations, and the United States offered to construct new roads and buildings in the defensive areas.

The department spokesmen said they believed the Panamanian rejection was "tied up with internal political affairs," and that the recent student demonstrations were fomented by Communists.

Rose Queen



MEET the newly-chosen queen of the 58th Annual Tournament of Roses. She is Virginia Goodhue, 18, a student at Muir City College, Pasadena, California, Virginia, who will reign over the famed New Year's Day floral parade, will be crowned at the formal coronation and ball to be held on Dec. 28. (International)

RELIGIOUS HATE

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guard in the same place last week. A bullet from a Bedouin rifle caught him in the chest at midnight. The same thing may happen to the man who took his place.

On the rocky slopes of the Mount of Olives, bathed in the frosty light, are six new graves. Two in the Moslem cemetery on the Eastern slope hold the bodies of two old Arabs killed by a Jewish bomb at Damascus Gate.

The same afternoon they were buried, the Jews interred on the far slope the bodies of four of their people. Their convoy was ambushed and their truck burned near Solomon's Pool, a few miles below Bethlehem.

The brothers of the dead swore to avenge them while the rocks were piled upon the mounds of fresh earth.

British soldiers and police stamp their feet and whack their arms against their sides in the shadows of the old walled city of Jerusalem. Roman guards stood there the night Mary and Joseph stopped in Jerusalem on their way to Bethlehem.

The soldiers and police curse the "athens what's got no respect for Christmas."

Occasionally a bright orange light, like the one that guided President Truman today granabasis of a report by his annunciations the Wise Men to Bethlehem, lights up the skyline. These lights are made by the very pistols of police investigating some suspicious movement in Jerusalem's maze of alleys and passageways. They burb brightly for a few moments and then leave the sky to the moon and stars.

The men of Haganah, the Jewish "Defense army," are on guard within the walls of the old city too. Their rifles are beside them, their grenades ready in rooftop nests to repel any Arab attack near the Wailing Wall, the last remains of the second temple where Mary and Joseph presented Jesus to God.

Close by, Arabs huddle on the rooftops with their rifles and grenades, ready to die defending the Mosque of Omar.

The paved road to Jerusalem looks like a piece of silvery tinsel winding between the hills and among the olive groves along this road. Joseph and Mary, she "great with child," traveled the five miles to Bethlehem 1,947 years ago.

The road is under a curfew tonight and the pilgrims on it are mostly soldiers. They travel in convoys, protected by shiny green armored cars.

It has been estimated that more than half the fire fighting equipment in the United States was more than 15 years old in 1942.

CAPE FEAR

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era, a Negro cemetery in Wilmington and a ferry crossing the Cape Fear, with naval stores in the background.

HANDICAPPED—Since color printing was little known, if at all, in those days the job the magazine did was comparable to the more recent article by Holiday.

There are no beach scenes, because the pictures carried were line drawings. While the artist's work was commendable he could hardly have done justice to a Carolina Beach or Wrightsville Beach July bathing beauty party.

The text goes into great detail about the state's industries, its agriculture, and its people. While the author, Julian Ralph, takes a few pot-shots at politicians, he is also reminded that "North Carolina is a progressive commonwealth" and its sons sell almost as high as those of the federal government.

Along the Cape Fear is indebted to J. M. Davis, 404 South 17th street for the loan of the copy of the magazine.

ROTARIANS HEAR

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The east Texas oil field is now producing all the oil it should during peace time for the greatest ultimate production of oil, according to Morris, who added that the field could produce three times as much as at present at anytime it is called upon to do so by a national emergency or for other cause.

Speaks Briefly

Morris spoke briefly on his adopted state of Texas, stressing its magnitude and pointing out that it leads in production of crude petroleum, sulphur and other products. He was introduced by Charles Davis.

The Rev. Paul Nix, formerly of the Maffitt Village Baptist church and now located at Furman university, retelling a portion of the Christmas story, told the Rotarians that the message of the Angels to the shepherds was "as much for us today as for those men in that day . . . when they said, 'Fear not.' How we need to learn today not to be afraid!"

The Rev. Mr. Nix said, "I believe that all the talk of war we hear today is because we are afraid . . . Freedom from fear will not come from winning wars or signing peace treaties . . . but by becoming Christians."

Names Committee

Rotary President John Nuckton announced the appointment of Howard Penton, Albert Seitzer and Charles M. Harrington to the inter-club committee for studying methods of development of the port, industries and agriculture here. This inter-club committee was begun as a result of a meeting with all the heads of the civic organizations with the Rotarians to discuss ways and means of developing the city and area.

Guests of the club were Davis Howes, III, Dr. H. W. Johnson and C. A. Hanck, Jr., of Chapel Hill.

TRUMAN PARDONS

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Roberts, former associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. The board reported that of 14,805 Selective Service violation cases it considered, only 626 remained in federal confinement.

The board, appointed by Mr. Truman Dec. 23, 1946, reported that it had reviewed each case on its merits with the idea of recommending individual pardons. It decided that "no group should be granted amnesty as such."

Data Survey

Recommendations for pardon were made after a review of such data and family history, school and work records, prior criminal history, if any, religious affiliations and practices, Selective Service history, nature and circumstances of offense and other matters.

"At least two thirds of the cases considered were those of willful violators, not based on religious scruples," the board reported.

No amnesty was granted for violators with past serious criminal records which indicated they had "no respect for the law or the civil rights to which they might have been restored."

Instead, the board sought prior violation to grant amnesty for primary violation was due to ignorance, illiteracy, misreading or religious scruples.

The report did not deal with mental cases, most of which still are in mental institutions "with little or no chance of recovery."

Prior to the amnesty proclamation, Mr. Truman had, in effect, rejected a proposal by Sen. William E. Jenner, R., Ind., that he grant "general amnesty" as a Christmas gift for service-men convicted of minor offenses.

MOUSE TRAP TRADE BOOMS

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass. (U.P.)—Thousands of former G.I.s are interested in building better mouse-traps. Their desire to have a path beaten to their doors was revealed by Elizabeth B. Boudreau of the New England Library Association. She said that in the past six months, 1,167 veterans have besieged library reference desks in New England for information on foreign patents on mouse traps.

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wonder. Those we love we try to protect.

"Wouldn't that have been a nice Christmas present to hand your mother—a broken and battered body. And how do you think that we in the cab of that engine would feel. We don't want to hit you but we were one second from eternity Sunday, son. If I were you, son, and you, too, split. I'd thank God for that split second. I said a prayer—when I realized you were going across. Perhaps that's what saved us all. And please, for God's sake, don't try it again."

RETAIL STORES

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a skeleton crew will be kept on duty at the post office Christmas day. We will deliver only special delivery mail and perishable parcels during Christmas day," he said.

Dosher said that the post office has had a banner Christmas season this year with unusually heavy loads of mail handled and added that the employees "have worked hard and have given good service" considering the magnitude of their task.

Only a few restaurants were scheduled to be open for business tomorrow to serve those persons who eat all of their meals out and who will be in the city over Christmas.

RIFLEMEN RAKE

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Arab firing were for Robert Clive Stern, British-born Jewish employe of the public information office who was shot in a Jerusalem street, and a Jewish major of the Trans-Jordan frontier service who died of appendicitis. Stern formerly served in London as an assistant correspondent for the Chicago Tribune.

As bullets sprayed the cemetery, mourners crouched behind walls and even floral wreaths. Police opened up with Bren guns and rifles against the rabs who were deployed on the Mount of Olives and the Sacred Mount of Ascension.

Under this covering fire the mourners slipped out of the burial ground above Jerusalem's sealed golden gates as Arab children along the route back to the city made throat-cutting gestures with their fingers.

Bloody Struggle

Two Jews were killed when Jews in Bat Yam and Arab warriors in Jabaliel continued their bloody struggle. This brought to 306 the unofficial death toll since the United Nations voted for partition Nov. 29.

A deputy district commissioner appealed to community leaders for a "truce" in the Bat Yam sector south of Jaffa where five Jews have been killed in two days. Arab casualties there are unknown.

MEXICO CITY

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ment that German spies and saboteurs operated from there. Collenberg told Kempner also that the spies had a healthy respect for the American Federal Bureau of Investigation and that they almost shuddered at mention of the name of J. Edgar Hoover, its chief.

Collenberg told Kempner that at least 12 master spies and saboteurs went to the Embassy in Mexico City to direct operations in the United States.

Operated Two Years

"Agents were coming and going in the Embassy all the time during the years 1940 and 1941," Collenberg said.

"I would receive orders to keep the United States neutral and then in the next breath these agents would start coming in, always wanting money."

The agents were cleared by the foreign office in Berlin, Collenberg said, and after arriving in Mexico used to enter the United States by ship, plane and train to direct rings of spies and saboteurs which operated all over the country. After returning to Mexico City the master operatives would report to the foreign organization of the German Nazi party.

Kempner said that Collenberg told him German agents broke an oil pipe line leading out of Texas City sometime in 1940 or 1941. The line, he said, supplied oil to the Eastern seaboard. Collenberg also knew vaguely of sabotage in a synthetic rubber plant in the East.

CHILDREN ENJOY

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all kinds. Toys that were collected by the Jaycees and repaired. New toys, donated by local merchants and packages of fruit and candies prepared by the Jayettes, who worked late into the night before getting ready for the visit of Santa.

The youngsters were selected by school teachers, church school teachers and the Associated Churches.

Youngsters Praised

Members of the Jaycees, who accompanied the boys and girls to the various restaurants, were high in their praise of the conduct of the youngsters, all of whom were under 12 years of age.

One of the boys, a blond youngster sat down to the table with his eyes popping at the sight of the large amount of turkey on his plate. He glanced around, took a large piece of the turkey from his plate and carefully wrapped it in a paper napkin.

Asked why he wrapped the turkey in the napkin, the boy replied, "I want my mamma to have some turkey for Christmas."

DEMISE OF GORILLAS

Time Overtakes

CINCINNATI, O. (U.P.)—The Cincinnati Zoo may have a successor to Susie, the gorilla who died recently, if her admirers have their way.

James A. Reilly, zoo president, says that during Susie's illness thousands of telephone calls were received, not only from Cincinnati, but from Lexington, Ky., and Columbus, O., and other places.

OLD SALTY

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able pride, sent a little token of his esteem to the best dammed gal in every port from Cape Cod to Cape Horn. And the presents, according to Old Salty, ran the gamut from beauty creams to bustles and Scotch to scanties. He knew he screamed, because he had Nipped most of them himself in quayside stores from Salem to Singapore.

Remembers Pals

Asked by the Star what he wanted for Christmas, Old Salty opined that he was already pretty well fixed with food and drink for the day but seemed more concerned about what Santa Claus was going to do for his many friends in Wilmington.

Rubbing his beak affectionately on the Skipper's almost hairless head, Old Salty said that he had just completed his annual letter to Santa Claus in which he put forth an eloquent plea to the old gentleman to be sure and remember his many pals here.

Stretching a well-groomed leg down behind his seed box, "the bird" came up with a well-smudged sheet of paper on which he had scrawled beakwise, the following message:

Dear Santa:

Listen, you old fat land-lubber, this has been a fairly good year for you in more ways than one and it is high-time that you kicked in with a little present for my pals down here in Wilmington.

For my good friend Jimmie Benson I would like a largesized hat and a sturdy hull for his new fire boat; for Eddie Svedag a brand new home for his VFW gang; to Col. Gillette and Rye Page a deed to the shipyard property so the old port of Wilmington will soon hum with activity.

Then you might have a platter cut for Jimmie Wade so he can say hello to more people each day without undue strain on his vocal organs. And perhaps a nice plump dove for Ham Hicks and Harry Gardner might help restore peace between them over Bluffenthal field.

And please, Santa, don't overlook JWH's big chief. Send him a nice gift for being so swell to the nurses and drop an orchid to each of the nurses for accepting that raise which will insure you good care if you break a limb trying to get down the chimney.

Wilbur Dosher has been a good boy all year and deserves a lolly-pop at least for the fine service he has given the mailing public during these hectic days of rush, push and problem.

A Present For Mayor

Too, Santa, I think Elvie White should have a high hat for his mayoring duties and perhaps a drop or two more cream for his milk. And perhaps you could find some rubber buses for Safeway Transit so they can stretch a few more passengers onto each run. The elbow room now is at a premium.

Porter Davis could use a nice boxing arena and Leon Brogdon a 7-foot center if you have one in your pack. Also from your sports shelf, lift down about a dozen ball players who know where home plate is and drop them down the Sutton, Cheshire, Rooks and Stefano chimneys tonight.

Pausing for a moment to catch his breath and a nip from the pinch-bottle, Old Salty closed one eye, squinted at his list and continued.

Santa you old snow-dog, a couple of my pals, especial ones, too, have helped this old burg a lot this past year by planting a few brand new industries here and so remember Goodlett Thornton and Harris Newman with some roses, will ya? Four apiece would be nice encased in glass.

And Addison Hewlett could use a new pair of specks so he can see better what is going on in the county and the many things such as Sunday sports, that New Hanover needs.

Bob Kermon might like the address, too, of a reliable firm which prints mutual tickets because he may need 'em for his race track, while Allen Marshall would be tickled pink with a PGA tourney contract in his stocking. And if the north-

Gets Royal Thanks

FOR-FOUR-OLD Julie Alloro, Brooklyn, N. Y., displays the wishbone from the turkey which she sent to Princess Elizabeth as a wedding gift. In addition to the bone, the Princess sent Julie a thank-you note on Buckingham Palace stationery. It was signed by lady-in-waiting Margaret Seymour. (International)



U. S. DELAYS CASE

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Department of Justice had a jurisdiction because of a law passed by Congress earlier this year, which provided neither federal, state nor local authorities shall impede transit of U.S. correspondents to and from U.S. headquarters.

At the immigration hearing the correspondent was arrested by "chicanery and trickery." An immigration investigator, under questioning by the defense attorney, said he sent a registered letter to Kyriazidis and the newspaperman when he was arrested outside a postoffice when he called for the letter.

The investigator denied the letter was "a trick," but said the purpose in sending it was to "have the individual call for it." Hasan, correspondent for the People's Age in Bombay, India, said at a news conference today after his release, a \$5,000 bail that his detention was a result of his political beliefs and because I represent Communist newspapers."

On Student Visa

Immigration authorities contended that Hagan was deportable because he entered this country on a student's visa and no longer was a student.

Hasan said, however, he was still a student because he had not completed a thesis for a master's degree at Columbia University.

Hasan said he would try to see Secretary-General Lie as well as the Indian ambassador concerning his case.

Lie has asked Warren Austin, chief American delegate to the U. N., for "prompt consideration" of the question of whether the newspaperman's arrest violated the U.N. headquarters agreement.

The agreement provides that no correspondent accredited to U. N. shall be compelled to leave the country until the secretary-general has been consulted. Lie said he had not been told of the impending proceedings against Kyriazidis and Hasan.

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NOTICE

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