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KEEPING AN EYE ON GOERING



AN AMERICAN GUARD, S. Sgt. Peter Misko, South Gate, Calif., peers into the Nuremberg jail which is housing Hermann Goering during the war crimes trials. The ex-marshal and other defendants are kept under constant vigil to thwart any attempts at suicide. A bright light at the gridded "peephole" keeps the interior of the cell illuminated for inspection at all times. This is an official U. S. Army Signal Corps photo. (International)

Nuernberg Trial Will Be Resumed After Short Rest

Nuernberg, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The trial of 21 top Nazis, charged with war crimes, will be resumed Wednesday after a Christmas recess which rested but did not cheer the accused war criminals. For the first time in the trial, the United States prosecution will attempt to reach a defendant on the conspiracy charged in the indictment, and to show the role he played.

Bus Strike Due To End On Thursday

4,000 Employees To End Long Dispute; 18 States Affected

(By The Associated Press) Resumption of bus service by two Greyhound lines serving communities in 18 eastern and mid-western states, alleviating the crowded transportation system, was near today, as 4,000 employees voted to end their two-month-old strike.

The strikers, who left their jobs on November 1 in a dispute over wages with the Greyhound companies were to begin returning to work Thursday said Howard Colvin, assistant director of the U. S. mediation service.

He announced the end of the conflict after a two-day meeting with company officials and representatives of the AFL, Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America.

States affected by the stoppage were Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Kentucky, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Massachusetts, and the District of Columbia.

A delay or cancellation of a scheduled strike Thursday of 30,000 Western Union employees appeared a possibility today as the War Labor Board prepared a recommendation for a 12-cent average hourly wage boost for the workers.

W. L. Allen, president of the AFL Commercial Telegraphers Union said the reported WLB decision was "very encouraging."

Liquors Attempt To Rally Market

New York, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Liquors tried to rally today's New Year's Eve stock market but the potatoes eventually slipped and scant stimulation was evident in other departments.

Falling tendencies were displayed by Chrysler, General Motors, Southern Pacific and Montgomery Ward.

THREE JAP SCHOOL COURSES SUSPENDED

Tokyo, Dec. 31.—(AP)—General MacArthur today ordered the suspension of three Japanese school courses utilized most effectively for spreading militaristic ultra-nationalism and the confiscation of all text books.

The order, which affects all schools in Japan, implements recent abolition of state shinto.

Progress In State Made During 1945

By LYNN NISBET Daily Dispatch Bureau

Raleigh, Dec. 31.—Year end reports prepared by heads of the various state departments at request of the Associated Press and published in most of the daily papers during the past two weeks have made interesting reading and reflect a composite picture of state government with emphasis on the ethical and cultural, rather than purely industrial.

It is doubtful that the state has made any actual physical progress during the past year, except in the accumulation of dollars. State buildings, highways and other physical equipment has perhaps deteriorated. All are one year older than last year and conditions have been such that new additions and adequate maintenance could not be provided. In the category of physical assets about the only thing that has grown has been the bank account.

There is more money in the treasury, due to the double effect of lagging tax collections and less opportunity to spend money for new equipment. But the state has made almost phenomenal progress in other than material fields.

After discarding the prepared articles and allowances made for boasting and exaggeration of achievements, a few facts stand out with gratifying prominence.

More money was spent than in any other year in state history on public education. School teachers were better paid and the base was broadened for participation in a retirement system. Closer attention was given to pupil guidance in vocational courses.

The general assembly took first steps in providing for spastic children, for the education of cripples, and broadened the scope of a rehabilitation program for delinquent children of both races and both sexes.

New Hospital Acquired
Further expanding the enlarged service to mental patients, the state made substantial progress toward the ultimate goal of adequate provision for all mental detainees.

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Hitler's Will Angers Nazis

Nuernberg, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler's last will, ousting Hermann Goering and Heinrich Himmler created a furor today among the 21 accused Nazis awaiting trial in the Nuernberg jail.

The sensational charges, written by the trapped fuhrer in the Berlin chancellory on the eve of his suicide were learned by the prisoners during a busy morning filled with conferences with their lawyers.

To Goering, Hitler's condemnation came as no surprise for the SS and SA had arrested him on April 23 while he was expected to become the new leader. The ousted Reichsmarshal had not suspected, however, the full extent to which Himmler, suicide head of the gestapo, also had slipped from Hitler's favor.

Virtually all the other prisoners were reported surprised at the language used in the will in actions against the two Nazis who next to Hitler had held the most power. Von Ribbentrop was understood to have been disappointed because he was not mentioned in the will.

BIG THREE'S PLAN TO GOVERN JAPAN CAUSES CONFUSION

Program Might Be Cause of General MacArthur's Losing 'Face'

Tokyo, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Sources close to General Douglas MacArthur reported today that the big three's new control plan for Japan already has caused confusion among Japanese and may cause the general to lose face in a country where "face" is all important.

The control plan, which MacArthur publicly stated yesterday had been made over his protests and behind his back, may result in a slackening of Japanese efforts to put into effect directives already issued—and which they have accepted only slowly, the sources said.

MacArthur's 150-word statement said "the statements attributed to the Far Eastern commission that I did not object to the new Japan control plan before it was approved at Moscow is incorrect. On October 31, my final disagreement was contained in my radio to the chief of staff and to the secretary of state advising that the terms in my opinion are not acceptable. Since that time my views have not been sought."

The general also denied that he had been consulted during the Moscow conference. However, he concluded that whatever the merits or demerits of the plan, "the issues involved are too vital for the future of the world to have them bog down. It is my fervent hope that there will be no insuperable obstacles. It is my full purpose to see it through."

CREMATORIUM HEAD HANGED IN POLAND

Majdanek, Poland, Dec. 23.—(Delayed)—(AP)—German SS Officer Paul Hoffman, convicted of operating a crematorium at this former Nazi concentration camp, was hanged today before a crowd of 20,000 persons.

The scaffold was erected at the crematorium where Hoffman was accused of burning many bodies of Poles and other Allied prisoners. During the war criminals trial witnesses testified they saw Hoffman on several occasions toss newly-born infants into the ovens.

Hoffman protested his innocence until the last, claiming he was confused with "another man of the same name." As the noose slipped about his neck he assumed a stance of Nazi bravado and muttered in German.

Many witnesses of the execution were relatives of his victims. State Senator Stanley Nowak of Michigan and State Representative Vincent Klein of Detroit, were among those present.

ARMY'S DISCHARGE SCORE CUT TO 50

Washington, Dec. 30.—An additional 600,000 men and women in the army become eligible for discharge today under revisions in the army discharge system, which lower the point score for enlisted men to 50.

The discharge score was dropped from 73 to 70 for male officers except those in the medical services. The length of service required for separation was reduced from 78 to 42 months for enlisted men and from 51 to 48 months for male officers.

Enlisted men will be discharged after 30 months and WAC officers after 30 months of service. Medical and dental corps officers now become eligible for discharge at the age of 48 instead of 51.

Hitler's Will Angers Nazis

BRITISH NOW SURE HITLER NOT ALIVE

Hertford, Germany, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The full story of the escape of three messengers from Adolf Hitler's Berlin chancellory with his last will was told today by a British officer who said there was no possible doubt that the Nazi leader died in his battered bunker.

Questioning of all persons known to have witnessed Hitler's last hours who are now in British hands disclosed the full sequence of events which British intelligence now accepts as the true version of Hitler's death.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA
Clearing tonight except snow in mountains. Colder with lowest temperatures 25 to 28 in west and 28 to 31 in east tonight. Tuesday fair and cold.

MAYOR GREET'S "SON OF THE 88TH"



OTHER BUSINESS WAITS at New York's City Hall while Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia (above) welcomes 8-year-old Giuliano Cabbia to America for an eye operation that may restore his sight. Found in a ditch in Italy after being nearly blinded by the kick of a horse, Giuliano was "adopted" by the U. S. 88th Division, which raised \$3,500 to send him to Baltimore where he will undergo surgery by specialists. (International)

Attack Inquiry Reopens; Stark Says Kimmel Was Given 'Adequate' Orders

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Admiral Harold R. Stark declared today that Admiral Husband Kimmel, fleet commander at Hawaii, received "adequate" information and directives to be on guard prior to the Japanese attack December 7, 1941.

The 1941 Chief of Naval Operations took the witness chair as a Senate-House committee resumed, after a Christmas recess, its investigation of the disaster.

In a 25,000-word statement, the white haired naval officer said that in early 1941 he was "struggling" for approval from President Franklin Roosevelt to increase naval personnel. He reminded the committee that Congress had not approved all his earlier pleas for an increase in the fleet.

At War in Atlantic
1.—He wrote Admiral Thomas C. Hart, commander of the Far Eastern fleet, on November 7, 1941, that "the navy is already in the war of the Atlantic." American ships were then conveying supplies for Britain as far as Iceland.

2.—On November 25, 1941 he wrote Kimmel he had just talked with Mr. Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull and "neither would be surprised over a Japanese attack." (Stark added in a letter that he himself did not give the possibility "the weight officers are.")

3.—On the point of his earlier efforts to strengthen the fleet, Stark cited that in November 1939 he sought to bring the navy's complement to 100 per cent. He said it was then only 39 per cent manned and that the Budget Bureau approved increasing the manpower only to 50 per cent.

4.—In January 1941, Stark disclosed he asked for a 25 per cent increase in the Navy but Congress cut it to 11 per cent.

Stark gave the committee a file of communications between him and Kimmel during 1941. They disclosed that on February 10 Kimmel wrote that "I feel that a surprise attack (submarine, air or combined) on Pearl Harbor is a possibility."

In other letters, Kimmel repeatedly asked for more ships, more guns, more radar and more planes. Stark's letters were filled with assurances he was doing all he could to meet Kim-

U. S. Delegation To Assembly Off

Byrnes Prepares For Trip Abroad After His Report

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—Secretary of State James Byrnes prepared today for his fourth trip abroad in six months after telling the nation why he believes his third continued in lasting peace.

Also in his radio report last night, on the Moscow conference of foreign ministers, Byrnes assured the nation that new international machinery set up for control of Japan will not obstruct "the outstanding and efficient administration" of Douglas MacArthur.

It will, he insisted, leave the United States in a top policy-making role.

Speaking from the conference room of the State department, Byrnes described how this country, Russia and Britain reached agreements on issues involving Japan, atomic energy, peace treaties, China, Korea, Romania and Bulgaria.

Outright Peace Bid Made To Communist By Chiang Kai-Shek

Central Regime Wants Marshall To Enter Talks

Campking, Dec. 31.—(AP)—The Chinese Central Government countered a Communist plan for a truce today by proposing to bring General George Marshall into the discussions or a cessation of fighting.

The move to bring the President's special envoy into the peace picture came as Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek made an outright bid to the Communists to join a government that would unify China.

The government proposed that it and the Communist appoint representatives to confer with Marshall on procedure for halting the hostilities and restoring railroad communications.

If accepted, the government's counter-proposal would give Marshall a direct part in attempts to avert all-out civil war.

New Year's Message
Shortly before the announcement that a plan had been submitted to the Communists in writing, Chiang went in the air.

In a New Year's message to the Chinese people, he announced that the government was ready to invite leaders of other political parties "to take part in the government's efforts in the policy making councils of the executive branches."

They would be welcomed into the government he said, before the national assembly meets next May 5 to consider a new constitution for China.

Must Not Keep Armies
The only condition set on this arrangement by Chiang was that other representatives "must not maintain autonomous armies to serve as instruments for forcible seizure of power."

The Communists have been maintaining a separate army in north China and likewise have been holding out for a later meeting of the constitutional assembly, claiming that otherwise it would be packed for the National party.

The generalissimo asserted, however, that the government was prepared to increase the number of its assembly "so that leading personalities of other political parties may also take part."

Vet Housing Bill Signed By Truman

Washington, Dec. 31.—(AP)—President Truman today signed legislation authorizing the expenditure of \$160,000,000 to provide emergency housing for families of servicemen and veterans.

The measure was signed aboard the Presidential yacht Williamsburg anchored off Quantico, after encountering ice on the Potomac river. White House Press Secretary Ross telephoned from the vessel that the weather was still cold and raining. And that the forecast indicated more of the same tomorrow.

Mr. Truman, Ross said, spent most of the morning working on a radio address he will make to the nation at 10:30 p. m. Thursday.

The veterans housing bill, aimed primarily at providing for the immediate needs of veterans' families, was among several bills approved by Mr. Truman during the day.

He expects to return from the cruise Wednesday.

District Office of OPA Assumes More Functions

Raleigh, Dec. 31.—Beginning January 1, consumers, industrial and institutional users of sugar in North Carolina will apply to the OPA District Office in Raleigh for their allotments, Theodore S. Johnson, District Director, announced today.

Likewise, replacement of ration books, and new ration books for babies and returning veterans will be made by the District Office, Johnson said. Applicants may either write or call in person for such blanks at the District Office.

Although Price Control Boards will no longer issue any ration books or rationed commodities, a few applicants will be placed at each board for the convenience of consumers, Johnson added.

Tells of Shooting



ATTRACTIVE New York model Mrs. Fay Miller—pictured professionally (above) as Fay Hancock—was questioned by police about the shooting affray in her mid-Manhattan apartment which resulted in the critical wounding of Capt. Eugene Dale, 27, Bataan "Death March survivor," and the arrest of her estranged husband, Capt. Archie B. Miller, 25, on charges of felonious assault. (International)

209 Persons Dead In U. S. In Accidents

(By The Associated Press)

Victims of accidents over the New Year's week-end totaled at least 209 today, with traffic mishaps accounting for 199 of the deaths.

The traffic toll, however, was below the estimates of the National Safety Council for the period starting at 6 p. m. Friday. The council estimated that between 375 and 400 persons would be killed in traffic accidents during the two-day holiday, with the heaviest toll expected Saturday and tomorrow.

Violent deaths of miscellaneous causes totaled 109 and included shootings, fires, explosions, airplane accidents, drownings and falls.

Kentucky Mine To Be Sealed

Pineville, Ky., Dec. 31.—(AP)—Twenty of the miners entombed last Wednesday by an underground explosion in a coal mine near here today were given up for dead and Harry Thomas, chief engineer of the Kentucky Department of Mines ordered the main entrance to the pit sealed.

Thomas, the only person with authority to take such action, said there was no chance of reaching the trapped men due to bad tires and gas conditions within the mine.

Previously eight miners had been brought out alive, one died before he could be brought to the top and two were found dead and removed from the mine.

One of the men rescued alive died yesterday and one body was spotted in the mine but rescuers were unable to reach it. This made a total of five dead, seven survivors and 19 missing.

Thomas issued this statement: "After careful consideration and close study of the hazards involved at this mine it has been determined by all responsible that the best and safest way to recover the bodies is to seal it up tight so the fire can be smothered."

Periodical tests will be made to determine the earliest possible date it can be reopened."

Seventeen officials and mine engineers who consulted with Thomas advised him to order the sealing of the mine.