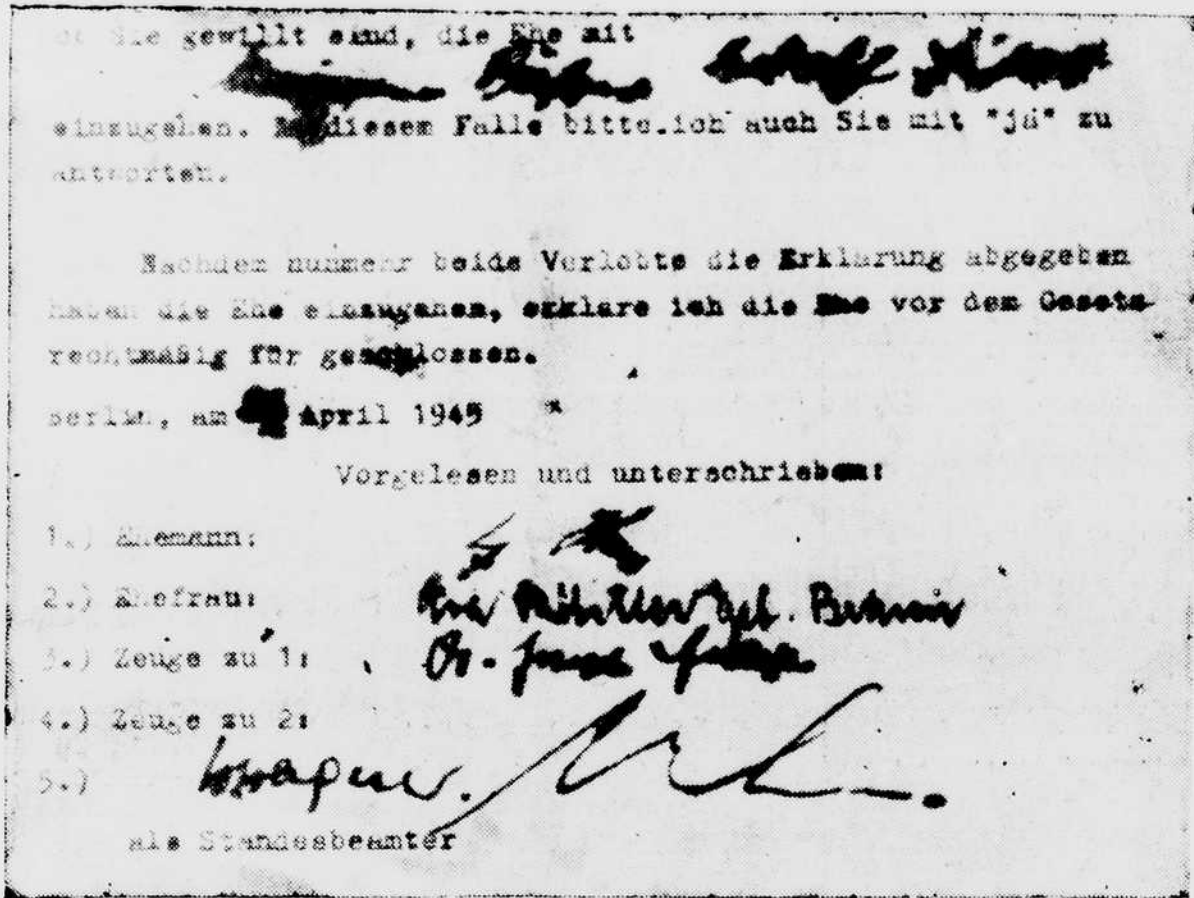




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## MARRIAGE CONTRACT OF HITLER AND EVA BRAUN



One of three documents found by Allied intelligence officers in a trunk at Tegernsee, a small lakeside resort in Bavaria, Germany, the original marriage contract of Adolf Hitler and Eva Braun, is reproduced (above). Hastily executed on April 29 when Berlin was falling to the Reds, the document reveals that the officiating magistrate was City Councilor Walter Wagner and that the ceremony was witnessed by Goebbels and Bormann. Hitler's signature is recognizable as the first in the picture, preceding that of his bride, who signed as "Eva B. Hitler et Braun." A few hours later both Hitler and Eva are supposed to have killed themselves and let their bodies to be cremated. The two other documents found in the trunk were Hitler's will and his political testament. (International Radiophoto)

## Gen. DeGaulle Facing Crisis

### Threatens to Quit If Fund For Army Cut By Assembly

Paris, Jan. 1.—(AP)—President Charles DeGaulle threatened today to resign with his cabinet in protest against a Socialist-Communist attempt in the Consultative Assembly to slash national defense credits 20 per cent.

The action plunged France into another serious governmental crisis.

The Socialist party, second most numerous in the assembly, proposed last night a cut of one-fifth in the government's request for 125,000,000,000 francs (\$1,049,450,088 U. S. currency) for the army during the first quarter of 1946.

The found immediate support from the Communists, largest group in the assembly.

The amendment to reduce the appropriation was offered during an all-night session while the assembly was voting the regular budget in which ordinary expense estimates were placed at 487,000,000,000 francs, and receipts estimated at 311,000,000,000 francs.

By morning Minister of State Vincent Auriol told the assembly General DeGaulle "would consider his task impossible" if the amendment were voted.

The Socialists then proposed to DeGaulle a 10 per cent decrease.

DeGaulle appeared before the assembly this morning and stated "the government will resign if the 20 per cent reduction in defense credits" were voted.

He said the proposed 125,000,000,000 francs was needed for the army during the first quarter of 1946 "for the change from a system of war to a system of peace." He promised that before the three months ends, the government would present the legislative proposals for a reduction in army spending.

### AND THE SAME TO YOU--AND YOU--AND YOU



MONNA FREEMAN, film actress, in festive surroundings, gaily welcomes the new year. (International)

## Jap Bubble Is Busted By Emperor

**Ruler Tells People He Isn't Divine; Mac Lauds Action**

Tokyo, Jan. 1.—(AP)—General Douglas MacArthur today praised an imperial rescript from Emperor Hirohito in which the Mikaddo told his subjects he was not divine or a superman.

The emperor's pronouncement, unparalleled in the annals of the rulers of Japan, told the people their traditional conception of the emperor as a divine being was a "false conception" and that the Japanese were not ordained to rule the earth.

"The emperor's statement pleases me very much," MacArthur said. "By it he undertakes a leading part in the demoralization of his people. He squarely takes his stand for the future along liberal lines."

"We stand by the people and we wish to share with them in their moments of joy and sorrow," the Mikaddo said in casting off his role of superman and urging that Japanese love of family and country be made a force for the good of all mankind.

## DEMOCRAT MAJORITY IN HOUSE IS DOWN

Washington, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The Democratic majority in the House fell to 47 today as three members stepped back into private life, blaming low pay. They will soon be followed by a fourth Congressman.

Today's drop to 47 resulted from resignations which became effective at midnight for these three:

Samuel Dickstein of New York, Robert Rampack of Georgia and Clifton A. Woodrum of Virginia. A fourth Democrat, Samuel A. Weiss of Pennsylvania, has resigned effective January 7.

The line-up when Congress reconvenes will be 236 Democrats, 100 Republicans, two minor party members and seven vacancies.

## Communists And Marshall Hold Talks

**General Expected To Accept Role As Chinese Referee**

Chungking, Jan. 1.—(AP)—General George C. Marshall conferred for two hours today with Communist General Chou En-lai amid indications the American war-time chief of staff would accept the role of peace-maker in China's turbulent civil affairs.

President Harry Truman's special envoy and his staff declined to discuss the nature of the discussions but it was believed the conversations covered a wide range of subjects relative to the internal strife.

Although the Communists had previously presented their side in broad outline to Marshall, it was the first long talk between the two.

The meeting was considered an indication of Communist approval of the appointment of Marshall as a referee between them and the Central government. It was indicated earlier by a member of Marshall's staff that he would accept the role of peace-maker.

## Byrnes Very Optimistic On Problems

Washington, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Secretary of State Byrnes held confidently today to a New Year's belief that General MacArthur will make the Allied plan for Japan a success and that 1946 will bring the major powers into accord on other problems related to world peace.

In a news-packed hour long meeting with reporters after a second meeting in three days with President Truman, he told newsmen he:

1—Sent the United States plan for Allied control machinery for Japan to MacArthur through the War Department in October and revised it later in line with suggestions made by the general.

2—Went to Moscow foreign ministers conference believing MacArthur "what ever his objections—regarded the plan as workable."

3—Did not keep MacArthur informed of Moscow developments as the General is an administrator, not a policy-maker.

4—Was delighted to learn that MacArthur, despite his objections to the plan, was determined to do his utmost to make it work.

Byrnes said Thomas D. Blake, press officer for the Far Eastern commission, was not authorized by any State department official to say that MacArthur had not objected to the plan for Japan and had been advised during the Moscow discussions on the subject.

## 318 Persons Dead From Accidents

(By The Associated Press)

Violent deaths throughout the country over the extended New Year's holiday totaled at least 318 today with more than one-half victims of traffic accidents.

The death toll from motor accidents, many of them on ice-coated roads, was 161, while 157 persons suffered violent deaths from a variety of causes. Three included fires, explosions, drownings, shootings, stabbings, airplane crashes and falls.

In New York state, which topped the states in violent death with 32, one fatality from alcoholism was reported. Illinois and Pennsylvania were next in reporting the most deaths each with 27. New York's total of 32 included 12 traffic deaths.

The National Safety Council, which estimated between 375 and 400 traffic deaths, from Saturday through today, also predicted the heaviest single day's total would be on New Year's Day.

## GI's Claim War Brides Get Ships

Liverpool, Eng., Jan. 1.—(AP)—A group claiming to represent 4,000 United States air force troops stationed at Warrington charged today they are being detained unnecessarily in England, even after their eligibility for discharge had been established.

They protested that war brides were being sent to the States ahead of soldiers who have been overseas for 30 months or longer. They sent telegrams to Congress and some United States newspapers, one of which read:

"In spite of the growing belief among the people at home that the only troops remaining overseas are those in the occupational forces or those infected with venereal disease, the sole disease among us is acute homesickness."

Meanwhile, the last American troops stationed in northern Ireland have embarked for the United States.

## Sympathy Strike Might Be Staged By Phone Workers

Newark, N. J., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Joseph Beirne, president of the National Federation of Telephone Workers (Ind.), disclosed today that ballots were sent out yesterday to the union's 450,000 members asking them whether they wished to strike in sympathy with the Western Electric Employees Association (Ind.), who are scheduled to walkout at 11 a. m. Thursday.

Beirne said it was his opinion that no action would be taken by the NFTW before January 20. The NFTW president said it would take at least ten days to determine the results of the balloting and several more days for the executive council to act.

There seemed little hope today that the walkout by 19,000 NFTW members in the 19 Western Electric Co. plants in northern New Jersey and New York would be averted.

**Haw Must Hang**

London, Jan. 1.—(AP)—William Joyce, Lord Haw Haw of the German airways lost his last chance to escape the gallows today when Home Secretary James Mhuter Eddie declined to intervene with clemency.

The Brooklyn-born propagandist who sold his voice to Hitler will be hanged as a traitor Thursday. The House of Lords previously had refused to reverse his conviction.

## Ervin's Brother Is Nominated To Post In Congress

Raleigh, Jan. 1.—Judge Sam J. Ervin of Morganton today had been nominated by the 10th District Democratic Congressional executive committee to succeed his late brother, Joe W. Ervin in Congress.

Judge Ervin was nominated at a meeting held in Newton yesterday. His brother took his own life by gas in his Washington home on Christmas Eve.

Chairman Wade Lefler, making the announcement of Ervin's selection, said the former superior court judge had been nominated with the understanding he would not be a candidate to succeed himself at the completion of the unfinished term in January 1947.

## Steel Industry Looking To Truman For Appeal To Avert Big Walkout

### Steel Situation Issues

Pittsburgh, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Facts about the threatened steel strike set by the C.I.O. United Steel Workers to begin January 15:

**The issue**—A \$2-a-day increase in pay for an eight-hour work day.

**Present wages**—for common labor the base pay is \$6.24 a day. For the average steel worker it is estimated at \$8.96 a day.

**Workers**—Union estimates place the number of members in the steel, aluminum, and iron-ore industries who would be idle at above 700,000.

**Plants**—Seven hundred and sixty-six from coast to coast.

**Number of States with producing steel plants**—Twenty-six, as follows: Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, New York, Maryland, Alabama, Michigan, West Virginia, California, Utah, Colorado, Kentucky, Minnesota, Texas, New Jersey, Delaware, Missouri, Washington, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Georgia, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee, and Virginia.

### Board Appointed To Make Inquiry Into Wage Demand

Washington, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The steel industry looked to President Truman today for a new plea that the scheduled strike of 700,000 CIO steel workers two weeks hence be postponed while a new fact finding board explores the dispute.

A decision to defer the walkout would keep the nation's basic industry running while the fact finding board, named last night, delves into the union's \$2 daily wage increase demand and while OPA reconsiders the industry's request for a price increase.

Such a move would be in line with White House labor policy. When he announced a month ago that a fact finding board would be set up, Mr. Truman requested that the industry and steel workers stay on the job.

Later the union set the strike date for January 14 in nearly 800 steel, iron ore and aluminum plants. Questioned whether the stay at work appeal would be renewed, Eben Ayers, White House press aide, said he "had no information now."

There were hints in other government quarters that it might be forthcoming.

## Government Revenues In Freedom '46 May Fall

Washington, Jan. 1.—(AP)—A contention that government revenues may prove disappointing under new reduced taxes came today from Senator Edwin C. Johnson, Colorado Democrat as the lower rates went into effect.

"Tax revenues are liable to be disappointing because of the many delays in reconversion," Johnson, a member of the Senate finance committee said.

Fiscal experts estimated that the treasury will collect \$26,500,000,000 this year under the general tax reduction measure which became operative with the new year.

But Johnson said these estimates may fall short because the shift from war to peace time production has not kept pace with expectations.

On the other hand, some government authorities have said that because the national income is continuing to run higher than expected, both the amounts of revenue and the total cuts in the nation's tax bill may exceed previous estimates. The amount of the tax reduction has been placed at \$6,000,000,000.

## Koreans Ask Freedom

Seoul, Korea, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Between 200,000 and 300,000 Koreans demanding "independence now," paraded this capital city's ice covered streets New Year's eve in a mass protest against the five year trusteeship set up by the Moscow pact to govern their country.

The demonstrations were orderly, in contrast to knife fighting which broke out two days ago. Then some Koreans hurled stones at Yanks.

Americans were conspicuous by their absence from the scene of the latest demonstration. However, half-tracks and three tank destroyers were placed near Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge's occupation headquarters just in case. Troops were alerted.

## O'Dwyer Becomes New York Mayor

New York, Jan. 1.—(AP)—William O'Dwyer, who came from Ireland in 1910 to work as a day laborer, took over today as mayor of the nation's largest city.

Inauguration ceremonies were held at noon at City Hall. The 55-year old mayor's predecessor, F. H. L. Guardia, who held the office for 12 years, attended.

### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA  
Fair this afternoon, tonight and tomorrow, except snow in mountains. Continued cold tonight. Slow rise in temperature Wednesday.