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## HOUSE PIECES FOR PEACE HOUSES



THEY'RE LITERALLY RAISING THE ROOF in East Hartford, Conn., where temporary dwellings, built to accommodate millions of workers in wartime production centers, are being taken apart and shipped to areas where the housing shortage is most acute. A huge crane is shown lifting a section of a two-story house, which will be one of 2,000 to be put together again for returned vets in the New York area. (International)

## PEACE WAS SOUGHT BY HESS EARLY IN '40, PAPERS SHOW

### Deputy Leader Seeking To Contact 'Reasonable' English Persons

Nuernberg, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Confidential papers of Adolf Hitler showed today that as early as the fall of 1940 Rudolf Hess, the deputy fuhrer, was working secretly to establish contact with "reasonable Englishmen" to try to end the war.

A detailed account of his efforts is contained in a 14,000-word report to Hitler written by Hess' intimate advisor, Dr. Albrecht Haushofer, on May 25, 1941, shortly after the Hess flight to England on his vain mission.

Haushofer reported at the end of September 1940, barely a year after the war began, Hess was instrumental in sending a letter to the Duke of Hamilton through a Swiss official of the International Red Cross.

In April 1941—a month before Hess' flight—this same Swiss official, whose name was not disclosed, conveyed a peace feeling from important English circles to Haushofer as the deputy fuhrer's representative, the report said.

This document, now in the possession of Allied and neutral intelligence, outlining Haushofer's part in the peace overtures, was a direct effect of the death warrant of the professor's son Karl Haushofer.

Death Has Delayed

He immediately was marked down in the Gestapo records as having sympathetic feeling and contact with the English. His death, however, did not come until last year when he was executed for possible implication in the July 20, 1944 death plot against Hitler and the new secret peace negotiations through Swiss channels.

## President's Talk Hailed In Messages

### Telegrams Received At White House Expressing O. K.

Washington, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The White House reported today that President Harry Truman's address last night had brought a great immediate reaction in messages from all audiences that any other speech he has made since assuming the presidency.

Press Secretary Charles Ross said that reaction to Mr. Truman's discussion of labor and other domestic problems "has been quite friendly judging from the messages received."

## Japan Told To Clean Up Government

### Cabinet To Hold Special Session To Talk Decree

Tokyo, Jan. 4.—(AP)—General Douglas MacArthur today decreed a drastic housecleaning of Japan's government, and Premier Shidehara's cabinet called an emergency session for tomorrow to consider methods of compliance.

Quoting informed quarters, the Japanese news agency Kyodo said the two new directives ordering a purge of all men who led Japan into war would affect practically every member of the present government, it excepted specifically only Premier Shidehara, Foreign Minister Yoshida and Justice Minister Iwata.

Tokyo newspapers interpreted the Allied orders as a move to give Japan new leaders and Kyodo said the first reaction among politicians was one of bewilderment.

## TWO SCORE AIRPORTS DECLARED SURPLUS

Washington, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Forty-four airports for which the government has paid over \$5,000,000 each have been or are likely to be declared surplus, Congress was notified today.

The Surplus Property Administration also reported that no government-owned patents, processes, techniques or inventions have been designated surplus and no such declarations are expected.

## British Military Maps Weighed 50,000 Tons

London.—Fifty thousand tons of military maps were produced during World War II for Britain's army, it was disclosed here. Numbering some 230,000,000, the charts would encircle the world about four times if laid end-to-end.

## Communists Advance Four Specific Peace Proposals

Chungking, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Chinese Communists and Central government negotiators seeking peace in strife-torn China today discussed these four specific conditions advanced by the Communists in their official reply to Chiang Kai-shek's new year's peace bid:

- 1—The Communists agree in general with National Government suggestions that General George Marshall, President Truman's envoy to Chungking, be one of the committee of three to decide on procedures for cessation of civil hostilities and restoration of communications.
- 2—Civil war must be stopped immediately throughout the country, especially in Jehol province (where Communists previously reported 225,000 Chungking troops were engaged in an offensive designed to wrest the area from Yenfan forces.)
- 3—Restoration of communications should cover land, sea, air, postal and telegraph lines, and also result in lifting of the blockade around liberated areas.
- 4—Investigation groups should embody important personages from all circles throughout the country, including members of the Political Consultative Council, the inter-party non-partisan conference scheduled to open January 10 in Chungking to compose all problems between the National government and Communists.) Officials said that the first point was "very favorable" but that the other three points should be discussed either today or Saturday.

## Tot Survives Alone



SOLE living member of a family that numbered fourteen when the Nazi massacres struck Poland, little Esther Wingrad, 4 1/2, is pictured in the arms of her uncle, Capt. Morris Goldberg, as they arrived together at New York. Her home will be in Cincinnati, O. (International)

# Labor Tension Mounts As New Strikes Near

## Knox Report Disclosed: Japanese Were Expected To Make Second Attack

### Navy Patrol Went Opposite Direction On Fatal Morning

Washington, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Congressional investigators heard today that Hawaii's defenders fully expected the Japanese to come back promptly after the Pearl Harbor attack and called desperately for more fighter planes and anti-aircraft guns to meet the expected second assault.

This information went into the record along with the word that on the fatal Sunday, December 7, 1941, the navy flew a ten plane patrol in just the opposite direction from which the Japanese task force was advancing.

## New Probe Counsel

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## Thousands More Added To List Of Workers Out

(By The Associated Press)

New calls for strikes appeared prominently today as tension mounted in the nation's industrial strike.

As President Truman urged the American people to press Congress into action on legislation aimed at curbing work stoppage, more thousands of workers were added to the list of idle because of labor disputes.

New walkouts, hitting at four major industries and involving nearly a million and a half persons, threatened to materialize this month.

## Over 400,000 Idle

The number of workers idle jumped past the 400,000 mark as President Truman last night expressed deep concern over the nation's labor unrest.

## In Another Wage Dispute, The CIO-Mine Mill and Smelter Workers Union in Salt Lake City Called a Strike for Jan. 21 Affecting About 5,000 of Its Utah Members

The third threatened strike came from Akron, Ohio where officials of the CIO-United Rubber Workers at the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company said a strike vote would be taken Sunday. They said the new ballot was in line with action of other locals throughout the country and was in support of union's demand for higher wages.

## Phone Strike Threat

Meanwhile, the possibility remained of a nation-wide walkout of telephone workers, in sympathy with a strike started yesterday by 17,200 employees of the Western Electric Company in 21 plants in New York and New Jersey.

## Meat Price Hike Asked By Anderson

Raleigh, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson said here today that in an effort to avert a strike of workers in meat packing houses, he had recommended increased retail prices for meats.

"We can cut the price to the producer or increase the price to the consumer," he said. He said that in some cases the packing house workers had not received wage increases comparable to those given industrial workers.

## Would Make Move In Effort to Halt Threatened Strike

Price increases would be determined after a study of cases to determine which employees needed raises, he said.

He said he made the recommendation in Washington before coming to North Carolina for two speeches one in Raleigh and one in Washington.

## Lint Is Showing Uncertain Trends

New York, Jan. 4.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 cents a bale higher to five cents lower.

Noon prices were 10 cents a bale higher to 10 cents lower. March 24.62, May 24.55, July 24.38.

## KEEPING LONE VIGIL FOR GRANDSON

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# Grow Better Cotton Anderson Tells South

## Agriculture Secretary Says Foreign Competition Will Be Stiff In Future

Raleigh, Jan. 4.—(AP)—United States Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson told the south today the only solution to its cotton problems is to produce the commodity so effectively it can meet competitors without government subsidies.

"American cotton," the cabinet member said, "today faces the stiffest competition in its long career. At home and abroad it must fight mass produced synthetic fibers in the market."

Foreign cottons are able to undersell it in the world market at present prices. This competitive problem can't be solved in the long run by juggling parity prices or export subsidies," Anderson told a meeting of North Carolina farm leaders.

At present, the government is paying a subsidy of four cents per pound on exports to help meet lower prices from foreign competitors.

Only One Solution

Anderson said there is only one long range solution:

"To produce cotton so abundantly and improve its quality to such an extent it can be grown profitably and still compete, quality considered, with foreign grown cotton in world markets with synthetic fibers at home and abroad."

"This solution will mean growing cotton on those lands to which it is best suited and an industrial development of the south that will employ millions who now gain their living from the soil."

## EDWARD WILL MAKE VISIT TO ENGLAND

Paris, Jan. 4.—(AP)—The Duke of Windsor will pay a short visit to England, leaving Paris Monday or Tuesday, his secretary said today. His wife will not accompany him. He will remain in England for only a few days.

## Morgan Of UNRRATold To Quit Now

Washington, Jan. 4.—(AP)—UNRRA headquarters announced today it had called for the resignation of Lt. Gen. Sir Frederick Morgan as chief of the agency's operations in Germany.

The announcement said UNRRA "felt obliged" to call for the resignation as a result of a news conference in Frankfurt in which Morgan said he believed a secret Jewish organization was connected with a large scale exodus of Jews from Poland.

In Hoechst, Germany, today Morgan said: "I have not resigned, for I see no reason why I should."

UNRRA officials yesterday told newsmen Morgan had resigned voluntarily. Today these officials said the decision to ask for his resignation had been made in London by Lt. Gen. Sir Humphrey Gale, head of European regional office of the relief agency.

## TOP MONEY JOCKEY DIES OF INJURIES

Pasadena, Calif., Jan. 4.—(AP)—The racing career of George (Iceman) Wolf—one of the most brilliant of American jockeys—came to an end today.

The leading money winning jockey of 1944 died of a brain injury 12 hours after he was thrown from a horse at Santa Anita park. He was 36 years old.

## TRUMAN ACCEPTS LAND RESIGNATION

Washington, Jan. 4.—(AP)—President Truman today accepted the resignation of Vince Adm. Emery Land as chairman of the Maritime Commission, effective January 15.

An exchange of letters made public by the White House showed that Land had been trying to retire since last May.

## WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA  
Fair and warmer tonight. Saturday partly cloudy and mild.