

### Yule Toll Calls More Than 21 Per Cent Above 1945

An estimated 50,000 service men in the New York City area put long-distance telephone calls through to their families in the days last week, and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company said that long-distance calls throughout the country this Christmas showed a 21 per cent increase over last year.

Telephoning from New York over the holidays was an unusually difficult, with delays to most parts of the country and only a few hours at the busiest periods. However, from west coast ports of San Francisco and Seattle, where telephone facilities have been overburdened for the last week by the large number of returned service men hoping to be home for Christmas, delays in all parts of the country averaged eight hours.

The longest delay was in calls from Seattle to Cleveland, which took eighteen hours. Service men returning to the west coast were met with delays approaching this record in calling all parts of the country.

Camp Kibner and Camp Shattuck, N. Y. telephone centers were faced with the problem of handling heavy traffic of troops who had expected to be home for Christmas, but whose transport was delayed by last week's storms. Employees were kept open in order to handle hundreds of long-distance calls made by the army to its own families. Finally completed their tasks in the small hours of the morning.

Technician Third Grade William Jenkins who arrived at Kibner Christmas Eve from the Cranston Victory after two and a half years in the European theater, was not home in time to call his mother and father in San Francisco. He was not able to put the call in until 4 a. m. and it was not until two hours afterward that he was making it to his family. Yet there was no question in his mind. After two and a half years, he said, "I sure as worth it."

Others, instead of telephoning from the crowded army camp centers, made use of Christmas passes to go to New York City and place their calls of congratulations. Master Sergeant Harold Meyer, also just off the Cranston Victory, went to the Public Telephone Center for the Armed Services at Broadway and Fort-third Street to call his family in New Orleans, and tell them he was back after three years. He completed the call in fifteen minutes to learn that his brother, whom he thought was still a sergeant in England, had come back by a faster ship, and had had his Christmas dinner at home as a

### Fimely, Practical Household Suggestions

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Before buying equipment for cleaning, the homemaker should analyze her budget and decide whether she really needs the equipment and can afford it. She should consider frequency of use, efficiency, cost of upkeep, repairs, replacement of parts, length of service, and storage in her home. It is the wise housewife who buys good equipment, keeps it in repair, and uses it for a long period.

Wash brooms occasionally, shake out water, hang with handle down. Various kinds of brushes are needed for dust removal. The toilet bowl brush is more sanitary if the fibers are twisted in wire rather than bound in a tight head. Wash, rinse and shake after use. Hang with brush end down. Fiber scrub brushes should be tufted close to the edge to clean corners. Wash, rinse and shake after use. Dry with bristles down.

For a wet mop choose a loose head, cotton mop for easy cleaning. Wash, bleach and disinfect, and air and dry after use. Shake the dry mop after use. Occasionally wash thoroughly, disinfect, dry, and recondition with oil.

Use lintless cotton dusters and keep them clean.

Choose good quality, cotton cleaning cloths for heavy work. Wash the cloths and sponge with soap and water after use, and rinse in clear water, and dry. Stuff the cloths between hands to soften.

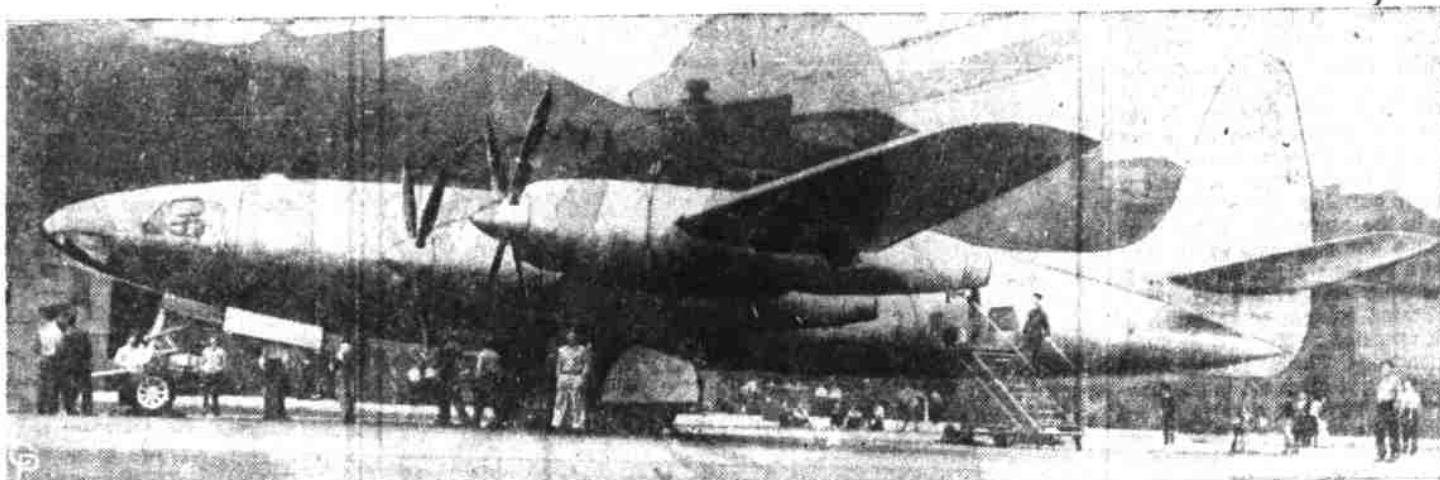
Have two pails in cleaning, one for suds and one for clear water. Store them inverted.

Empty the vacuum cleaner and carpet sweeper and clean after use. Store carefully.

Jack Worthington, AFM second class, and Mrs. Worthington, spent the Christmas holidays here with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Worthington. Radioman Worthington is now stationed at Hutchinson, Kan., and has reported back to his post. Mrs. Worthington will remain for a more extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Craig.

civilian. Radio telephoning from overseas showed an increase of 80 per cent this Christmas over last, the telephone company said. Two thousand calls most incoming, were completed. The service now extends to Panama, Great Britain, Italy, France, the Netherlands, Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand. The only posted delay was Panama.

### STREAMLINED AIR-GOING PHOTO LAB READY FOR TEST



HERE'S THE NEW REPUBLIC XF-12, the giant Army photo reconnaissance plane, just taken off the "secret list" after two years of development and scheduled for an early test flight. The unusual engine nacelles embody a new exhaust jet feature, which furnishes a bit of jet propulsion

In addition to the 3000 hp. delivered by each of the giant Pratt and Whitney Wasp major engines. The engine nacelles are described as almost as large as the fuselage of the Republic's famous P-47 Thunderbolt. It will operate in upper altitudes.

### Jackson Brothers Meet First Time Since They Entered Service

Rufus Jackson, chief petty officer, and John Richard Jackson, QM first class, U. S. navy, are spending some time here with their mother, Mrs. Alice Jackson. This is the first time the brothers have been together since they entered the service, though both have served in the Pacific Theater.

Chief Petty Officer Jackson, who entered the navy in 1940 is re-enlisting and expects to remain in the navy, making it his career. He is entitled to wear the American Defense ribbon with one battle star, American Theater of Operations ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Theater ribbon with 13 battle stars, Philippine Liberation ribbon with two stars, Good Conduct and Victory medal.

John Jackson, who will soon enter North Carolina State College, and has been in the service since January, 1943, is entitled to wear the American Theater ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific Theater ribbon with seven stars, Philippine Liberation ribbon with two stars and Victory medal.

Worn out tankers were used as floating storages in the war in the Pacific.

### UNO Site Committee Plans Visit to U. S.

LONDON—A committee of inspection from UNO will leave for the United States January 3, or 4 to visit Boston and other possible UNO sites in the North Atlantic States.

It is understood that the trend of comment within the Interim Committee, which made this decision recently in a meeting closed to the press was markedly favorable to Boston.

The area for a site was narrowed by the committee to those Atlantic seaboard states which are north of the Mason and Dixon Line. A list of specific cities to be visited is yet to be determined, but there is no doubt that Boston will be on the list.

### Navy Rotation Plan Still In Operation

WASHINGTON—The Navy reports that although its wartime rotation plan still is in effect, it is not being allowed to interfere with the release of men eligible for discharge under the point system.

Under the rotation plan men were returned to the States for leave and reassignment after 18 months of overseas service.

### Ralph L. Waldrop Stationed In Manila

MANNILA — Captain Ralph L. Waldrop, 117 Branner avenue, is commanding officer of the 256th Chemical Laboratory, Mobile located near Manila.

Prior to being called to active duty, Capt. Waldrop was employed by the Ecusta Paper Corp., at Pisgah Forest. He is entitled to wear the American Defense ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, the Philippine Liberation ribbon, the American Theater ribbon, and the Victory medal.

### Ample Brick Supply For Housing Seen

WASHINGTON — Supplies of brick and tile should be large enough by January 1 to meet home building needs in most communities, the Structural Clay Products Institute reported recently.

By March 1, the Institute said in a statement, the supply probably will be adequate to fill demands for other types of construction. Inventories, however, will be below normal levels for months.

The only "foreseeable bottleneck" in masonry construction is a potential shortage of skilled brick masons.

### Police Chief Gets Reminder of Previous Yule 'Boarder'

TWIN FALLS, Idaho — Police Chief Howard C. Gillette received a Christmas card with a notation at the bottom: "Best wishes. You had me locked up last Christmas."

### Four Days in a Taxi Just One Day Late!

PITTSBURGH — Technical Sergeant Joseph Ward pulled up in front of his home here recently, just a day late for Christmas, after a taxicab trip from the West Coast with five of his Marine buddies.

Sergeant Ward said the cab left San Diego, Calif., at 1 a. m. Saturday but was stalled 28 hours in Tucson, Ariz. "It's great to be back," declared the Sergeant, "but did you ever spend four whole days in a taxicab?"

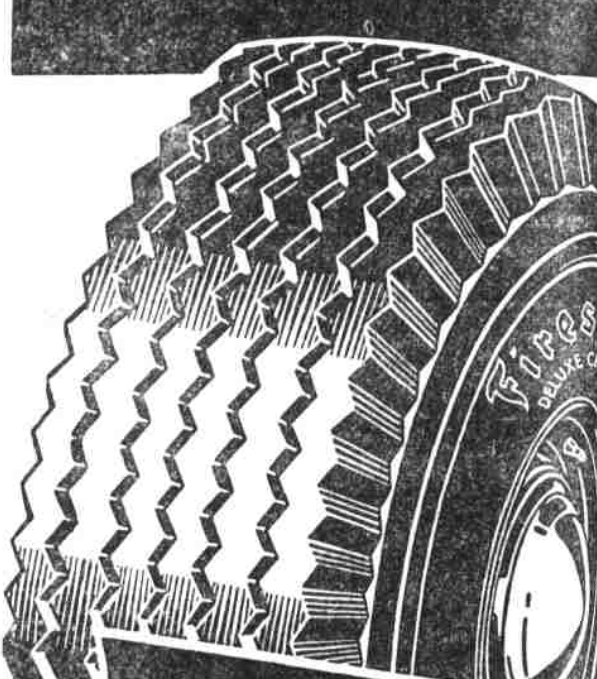
### PLENTY OF CITRUS

One thing in which there will be no shortage in the months to come is citrus fruits. Processors will put up the largest pack of processed citrus in history.

Government set-asides have been discontinued, and there should be an abundant supply for the civilian market.

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# TAX LISTING

## List Your Property Give In Your Poll IN JANUARY Listing Began January First

All property owners and taxpayers in Haywood County are required to return to the list takers for taxation for the year 1946 all the Real Estate, Personal Property, etc., which each shall own on the first day of January.

All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 are required to list their polls during the same time.

All persons who own property and fail to list it and all who are liable for poll tax and fail to give themselves in will be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

### TOWNSHIP LISTERS

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|----------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| Ivy Hill       | Dave Plott    | Waynesville | J. S. Black    |
| Jonathan Creek | Fred Allison  | East Fork   | Rex Pless      |
| Cataloochee    | Ed White      | Iron Duff   | Manson Medford |
| Fines Creek    | Cauley Rogers | Cecil       | Perry Allen    |
| Crabtree       | Wallace Hill  | Beaverdam   | Vaughn Byers   |
| Pigeon         | Gay Burnett   | Clyde       | C. R. Francis  |
|                | White Oak     |             | Odie Fish      |

## January 31 THE LAST DAY

FOR MEN NOW IN THE ARMY TO RETAIN THEIR PRESENT GRADES BY REENLISTING...

Men now in the Army who reenlist before February 1 will be reenlisted in their present grade. Men honorably discharged can reenlist within 20 days after discharge in the grade they held at the time of discharge, provided they reenlist before February 1, 1946.

There's a long list of attractive reenlistment privileges in the new Armed Forces Voluntary Recruitment Act of 1945. The ability to keep your present grade is only one of them, but this privilege expires on January 31.

There are plenty of other reasons why many thousands of men have enlisted, and more thousands are enlisting every day. You'll certainly want to know all of the opportunities open to you. If you'll read them carefully, you'll know why a job in the new peacetime Regular Army is being regarded today as "The Best Job in the World."

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEW ENLISTMENT PROGRAM

1. Enlistments for 1½, 2 or 3 years. (1-year enlistments permitted for men now in Army with 6 months' service.)
2. Enlistment age from 17 to 34 years inclusive, except for men now in Army, who may reenlist at any age.
3. Men reenlisting retain present grades, if they reenlist within 20 days after discharge and before February 1, 1946.
4. The best pay scale, medical care, food, quarters and clothing in Army history.
5. An increase in the reenlistment bonus to \$50 for each year of active service since such bonus was last paid, or since last entry into service.
6. Up to 90 days' paid furlough, depending on length of service, with furlough travel paid to home and return, for men now in Army who enlist.
7. A 30-day furlough every year at full pay.
8. Mustering-out pay (based upon length of service) to all men who are discharged to reenlist.
9. Option to retire at half pay for life after 20 years' service—increasing to three-quarters pay after 30 years' service. All previous active federal military service counts toward retirement.
10. Benefits under the GI Bill of Rights.
11. Family allowances for the term of enlistment for dependents of men who enlist before July 1, 1946.
12. Opportunity to learn one or more of 200 skills and trades.
13. Choice of branch of service and overseas theater in the Air, Ground or Service Forces on 3-year enlistments.

PAY PER MONTH—ENLISTED MEN	Starting Base Pay	MONTHLY RETIREMENT INCOME AFTER:	
		Per Month	20 Years' 30 Years' Service
In Addition to Food, Lodging, Clothes and Medical Care	Master Sergeant	\$138.00	\$89.70 \$155.25
	or First Sergeant	114.00	74.10 128.25
	Technical Sergeant	96.00	62.40 108.00
	Sergeant	78.00	50.70 87.75
	Corporal	66.00	42.90 74.25
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