

Christmas Gaiety For Europeans With Money; No Room For Destitute

(By The Associated Press)

LONDON, Dec. 20—There will be Christmas gaiety and even plenty in Europe for those who can pay. But for Europe's hungry, destitute multitudes there is no room in the inn.

Through the shadow of war has lifted, the dreariness of cold hearts and bare champagne remains. And for the have-nots of the have-not and defeated countries, Christmas will be just another day.

But for those who are not deprived by war, whose purses still are heavy, Christmas promises to be what it always has been—a day of festivity.

Paris foodshops, too, are burdened with delicacies—silver-wrapped pate de foie gras at \$9 to \$14 a pound; turkeys and geese at up to \$60; and champagne at prices not even mentioned out loud.

Rome presents the paradox of stores bursting with luxury goods, while most of the Italian capitalist masses would be content with an extra ration of spaghetti.

The scarcity of fuel in Holland has all but blacked out shop windows where expensive and indifferently made toys are displayed. Turkey costs about \$2 a pound.

Thanks to the occupation forces, Christmas for German children will be a little more on the merry side this year. Germany's adults, too, are benefiting from Allied generosity.

For those who can afford it in Czechoslovakia there will be the traditional camp dinner, with Caraway seed cake, followed by the supper of goose with red cabbage.

BIR INCREASE

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\$2,000 was sold which, while \$50 less than the following day, was nevertheless \$300 more than the previous record of \$1,700 which was sold on Dec. 21, the peak day of last year.

42 Veterans Employed

Forty-two temporary mail-clerks, all ex-service veterans, have been assisting the permanent staff for the past week and are still busily engaged. Thirteen of them are located in the Post Office and five are working on railway mail-cars.

In addition, six men have temporary quarters at Moncton and work at night sorting out the Island mail for the Island post-offices. Without the work of these six men at Moncton, it would be impossible, Mr. H.L. Pickard, acting-district post-office manager, informed the Guardian, for the Charlottetown post-office to have the mail routed to the different Island offices on the day it arrived from the mainland. They would be literally "swamped," since there would not be sufficient space available in the present post-office to handle it. As it is now, all mail for all post offices from Tignish to Souris arrives across the Strait in bags addressed to the particular post office to which all letters in those bags are destined.

Response Gratifying

The response of the general public to the appeal of the post office authorities to mail Christmas parcels and letters early has been most gratifying, Mr. Pickard said, and has resulted in the staff being able to give much better service and to maintain a daily clearing of all outgoing and incoming mail.

Mr. J. A. Griffith, postal supervisor at the local Post Office, expressed himself as delighted with the excellent work done by the temporary staff. They have worked long and hard, he said, and have done their work most efficiently.

All Post Offices, it was learned, will be closed throughout the Province on Christmas and New Year's Days, and there will be no delivery of mail either in the City or by rural mail-carriers.

Situation Elsewhere

(Canadian Press) Post office officials for years have urged Canadians to mail Christmas cards and gifts early. A Canadian Press survey shows that this year people acted on the advice.

That means the heaviest Christmas mail in history is going to be delivered in time for the holiday.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

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MURPHY—At the P. E. Island Hospital, December 16, 1946, to Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Murphy, City, a son.

MARRIAGES

CROCKETT—MCALEER—At Trinity Church, Monday, December 16, 1946, at 8:30 P. M. by the Reverend T. E. McLenahan, Mrs. Jeanette Maclean of Argyle Shore to Mr. J. P. Crockett, of Charlottetown.

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COOKS for Photographs.

BEAUTIFUL SETS in Avon on display now. Mrs. A. P. Richard, phone 1188.

YORK UNITED CHURCH, Rev. J. A. Nicholson, minister. Services Sunday, Dec. 22: 11 a.m., York; 3 p.m., Brackley; 7:30, Central Church. Christmas services in all churches.

STEAMED BROWN BREAD and baked beans today. Call 1108-J.

THE WORD BAHAI means Light. The Lord Christ arose as a bright Star in the Eastern sky, but the Light of His teaching shone more perfectly in the West. 'Abdu'l-Baha.

REV. DR. GENGE'S ILLNESS—The Guardian regrets to report the serious illness of the Prince Edward Island Hospital of the Rev. Dr. M. E. Genge, of this City. He was in an unconscious condition yesterday and last night. Dr. Genge was in his customary good health up till a few days ago and his sudden seizure will be learned with deep concern.

AWARDED CONTRACT—The County Construction Company has been awarded a contract by the Department of Reconstruction and Supply, Ottawa, for the construction of a rock filled crib, concrete wall, extensive grading and graveling of roads at the Squaw Point rifle range, Alexandra Point, P.E.I. for the occasion with red and green streamers. There was also a Christmas tree under which the members placed many gifts to be distributed later to a local institution.

TRINITY Y.P.U.—The Trinity Y.P.U. meeting was held in the social hall last night and was in the form of a Christmas social at which there was a good attendance. The hall was artistically decorated for the occasion with red and green streamers. There was also a Christmas tree under which the members placed many gifts to be distributed later to a local institution.

POSTMASTER—John C. Kelley of Windsor, Ont., credited the early clearing of Christmas mail in that city to the prominence, newspapers gave appeals by postal officials to mail early.

Montreal post office workers claim to have turned up the oddest piece of Christmas mail so far this year. Someone, in Montreal mailed a five-foot toboggan.

PRICES FOR DOMESTIC

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which will be considerably higher than the 25 cents-a-pound for top bacon and ham with lower grades at corresponding prices which is provided in the existing agreement.

Domestic Prices Up Too

The result of the new agreement will be that the packers will pay the higher prices for hogs and the price of pork in the domestic market will advance in line with the export price. The expectation is that pork prices in Canada soon will be higher than beef prices and less pork, thus leaving more pork for Britain.

Lower domestic consumption is the only way to increase exports immediately although pork from sows bred in January will be available for export in the last three months of 1947.

The Food Ministry is hopeful that Canada will be able to send Britain 350,000,000 pounds of bacon and hams in 1947 and 400,000,000 pounds in 1948 and again in 1949.

When the agriculture officials were in Ottawa early this month the suggestion was made that the government pay the farmers \$5-an-acre of land down to barley, leaving the ceiling price at 3-4 cents a bushel.

The aim is to have 8,000,000 acres under barley next summer and that would cost the treasury \$40,000,000 if \$5-an-acre bonus is allowed.

The government has not yet decided whether it will pay the acreage bonus, Mr. Gardiner said, or boost the prices the farmers will receive for their barley. The acreage bonus seems the more probable.

Keeping the fixed price down also would help eastern hog growers because they get feed grains at the fixed price, freight-free from the head-of-the-lake.

WRITES IN GERMAN

Australian-born Vicki Baum writes her novels in German, and then has them translated.

FROM SOUTHERN EUROPE

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WORSHIPPED CATS

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Successful P.W.C. Student

The Commerce Department of Prince of Wales College has just received word that Miss Teresa Kane, of Morell Rear, a member of the graduating class last May, has been listed as a winner of a first prize in the Underwood fiftieth anniversary essay contest on the subject: "What the Typewriter Means to Canada's Future."

Miss Kane tied with a pupil of the Central High School of Commerce, Toronto, each of them winning prizes of \$200 in cash. Miss Kane in the same contest was the winner of the first prize, value \$50, given in this Province.

Miss Kane was a successful student as a member of the special matriculation class in Prince of Wales College in the session of 1944-1945. She joined the class in commerce when College reopened in September following, but because of an attack of pneumonia had to discontinue attendance for approximately six weeks. In spite of this illness, Miss Kane completed the course with a certificate in commerce, ranking in the first half of the class. She is a daughter of Mr. Leonard Joseph Kane of Morell Rear. Her many friends will learn with pleasure of her success in this contest.

CHRISTMAS CLOSING PROGRAM SENIORS

Carol—"The First Noel"—all grades. Reading—"Christmas Forty Years Ago."—David Hurd. Carols—"What Child is This?" "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen." Dialogue—Mrs. Santa's Tea Party. Carols—"The Holly and the Ivy"; "Deck the Hall"; "Chrees-mus Time"; "Harold Hawkins, Lester Adams." Dialogue—"Sly Santa"—Reggie McKenzie, David Nicholson. Silent Night. God Save the King.

JUNIORS

Carols: Christmas Bells—Grade I and II. Chorus: Away In A Manger—(all). Recitation—by Brodie Lantz. Solo: Janet Perry. Duet: Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem—Ann Cery and Connie Rogers.

Recitation—by Barbara Kennedy. Dialogue—Lottie Frizell. Carol—Whence Oh Shepherd Maiden—Grade III. Drill—"Six Little Girls"—Miss Riley's Class.

Recitation—"A Christmas Message"—Gladys Giddings. Recitation—Wayne MacDonald. Recitation—Margo MacGuire. Carol—In a Manger—Grade IV and V.

Recitation—"Bundles"—Freddie Hyndman. Monologue—"True Devotion"—Phyllis Clark. Recitation: The Joy of Giving—Sharon Bugden.

Dialogue—"Just Before Christmas"—Frederick Seller, Gordon Tweedy, Tommy Davies. Recitation—"The Crippled Dolly"—Marina Campbell.

Dialogue—"Five Girls"—Miss MacDougall's class. Dialogue: Harry's Pocket by Shirley Vessey, Donald Cobb. Dialogue—"Sly Santa"—Reggie McKenzie, Dave Nicholson.

Recitation—"The Christmas Story"—Lester Adams, Harold Hawkins. Silent Night. The King.

HEAVY EARTHQUAKE

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British occupation troops, and on the southern side of nearby Wakayama Peninsula south of Osaka.

The Japanese meteorological office said the area of damage was roughly 150 miles long and from 50 to 60 miles wide, stretching along this area of southern Honshu and northern Shikoku.

The newspaper Asahi carried an unconfirmed report that a train was overturned by the quake near Okayama, which is midway between Osaka and Kure, on the inland sea 170 miles to the west.

Damage was reported "severe" around Osaka, Japan's second largest city, and on the Wakayama Peninsula to the south. Kyodo said Osaka police reported 14 persons killed there while 100 homes throughout the city collapsed.

The quake was timed at 4:20 A.M. (3:20 P.M. Friday, S.T.) and shortly thereafter the tidal wave began rolling up the Wakayama peninsula and along Shokoku's eastern shores.

Communications were broken briefly with the United States army headquarters at Osaka and British occupation headquarters at Kure, but later were restored.

Neither the United States nor British forces had yet reported any casualties, but British officials said their headquarters at Kure suffered some damage.

An earthquake had been recorded on various seismographs in the United States, in London and in Honolulu, as "a great earthquake" or "terrible intensity" but this was the first announcement of an exact location.

Two Negro Murderers Die in Electric Chair

(By The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Dec. 20—Two negro murderers died in the electric chair today, but the execution of Joseph D. Medley was delayed while his lawyer made frantic efforts to save his life.

Jail Superintendent Curtis Reid ordered the electrocution of Medley delayed at least until later in the day pending court action on a petition for a lunacy hearing.

The court denied a similar appeal last night. It was Medley's fatal affinity for redheads that headed him toward the electric chair.

William Cleveland, 38, convicted of the fatal shooting of his sister-in-law, and Julius Fisher, 32, the so-called Washington cathedral murderer, died at 10:30 a.m. and 10:48 a.m. respectively.

Too Late To Classify

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Soviet Delegate Withdraws From Atomic Discussion

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec. 20—(CP)—A Canadian compromise to the United States atomic control plan, couched in terms which made clear that the Dominion later will offer several amendments to the American proposal, was approved today despite Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko's surprise withdrawal from the discussion.

The United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, comprising the 11 members of the Security Council and Canada, voted 10 to 0 for the Canadian resolution, with Poland abstaining.

Several delegates contended that the Canadian resolution gave Gromyko the delay he had requested to consider the United States plan submitted by Bernard M. Baruch, who previously sought a yes-or-no ballot on his far-reaching proposal to "outlaw" the atomic bomb for war purposes.

Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, Canadian representative on the atomic commission, said in submitting the compromise resolution that he believed it "tries to meet" Gromyko's request for a delay.

But Gromyko made plain that his silence was not to be construed as an abstention, after earlier advising the commission that he refused to engage in any discussion on the substance of the American plan under study by the commission since last June 14.

Koreans Riot At Jap Premier's Home

TOKYO, Dec. 20—At least 12 Japanese policemen and unidentified numbers of Koreans were injured today in a pistol-shooting melee at the doors of Premier Shigeru Yoshida's official residence.

The Koreans, estimated by police to number 15,000 and by the Koreans themselves to total 50,000, marched on the residence to present a resolution accusing the government of "illegal discrimination" against Korean residents of Japan.

A delegation of 10 entered the residence. When it failed to emerge as promptly as the crowd had expected, rioting began.

MATA WAS MARGARET

Mata Hari's real name was Margaret Gertrude Zeller.

An Aberdeen, living alone, had an early morning train to catch. Being a heavy sleeper, he was afraid he would not wake up in time. Several possibilities presented themselves, but every one meant a tip.

In the end, he addressed an envelope to himself and posted it without a stamp.

Early next morning there came a thunders knock on the door. The Scot climbed out of bed and

Judgment Of N. S. Supreme Court Set Aside

(By The Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Dec. 20—The Supreme Court of Canada today set aside a judgment of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia which had awarded damages totalling \$26,000 against the Canadian National Railways as the result of a level crossing accident at Sydney, N.S., 1943.

The accident occurred Dec. 18, 1943, at the Townsend Street railway crossing when a C.N.R. engine and a car driven by Archibald A. MacAulay collided. Two passengers in the car, Annie L. MacEachern and Catherine MacEachern, were awarded, respectively \$15,521 and \$12,907.

A jury awarded MacAulay \$300, but this verdict was reversed by the Nova Scotia Supreme Court. The case hinged on whether or not the locomotive should have blown its whistle for the crossing, in view of a city-by-law.

The high court upheld the C.N.R.'s appeal against the awards to the two women and dismissed MacAulay's appeal from the Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

Says Farmers Seek Assured Prices, Markets

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20—(CP)—Assured markets and stabilized prices are sought by the farmers of the world, H. H. Hannam, president of the Canadian Federation on Agriculture, told the Food and Agriculture Organization's preparatory commission at its sitting here today.

Mr. Hannam appeared in place of S. Turner of Britain, president of the International Federation of Agriculture, who was unable to come to Washington for the meeting. Production, distribution and utilization of food products for the benefit of all peoples and the stabilization of agricultural prices at levels "which consumers and producer alike" were the two major objectives supported by farmers.

Real progress was unlikely, Mr. Hannam said, unless an international agency was created to organize and coordinate food on a world basis.

To Be Freed After 30 Years in Prison

THOMASTON, Me., Dec. 20—(AP)—After 30 years in prison as a convicted murderer, Joseph J. Jackson, 61-year-old negro, is going to be freed on Christmas Day—but he doesn't know it yet.

Warden Francis J. McObe said he would not inform Jackson that Governor Horace Eildredth and the executive council had given him a Christmas pardon until the official papers arrive—a matter of a few days.

In announcing its decision on Jackson's sixth pardon petition yesterday, the executive group said a job was waiting for him in Baltimore, Md., with the Afro-American newspaper.

Gallup Poll Of Canada

INDIVIDUAL HAS NO VOICE IN KEEPING PEACE, HALF VOTING POPULATION THINKS

Others Suggest Ways In Which John Doe Can Help Peacemakers

By Canadian Institute of Public Opinion

TORONTO, Dec. 16—Here is something which will shock a lot of people; nearly half the voters of this Democracy feel there is absolutely nothing they, personally, can do to maintain peace, and that the declaration of wars or keeping of the peace is in the hands of persons or forces entirely beyond the individual's control.

This mental condition of helplessness shows up in a national Gallup survey in which field reporters for the Institute put this question to an accurate miniature of the electorate:

"Some people say that it is not enough to leave the work of preventing wars and world troubles to Governments and the United Nations, but that it is the duty of every individual person to try to do something to prevent war. Can you think of something people like yourself could do to help prevent another war?"

Nearly half, (48 per cent) of was out of the hands of the individual. The remaining 52 per cent gave some revealing answers.

Most of the replies followed one or another of a dozen lines of thought, all of which are of interest to those who have maintained that the foundation for permanent peace does not lie in treaties, alliances, pacts or "blows," but in attitudes of individuals who make up the peoples of the earth.

Of those who thought the individual had some part to play in keeping world peace, opinion was based on the following ideas:

Application of Christianity; the Golden Rule	16%
Tolerance; better understanding; less racial talk	9
Educate children against war; stop assuming there will be another war; etc.	9
Use the vote; elect tolerant (better) men	6
Take an interest in international affairs; watch for propaganda	3
Change in (economic, monetary) system	3
Every individual of every country mind his own business	1
Refuse to fight if war declared	1
Support the United Nations	1
Miscellaneous	8
Total	100%

It was particularly noticeable that only a negligible few (less than one per cent of the sample) thought that supporting a full-scale armament program would help prevent another outbreak.

Of those who thought the individual had no say in peace or war, division was as follows:

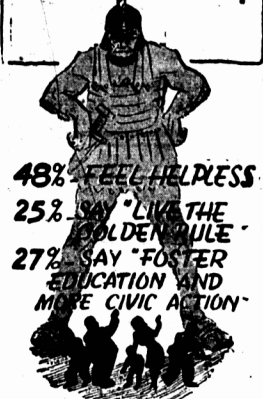
Too big for the individual	4%
Government runs the show; individuals just follow	3
There always will be wars	2
"Big Money" runs the world, not the individual	1
Miscellaneous	35
"No" answers, with no comment	35
Total	100%

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opened the window. "Here's a letter for you," called the postman. "Fivepence to pay."

"Tak' it back," commanded the Aberdonian. "Carelessness like that doesn't deserve to be encouraged."

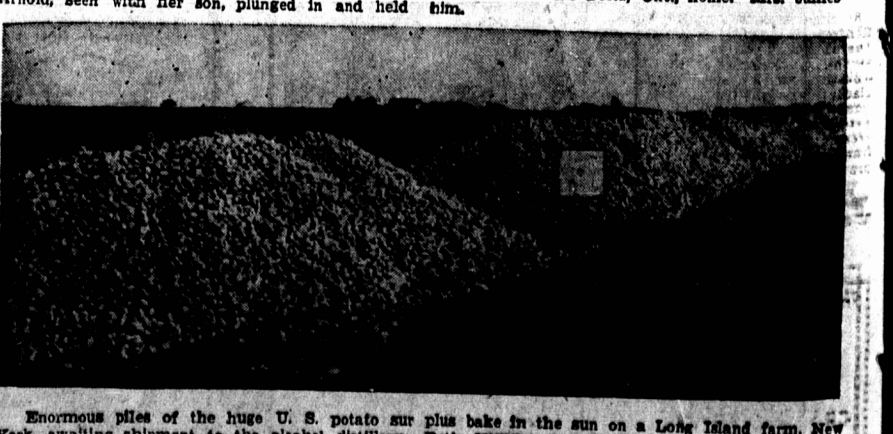
WHAT CAN THE LITTLE PEOPLE DO TO PREVENT WAR?



48% FEEL HELPLESS
25% SAY "LIKE THE GOLDEN RULE"
27% SAY "FOSTER EDUCATION AND MORE CIVIC ACTION"



Heroism of his mother and devotion of his pet dog, who barked the alarm, saved Jimmy Arnold, from drowning when he fell through ice on creek near his Delta, Ont., home. Mrs. James Arnold, seen with her son, plunged in and held him.



Enormous piles of the huge U. S. potato surplus bake in the sun on a Long Island farm, New York, awaiting shipment to the alcohol distillery. Both UNRRA and foreign governments have declined to purchase the potatoes, because of the high cost of shipping and distribution.