

CLUB ENDS YEAR—Pictured with the incoming and retiring presidents of the Long Beach Masonic Club at the last meeting in 1948 is Mrs. Vivian Ann Wyntor, nationally-known counselor on personal relations. Edwin W. Wade (left) will be installed as club president Thursday night to succeed Walter Goodnow (right). Mrs. Wyntor will address the Long Beach Board of Realtors Tuesday morning and will conduct a lecture series for women late in January. She represents the Woman's Institute of Los Angeles.

Church Slated for Newport

First Baptist Church of Huntington Beach is sponsoring the organization of a Baptist Church in Newport, according to Rev. Luther Arthur, pastor. The first services of the newly formed group will be held tomorrow morning in the American Legion Hut, 15th and Central. This mission work is being done in cooperation with the Santa Ana Valley Baptist Association, of the Northern Convention and Southern California Baptist Convention.

Rev. George H. Wiedman of Huntington Beach, who has been field missionary in Newport for the past two months, will serve as the pastor of the new church. Melvin Avants of Huntington Beach will serve as director of the Sunday School and young people's activities. A permanent location is to be purchased at once and a substantial church edifice erected. Rev. Wiedman announces, "Services hours will be 9:30, Bible school, 11, morning worship and sermon."

King George Plans Journey to Estate

LONDON, Jan. 1. (AP) Buckingham Palace announced today that King George VI, suffering from the last six weeks with a serious leg ailment, will be able to leave next week for holiday at his Sandringham estate.

The British Press Association's court correspondent said the king's holiday trip "means that his doctors are so satisfied with his progress he has continued to make in the past weeks that they have decided the journey to Norfolk can do him no harm."

Hoover Commission Extended 60 Days

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1. (AP) The Hoover Commission on reorganization of the federal government has an extra 60 days to finish its report to Congress.

The Senate and House whipped through a measure to that effect on the last session of the 80th Congress yesterday, and President Truman signed it last night. The report originally was due Jan. 13.

Greek Soldiers Get Additional Rations

ATHENS, Jan. 1. (AP) Extra rations of food, wine and cognac were issued to Greek soldiers at all front line positions today. The soldiers also were presented candy, food and clothing contributed by American and Greek benevolent societies and private concerns. Special precautions were taken against New Year's Day guerilla attacks.

Actress, Prince Fly to Switzerland

MUERREN, Switzerland, Jan. 1. (AP) Movie actress Rita Hayworth and Prince Ali Khan, son of the Aga Khan, arrived here last night for a winter sports holiday.

The pair flew from Paris to Bern in the prince's private plane yesterday. They stayed up late in a New Year celebration at a Muerran hotel.

Royall Returning

PARIS, Jan. 1. (AP) Kenneth Royall, U. S. Secretary of the Army, left Paris today on his flight back to Washington. He has been inspecting the Berlin air lift and American military installations in Europe.

HOTEL SUE

Plaintiff Says Pledged Room Not Available

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, Jan. 1. (AP) A hotel financially responsible for any loss suffered by a guest when it confirms his reservation but fails to provide him with a room? A district court judge here will have to decide.

Charles Amador, treasurer and general manager of the Connecticut Broach and Machine Hotel for \$11,000, claiming that two years ago the hotel failed to give him a room after confirming a reservation.

He contended that the confirmation was "tantamount to a contract" and asked \$10,000 actual damages and \$10,000 exemplary damages.

Business Holds Up Plans Until Truman Shows Hand

By DAVID LAWRENCE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1. President Truman may be the man of the year and his election and that of the Democratic Congress may have been the surprise of the year, but the biggest news story of the year has not yet been published.

It involves the extent to which the election of Mr. Truman caused such a psychological shock to the economic system as to have reduced by many billions of dollars the amount of money that will be spent in 1949 for new plant and equipment and general expansion of physical facilities.

This is something not talked about openly, but businessmen, privately, have been worrying about it a great deal more than the newspapers have printed. Many an expansion program that was all ready to go in the event of Dewey's election now has been suspended and in many instances canceled.

This will show up during 1949 in curtailed employment. Already there is a rise in unemployment. The figures show that the planned expenditures for the first quarter of 1949 are down as compared with the same quarter of 1948.

MURRAY CAUSES ALARM

The estimates which the Department of Commerce received from various industries concerning their planned expenditures for the first quarter of 1949 were practically all prepared before Nov. 15—most of them obviously before the election. Many companies did not change their plans immediately but decided to wait and see whether President Truman and the Democratic Congress were going to be as radical as the campaign speeches indicated. When they saw that Philip Murray, president of the C. I. O., was to be the dominant figure in the coming administration and that an excess-profits tax and repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act were to be the principal demands to be pressed upon the new administration and Congress, businessmen began to feel alarmed.

What was most feared was that the new tax rates would force a discontinuance of the business expansion program. This arises out of the direct attack by the radicals on sums earned which have been used hitherto to finance plant expansion. If corporation earnings are to be diminished so that less and less money is available for even the customary dividend rate of the previous years and if companies find it necessary to borrow on the open market, they cannot raise capital in the equity market when the whole economic system is due for a slowdown.

TAX BASE FALSE

The chief trouble with the excess-profits tax is that it assumes a larger and larger demand for goods whereas there are evidences now that supply is catching up with demand. At the very time when business needs to be encouraged, it is being discouraged.

There are many businesses which are going ahead as usual but it does not take a very large proportion of the total to bring about a downward turn.

The two biggest factors in the maintenance of good confidence are first, an ability to finance largely out of earnings whatever new plant may be required, and second, some stability.

Family Grooms Girl on Guam

Members of the family are telling friends about a 30-minute talk via amateur radio with a daughter on Guam.

The daughter, Betty, who will be 23 on Jan. 4, has been on Guam since last spring. She is a civilian secretary to an Army division.

The conversation took place Wednesday at the station operated by Gale Wetrich in Whittier. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Burdell, their daughter, Barbara, 14; another daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, 21, and Mrs. Johnson's son, Charles, 13, 21 months old, and Nancy, 3 months of age.

Betty worked during the recent war as a civilian secretary to a Navy captain stationed on Terminal Island. She is a native Californian.

Pair Held in 2 Store Stickups

Charles E. Hopewell, 23, and Leonard E. Benjamin, 20, will be arraigned in Superior Court Jan. 14 on three counts of armed robbery. Each is being held under \$10,000 bail.

The arraignment was decided upon at a preliminary hearing yesterday before Judge Otto B. Willett. Witnesses testified that the two men robbed Reginald D. Taylor of Dec. 22 in a market at 221 Ximeno Ave. and shortly afterward robbed William Baird and his wife, Corinne, in a liquor store at 1045 E. Artesia St.

Water, Food Arrive for Stranded Jews

SUDA BAY, Crete, Jan. 1. (AP) Fresh water, fruit and fish helped brighten an otherwise dreary New Year day for 500 Jews stranded aboard the S. S. Tamba by a mechanic breakdown.

They were bound for Israel. The majority of those aboard, gathered from all over Europe, reported to be volunteers for Israel's army.

The 250-ton Panamanian ship developed engine trouble earlier in the week in Greece and drifted four days before being taken up by the Dutch salvage tug Humbert, 60 miles from the North African coast.

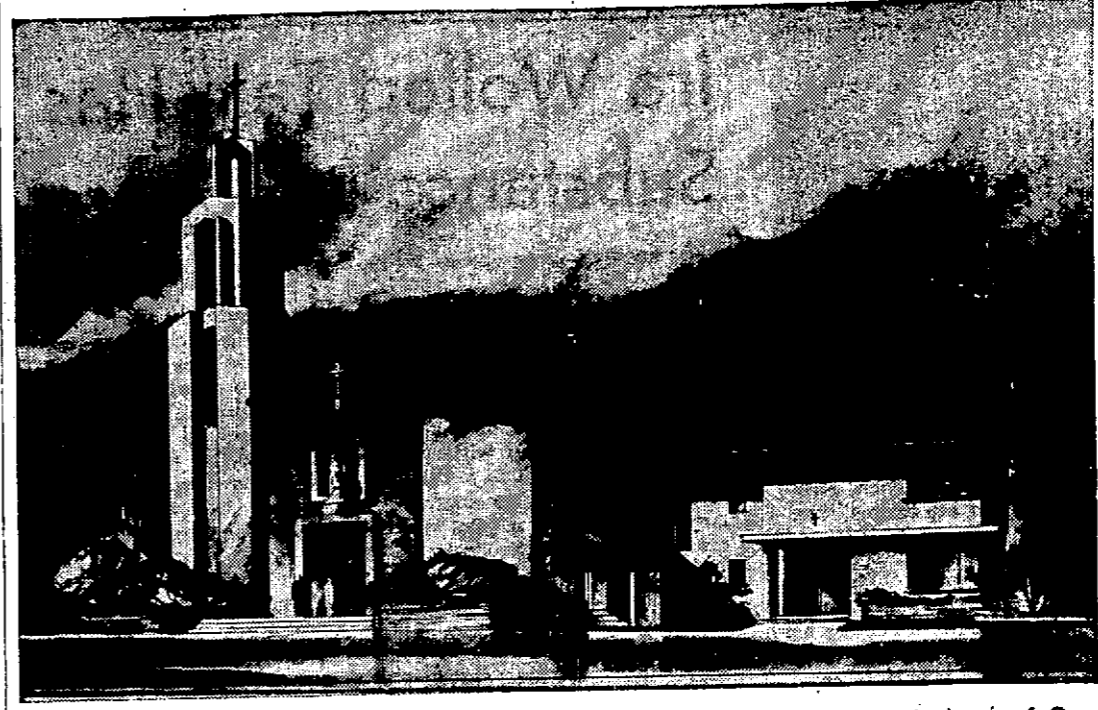
U. S. Extends Time for GI Bridge Arrivals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1. (AP) Transportation difficulties have prompted the government to extend for eight days the period during which GI brides can enter the country under simplified rules.

A special act of Congress, which also applies to fiancées, was due to expire last night. But Attorney General Clark said aliens planning to marry members of or former members of the armed forces will be admitted under the law until Jan. 8—if their visas call for entry by midnight Dec. 31.

Actress Expects Child

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 1. (AP) Swimming Actress Esther Williams will bear her first child next August, she disclosed today. The brunette star, wife of Radio Announcer Ben Gage, will retire temporarily as soon as she finishes her current film.



PLAN FOR NEW CHURCH—This is the architect's drawing of the new \$250,000 church of the Rosary Catholic parish, Paramount, to be constructed this year at the southwest corner of Third St. and Paramount Blvd. It will be of masonry and steel construction with a tile roof, and will have a seating capacity of 600 persons and choir loft for 65 choristers. Groundbreaking will be held about Feb. 1, according to Rev. Henry J. McHenry, pastor. It is anticipated that the church will be finished by Christmas. Behind the church and rectory shown here is a three-acre plot for a future school and convent. The church will be across from Clearwater Junior High School. The present church is at Paramount Blvd. and Adams St.

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Sunday School Will Resume

Tomorrow the Navy Chapel of Grace, W. Hill St., and Monitor Ave. will resume its worship and Sunday School classes after the Christmas Sunday vacation. This Sunday School, meeting originally under a circus tent, is now housed in the Chapel of Grace and is open to all children in or near the Savannah Housing Project.

Albert Ramsey is superintendent, Mrs. Maurice Patchett, director of Christian education, and Mrs. W. B. Jones are assistant directors. The staff of 24 teachers is composed of two World War II veterans and numerous Navy wives.

The schedule is 9:30 to 10 a. m. with worship, story telling and birthday commemorations. The children also are taught a love of God and country. From 10 to 10:30 a. m. classes are held, several of them out of doors in good weather. The kindergarten has its own worship and classes in another wing of the chapel. Children from many religious backgrounds have found themselves "at home" in the Navy Sunday School. Denominations are not mentioned, but teaching is centered in the great truths found in the Bible.

Methodists Plan Holy Communion

Holy communion will be celebrated at the 11 a. m. service tomorrow in First Methodist Church. The pastor, Rev. William Harrison Myers will deliver a communion sermon, "The Quest for Certainty."

At the evening service at 7:30 o'clock, Rev. Russell E. Robinson, associate pastor, will deliver a sermon, "The Quest for Certainty." The sermon dealing with the importance of being true to oneself. The question and answer period, "For the Questing Mind," will be back on the evening program with the following inquiries: "Is the giving of presents important at Christmas?" "Do the Christian churches today appeal to all economic groups?"

At 7 p. m., before the evening service, a motion picture in color, "The New Oregon Trail," will be shown.

Revival Meeting in North Area

An All-Nations revival meeting will be held in North Beach Assembly of God Tabernacle, 5450 Long Beach Blvd., starting Jan. 2 at 7:30 p. m. and continuing nightly until Jan. 27. The revival will culminate in an all-day All Nations Fellowship meeting. All among the speakers will be Dr. Oscar Stern, Christian Jewish refugee; Rev. Paul Taylor and his Negro radio choir; Rev. Charles Kalamandian, Armenian, who when a child went through World War I; Mrs. Helen Stiner, Jewess; Mrs. Yvonne Knox, Paris, France; Evangelist Jeanette Belucci, Naples, Italy; Evangelist Emma Aboud, Arabian; Rev. George Sonas, Greek; Rev. Melvin Moonjean, Syrian; Phillip Tiger, Greek Indian.

Music will be provided by Rev. George A. Jeffrey, pastor, invites the public.

Visual Vespers to Be Started

"Visual Vespers" new on the Sunday schedule at First Congregational Church, will be inaugurated tomorrow at 7:30 p. m. in the Pilgrim Hall. The hall has been equipped with sound and projection devices. There will be a portrayal of the life of Franz Schreker, a portrait of the composer, the life of St. Paul, the title, "The Road to Damascus," Rev. William H. McCance, minister of parish activities, will have charge of the vespers.

Tenor on Church Program Tomorrow

Ivan Harold Browning, lyric tenor who has several times delighted Long Beach audiences, will be presented tomorrow evening at Belmont Heights Methodist Church. His repertoire ranges from oratorios to Negro dialects and melodrama. Maurine Browning, a accomplished pianist and organist, will play. At the tenor's worship there will be holy communion and meditation. Claude A. Smith, pastor, announced.

Pastor to Undergo Navy Training Work

Rev. Charles Henry Swift Jr., associate pastor of East Side Christian Church, will leave tomorrow afternoon, after preaching at the service for San Diego Christian Church, for San Diego to undergo a week's training duty with the Navy. He will be stationed at the 11th Naval District Chaplain's office, Naval Training Station. He is a chaplain in the Naval Officers Reserve.

Spirit Lecture

Dr. Phillip L. Knox, lecturer and astronomer, will speak on the subject "Are the Spirits of Spirits?" at the evening lecture hour tomorrow in Bible Auditorium, E. Third St. and Bonito Ave. A 30-minute motion picture, "The Miracles of Christ," will be shown at 6:45 p. m. by Harold Turner.

Alamitos Circle Church Planned

Construction of the church edifice for Alamitos Circle Presbyterian Church is planned for early this year, according to members of the building committee headed by Gordon Walker. A meeting to further the plans for the church building was held last Sunday at the Walker home. There will be a meeting of the congregation on Sunday, Jan. 9, following the morning worship. At that time the congregation will be asked by the building committee to authorize the board of trustees to petition the Los Angeles Presbytery to enter into a construction contract for the church.

Joke About 'Driver' Grows Into New Car

When Cal Demarest was presented with a "driver" the other evening by associates of the Edison Co., some guest at the dinner opened it would be well if he had a new car to keep the driver busy. The story grew in circulation to the point where Cal actually had the car—only he didn't.

The "driver" in question was one of a set of beautiful golf clubs presented by admiring associates. Demarest, former assistant district manager here, becomes district manager of the Fullerton area.