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The Army... making many signs of defiance and despair...

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Death Toll From Holiday Accidents Soars To 664

TRUMANS TOGETHER FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY



President Truman was greeted at the airport in Kansas City by Mrs. Truman, left, and Margaret, right, upon his arrival there to spend the holidays in his home town of In-

dependence, Mo., with close friends, neighbors, and relatives. Mr. Truman returns to Washington today. (Acme Telephoto.)

Yule Snow Hits North

The northern half of the nation today was getting another dose of white, with snow now and. The fresh blanket of white covered areas from Montana and the Dakotas eastward through the Great Lakes region into New York and Pennsylvania. The heaviest falls were in a narrow band extending from Southwestern Minnesota northward into Iowa, southeastern North Dakota and Northern Michigan. Chicago was edged through a new fall that measured more than seven inches, one of the heaviest in the snow-belt. Falls ranged from two to seven inches in other areas. The cold weather and strong winds followed the snow and temperatures dipped to seventeen below zero in North Dakota and Minnesota and eleven below in South Dakota. The field air pushed south and eastward and chilled region in the northern tier of states from Minnesota to New England. Cold waves were forecast for Nebraska, Missouri, Oklahoma and Kansas and the entire North Central states. Fair weather was reported in other parts of the country. Temperatures were mild in the South and West. The 76 residue at Phoenix, Ariz., yesterday tied previous high marks on Christmas in 1919 and 1933.

Defense Needs Call Truman to Capitol

Mr. Truman to pack his bags twenty hours ahead of time. Short said the President would confer at Blair House tonight with Secretary of State Acheson, Secretary of Defense Marshall and Gen. Omar N. Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The topics to be covered, Short said, are the forthcoming departmental defense force, current Communist activities in Korea and preparedness at home. Short told reporters: "The announcement of his change in plans late yesterday was followed closely by General MacArthur's statement in Tokyo that Communist secret political and military operations of enormous scope" had been discovered as a result of the report of U. S. Navy intelligence in North Korea. Immediate speculation arose that the President might be short his holiday because of a possible new Red offensive in the Far East.

Air Force Plans Big Expansion

TO DOUBLE PERSONNEL
The move toward the doubled Air Force already is obvious in plans for doubling the number of men and bases in the United States. The Air Force is planning an expansion program to a strength of 460, which was the highest it ever had. The program is being carried out in several ways. The Air Force is planning to double the number of men and bases in the United States. The Air Force is planning to double the number of men and bases in the United States. The Air Force is planning to double the number of men and bases in the United States.

Doctor Delivers Baby Free On Christmas

POTTSMOUTH, Pa. (AP) — A long time ago Dr. J. Harry Close, whose birthday is Dec. 25, promised that if he ever were called upon to deliver a Christmas baby he'd accept no fee for his services. Now, after fifteen years' practice, the doctor has had his chance to keep that promise. His long-delayed "present" was an eight-pound girl born to Mrs. Wilhelmina E. Smith at her home in Greenville, in Good Samaritan Hospital here.

Our Weather

Rather cloudy with little change in temperature today. Occasional rain, possibly mixed with sleet or snow tonight and Wednesday.

Hunt Pressed For Stolen Symbols Of British Union

By JACK RODERICK
LONDON — British police pressed a nationwide search for the symbols of the British Union Jack. Working on the theory that extremists in the north were behind the theft of the flag, rectangular pieces of the Union Jack have been traced since the days of the Celtic, police in England's northern counties searched automobiles heading north.

stone. So skillful was their getaway that detectives and police were without a clue after an intensive day's hunt. Some authorities expressed belief the thieves, operating according to a careful plan, had buried the stone with the intention of waiting until the hue and cry died down. Searchers were asked particularly to be on the lookout for a small briefcase containing a map and a woman said to speak with a Scottish accent. Police described the woman as about 25 years of age, with long dark hair, a long pointed nose, dark eyes and a freckled complexion. Her companion, a man of about 29, had a mop of uncombed hair, officers said. Police noted that the initials J. P. S. had been scratched in the sliding door of the throne. There was speculation this might have been done by the thieves. Although there are other initials and names carved on the throne.

Death By Cancer Halts New Treatment Of Girl

FRANKFURT, Ky. (AP) — A nine-year-old girl has died of cancer, halting a new treatment of cancer by atomic medicine, but not of a visit by Santa Claus. The girl, who had been suffering from cancer of the adrenal glands, had been treated with atomic medicine. The girl had been suffering from cancer of the adrenal glands, had been treated with atomic medicine. The girl had been suffering from cancer of the adrenal glands, had been treated with atomic medicine.

Highways Under Siege Die On 1-2

Total Near Record For 3-Day Period
By ASSOCIATED PRESS
The nation counted a staggering death toll of 664 today from violent accidents over the three-day Christmas holiday.

Traffic Toll Heavy

The toll took the all-time record of 535 in 1949. Mishaps on the highways — many ice-coated streets — claimed 68 lives today. The tolling snow — killed 515 persons by falling from a holiday toll — was more than 100 above the 1949 Christmas holiday toll.

Ridgway Takes Over 8th Army Command

U. S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea — Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway assumed command of the U. S. Eighth Army today.

Mother Learns Son Has Lost Both Arms And Legs

HARRISBURG, Pa. — The widowed mother of a young soldier who lost both arms and legs in the Korean war collapsed when she learned her son had been killed.

Even After 2,000 Years Nobody Knows For Sure How To Treat Common Cold

BY ALTON L. BLAKELEE
NEW YORK — A study of the population struggles with four annual bouts of cold, sneezes, coughs and congestion. These are estimates, but likely fairly accurate. So the estimate of a cost of \$2 billion a year in lost wages, lost productivity, medical bills, and other costs.

Red China Demands U.S. Withdraw Enemy Massed For Mighty Blow

By OLEN CLEMENTS
TOKYO — (AP) — Allied defenders regrouped for battle in the South Korea today under new threats from Red China's high command to get out of the country entirely.

REDS MASSED

Chinese and Korean Red supplies and artillery were massed all along the front. Their patrol squads were seen in new positions along the border to South Korea was awaiting an imminent Communist offensive.

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