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### Probe Asked

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Cova Knutson (D-Minn.) said today she is asking the House Elections Committee to investigate the election in which she was defeated for re-election.

### Race Law Hit

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A special three-judge federal court today declared unconstitutional a portion of Louisiana's segregation laws which forbid interracial athletic contacts.

### Goose On Way

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—The super secret Goose—unofficially named "A"—streaked across the Atlantic today after launching from the missile test center here.

### Dividends For Vets

WASHINGTON (AP)—Dividends totalling 256 million dollars will be paid during 1959 to more than five million veterans holding participating government GI life insurance policies, the VA said today.

### Season's Coldest

DENVER (AP)—The season's coldest weather gripped the Rocky Mountains today, but a gradual warming began as a snowstorm moved eastward out of the region. Frisco, Colo., had a 20 below zero reading.

### Treaty Talks Set

TOKYO (AP)—The United States and Japan will resume negotiations next week on revision of their 1951 security treaty. Foreign Minister Aichiro Fujiyama said today.

### Red Airman Dies

MOSCOW (AP)—The newspaper Soviet Aviation today reported the unexpected death of Air Force Maj. Gen. Sklyarov last Sunday. The announcement came neither by age nor the cause of death.

### School Hearing

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (AP)—The case of 10 Negro children who seek admittance to a white elementary school here comes before Judge Walter E. Hoffman in U.S. District Court today.

### Gatherings Banned

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)—Metropolitan police today banned outdoor gatherings and demonstrations of all kinds. Police chief Lee Kang Hak said police have uncovered and are investigating "a serious North Korean Communist subversion plot against the Republic of Korea."

### Kefauver's Auto Report Stirs Storm

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### VISITS MOSCOW

MOSCOW (AP)—Sen. Robert Humphrey (D-Minn.) began a short visit to Moscow today. Humphrey left from Helsinki Thursday night in what has been touring Europe.



SEN. KENNEDY

## Meeting Jan. 15 Sen. Kennedy CC Dinner Speaker

Massachusetts Senator John Fitzgerald Kennedy will be the speaker for the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce annual dinner meeting Jan. 15.

The announcement was made today by Thomas L. Robinson, COTC president. The meeting, at which 1800 officers will be in attendance, will be held at the Park Center.

"We are delighted Senator Kennedy can take the time from his busy schedule to come to Charlotte," Mr. Robinson said. "Arrangements for the dinner will be made by the annual meeting committee of which B. B. Griffith is chairman. The committee will meet at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Chamber to make plans for the event."

Sen. Kennedy, who was overwhelmingly elected to a second term this month, is the third Democrat his state has sent to the Senate. Prior to his election he was in the House of Representatives for six years, representing Massachusetts' 11th Congressional District for the Democratic nomination for President in 1960.

## Traffic Deaths About Average

Violent accidental deaths marred the observance of Thanksgiving holiday in many homes across the nation. Traffic, as usual, was the No. 1 killer.

The traffic death toll since the start of the count for the fourth week ended far exceeded the number killed in fires and miscellaneous accidents. However, it appeared to be running near or slightly below the average for a comparable non-holiday period.

The count, which started at 7 p.m. local time Wednesday, is to continue to midnight Sunday, covering a period of 102 hours.

Fires claimed the lives of nine children yesterday. Five died in a fire which destroyed a home for retarded and crippled children in Oklahoma City. Four children and their parents perished in a fire in the suburban area of Little Rock, Ark. Two 12-year-old Chicago boys drowned when they fell through the thin ice in a park lagoon.

Safety experts attribute the near normal traffic toll to the fact that highway travel over the Thanksgiving holiday is not as heavy as on other holidays such as Christmas, New Year's, Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day.

The National Safety Council does not make a pre-holiday estimate of the traffic toll for Thanksgiving. However, it estimated 478 traffic deaths could be expected for a comparable four-day non-holiday weekend at this time of year.

In a survey by the Associated Press, covering a 102-hour week-end period from 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, to midnight Sunday, Nov. 16, the count was 394 traffic deaths, 32 in fires and 121 in miscellaneous accidents, a total of 547.

The all-time record high in traffic deaths for a four-day holiday period for the same period also was set with deaths in fires and miscellaneous accidents boosting the 1956 Christmas total to 884.

## Six Claim News Game Prize Checks

There are six more winners—four of them Charlotteans—in The Charlotte News' Social Security Game, and all six have received their prize checks.

Top winner, who got a check for \$50, is Hattie Mae Gather, 500 E. 5th St., Charlotte.

Two out-of-town winners, each of whom was given a check for \$10, are Estelle Wylly, 1408 Circle Dr., Gastonia; and Mae L. Christenbury, 227 E. Park Ave., Mooresville.

Other Charlotteans of the six prize winners are Maryjean Hayward, 1024 N. Brevard St.; Mrs. Cleola Myers, 2209 Charlotte Dr.; and Thomas R. Shivers, 1524 Merriman Ave.

## Our Weather

Cloudy and cold with occasional rain today, tonight and Saturday. Rain ending gradually by Saturday night, followed by colder.

Low this morning 43  
Low tomorrow morning 38  
High today 44  
High yesterday 50  
High tomorrow 45  
Sunrise today 7:10 a.m.; sunset today 5:12 p.m.

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## Evening Prayer

Our Father, we thank Thee for the light of the Baptist — yes, for all the forefathers who have helped us to clear from our lives all hindrances to our acceptance of Christ as our Saviour. In the master's name, . . . Amen.

## Stuffing's Better

Thanksgiving Day wasn't as toilsome as it might have been for Robert Gillar, but the six-year-old Buffalo boy was thankful, anyway.

Earlier in the week his teeth were jarred loose in an auto accident, and Robert couldn't chew his traditional turkey.

"I like the stuffing better, anyway," he said.

## Saved The Day

The use of fire hydrants saved hundreds of turkey dinners yesterday when a water main burst in Brooklyn, leaving 1,800 homes without water. The break came at noon, leaving housewives

## Graham To Speak At School

ASHEVILLE (AP)—Billy Graham says he has accepted an invitation from ministers in Clinton and Anderson County, Tenn., to preach on the grounds of the bombed-out Clinton High School on Sunday, Dec. 14.

At Clinton, the ministers planned a meeting tonight to make further plans for the gathering, with indications that efforts will be pushed toward getting the racially integrated school rebuilt. Several prominent people have been invited.

The school was ripped by three dramatic explosions early Sunday, Oct. 5, and 16 of the 20 classrooms were damaged.

## NO FUND RAISING

Graham and his sponsors said the Dec. 14 gathering will be evangelistic and not intended to raise funds for the school. But a spokesman for a fund-raising committee will be present to give time to present a check for about \$21,000 to Anderson County school board officials.

The money came from thousands of school children, newspaper and radio personality Dewey Pearson started the school rebuilding drive with the slogan, "Bricks for Brotherhood."

Among those invited to tonight's meeting in Clinton are Tennessee Gov. Frank Clement, now in Knoxville; North Carolina Gov. Luther Hodges; California Gov.-elect Edmund G. Brown; and Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati, a brother of the late Sen. Robert Taft and a former president of the National Council of Churches.

## MORE INVITED

Taft also is chairman of the Clinton schoolhouse committee. Among members are Graham, Hodges and AFL-CIO President George Meany. But it was uncertain how many of them would attend tonight's gathering.

H. V. Wells, editor of the Clinton Courier — News, who worked with the ministers in organizing the meeting, said labor groups and manufacturers have made generous offers of free labor and materials to rebuild the school. He said no appraisal of the value of the offers has been attempted, but he estimated that the total, including the school children's gifts, might approach \$200,000.

## Pilots Must Stay On Job

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## TOO RUSHED

"Real busy," smiled Mrs. Lillian. And that was all she had time to say.

Elford's reported a busy day also, with three police officers going on private duty as store detectives.

Bek's put five police officers on duty, and they had four odd-duty policemen held at store detectives.

## LOTS FULL

Parking lots displayed "full" signs for the first time in several months and on the streets, traffic crawled along at a snail's pace.

In the crowd of shoppers were students, many of them home on holiday from the Thanksgiving holidays. Thunders weather seemed not to deter Mother and College Daughters as they came to

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# Inspection Plans Would Halt Attacks



The Boarding House Reach Helped Women Shoppers In Today's Pre-Christmas Sales

## Minister's Trial Set Dec. 8

## Santa Fires Starting Gun For Big Christmas Rush

It was as if Santa Claus — acting as official starter — stood outside the shops today and sounded a starting gun.

The Christmas race was on. At 9 a.m. shoppers wanted outside stores and rushed in for after-Thanksgiving sales. At J. B. Ivey & Co., store officials estimated that 100 persons were at the store's main entrance when the doors opened.

Miss Riggs was busiest selling sweaters, which were going at \$2 below pre-Thanksgiving Day prices.

Also one of the busiest counters in Ivey's was the jewelry counter where Mrs. Song Utshen sold pearls, bracelets and earrings at 99 cents.

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