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GEN. DEAN, ROSE QUEEN AT BALL



Gen. William F. Dean, hero of the Korean war and grand marshal of the Tournament of Roses in Pasadena, Calif., gets the first dance with Barbara Louise Schmidt at the Coronation Ball where she was crowned Queen of the Tournament. (AP Wirephoto)

Hopeful World Rings In New Peace Contender

Statesmen, Ordinary Citizens Greet 1954

NEW YORK (AP)—That brand new 365-day wonder, "Kid 1954," got a wild welcome today as he leaped into the world arena—with everyone admiring his "peace" punch and praying he could keep up the promising pace.

Reporter's Dream

This Is The Story That Should Happen

By ED CREEGH

WASHINGTON (AP)—Early on the morning of the new year's first day, the old copywriter took a yawning look at the copy before him. His brow crinkled.

Ike Confers With Advisers

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—President Eisenhower, starting the new year with a heavy work docket, called a group of top administration officials to an early morning conference on his State of the Union message today.

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Evening Prayer

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Malines Agree To Big Four Meeting in Berlin Jan. 25

Some Democrat Congressmen Still Skeptical

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Knowland (R-Calif.) said today Democrats will have "plenty of opportunity" to propose changes in the Eisenhower administration.

Returnee Thinks Others May Follow

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD

SEATTLE (AP)—Capt. Claude J. Batchelor, a young Texan who elected to stay with the Communists, changed his mind today and said it is quite possible that other unrepentant American war prisoners will decide to return home.

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He'll Have a Really Mary New Year



Little 8-pound John Henry Drabik, resting in the arms of his mother, Mrs. Henry Drabik (left photo) in Chicago's Little Company of Mary Hospital, has a lot of sisters waiting for him at home.

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