



FILM STAR Alan Ladd and his wife Sue Carol were named Hollywood's Ideal Couple of the Year by the film capital's businessmen. The Ladds, shown with Alana, 8, and David, 6, are the parents of four children. They will be married ten years March 15. (International Soundphoto)

Lad Walks Out Of Richmond Hospital

Richmond, Ind., Jan. 7.—(UP)—David Roland, 18, Dayton, O., was brought today after he slipped away from Reid memorial hospital where he underwent an appendectomy four days earlier. Roland was held in the theft of \$1,000 worth of typewriters from a Lewisburg, O., school. Police said doctors had told them he need not be guarded as he wasn't able to walk away.

U.S. FIGHTERS

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On the ground, a Chinese battalion hurled back a series of allied attacks on a key mountain of the western Korean front Sunday in sub-freezing temperatures. Since U. N. infantrymen lost the hill Dec. 28, they have attempted nearly a dozen times to recapture and hold the position west of Korangpo.

The Reds held again Sunday and threw two stiff counterattacks into advancing U. N. forces, which also were kept under heavy mortar

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JAN. 12—Albert Coblenz, 5 miles East of Geneva, Indiana on Highway No. 116, Well Improved 80 Acre Farm, 1:30 P. M. Midwest Realty Auction Co., J. F. Sammann, Aucr.
JAN. 12—1:00 p. m. E. R. (Bud) Fisher, owner, Willshire, O. Small tools, Purdy & Cisco, Aucrs.
JAN. 16—10:00 a. m. Jason Denaghy and Son, and Ackerman Estate, owners, 2 1/2 miles north of Ossian, Ind. on St. Rd. 1, then 3 1/2 miles west on Allen and Wells county line. Cattle, hogs, feed, tractors, implements. Ellenberger Bros., Aucrs.

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Three Hotels Are Destroyed By Fire

Disastrous Fire In Atlantic City

Atlantic City, N.J., Jan. 7.—(UP)—One of the worst fires in Atlantic City history destroyed three hotels and nine rooming houses in a two block area today and then spread to the 12-story St. Charles hotel, one of the 13 major hotels on the famed oceanfront Boardwalk.

One of the twin towers of the St. Charles caught fire when the wind shifted after firemen thought they had the devastating blaze under control. The tower blazed high above the Boardwalk.

When the St. Charles took fire, the Breakers hotel, one block east of the burning tower, was ordered evacuated. About 100 guests left the building as firemen played hoses on the structure in an attempt to save it.

Most of the burned buildings were closed for the season and unoccupied.

Firemen said no one was injured.

A 30-mile-an-hour wind whipped the flames from the frame seven-story Congress hotel on St. Charles Place to the five-story Lorraine hotel. Then the fire jumped to the New Davis hotel. The Congress and Lorraine had 150 rooms each and the Davis 125 rooms. All were burned to the ground.

There was no immediate estimate of damage, but firemen said it was "well over \$1,000,000."

Seven Persons Missing

Westfield, Mass., Jan. 7.—(UP)—Seven persons were listed as missing today after a \$1,000,000 fire wrecked the professional building in the business district. Sixteen others were recovering at a hospital from burns and injuries.

Earlier, 14 persons had been on the missing list, but at mid-morning the Red Cross, police and fire officials reported that only seven were still unaccounted for.

The smoldering ruins of the five-story structure still were too hot to permit a careful search for bodies. No victims had been found and authorities said there was a possibility that others on the missing list would be located alive.

Veteran Indiana U. Instructor Is Dead

Bloomington, Ind., Jan. 7.—(UP)—Miss Estella M. Whitted, 78, who served in the English department of Indiana University for 26 years, died Saturday night in a hospital. She joined the faculty in 1917 after teaching at Anderson, Ind., and in California.

SUSPECT

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no special significance, Joy issued a statement warning:

"With each passing day, there is less and less reason to think the Communists want a stable armistice. Certainly, no one can accuse them of being in a hurry to demonstrate good faith."

At Panmunjom in Korea, Communist truce delegates for the fifth straight day rejected all U. N. arguments for a ban on airfield construction and for voluntary repatriation of all war prisoners and civilians held by each side.

Despite the lack of progress, however, both subcommittees agreed to meet again at 11 a. m. Tuesday (8 p. m. today CST.)

The highest radio station in eastern America is WMIT on Clingman's Peak, North Carolina, 6,580 feet near the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Traffic In Southern Indiana Disrupted

Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—(UP)—Ice and snow which have plagued Indiana motorists almost constantly since Dec. 14 melted and went away during the weekend.

But, although the one hazard was removed in northern Hoosierland, high water disrupted traffic in the south portion of the state.

Half a dozen or more highways in the southwestern area were closed as the Wabash and White river flood crests moved downstream. The Wabash was falling down to Terra Haute but rising below that point.

It is against the law to snore loud enough to annoy your neighbors in Dunn, North Carolina.

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AFTER MOST OF THE BRIDGE (left, background) spanning the Imjin River in Korea was carried away by an ice-jam, these Americans attempt to navigate the ice-choked river. They are (l. to r.): Cpl. Homer Carnes, Iuka, Ill.; Pfc. John Ferguson, Morrisdale, Pa., and Cpl. Martin Haggerty, Cannonsburg, Pa. (International)

Quadruplets Born In Brooklyn Today

Quads Are Born In Less Than Half Hour

New York, Jan. 7.—(UP)—A Brooklyn mother of three children gave birth to quadruplets today in less than half an hour.

Mrs. Fanny Graber, 32, presented her bewildered husband, Joseph, with three girls and a boy so quickly that he did not have time to get excited. Bushwick hospital superintendent Harry Moering said.

"He just sat there in a chair reading a newspaper," Moering said. "He let his mother-in-law do all the floor-pacing."

The children immediately were placed in incubators and Mrs. Graber was taken to a private home where her condition was said to be "good."

Moering said the first baby, a girl, was born at 8:23 a. m. Ten minutes later a boy was born.

"We knew there would be multiple births, but we didn't expect her to have more than twins," Moering said. "But the third child was born two minutes after the second one and the fourth and last was delivered at 8:43 a. m."

Moering said the first child weighed in at three and one-half pounds.

"If you want the rest of the vital statistics, the boy weighed three pounds, nine ounces and the last two girls weighed three pounds, four ounces and three pounds, 15 ounces," Moering said.

Moering said the odds against a mother having quadruplets were more than 1,000,000 to one.

Illinois Governor To Seek Renomination

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 7.—(UP)—Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson announced today that he will be a candidate for renomination in the Democratic primary April 8.

The governor issued a 200-word statement announcing his candidacy, after he arrived at the executive mansion on a flying trip from Chicago this morning.

GEN. EISENHOWER

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command of the western armies which are girding themselves to meet a possible Russian aggression.

Raccoons go to sleep when food is scarce in winter. During mild spells, they often leave the den during the night to satisfy their appetites.



ANTONIO RICHARD ROCHIN, 22, shown in Los Angeles with his attorney, David Marcus (right), is free of a narcotics conviction by an 8-to-0 verdict of the U. S. Supreme Court. The court ruled that forcible use of a stomach pump by Los Angeles sheriff's deputies to recover two narcotics capsules which Rochin swallowed was "close to the rack and screw" of medieval tortures. The ruling overturned his conviction of Oct. 28, 1949. (International Soundphoto)



ON HIS ARRIVAL in Washington, Lt. Gen. Jean Baptiste Piron (left), Belgian Army Chief of Staff, is greeted by Lt. Gen. Maxwell Taylor, Deputy Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army. Looking on in center is Baron Silvercruys, Belgium's Ambassador to the United States. Piron was invited by the Department of the Army for a two-week tour of U. S. Army installations and training facilities. (International Soundphoto)

14-Year-Old Boy Confesses Killing

Calmly Confesses Murdering Farmer

Martinsville, Ind., Jan. 7.—(UP)—Ronald Wayne Montgomery, 14, calmly described to police today how he fired the shots which killed a retired farmer and led to the death of an elderly widow.

Morgan county sheriff Marvin Skaggs said that charges would be filed later today against the stocky seventh grader who confessed that he opened fire with an automatic rifle when Herman Taylor, 66, surprised him during a robbery, which netted him \$10.

Two shots struck Taylor, killing him. The boy then fired six more bullets at Taylor's rural home and police said one of the bullets probably struck a kerosene lamp, igniting a blaze which took the life of Taylor's housekeeper, Mrs. Elvie Bradley, 82.

Police seized Montgomery in a restaurant Saturday after he took his bicycle from his home in nearby Eminence, Ind., and tried to pedal out of the county.

They suspected the boy because he had robbed the Taylor home of \$236 a year ago and was on probation from juvenile court.

Montgomery, the eldest of six children, confessed last night after two days questioning. He told police that when he saw the Taylor's two-story home burst into flames

"I felt so bad I thought I was going to pass out."

But Skaggs said the boy showed little emotion at the jail, ate regular meals and slept well.

The boy said he was reaching in a window for Mrs. Bradley's purse when Taylor crept around the corner of the house and surprised him. He whirled and started firing, he said. Taylor fell, fatally wounded.

Montgomery said he fired six more shots at the home and fled towards his own house less than a mile away.

Police believe one of the shots ignited the fire or caused Mrs. Bradley to become panicky and kick over the lamp. She was found dead in the ruins. It could not be determined whether she also had been shot.

Montgomery had been staying alone in his home while his parents stayed with a hospitalized daughter in Martinsville.

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State No. 731 REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST STATE BANK OF DECATUR

of Decatur, in the State of Indiana, at the close of business on December 31, 1951.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	\$3,030,780.60
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	5,677,277.77
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	439,985.24
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	20,091.38
Corporate stocks (including \$7,500.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	7,500.00
Loans and discounts (including \$ none overdrafts)	3,257,885.59
Bank premises owned	\$12,503.00
Furniture and fixtures	\$29,359.15
Other assets	41,862.15
TOTAL ASSETS	\$12,480,607.00

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$5,335,960.83
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	4,675,298.49
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	152,867.21
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	1,289,349.61
Deposits of banks	125,318.65
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	10,827.36
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$11,589,622.15
Other liabilities	35,543.21
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown above)	\$11,625,165.36

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital	\$425,000.00
Surplus	150,000.00
Undivided profits	255,395.64
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	15,046.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$855,441.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$12,480,607.00

*Includes proceeds of \$ none of debentures sold to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, \$300,000.00 of debentures sold to local interests which debentures are subordinated to the rights of creditors and depositors, and 1,250 shares of common stocks, par \$100.00 per share.

MEMORANDA	
Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	\$168,000.00
Obligations subordinated to claims of depositors and other creditors, not included in liabilities	none
(a) Included in Loans and Discounts are LOANS TO AFFILIATED COMPANIES	none
(b) Included in Other Bonds, Notes, Debentures and Corporate Stocks are OBLIGATIONS OF AFFILIATED COMPANIES	none
(c) First lien trust funds	none
(a) Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of	18,371.27
(b) Securities as shown above are after deduction of reserves of	none

I, H. H. Krueckeberg, Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: H. H. KRUECKEBERG,
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Directors.

State of Indiana, County of Adams, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of January, 1952, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
(SEAL) ROSE ELLEN MILLER, Notary Public
My commission expires November 24, 1954.

Plymouth's Pace-Setting New Belvedere



Here's Plymouth's smart hardtop club coupe, the Belvedere, the pace-setter in the lowest price field with its new concepts in styling and beauty. The car has glistening, lively two-tone colors: Suede Tan with Sab. Bronze top; Belmont Blue Polychromatic with Sterling Grey top; Mint Green with Black top. The color use on the roof follows the Belvedere's streamlined contours around the spacious rear window and down over the rear deck, giving the car the continental look. Sparkling chrome molding outlines the top and carries back to separate the two colors at their junction at the rear quarter-panel. The interior is luxurious, with colorful quality fabrics and vinyl blended in perfect harmony with the shades used on the exterior.

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