



RUNNING THE GANTLET—Yolanda Gabrielle, 6, is protected by her mother as they pass the "cheer leaders," a group of jeering segregationist mothers in New Orleans. The little white girl has run this gantlet every day to attend integrated classes at Frantz Elementary School.



Precipitation during December will be heaviest along the nation's perimeters, as map shows. Much of it will be snow.

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Property Is Bought By Lutheran Church

The acquisition of two additional parcels of property was announced to the Zion Lutheran voters assembly at its annual meeting Sunday afternoon at the church. Reports of various congregational committees were heard and officers for 1961 were elected.

The purchase had been arranged by the congregation's planning commission and is a part of a long term plan to build a new church.

The Dr. Arthur Girod home, on the corner of 10th and Monroe, and the Reed home on Jackson and 11th street are now owned by the congregation.

William Schnept is the congregation's new president, succeeding George Auer, who has completed two terms and was not eligible for reelection. Karl Reinking is vice president, William Justice is the new recording secretary, and Robert Lane will be the new treasurer.

Earl Caston, Norman Kruse, and Louis Jacobs begin two-year terms as elders, and Otto Spiegel and Carl Smith start one-year terms in the same office. Robert Hall and James Beery will serve two years as deacons, with Leroy Huffman named to serve one year.

Ralph Sauer, Robert Zwick, and Charles Stuckey were named to the board of finance. Henry Krueckeberg, Norman Witte, Robert Nyffeler, and William Brandenburg will serve on the board of stewardship. Wilbert Steele, Norbert Blecke, Ralph Grorrian and Roland Miller, were elected to the board of education. Frank Braun and Clarence Dersch are new trustees. C. Wm. Porter and Don Bieberich will audit this year's books.

The board of evangelism had George Auer, Arnold Ostermeyer, Edward Wolfe, and Roger Schuster added to it. Next year's committee on nominations will consist of Herman Krueckeberg, Phil Sauer, and Dr. H. F. Zwick.

The congregation adopted a new constitution during the year and expanded several of its boards. These boards will meet to organize before Jan. 1 and their chairmen will serve on the council.

Outhwaite is research consultant to the Nature Centers for Young America, Inc., a recently formed organization to encourage villages, towns and cities to set aside "while there is still time" some part of the natural setting nearby for use, not as a formal park, but to preserve the native flora and fauna ... a big slice of the earth as it was before organization set in.

Preserve Or Be Engulfed

"The bulldozers have leveled the life out of the hills and the fields," says the center's brochure. Outhwaite adds, "If we don't start preserving soon, we'll be engulfed."

"In so many parts of America already," Outhwaite continued, "you drive 25 to 30 miles outside the city limits ... still past nothing but housing developments."

"There is no time to waste," he continued, in an interview. And the urgency with which the anthropologist talked created visions immediately of a land one day bare of the things we used to take for granted—fields, trees, grass, native flowers, streams and wildlife.

The centers would be used for both relaxation and education," he said. "A way to teach children botany, zoology, conservation—better than they ever could learn them from books."

Looks For Locations

The anthropologist recently completed a 14,000-mile motor trip around the nation looking for likely locations for nature centers, for zoological parks and museums.

He said many communities already are aware of how urbanization is cutting back nature and are doing something about it. Stamford, Conn., is one of the pioneers and has set aside close to 100 acres of streams and woodland.

Outhwaite was secretary to the President's Committee on Demobilization after World War II and wrote the committee report which became the "GI Bill of Rights." At present, he also is a member of the advisory board of RCA's advance design center.

Russia Invited To New York World Fair

MOSCOW (UPI) — A delegation of New Yorkers arrived here Sunday night to extend an official invitation to the Soviet Union to participate in the 1964 world's fair in New York.

The delegation was to meet today with American Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson and to meet with members of the Soviet Chamber of Commerce Tuesday.



TWO GOP LEADERS—New York's Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller meets with Vice President Richard M. Nixon in Washington to thrash out the future of their defeated party.



DECATURITES MEET SANTA — Thousands of Decatur area children met Santa Saturday on three rides to Ohio City, sponsored by the members of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce and the Erie Railroad. Pictured above are Bozo the Clown, from WKJG-TV, who also made the trip, R. E. Towns, of the Erie western Division, W. M. Bumgardner, Decatur passenger agent, and Santa Claus.



BIGGEST HIT with the kids was Bozo, right, the clown from WKJG-TV, who is well-known to the small fry. Here a group of children look on as Bozo makes a face that delights the children.



SANTA GREETED Laurie Freeby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Freeby, of Decatur, who is seated on Mrs. Freeby's lap. Looking on is her sister, Susan, standing beside her.



SANTA POINTS at Janet and Nancy Morrissey, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Morrissey, of Decatur, as Mrs. Morrissey looks on. Unidentified little girl at right gazes longingly at jolly old Saint Nick, who bore a faint resemblance to school teacher Jerry Leitz.

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BUDGET DIRECTOR—President-elect Kennedy announces the appointment in Washington of his budget director, David E. Bell, right, professor at Harvard University.

Local Man Arrested On Larceny Charge

COLUMBUS, Ind. (UPI) — Walter I. Golden, 79, founder of the Golden Foundry Co. here, died Sunday in his home. Golden was a native of Jeffersonville. He was a director of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce since 1938 and was vice president of the organization in 1951.

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