



THE WEATHER  
Partly cloudy and cool tonight  
with the lowest temperature Thursday  
morning about 15.  
Detailed forecast on page 4.

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## Nazis Try To Wage War Of Nerves By Threats MANILA MAY BE DECLARED OPEN CITY

### Nothing Seen To Back Hints Of New Moves

### No Holiday At Headquarters Of Red Cross

Headquarters of the Red Cross campaign for the relief of victims of the Japanese attack on Manila, Philippines, was a busy place today. The office is receiving contributions that are being forwarded to the Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C., for distribution to the victims of the attack on Manila.

### F. D. R. Sends Xmas Greeting To Army, Navy

President Roosevelt, in a Christmas message to the armed forces, wished the members of the armed forces a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. He said that the members of the armed forces are the backbone of the nation and that their sacrifices are essential to the nation's safety.

### 2944 Aliens Arrested Since Start Of War

American consular officials today said that 2944 aliens had been arrested since the outbreak of the war. The consular officials said that the majority of the aliens arrested were of Japanese and German descent.

### Vichy Denies Petain Quits Post As Chief

LONDON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A French official today denied reports that Marshal Petain had resigned his post as chief of state. The official said that Petain had not resigned and that he was still performing his duties as chief of state.

### FLYERS JOIN CATERPILLAR CLUB



WINTERBURY, Pa., Dec. 24.—Five army fliers around breakfast with coffee after their plane had been damaged in a crash landing here today and said they were waiting for another plane to be sent to them. They are, from left to right: Lt. Col. W. H. P. Lane, Capt. W. H. P. Lane, Capt. W. H. P. Lane, Capt. W. H. P. Lane, and Capt. W. H. P. Lane.

### Labor Pledges To Strike If War Effort

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A group of labor leaders today pledged to strike if the government should attempt to force them to work on the war effort. The labor leaders said that they would not support any government program that would require them to work on the war effort.

### U. S. Film Coordinator

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The U. S. film coordinator today announced that he had received a list of films that were being produced in the United States. The film coordinator said that the list included a number of films that were being produced by major studios.

### Seek To Oust Detroit Official

DETROIT, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A group of Detroit officials today sought to oust a city official. The officials said that the official in question had been acting in an unauthorized manner and that they wanted him removed from office.

### Hope To Spare It As Enemy Forces Near

### French Fleet One Topic Of War Council

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—The French fleet was one of the topics discussed at a meeting of the War Council today. The council members discussed the possibility of the French fleet being used to attack the Japanese fleet in the Pacific.

### Cloudy And Cold On Christmas Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—A cloudy and cold Christmas day was forecast for the nation. The weather bureau said that there would be a high of 40 and a low of 20.

### Churchill Thrilled By American Breakfasts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill today expressed his appreciation for the American breakfasts that were served to him in the White House. Churchill said that the breakfasts were a very nice surprise and that he enjoyed them very much.

### New Mexico Governor Reported Gravely Ill

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Governor James B. Hargis today reported that he was gravely ill. Hargis said that he had been in the hospital for several days and that his condition was serious.

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## Roosevelt, Churchill On Radio Wednesday

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT and Prime Minister Churchill will officiate at the lighting of the Washington Community Christmas tree, the program to be broadcast by both WHIO and WING at 5 p. m. Wednesday. Other Christmas Eve programs include the premiere program of the Deeds Carillon over WHIO at 8 p. m.; the Inland Children's Chorus over WHIO at 10:15 p. m., and the address of Prime Minister DeValera, of Eire, over WHIO at 11 p. m. Thursday at 9 a. m. the address of King George of England will be heard over both WHIO and WING.