Moderate Civil

convenes.

Hays, who made several speeches in the first skation of the Bist Congress urging a compromise in the civil rights controvers, said the "cecercive posit and reporting of both the F.I.C. and punitive" measures advocated by President Truman and his administration would "impair and even destry in some industries the bagic freedoms of -both management and labor unions."

ollision near Wagarville in South restern Alabama. William J. Locke, of Montgomery

died in a hospital Sunday night of in-juries received near Hopeville. Three Negroes died when a truck overturned near Troy Christmas morning, the largest traffic toll in a

single accident.
The sixth victim not previously reported was Minnie May Williams, 52.
of Monteomery, who was killed when struck by an automobile.
Ben Rankins, 45. Negro of Atmore.

Ben Rankins, 45, Negro of Atmore, died in Atmore Hospital Tuesday, Lester P. Cook, 47, of Auburn, was killed near Auburn Sunday. Throughout the nation, over though old the side violent deaths. The automobile accounted for 412, fires killing 66, many of them children, and 101 miscellaneous deaths.

NOTICE OF GRANT OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY

Probate Court. Colbert County. Ala-homa. Re Estate of Chattie Valeria Mattox Young. Deceased. Letters testamentary under the last will of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 12th day of December, 1949, by the Hon. John B. Sockwell, Judge of the Probate Court of said County, notice

NOTE INCREASE IN SOCIAL SECURITY TAX

Washington.—Rep. Brooks Hays (b. triangle of the Alabama district that the Federal Insurance Concerns over civil rights rigitation.

Appealing to moderates on both sides to get behind a voluntary program for helping Negroes, Hays said. "We who have responsibility for a Federal policy must resist the temperature of the responsibility for a Federal policy must resist the temperature of the first sand sapirations. How was the human rights and sapirations. How was the mannary in the same as present the temperature of the same as excellent as these times require."

Both the House and Senate are tentarity scheduled to get to work on a FEPC bill soon after Congress reconvenes.

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"In oposing an extreme force (FE)
CV bill, those of us who believe that still further gains must be made by the Negroes in the South are not re-nouncing our goal of the elimination of discrimination in employment.

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"We believe that wider job opportunities for Negro workers must be sought."

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of Florence.

Bruce, a metal worker, lackied only 45 minutes of flying time to get his pilot's license. The plane crashed a few minutes after he left earport. The body was taken to Brown-Service Funeral Home in Florence.

Bruce had flown over the home for the girl he planed to marry just seconds before the crash. The girl Cythia Haddock, of Rt. 4, was not at home at the time, but she returned shortly afterward and collapsed upon hearing of the accident.

A Mobile man, Thoms W. Briley, of May had to metering, and A Mobile man, Thoms W. Briley, of the substantial savings to both Collision near Wagarville in Southwestern Alabama.

William J. Lecks of Mexicones. HOW WELL CAN YOU HEAR?

Between 15 and 20 million Americans have—subnormal hearing, and only about one-tenth are fully aware of it. The hard of hearing individual is subject to dangers: his earning pawer is threatened, and eniopment of life is beaught Psychological disorders are also likely to develop in the person whose hearing is affected.

While some types of deafness are recessant at birth, much hearing loss is due to injury or disease of the delicate ear structures. The outer and ear canal pick up sound waves and are canal pick up sound waves and the man of progress. In some and ear canal pick up sound waves are then carried to the nerve of hearing, and the man of progress. In some the carried not he nerve of hearing, in which sends sound impressings to the ear can he carried not hy from the ones of hearing. Implies are then carried to the nerve of hearing, in which sends sound impressings to the ear can be carried not hy from the ones of hearing. Implies the man designed to the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressings to the ear can be carried not hy from the ones of hearing. Implies the man designed to the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressings to the ear can be carried not hy from the ones of hearing. Implies the man designed the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressings to the ear can be carried not hy from the ones of hearing. Implies the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressings to the ear can be carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressings to the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressings to the ear can be carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressing to the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressing to the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressing to the carried to the nerve of hearing which sends sound impressing to the carried to the nerve of hearing which are then carried to the nerve of hearing which are the carried to the ne

EDITORIAL GRIST

We agree with the Birmingham Post, when it says:

The election year coming up for Alabama is a particularly important one. Alabamians will ballot for the maximum number of offices to be filled in a single election.

The voters must choose a new governet and other state officials, a new Legislature, a number of judges, and many county officials. This is also a year in which a United States senator must be elected, along with all the state's representatives in Congress.

In addition, members of the State Democratic Executive Committee will be elected—and because of the party spill in the presidential election last year, this will be an unusually interesting ontest.

After New Years we may expect public interest in political affairs to pick up rapidly. The State Democratic Executive Committee will meet on jan. 21 to make arrangements for the primaries in May and June. After that, the campaign will get under way in exrest.

While there has been a good deal of political activity in the last few months preparatory to the gubernatorial campaign, the public has not become very excited about the race yet. It shas been a matter of widespread comment that the voters in the main have not yet begun to make up their minds about whom they want as their next overnor.

Why should they start deciding so sood? The actual campaign has not even begun. Right now the voters have no way of telling who the major contenders will be, aside from guesses. While about a dozen men have an onunced that they intend to run, it is expected that other candidates will get in the race.

in the race.

There is no need for the voters to be in a hurry about making up their minds. Sensible choices can be made only on the basis information as it develops in the campaign itself. The voteri need to know a great deal more about personalities, issues, promises and individual records of performance before they start choosing.

Such information will not be forthcoming in sufficient volume until the campaign gets under way, officially and internest. And that won't be until at least a month from now.

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This time we need to be extremely careful about electing a governor. For one thing, there are so many prospective candidates that it is not likely to be an easy choice. For another thing, Alabamians got burned so badly, in the last gubernatorial election that they will want to scrutinize candidates nuch more carefully this time.

After four years of the present gubernatorial ineptitude, Alabama should hoose the best possible man to try to put the state back on an even keel.

Again we say, there's no need to hurry. There will be plenty of time on make up our minds after all the candidates have announced and have let is know what they stand for and what they intend to do.

1950 FORECASTS SELVE BRIGHT

If the forecasters are right, 1950 will be guite a year.

U. S. News & World Regart has summed up the concensus. According to it, the people as a whole "will be fed belter, better clothed, better housed, better supplied with the goods and services they want. Jobs promise to be rather plentiful. Pay will be better than ever before. Taxes will not be higher. Prices are likely to be fairly stable."

The figures are extremely impressive, even in an era when we are accustomed to taking gibbly in terms of tess of billions. In 1950, our total spending—which, includes everything sper; by individuals, business and severiment—it expected, to its neades scan possible. That is 157,000,000,000 oner than the estimated figure for this year, and \$5,000,000,000 over the 1948 total.

The biggest gain is expected in spending by individuals. One reason The Diggest gain is expected in spending oy individuals. Other reason for this is the \$2.500,000,000 which veterans, will receive in refunds on their government life insurance. Payments will begin shortly after the first of the year and will be completed in a relatively short time. It is believed that a very large part of the money will be spent in a hurry for consumer goods of all kinds.

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Total individual earnings, the magazine goes on are forecast at \$216,500,000,000. Personal taxes and anticipated savings will account for about \$34,000,000,000 of it. So, if the crystal ball is telling the truth, individuals will send \$182,500,000,000 flowing through the channels of trade and commerce. Spending by government will increase by some \$2,400,000,000. Private investment, on the other hand, will probably be not much greater than this year, and substantially below the \$45,000,000,000 figure which was chalked up in 1048.

up in 1948.

U. S. News also touches on the fields where most of the money will be spent. On the basis of the forecasts, there will be a rise in sales of clothing and home furnishings. The nation's food bill, on the other hand, may go down a bit, due to lower prices. The automobile people thing that sales will be as good or nearly as good as in the current boom year—a premise largely based on the fact that there are 2,000,000 care of varying degrees of antiquity now on the road which will need to be replaced before too long. The construction industry, in both its residential and commercial branches, seems to be looking to 1950 with confidence.

Some of the experts are convinced that economic troubles lie ahead of us—but few expect them in 1950 or soon thereafter.

COUNTY BOARD OF REVENUE READIES PLANS FOR HOSPITAL COIDERT FARMETS

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The Colbert county board of revenue, headed by Gresham Hale, has appointed a nine-man board which constitutes the Colbert County Hospital Board, and this board will make formal application to the state and federal governments to participate in the hospital program.

This action resulted from three voting citizens, Mayor E. J. Henninger, Tuscumbia, Mayor C. L. Beard, Sheffield, and Clopper Rimon, Sheffield attorney, appearing before the county board of revenue and filing their written application for authority to incorporate a public corporation for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating public hospitals and other public health facilities in Colbert county, under the terms and provisions of act No. 46 of the state legislature, approved last June 2.

The board approved the application, and the three men were authorized to proceed to form a public corporation for hospital purposes in the manner provided in the legislature's act.

The board met again with Mayor

act. The board met again with Mayor Henninger, Mayor Beard and Mr. Almon reappearing with a certificate of incorporation for the purpose of or-ganizing the Colbert County Hospital oard, a public corporation being or ganized for the purpose of acquiring owning and operating public hospitals and other public health facilities in the state. The period for the duration of the corporation—atth be perpetual. The certificate of incorporation was approved and filed with the Colber ounty Probate Judge.
The board then met in adjourned

ession and appointed the nine-ma

poard in staggered terms as follows: For two years: C. W. Watts, farme and teacher. Cherokee: H. R. Harris

and teacher, Cherokee; H. K. Harris, merchant, Colbert Heights; Don H Hipp, vice-president, Reynolds Alloys; For four years: N. B. Ware, manu facturer, Tuscumbia; Robert L. Lay ton, farmer and merchant, Leighton; B. I. Rueland, farmer, Red Rock com

ton, narmer and mercinant, Lengaton ton, narmer and mercinant, Lengaton B. I. Rueland, farmer, Red Rock community;
For six years: Marshall Dugger, banker, Tuscumbhir, W.-R. McDoanell, attorney, Sheffildd; Charles Goldel, business agent, Electorial Workers Union No. 558, Sheffiledl. Within the next few days the present owners of the hospital, county. Sheffield and Tuscumbia will execute a deed transferring their equity of ownership to the corporation. Herotore it has been impossible to obtain government she men impossible to obtain government did in the hospitable because of the three ownerships involved.

After each has transferred ownership, the new board will be directed to make formal application to state and federal governments for participation.

pation.

It is anticipated that a one-half million deller addition will be requested one-sixth from the county, one sixth from the state and two thirds from the federal government under the

The board will make a study with health officials to determine the exact

New York-Seventy-year-old The as Brown spent 23 hours of the Christmas week-end in an elevator

stuck between floors.

The elevator car he operates jam med between the second and third floor of a midtown office building between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday.

He yelled, he pounded, he stamp—but the building's tenants had left for Christmas Eve festivities.

So he went to sleep. After a restless night he rene his racket Sunday morning. A porter who arrived to clean up at 1 p.m heard him and summoned police. They freed him in a few minutes through an emergency roof of the jammed

Brown thanked his liberators pro

Brown thanked his liberators pro-fusely but, said he was worried about what Mrs. Brown would say when-he finally came home.

"I think," he said, "that I'd better fortify myself before I go home." Apparently, he did.

"When reporters went to his home Sunday afternoon Mrs. Brown was still waiting for him.

A ten-cent rubber plate scraper will remove all batter from a bo easier than a spatula or spo

When you want to serve whir ream on chocolate cake, try addi-teaping teaspoon of cocoa to ream before whipping it. Beat s

Meet January 6

Montgomery—Alabama farmers will be asked to outline what changes they be recommend in the cotton marketing quota law at a series of meetings quota law at a series of meetings called by Walter L. Randolph, president of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation. These suggestions will be taken to Washington, where representives from all cotton states will discuss the problem as it affects the whole section Jan. 9.

whole section Jan. 9. Randolph notified county farm bu-Raintopin notined county tarm ou-reau presidents that four district meetings would be held beginning Jan. 3, and asked that "a good repre-sentative delegation of farmers, from your county" attend one of the ses-sions. Alabama farmers and others in cotton growing states approved marketing quotes for 1980, to level in cotton growing states approved marketing quotas for 1950 in last month's election, recognizing at the same time that inequities existed and sary to iron them out.

Colbert county farmers will meet to

talk over the situation in Tuscumbia. Friday, January 6.

FOWLER SCHOOL NEWS

The boys and girls of Fowler School were very happy when they came to school one day recently and found school one day recently and tolind drinking fountains and sinks install-ed before the common was a substantial of the happy to have a new set of Compton's Encyclopedia bought by our school. We are grateful to the people who

vere so generous in spending money at our recent entertainment making it possible for us to buy some of the things we need. Frances Narmore was crowned "Miss Fowler" for 046.

Mrs. Dorine Blackburn teaches in-

strumental music at our school each Monday and Friday. The honor roll for the second six weeks of this year is as follows: "A" honor roll—Josephine Peebles, Helen Peebles.

Helen Peebles.

"B" honor roll—Normalee MsDon-ald, Frances Narmore, Polly Welch,

River.
By Norma Lee McDonald.

MOVIE PROGRAM

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STRAND — TUSCUMBIA
Saturday, Dec. 31
Duble-Peature
VALLEY OF THE GIANTS—with
Warne Of THE GIANTS—with
Warne HOME IN SAN ANTONE—
With Roy Acuff anad his Smoky
Mountain Boys.
New Year's Eve Midnight Show
Doors open at 1100 Show starts 1500
color, with Dennis Morgan, Dorebnay
Jack Carson. Also a Three Stooges
comedy. Adults 50c, Children 25c.
Sunday-Monday, January 1-2
Theck, Ava Gardner.
Tuesday, January 3
OUTPOST IN MOROCCO—with
George Raft, Marie Windsor.
THE LOST THIBE—with Johnny
Weissmuller, Myrna Dell.
Thursday-Fiday, January 5-6
FATHER WAS A FULLBACK—
With Fred MacMurray, May aure a
O'Hara.

COLBERT—Sheffield

COLBERT—Sheffleld
Saturday, December 31
Double-Feature
with Tim Holt. Also CIRCUS—with Adele Jergens, Band Hongats
LADIES OF THE SADULE—
Miller of The Holt College State State
Doers open at 11:00, Show star's 11:30
MISS GRANT TAKES RICHMOND
—with Lucille Ball, William Holden,
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—With Lucille Ball, William Holden,
Soc, Children 22c.

OUTPOST IN MOROCCO
George Raft, Marie Windsor,
Monday, January 2

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THE LOST TRIBE—with Johany
Veissmuller, Myrna Dell.

Tuesday-W, nesday, January 3:4

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with Fred MacMurray, Maureen

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RITZ—Sheffield

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Conday, January 1
LOST IDENTITY—with Ray Milland, Also
STEP THE VUKON—with
Steve Brodle, Myrna Dell,
Steve Brodle, Myrna Dell,
WOMEN IN THE NIGHT—with
Tala Birell, William Henry, Also
WOMEN IN THE NIGHT—with
Lariane Day, Kirk Douglas,
Wednesday-fluriday, January 45,
HOME OF THE BRAVE—Adults
See, Children January 46,
COWBOY COWBOY COWBOY COWBOY COWBOY COWBOY
BLAZING ARONS THE PECOS—
With Charles Starrett.